

# School of Arts & Science SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT ASIA 111

Contemporary Asia-Pacific Fall 2016

# **COURSE OUTLINE**

The course description is online @ http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/asia.html

Ω Please note: the College electronically stores this outline for five (5) years only. It is strongly recommended you keep a copy of this outline with your academic records. You will need this outline for any future application/s for transfer credit/s to other colleges/universities.

### 1. Instructor Information

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### 2. Intended Learning Outcomes

(No changes are to be made to these Intended Learning Outcomes as approved by the Education Council of Camosun College.)

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to identify:

- The physical landscape, cultural heritage and identities of the different areas of modern Asia-Pacific.
- The roles of history, literature, art, religion and philosophy of different areas of modern Asia-Pacific.
- 3. The political and social structures, ideologies, and changes in modern Asia-Pacific.
- 4. The divergent economic systems, policies and development patterns in modern Asia-Pacific.

### 3. Required Materials

Demick, Barbara, *Nothing to Envy: Ordinary Lives in North Korea*. New York: Spiegal and Grau Publishers. 2010.

Vervoon, Aat, Re Orient: Change in Asian Societies. (3<sup>rd</sup> Edition) New York: Oxford University Press, 2006.

Supplementary Readings are listed in the course outline and may be downloaded from the internet or obtained from the Reserve Readings of the Camosun Library

### 4. Course Content and Schedule

(This section can include: class hours, lab hours, out of class requirements and/or dates for quizzes, exams, lectures, labs, seminars, practicums, etc.)

September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: INTRODUCTION TO ASIA

September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: GEOGRAPHY OF ASIA

Readings: Rhoads Murphy, A History of Asia, "Monsoon Asia as a Unit of Study", (On Reserve)

September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Lecture: GEOGRAPHY OF ASIA** 

**Readings:** Rhoads Murphy, A History of Asia, "Monsoon Asia as a Unit of Study", (On Reserve)

September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: IDEOLOGIES AND PHILOSOPHIES

Readings: Rhoads Murphy, A History of Asia, "Asian Religions and Their Cultures" (On Reserve)

September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: IDEOLOGIES AND PHILOSOPHIES

Readings: Rhoads Murphy, A History of Asia, "Asian Religions and Their Cultures" (On Reserve)

September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016

Lecture: THEORIES OF DEVELOPMENT

Readings: Simone Vera, The Asian Pacific: political and economic development in a global

context, Chapter 1. (On Reserve)

September 26<sup>st</sup>, 2016

Lecture: THEORIES OF DEVELOPMENT CONTINUED

Readings: Simone Vera, The Asian Pacific: political and economic development in a global

context, Chapter 1. (On Reserve)

September 28th, 2016

**TEST ONE** 

October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

Lecture: GLOBAL ASIA AND NATION STATE BUILDING

Readings: Re Orient, Chapters One and Two

October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Lecture: WAR OF RESISTENCE** 

Readings: TBA

October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Statutory Holiday - No Class

October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Lecture: ETHINIC MINORITIES and HUMAN RIGHTS** 

Readings: Re Orient, Chapters Three and Four

October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Reading: Re Orient, Chapter Five

October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: MYANMAR: A CASE STUDY

Reading: Asian Survey, Volume 56, No 1, January/February, 2016 "Asia in 2015: The Year in

Review", "Myanmar in 2015 An Election Year" by Stephen McCarthy

October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: DEMOGRAPHIC CRISIS Reading: Re Orient, Chapter Six

October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS Reading: Re Orient, Chapter Seven

October 31st, 2016

Lecture: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS Continued

Reading: Re Orient, Chapter Seven

November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016

TEST TWO

November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Lecture: NORTH KOREA Reading: *Nothing to Envy* 

November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**BOOK REPORT DISCUSSION** 

Reading: Nothing to Envy - BOOK REPORTS DUE

November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: FAMILY RELATIONS Reading: Re Orient, Chapter Eight

November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: MIGRATION AND MOBILITY IN ASIA

Reading: TBA

November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016

Lecture: MIRACLE ECONOMIES OF EAST ASIA

Reading: Re Orient, Chapter Nine

November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

Lecture: MIRACLE ECONOMIES continued

Readings: Re Orient, Chapter Nine

November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: Politics of Communication Readings: Re Orient, Chapter Ten

November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: Using and Creating Knowledge Readings: Re Orient, Chapter Eleven

December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Lecture: GLOBAL CHALLENGES AND DEVELOPMENT

Readings: Re Orient, "Conclusion"

December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016

TEST THREE

## 5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(a) Test One (September 28)	(20%)
(b) Test Two (November 2)	(25%)
(c) Test Three (December 7)	(15%)
(d) Book Review Report (November 9)	(25%)
(e) Panel Presentation	(15%)

**Test One:** The first test will be held September 28<sup>th</sup>, and will consist of map work, short answer and essay style questions. This test will form 20% of your total grade.

**Test Two:** The mid-term will be held November 2<sup>nd</sup> and will consist of multiple-choice questions, short answer questions and one essay question. The test will focus on material covered since Test One. This assignment will be worth 25% of your total grade.

**Test Three:** During the last class a final exam will be set. This will make up 15% of the course grade and will consist of multiple choice questions, short answer questions and one essay style question. Questions will be based on material covered just prior to Test Two.

**Book Report:** Using the assigned reading, *Nothing to Envy: Ordinary Lives in North Korea* by Barbara Demick, students will write a book report and be prepared to discuss this interesting work in class on November 9<sup>th</sup>. The book report must not only offer a brief synopsis of the story but be a critique of the author's work, correlating the main themes of the book with course materials. The book report should be 4 typed pages in length and is due the same day as the discussion (November 9<sup>th</sup>). The report will constitute 25% of your mark and 5% will be earned through participation in the discussion class. Students who miss the deadline for this assignment will lose the 5% discussion mark.

**Panel Presentation:** Each student will be put into a team of 4 students who will put together a 15-minute class presentation, the topic correlating to one of the themes/lecture topics in the second half of the course. Each team will meet with the instructor to discuss their presentation to ensure that the presentation and lecture materials enhance one another. The schedule, topics and content will be further discussed in class.

## 6. Grading System

(No changes are to be made to this section unless the Approved Course Description has been forwarded through the Education Council of Camosun College for approval.)

### Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	Α		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	В		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

## **Temporary Grades**

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at **camosun.ca** for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description	
1	Incomplete: A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.	
IP	In progress: A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 <sup>rd</sup> course attempt or at the point of course completion.)	
cw	Compulsory Withdrawal: A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instruction of the documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers	

## 7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

### LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services, or the College web site at <a href="mailto:camosun.ca">camosun.ca</a>.

## STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy which includes plagiarism. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services, and the College web site in the Policy Section.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AS APPROPRIATE OR AS REQUIRED