Course Objectives

This course will provide students essential background for understanding the complexities of U.S. relations with three East Asian countries and with East Asia as a region. China, Japan and a divided Korea, along with the region itself, will shape American life in the years ahead. This understanding includes an historical overview of U.S. interaction with these countries in a context of national security and commercial relations. The course will examine relations with each country during the Cold War as well as bilateral relations between the United States and each country in the post Cold War period.

The final portion of the course will consider key issues facing the world today: Security, trade, natural resources, and the environment, and how the U.S. and each country grapples with these challenges.

Requirements

Student evaluation will come from examinations based on readings and lectures, from weekly quizzes, and from class attendance. Accordingly, students are expected to attend all classes and to keep up with essential reading. If you cannot attend class, send an e-mail explaining that in advance.

Grades will be based on:

- **Class Attendance**: ATTENDANCE IS TAKEN (20%).
- Weekly quizzes given on Mondays (except after holidays) (20%), Lowest score is dropped.
- An in-class multiple-choice/true & false Mid-term Exam (20%).
- A Take-Home Final Exam (40%).

Written assignments and communication should be e-mailed to pes15@case.edu.

**NOTE:** EXAMS MORE THAN ONE WEEK LATE WILL RECEIVE A FAILING GRADE.
Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday from 9 TO 10 A.M., Room 217 Mather House, or by appointment. I am always available.

Disabilities:

Students with disabilities, or who experience acute illness or injury that may prevent them from successfully taking typical written exams should make arrangements for alternative formats through the Coordinator of Disability Services in Educational Service for Students, Sears Hall Room 470, 216-368-5230.

Drop

If you drop the course, please afford the courtesy of telling me so.

Reading:

Books available for purchase at the University Bookstore are:


Assignments marked with * are available on Blackboard.

Tentative Schedule (subject to change)

Examing East Asia

January 18, 2012: PART 1 The Need to Think Differently

January 20, 2012: PART 2 Confucianism & Collectivism

Reading: *Pye, Chs 2 & 3
# Incursion From the West

**January 23, 2012**  
PART 3  Colonialism in Japan  
Reading  
*Jansen, Ch 3  
*Beasley, Chs 1-2  
Gordon, pp. 46-54

**January 25, 2012**  
PART 4  Colonialism in China  
Reading:  
Hsü, Chs 7-9.

**January 27, 2012**  
PART 5  Colonialism in Korea  
Reading:  
*Pratt, Chapters 6.

# The Asian Response

**January 30, 2012**  
PART 6  China's Response  
Reading  
Hsü, Ch 11, Ch 12 (pp. 297-305) & Chs 13-14.

**February 1, 2012**  
PART 7  Japan's Response  
Reading:  
*Jansen, Ch 5  
*Beasley, Chs 3, 5, 11 & 12  
Gordon: Chs 5-8

**February 3, 2012**  
PART 8  Korea's Response  
Reading:  
*Pratt, Chapter 7, pp. 209-226

# East Asia as Second Front in the Cold War

**February 6, 2012**  
PART 9  Occupation of Japan  
Reading:  
*Beasley, Chs 13 & 14  
Gordon: Ch 13

**February 8, 2012**  
PART 10  Civil War in China  
Reading:  
Hsü Ch. 25
February 10, 2012  PART 11  War in Korea

Reading:  *Whiting, Chs 1-3 & 7-9  
*Judge & Langdon, Ch 7  
*Pratt, Chapter 8

February 13, 2012  PART 12  Vietnam & East Asia

Reading:  *Judge & Langdon Ch 11

February 15 & 17, 2012  PART 13  China Isolated

Reading:  *Lüthi, Chapters 2

Bilaterals

February 20, 2012  PART 14  The Grand Bargain With China

Reading:  *Judge & Langdon, pp 225-226  
Hsü, Ch 30

February 22, 2012  PART 15  Chinese Patterns of Behavior

Reading:  *Ezra Vogel: Introduction in Living With China  
*Lampton, Ch 1 in Same Bed, Different Dreams

February 24, 2012  PART 16  Paradigm Shift in Japan

Reading:  *Steven Kent Vogel, Chs 1-4, 10  
Gordon: Chs 15 & 16

February 27, 2012  PART 17  U.S.-South Korean Relations

Reading:  Feffer Chs 2 & 8

February 29, 2012  PART 18  U.S. North Korean Relations

Reading:  *Ikenberry, Ch. 6
Assessing America in East Asia

March 2, 2012  In-Class Midterm

March 5, 2012  PART 19  Regional Dynamics and American East Asian Policy

Reading: Sutter, Ch 5
* Ikenberry, Ch 1

March 7, 2012  PART 20  American Decline?

Reading: Sutter, Introduction

March 9, 2012  PART 21  Reengagement & China's Reaction

Reading: *Clinton, "America's Pacific Century" in Foreign Policy, November 2011

March 12 to 16 -- Spring Break
East Asian Priorities

March 19, 2012  PART 22  United States and Taiwan
Reading:  *Sutter (U.S.-China Relations)  Chapter 10

March 21, 2012  PART 23  Evolving U.S. Priorities With China
Reading:  Sutter, Ch 2 (pp. 39-60)

March 23, 2012  PART 24  Evolving U.S. Priorities With Korea
Reading:  Sutter Ch 2 (pp. 60-79)
*Ikenberry, Ch. 5
*Oberdorfer Ch. 4

Extra Credit:  "Telling the Players Without a Scorecard: China's Leadership in Transition"
Public Affairs Talk by Paul Schroeder, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Dampeer Room Kelvin Smith Library. Attendance worth 10 points extra credit.

March 26, 2012  PART 25  Evolving U.S. Priorities With Japan
Reading:  Sutter, Ch 3 (pp. 85-101)
*Ikenberry, Ch 3

March 28, 2012  PART 26  U.S. & Southeast Asia
Reading:  Sutter, Ch 3 (pp. 101-117)

East Asian Issues

March 30, 2012  PART 27  Security Issues
Reading:  *Douglas Paal, Ch 2 in Ezra Vogel
*Lampton, Ch 2 in Same Bed
*Krauss Ch 4
*Ikenberry, Ch. 7

April 2, 2012  PART 28  East Asian Political/Economic Development
Reading:  *Pye, Chs 11 & 12
*Ming Wan Ch 2
April 4, 2012  PART 29  Trade
Reading:  *Krauss Ch 7
          Gordon: Pages 314-332
          *Naughton, Chs 16-17
          *Ming Wan, Ch 8

April 6, 2012  PART 30  The Politics of Energy
Reading:  *Yergin: Chapter 13, then Chs 9 & 10

April 9, 2012  PART 31  The Environment
Reading:  *McElory & Nielsen, Ch 7 in Ezra Vogel
          *Economy, Chs 6-8.
          *John Broder: "At climate Talks, a Familiar standoff Between U.S. and

April 11, 2012  PART 32  The Japanese Challenge
Reading:  *Eamonn Fingleton, "the Myth of Japan's Failure" in *The New York Times*,
          January 8, 2012
          *Beasley, Chs 15-17
          Gordon, Ch 14

April 13 & 16, 2012  PART 33  The Chinese Challenge
Reading:  *Ikenberry, Ch 2
          *Ming Wan Ch 3, pp. 59-70 & 78-87

April 18, 2012  PART 34  The Korean Challenge
Reading:  Feffer Chs 4.

April 20, 2012  PART 35  Managing North Korean Nuclear Ambitions
Reading:  *B. R. Myers: "dynasty, North Korean-Style" in *The New York Times*, January 8,
          2012
          Feffer Chs 6 & 9
          *Ikenberry, Ch 9

April 23, 2012  PART 36  The Chinese World Order & East Asian Regionalism
Reading:  **"Outlines of Trans-Pacific Partnership," by United States Trade Representative
          *TPP Digest
          *Ming Wan, Ch 3 pp 70-78, & Ch. 5 pp 131-151
          *Frost, Chapters 8
April 25, 2012  PART 37  Regional Foreign Policy & Security Cooperation
Distribution of final exam due noon May 4, 2012

Sutter, Ch 9
*Frost Ch. 9
*Ikenberry, Ch 12
*Ming Wan Ch 5 pp 151-160

April 27, 2012  PART 38  The Future of U.S.-China Relations

Reading:  *Ikenberry & Mastanduno Ch 10

April 30, 2012  No Class

May 4, 2012  Final Paper Due by noon via pes15@case.edu