**KNOW**

Annexation

Apartheid

Autonomous region

Balkanization

Berlin Conference (1884)

Boundary: Cultural, Relic, Superimposed, Subsequent, Antecedent, Geometric, Consequent

Census

Contiguous zone

Choke point

Colonialism

Demilitarized zone

Democratization

Devolution

Enclave

Ethnic cleansing

Exclave

Exclusive economic zones

Federal State

Genocide

Geopolitics

Gerrymandering

Globalization

Horizontal integration

Imperialism

Irredentism

Law of the Sea

Multinational state

Multistate nation

Nation

Nationalism

Nation-state

Neocolonialism

Reapportionment

Regionalism

Self-determination

Semi-autonomous region

Shatterbelt

Sovereignty

Stateless nation

Supranationalism

Terrorism

Time-space compression

Transnational corporation

Unitary State

Vertical integration

**BE ABLE TO**

4.1 Explain how political organization of space results from historical and current processes, events, and ideas.

 4.1. Identify contemporary examples of political entities.

 4.2 Explain the processes that have shaped contemporary political geography, including the concepts of sovereignty, nation-states, and self-determination.

 4.2 Explain how colonialism, imperialism, independence movements and devolution have influenced contemporary political boundaries.

 4.3 Describe the concepts of political power and territoriality as used by geographers, including neocolonialism, shatterbelts and choke points.

 4.4 Explain how boundaries and divisions of governance reflect balances of power.

 4.5 Explain the nature of international and internal boundaries, including how they coincide with cultural, national, or economic divisions.

 4.5 Explain the function of international and internal boundaries, including how land and maritime boundaries can influence identity and disputes over resources

 4.6 Explain how voting districts, redistricting, and gerrymandering affect election results at various scales.

 4.7 Explain how federal and unitary states affect special organization, including forms of governance and power centers.

 4.8 Identify the factors that can lead to the devolution of states including the division of groups.

 4.9 Explain how political, economic, cultural, and technological changes challenge state sovereignty.

 4.10 Explain how the concepts of centrifugal and centripetal forces apply at the state scale.

**READING ASSIGNMENTS**

Rubenstein’s *The Cultural Landscape 12e*, Chapters 7-8 (pages 246 -305)

Week 1

8.1 Where are States Distributed?

8.2 Why are Nation-States Difficult to Create?

Week 2

7.3 Why Might Ethnicities Face Conflicts?

8.3 Why do Boundaries Cause Problems?

Week 3

7.4 Why do Ethnic Cleansing and Genocide Occur?

8.4 Where do States Face Threats?