**GEOG 303 Short Assignment 2**

Due February 18, 11:59 pm MST, D2L Dropbox

5 points

Individual Assignment – No Group work is permitted

For this assignment you need to read the article “Topographic controls on the regional-scale biodiversity of the south-western USA.” It is posted on D2L. You need to write a short summary of the paper in your own words. IF YOU COPY ANY OF THE SUMMARY DIRECTLY FROM THE PAPER YOU WILL RECEIVE A ZERO ON THIS ASSIGNMENT.

* What question did the authors try to answer?
* What was the biophysical *interaction* in which they were interested?
* What methods did they use?
* What were the results?
* Then, think about how this paper may help you and your group approach an answer to your research question for the Research Reports.
  + What topographic variables do you think will be most important to your research?