

Syllabus
Political Science 370C/470C
The United States and Asia
Spring 2012
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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:

Immanuel C. Y. Hsü: *The Rise of Modern China*, 6th Edition, Oxford University Press, 2000, ISBN 0-19-512504-5

Andrew Gordon: *Modern History of Japan: From Tokugawa Times to the Present*, Oxford University Press, 2003. ISBN 0-19-511061-7

John Feffer, ed.: *The Future of US-Korean Relations*, Routledge, 2006. ISBN 0-415-77038-6.

Robert G. Sutter: *The United States in Asia*. Rowman & Littlefield, 2009. ISBN 978-0-7425-5649-2

Assignments marked with * are available on Blackboard.

Tentative Schedule (subject to change)

Examining 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
 *Jackie Calmes: "Obama Talks Up Free Trade and Jobs at Asia Pacific Meeting" in *The New York Times*, November 13, 2011.
 *Floyd Whaley: "Clinton Reaffirms Military Ties With the Philippines" in *The New York Times*, November 16, 2011
 *Jackie Calmes: "Obama and Asian Leaders confront China's Premier" in *The New York Times*, November 19, 2011.
 *Steven Lee Myers: "Greeted Quietly, Clinton Arrives in Myanmar" in *The New York Times*, December 1, 2011.
 *Steven Lee Myers: "U.S. Will Ease Some Limits on Myanmar," Clinton Says" in *The New York Times*, December 1, 2011.
 *Jackie Calmes: "A U.S. Marine Base for Australia Irritates China" in *The New York Times*, November 16, 2011.
 *Robert Saiget: "China's Hu urges navy to prepare for combat," AFP, December 5, 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
 * Choe Sang-Hun: "U.S. Asks China to Press North Korea to Avoid Military Provocation" in *The New York Times*, January 6, 2012.

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
 China" in *The New York Times*, December 8, 2011

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

Reading: *David Barboza: "chinese News Agency Issues Warning Against U.S. Moves,"
in *The New York Times*, January 7, 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**