

Fall 2021 Syllabus—There may be slight changes for Fall 2022

EALC 505
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East Asian Diplomacy

Home to four of the five most populous states and four of the five largest economies, the Asia/Pacific is arguably the most dynamic region in the twenty-first century. At the same time, Cold War remnants (a divided Korea and China) and major geopolitical shifts (the rise of China and India, decline of the US and Japan) contribute significantly to the volatility of our world. This graduate seminar will examine the political, economic, and geopolitical dynamism of the region through a survey of recent analyses of the international history China, Japan, Korea and Southeast Asia from the sixteenth century to the present. All readings will be available on our course website.

Course Aims

By the end of this course, you should have:

- 1) History: Understanding key people, places, events in history of East Asian diplomacy, 1600 - now
- 2) Historiography: Understanding of the discipline of history and ways that analyses of East Asian Diplomacy have changed over time

Class Format (Weekly schedule)

Graduate students will read FOUR article-length analyses and submit ONE brief comment on readings BEFORE class each week. We then meet once a week for a 1 ½ hour in-person discussion (Tues., 5-6:30 p.m.). Your weekly schedule will look like this:

- 1) TWO asynchronous activities by 11 p.m. on Monday (the day before our class meeting):
 - a) FOUR article-length readings
 - d) ONE analysis of readings (no more than 150 words)
- 2) ONE live meeting each week to discuss week's readings

Requirements

	Total pts	% grade
1) Participation: a) weekly seminar participation (4 X 12 = 60 pts) b) 2 x discussant (6 X 2 = 12 pts)	60	37.5%
2) Writing: a) 1 midterm paper (historiography) (40 pts) b) 1 final paper (blurb 5 pts, intro 5, outline 5, present 5, paper 40)	40 60	25% 37.5%

Code of Academic Integrity

You are expected to adhere to all university policies and procedures regarding academic integrity (cheating, fabrication, plagiarism, etc.). The work you submit in this class is expected to be your own. If you submit work that has been copied without attribution from any published or unpublished source including the Internet, or that has been prepared by someone other than you, or that in any way identifies somebody else's work as your own (e.g., translation without proper attribution), you will be referred to Penn's Office of Student Conduct and face possible disciplinary action, including expulsion. For more information consult:

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Masks

As of August 5, 2021, masks are required indoors in public and shared spaces for ALL, including those who are fully vaccinated.

Course itinerary

Week I (“Traditional” East Asian Diplomacy) Aug. 31

- 1) John King Fairbank, "A Preliminary Framework," in Fairbank, ed., *The Chinese World Order: Traditional China's Foreign Relations* (1968), pp. 1-19
- 2) Ronald Toby, "Through the Looking-Glass of Protocol," from *State and Diplomacy in Early Modern Japan* (1984), pp. 168-197
- 3) Kenneth R. Robinson, "Centering the King of Choson: Aspects of Korean Maritime Diplomacy, 1392-1592," *The Journal of Asian Studies*, Vol. 59, No. 1 (Feb. 2000), pp. 109-125
- 4) Alexander Woodside, "Territorial Order and Collective-Identity Tensions in Confucian Asia: China, Vietnam, Korea," *Daedalus*, Vol. 127, No. 3 (Summer 1998), pp. 191-220

Week II (Moving beyond East Asian “world orders”) Sept. 7

- 1) Peter C. Perdue, *China Marches West: The Qing Conquest of Central Eurasia* (2005), chp. 15
- 2) Timothy Romans, "Mysterious Ships, Troublesome Loans, and Rumors of War: The Tokugawa Arrest of Suetsugu Heizō Shigetomo," *Journal of World History*, Vol. 29, No. 4 (Dec. 2018)
- 3) Joseph Jeong-IL Lee, "Distancing All Around: Post-Ming China Realpolitik in Seventeenth-Century Korea," *Cross-Currents: East Asian History and Culture Review*, Vol. 9, No. 1 (May 2020)
- 4) Kathlene Baldanza, "Books without Borders: Phạm Thận Duật (1825–1885) and the Culture of Knowledge in Mid-Nineteenth-Century Vietnam," *The Journal of Asian Studies*, 77 (3) (2018), 713-740

Week III (Cross-border contact) Sept. 14

- 1) Nicholas Mcgee, "Putting Words in the Emperor's Mouth: A Genealogy of Colonial Potential in the Study of Qing Chinese Diaspora," *Journal of World History*, Volume 30, Number 4 (Dec. 2019)
- 2) Adam Clulow, "The Art of Claiming: Possession and Resistance in Early Modern Asia," *The American Historical Review*, Volume 121, Issue 1 (Feb. 2016), Pages 17–38
- 3) Nicholas B. Miller, "Trading Sovereignty and Labour: The Consular Network of Nineteenth-Century Hawai‘i," *The International History Review*, vol. 42, issue 2 (2020)
- 4) Tonio Andrade, Hyeok Hweon Kang; Cooper, Kirsten, "A Korean Military Revolution? Parallel Military Innovations in East Asia and Europe," *Journal of World History*, Vol. 25 Issue 1 (Mar. 2014), pp. 51-84

Week IV (Japanese Empire) Sept. 21

- 1) Peter Duus, *The Abacus and the Sword: The Japanese Penetration of Korea, 1895-1910* (1995), intro, chp. 1, conclusion
- 2) Jonas Rüegg, "Mapping the Forgotten Colony: The Ogasawara Islands and the Tokugawa Pivot to the Pacific," *Cross-Currents: East Asian History and Culture Review*, Vol. 6, No. 2 (Nov. 2017)
- 3) Simon James Bytheway and Martha Chaiklin. "Reconsidering the Yokohama “Gold Rush” of 1859," *Journal of World History* 27, no. 2 (2016), pp. 281-301
- 4) Julia Mariko Jacoby, "Learning from the Earthquake Nation: Japanese Science Diplomacy in the Twentieth Century," *Journal of Contemporary History*, Volume 56 Issue 3 (July 2021)

Week V (Life in Foreign Lands) Sept. 28

- 1) David Brophy, "“He Causes a Ruckus Wherever He Goes’: Sa‘id Muhammad al-‘Asali as a missionary of modernism in north-west China," *Modern Asian Studies*, Volume 54 - Issue 4 (July 2020)
- 2) Sidney Xu Lu, "Eastward Ho! Japanese Settler Colonialism in Hokkaido and the Making of Japanese Migration to the American West, 1869–1888," *Journal of Asian Studies*, Vol. 78, Issue 3 (Aug. 2019), pp. 521-547
- 3) Sinwoo Lee, "Blurring Boundaries: Mixed Residence, Extraterritoriality, and Citizenship in Seoul, 1876–1910," *Journal of Korean Studies* 21(1) (Spring 2016), 71-100
- 4) Thuy Linh Nguyen, "Dynamite, Opium, and a Transnational Shadow Economy at Tonkinese Coal Mines," *Modern Asian Studies*, Volume 54 - Issue 6 (Nov. 2020)

Week VI (Sino-Japanese War) Oct. 5

- 1) Jenny Huangfu Day, "Mediating Sovereignty: The Qing legation in London and its diplomatic representation of China, 1876–1901," *Modern Asian Studies*, Volume 55 - Issue 4 (July 2021)
- 2) S. Rimner, "Chinese Abolitionism: The Chinese Educational Mission in Connecticut, Cuba, and Peru," *Journal of Global History*, 11(3) (2016), 344-364
- 3) M. Dusinger. "Writing the On-board: Meiji Japan in Transit and Transition," *Journal of Global History*, 11(2) (2016), 271-294
- 4) Hwang, Kyung Moon "Country or State? Reconceptualizing Kukka in the Korean Enlightenment Period, 1896-1910," *Korean Studies*, Vol. 24 (2000), pp. 1-24

Week VII (Rise of US power) Oct. 12

- 1) Rebecca M McLennan, "The Empire of Law Goes to Sea," *Diplomatic History*, vol. 44, issue 5 (Nov. 2020)
- 2) F. Steel, "Anglo-worlds in Transit: Connections and Frictions across the Pacific," *Journal of Global History*, 11(2) (2016), pp. 251-270
- 3) Tom Smith, "History, 'Unwritten Literature,' and U.S. Colonialism in Hawai'i, 1898–1915," *Diplomatic History*, Vol. 43, Issue 5 (Nov. 2019), pp. 813–839
- 4) Sejou Kim, "'With All Your Heart': American Missionaries and the State in Mission Fields," *Diplomatic History*, vol. 45, issue 1 (Jan. 2021)

Oct. 13 Final paper blurb due

Week VIII (Work on paper) Oct. 19

Oct. 22 Paper #1 Due

Week IX (Russo-Japanese War) Oct. 26

- 1) Simon Partner, "Peasants into Citizens?: The Meiji Village in the Russo-Japanese War, *Monumenta Nipponica*, Vol. 62, No. 2 (Summer 2007), pp. 179-209
- 2) Satoshi Mizutani, "Transimperial Genealogies of Korea as a Protectorate: The Egypt Model in Japan's Politics of Colonial Comparison," *Cross-Currents: East Asian History and Culture Review*, Volume 8, Number 2 (Nov. 2019)
- 3) Yumi Moon, "Immoral Rights: Korean Populist Collaborators and the Japanese Colonization of Korea, 1904–1910," *The American Historical Review*, Vol. 118, Issue 1 (Feb. 2013), pp. 20–44
- 4) Arnout H. C. Van Der Meer, "Igniting Change in Colonial Indonesia: Soemarsono's Contestation of Colonial Hegemony in a Global Context," *Journal of World History*, Volume 30, Number 4 (Dec. 2019)

Week X (Early Twentieth Century) Nov. 2

- 1) Dolf-Alexander Neuhaus, "Awakening Asia": Korean Student Activists in Japan, The Asia Kunglun, and Asian Solidarity, 1910–1923," *Cross-Currents: East Asian History and Culture Review*, Volume 6, Number 2 (Nov. 2017)
- 2) Yurou Zhong, "Sacred, the Laborers": Writing Chinese in the First World War," *Cross-Currents: East Asian History and Culture Review*, Volume 6, Number 1 (May 2017)
- 3) Mahon Murphy, "The Heimei Maru Incident 1921: Japan's Diplomatic Intervention in Prisoner of War Repatriation," *The International History Review*, vol. 43, issue 2 (2021)
- 4) Byung Wook Jung, "Migrant Labor and Massacres: A Comparison of the 1923 Massacre of Koreans and Chinese during the Great Kanto Earthquake and the 1931 Anti-Chinese Riots and Massacre of Chinese in Colonial Korea," *Cross-Currents: East Asian History and Culture Review*, Volume 6, Number 1 (May 2017)

Nov. 5 Final Paper intro due

Week XI (Interwar Asia) Nov. 9

- 1) Craig A. Smith, "Chinese Asianism in the Early Republic: Guomindang Intellectuals and the Brief Internationalist Turn," *Modern Asian Studies*, Vol. 53, Issue 2 (Mar. 2019), pp. 582-605
- 2) Sakura Christmas, "Japanese Imperialism and Environmental Disease on a Soy Frontier, 1890–1940," *Journal of Asian Studies*, Volume 78, Issue 4 (Nov. 2019), pp. 809-836

- 3) Tomoko Akami, "Imperial Politics, Intercolonialism, and the Shaping of Global Governing Norms: Public health expert networks in Asia and the League of Nations Health Organization, 1908–37," *Journal of Global History*, 12(1) (2017), 4-25
- 4) Vladimir Tikhonov, "Sin Ōnjun (1904–1938) and Lu Xun's Image in Korea: Colonial Korea's Nationalist Transnationalism," *Journal of Asian Studies*, Volume 78, Issue (Feb. 2019), pp. 23-44

Week XII (War in Asia) Nov. 16

- 1) Peter Thilly, "The Fujitsuru Mystery: Translocal Xiamen, Japanese Expansionism, and the Asian Cocaine Trade, 1900–1937," *Cross-Currents: East Asian History and Culture Review*, Vol. 7, No 1 (May 2018)
- 2) David Fedman, "Wartime Forestry and the 'Low Temperature Lifestyle' in Late Colonial Korea, 1937–1945." *The Journal of Asian Studies*, 77 (2) (2018), 333-350
- 3) Chizuru Namba, "The French Colonization and Japanese Occupation of Indochina during the Second World War Encounters of the French, Japanese, and Vietnamese," *Cross-Currents: East Asian History and Culture Review*, *Cross-Currents: East Asian History and Culture Review*, Vol. 8, No. 2 (Nov. 2019)
- 4) Pedro Iacobelli, "Japan's Intelligence Network in Chile During the Second World War," *Journal of Contemporary History*, Volume 56 Issue 1 (Jan. 2021)

Nov. 19 Final paper outline due

Week XIII (Cold War East Asia) Nov. 23

- 1) Justin Jacobs, "The Many Deaths of a Kazak Unaligned: Osman Batur, Chinese Decolonization, and the Nationalization of a Nomad," *The American Historical Review*, Volume 115, Issue 5, 1 (Dec. 2010), Pages 1291–1314
- 2) Nadin Heé, "Negotiating Migratory Tuna: Territorialization of the Oceans, Trans-war Knowledge and Fisheries Diplomacy," *Diplomatic History*, vol. 44, issue 3 (June 2020)
- 3) Victor Louzon, "From Japanese Soldiers to Chinese Rebels: Colonial Hegemony, War Experience, and Spontaneous Remobilization during the 1947 Taiwanese Rebellion," *The Journal of Asian Studies*, 77(1) (2018), 161-179
- 4) Jein Do, "North Korean "Independence" in Unification Policy and Sino-North Korean Relations, 1955–1966," *Asian Perspective*, vol. 44, no. 3 (Summer 2020)

Week XIV (Mini Symposium on East Asian Diplomacy) Nov. 30

Paper Presentations

Week XV (Cold War East and Southeast Asia) Dec. 7

- 1) Rachel Leow, "A Missing Peace: The Asia-Pacific Peace Conference in Beijing, 1952 and the Emotional Making of Third World Internationalism," *Journal of World History*, Vol. 30, Nos. 1-2 (June 2019)
- 2) James Lin, "Martyrs of Development: Taiwanese Agrarian Development and the Republic of Vietnam, 1959–1975," *Cross-Currents: East Asian History and Culture Review*, Vol. 9, No 1 (May 2020)
- 3) Nicholas J. White, J.M. Barwise & Shakila Yacob, "Economic Opportunity and Strategic Dilemma in Colonial Development: Britain, Japan and Malaya's Iron Ore, 1920s to 1950s," *The International History Review*, Vol. 42 Issue 2 (2020)
- 4) Qingfei Yin, "From a Line on Paper to a Line in Physical Reality: Joint state-building at the Chinese-Vietnamese border, 1954–1957," *Modern Asian Studies*, Volume 54 - Issue 6 (Nov. 2020)

Week XVI

Dec. 17 Final paper due