

Graduate section for:

International Relations of East Asia (currently WWS 462 and Politics 398)

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Course Description:

This graduate lecture course will concentrate on the Cold War and post Cold War international relations of East Asia. In the first two weeks we will cover general theoretical approaches to international relations and a brief historical backdrop of Western and Japanese imperialism in the region. In the following weeks, we will discuss the interaction between changes in the broader international system and changes in international relations in the East Asian region. The course will finish with discussion of implications of events and trends since the end of the Cold War.

Requirements:

There will be a take-home final exercise and a research paper of approximately 20-25 pages. The topic for the research paper must be approved by the professor. A formal 2-3 page proposal should be presented by the first week of March. In addition, the readings below would be added to the syllabus for 462 (attached). Graduate students will be expected to attend a weekly precept in addition to the lectures.

Bibliography.

Theory:

Stephen Walt, "Alliance Formation and the Balance of World Power," *International Security* 9:4 (Spring 1985) (Read for basic argument) (**coursepack**)

Kenneth Waltz, "Anarchic Orders and Balances of Power," in Robert O. Keohane, ed. *Neorealism and its Critics* (New York: Columbia University Press, 1988)

Japanese Imperialism:

Michael Barnhardt, *Japan Prepares for Total War: The Search for Economic Security, 1919-1941* (Cornell University Press, 1987) (**Coop**) Intro, Ch. 1, Ch. 6-7, Chs. 10-14.

Jack L. Snyder, *Myths of Empire: Domestic Politics and International Ambition* (Ithaca,

NY: Cornell University Press, 1991). Theory chapters and chapters on Japan.
 Saburo Ienaga, *The Pacific War, 1931-45* (New York: Pantheon, 1968) skim for basic themes about Japanese imperial atrocities.

The 1960s and 1970s:

Stephan Haggard, *Pathways from the Periphery: The Politics of Growth in the Newly Industrialized Countries* (Cornell University Press, 1990), entire.

Peter Van Ness, *Revolution and Chinese Foreign Policy: Peking's Support for Wars of National Liberation* (Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 1970) skim section II, read Part III. **(reserve only)**

Robert Sutter, *China-Watch* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins, 1978), chs. 5-7. **(reserve only)**

The Cambodian Conflict and Sino-Vietnamese War:

Gareth Porter, "Vietnamese Policy and the Indochina Crisis," in David W.P. Elliott, *The Third Indochina Conflict* (Boulder: Westview Press, 1981), pp. 69-137 **(coursepack)**

Japan and Korea

Victor Cha, *Alignment Despite Antagonism: The U.S.-Korea-Japan Security Triangle* (Stanford, CA: Stanford University, 1999).

Frances McCall Rosenbluth, "Japan's Response to the Strong Yen" in Curtis, ed. *Japan's Foreign Policy After the Cold War*, pp. 137-159. **(reserve)**

Richard Samuels and Eric Heginbotham "Japan" in *Strategic Asia: 2002-2003* (Seattle, WA: National Bureau of Asian Research, 2003).

Southeast Asia:

Amitav Acharya, *Constructing a Security Community in Southeast Asia* (New York: Taylor and Francis, 2003?).

Sheldon Simon in *Strategic Asia: 2002-2003* (Seattle, WA: National Bureau of Asian Research, 2003).

China:

Richard Bernstein and Ross Munro, "China I: The Coming Conflict with America,"
Foreign Affairs, Vol. 76, No. 2 (March/April 1997) (**coursepack**)

Robert S. Ross, "China II: Beijing as a Conservative Power," *Foreign Affairs*, Vol. 76,
No. 3 (March/April 1997) (**coursepack**)

Richard Betts and Thomas J. Christensen, "China: Getting the Questions Right,"
National Interest Winter 2000 (coursepack).

Thomas J. Christensen, "Posing Problems Without Catching Up" *International Security* (Spring 2001)

Thomas J. Christensen, "The Contemporary Security Dilemma," *Washington Quarterly* (Autumn 2002)

Alastair Iain Johnston, "Is China A Status Quo Power?" *International Security*
(Summer 2004)

East Asia as a Region

Robert Ross, "The Geography of the Peace," *International Security* Vol. 26, No. 1
(Spring 2001).

David Kang, "Getting Asia Wrong: The Need for New Analytical Frameworks,"
International Security Vol. 27, No. 4 (Spring 2003), pp. 57-85.

Amitav Acharya, "Will Asia's Past Be its Future?" *International Security*, Vol. 28, No. 3
(Winter 2003/2004).

David Kang, "Hierarchy, Balancing, and Empirical Puzzles in Asian International
Relations," *International Security*, Vol. 28, No. 3 (Winter 2003/2004).