WEATHERHEAD EAST ASIAN INSTITUTE GRADUATE COURSE BULLETIN
FALL 2014 COURSE OFFERINGS AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The Weatherhead East Asian Institute Graduate Course Bulletin is intended to provide a listing of East Asia-related graduate and language courses at Columbia. While we try to include all courses in that category, some courses are posted after the bulletin has been printed.

For the most up-to-date information on courses, go to the online Directory of Classes at http://www.columbia.edu/cu/bulletin/uwb/

This course bulletin also explains the requirements for the Weatherhead East Asian Institute Certificate, the East Asian Regional Specialization within the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA), and the Master of Arts in Regional Studies–East Asia (MARSEA).

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GRADUATE-LEVEL EAST ASIA COURSES

ROOM ASSIGNMENTS AND CLASS SCHEDULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

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PLEASE CHECK THIS WEBSITE PERIODICALLY FOR ANY LAST MINUTE CHANGES TO THE COURSE SCHEDULE. STUDENTS SHOULD RELY ON THE ON-LINE VERSION OF THE DIRECTORY OF CLASSES FOR THE MOST CURRENT & ACCURATE COURSE INFORMATION.

Note: An “R” before the course time indicates Thursday. TBA means To be announced

ANTHROPOLOGY

Popular Religion in East Asia
ANTH G4050 Call # 13306
Myron L Cohen and Laurel Kendall
LECTURE
Location: 467 Schermerhorn Hall
Day(s)/Time: T 2:10PM to 4:00PM
Points: 3

ARCHITECTURE

Contemporary Chinese City
ARCH A4356 Call # 67846
Jeffrey Johnson
SEMINAR
Location: 300 S Buell Hall
Day(s)/Time: M 11:00AM – 1:00 PM
Points: 3

Building China Modern
ARCH A4620 Call # 73505
Amy Lelyveld
SEMINAR
Location: 505 Avery Hall
Day(s)/Time: R 11:00AM – 1:00PM
Points: 3

Post War Japanese Architecture
ARCH A6390 Call # 21946
Kunio Kudo
SEMINAR
Location: 114 Avery Hall
Day(s)/Time: M 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Points: 3

ART HISTORY

Chinese Art under the Mongols
AHIS G4102 Call # 83397
Robert Harrist
Application required, see department website
LECTURE
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ECONOMICS

Economic Development of Japan
ECON W4525 Call # 68378
Edward Lincoln

LECTURE
Location: 833 Seeley W Mudd Building Points: 3
Day(s)/Time: TR 8:40AM – 9:55AM

HISTORY

The History of Korea to 1900
HSEA W3862 Call # 66505
Jungwon Kim

LECTURE
Location: 323A Thompson Hall (TC) Points: 3
Day(s)/Time: TR 10:10AM – 11:25AM

Modern Japan, 1800 to the Present
HSEA W3869 Call # 18570
Lisbeth K Brandt
Mandatory film screening

LECTURE
Location: 543 Grace Dodge Hall (TC) Points: 3
Day(s)/Time: TR 10:10PM to 11:25AM

The History of Modern China 1
HSEA W3880 Call # 19087
Madeline Zelin
Grad students should register for HSEA W4880

LECTURE
Location: 413 Kent Hall Points: 3
Day(s)/Time: TR 10:10AM to 11:25AM

Postwar Japan in the World
HSEA G4837 Call # 27789
Lisbeth K Brandt

SEMINAR
Location: 201D Philosophy Hall Points: 3
Day(s)/Time: W 12:10 PM to 2:00 PM

History - China to the End of Han
HSEA G4869 Call # 27037
Feng Li

SEMINAR
Location: 408 Hamilton Hall Points: 4
Day(s)/Time: T 2:10PM to 4:00PM

Women and Gender in Korean History
HSEA G4888 Call # 68296
Jungwon Kim

SEMINAR
Location: 309 Hamilton Hall Points: 4
Day(s)/Time: R 2:10PM to 4:00PM

Who is the Samurai?
HSEA G4894 Call # 60837
Gregory Pflugfelder

SEMINAR
Location: 522C Kent Hall Points: 3
Day(s)/Time: M 4:10PM to 6:00PM
Colloquium on Early Modern Japan
HSEA G6009  Call # 28097  COLLOQUIA  Location: 522A Kent Hall  Points: 3
Gregory Pflugfelder  Day(s)/Time: R 4:10PM to 6:00PM

Ruling Inner Asia from Beijing
HSEA G8100  Call # 73760  SEMINAR  Location: 401 Hamilton Hall  Points: 4
Gray Tuttle  Day(s)/Time: T 4:10PM to 6:00 PM

Coll: Modern Japanese History
HSEA G8839  Call # 16156  COLLOQUIA  Location: 418 International Affairs Building Points: 4
Carol Gluck  Day(s)/Time: T 4:10PM to 6:00PM

De-Provincializing Marx
HSEA G8867  Call # 69278  SEMINAR  Location: 652 Schermerhorn Hal  Points: 4
Harry Harootunian  Day(s)/Time: W 4:10PM to 6:00PM

Early Modern China
HSEA G8879  Call # 67285  SEMINAR  Location: 522C Kent Hall  Points: 4
Dorothy Ko  Day(s)/Time: T 4:10PM to 6:00PM

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

East Asian Security
INAF U6430  Call # 96049  SEMINAR  Location: 324 International Affairs Building Points: 3
Roy D Kamphausen  Day(s)/Time: M 2:10PM – 4:00PM

Gender and Development in Southeast Asia
INAF U6639  Call # 67598  Location: 501 International Affairs Building Points: 3
Kristy Kelly  Day(s)/Time: R 2:10PM – 4:00PM

China and Human Rights
INAF U6750  Call # 86599  SEMINAR  Location: 501A International Affairs Building Points:3
Instructor: TBA  Day(s)/Time: M 11:00AM – 12:50PM

China’s New Marketplace
REGIS U8600  Call # 62034  SEMINAR  Location: TBA  Points: 3
Daniel Rosen  Day(s)/Time: T 6:10 – 8:00 PM

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EAAS G4015  Call # 03855
Annabella C Pitkin

Chinese Buddhist Studies
RELI 6040  Call # 26149
Zhaohua Yang

Readings in Japanese Religion
RELI G9400  Call # 19606
Michael Como

LANGUAGE COURSES
For all language courses beyond the first-year level, please consult the “Entrance to Language Courses Beyond the Elementary Level” handout available at the Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures (EALAC) in Kent Hall. Placement exams for entrance to East Asian language courses beyond the introductory year are held at the beginning of each semester. Sign-up in the EALAC office in 407 Kent Hall on the Morningside Heights Campus. For information on language courses dealing with classical or medieval texts or any other general questions on East Asian languages, please consult EALAC’s course bulletin, go to their website at <http://www.columbia.edu/cu/ealac>, or call them at 212-854-5027.

CANTONESE (OFFERED AT NEW YORK UNIVERSITY)

Elementary Cantonese I
CANT W1101  Call # 67014
Instructor: TBA
Day(s)/Time: TR 2:00 PM to 4:45 PM
Location: TBA
Class meets at NYU. Signature needed. Please call 212-854-6341

Intermediate Cantonese I
CANT W1201  Call # 70642
Instructor: TBA
Day(s)/Time: TR 4:55 PM to 7:35 PM
Location: TBA
Class meets at NYU. Signature needed. Please call 212-854-6341

CHINESE

General Information

Admission to Chinese Courses: Please see EALAC for information on the language placement test and schedule. Please also note that students whose native language is not English are not required to take an additional foreign language if they have completed the secondary school requirement in the native language.
For more information on Chinese language courses please visit the Chinese Language Program website at <http://www.columbia.edu/cu/ealac/chinese/>

**Introductory Chinese** For beginners who wish to study Chinese at a slower pace. The entire course consists of two parts covering the same material as the first semester of Elementary Chinese (C1101/F1101). Students who have successfully completed the Courses I and II (W1010-1011) will be admitted to Elementary Chinese II (C1102y/F1102y) in the spring semester. Alternatively a student graduated from Course I and/or II can choose to study in a summer or another program and be placed into the intermediate Chinese course if he or she passes the placement test.

**Elementary Chinese (Level 1)**

**N-Sections:** For students with zero or limited background in Chinese.

**W-Sections:** For students of Chinese heritage or advanced beginners with Mandarin speaking ability but minimal reading and writing skills.

**Note:** Advanced beginners or heritage students who can speak Mandarin will NOT be accepted into the N sections.

**Intermediate Chinese (Level 2)**

**N-Sections:** Continuation of Elementary Chinese N focusing on further development of listening, speaking, reading and writing skills.

**W-Sections:** Continuation of Elementary Chinese W focusing on reading skills and written language. Open to students of Chinese heritage or those with good speaking skills in Chinese only.

**Advanced Chinese I (Level 3)**

**N-Sections:** Continuation of the Intermediate N course focusing on more sophisticated language usage and fluency as well as reading skills with systematic vocabulary expansion.

**W-Section:** Continuation of Intermediate W courses focusing on practical writing skills and semi-formal or formal style of Chinese used in various professional settings. Open to students with good speaking skills in Chinese only.

**Other Advanced Courses (Levels 4-5)** Please see the course list.


**FILIPINO (OFFERED AT NEW YORK UNIVERSITY)**

Elementary Filipino I
FILI W1101 Call # 81765  LOCATION: TBA  POINTS: 4

9
Instructor: TBA Day(s)/Time: MTWR 11:00AM to 12:15PM
Class meets at NYU. Signature needed. Please call 212-854-6341

Intermediate Filipino I
FILI W1201 Call # 29575 Location: TBA Points: 4
Instructor: TBA Day(s)/Time: TR 2:00PM to 4:45PM
Class meets at NYU. Signature needed. Please call 212-854-6341

INDONESIAN

For more information on Indonesian language classes, contact the Language Resource Center at 212-854-6341.

Elementary Indonesian I
INDO W1101 Call # 16993 Location: 352 International Affairs Building Points: 4
Instructor: TBA Day/Time: MW 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Contact the Language Resource Center for more information, 212-854-6341

Intermediate Indonesian I
INDO W1201 Call # 12030 Location: 352 International Affairs Building Points: 4
Instructor: TBA Day/Time: TR 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Contact the Language Resource Center for more information, 212-854-6341

Advanced Indonesian I
INDO W3335 Call # 27948 Location: TBA Points: 3
Instructor: TBA Day/Time: TBA
Offered via video conference from Cornell University

JAPANESE

The Japanese language program offers instruction through the fifth year in modern Japanese, plus additional advanced classes in classical Japanese and directed readings graduate seminars.

Further information on the Japanese language program is available at <http://www.columbia.edu/cu/ealac/japanese>.


KOREAN

Elementary Korean & Intermediate Korean each maintain three sections; True beginners (with absolutely no background in Korean language), False beginners (with some background in Korean language), Korean heritage.

Advanced Korean & Fourth-Year Korean offer one section each. Additional individual help is offered to accommodate different linguistic levels and to meet students' different needs and goals in studying Korea.
**Fifth-Year Korean** offers readings of advanced modern literary, historical, political and journalistic texts, and a wide range of materials.


**TIBETAN**

Elementary Classical Tibetan I  
**LANGUAGE**  
TIBT W4410  Call # 60818  
**Location:** 352C International Affairs Building  
**Points:** 4  
Paul G. Hackett  
**Day/Time:** MW 11:00 AM to 12:50 PM

Intermediate Classical Tibetan I  
**LANGUAGE**  
TIBT W4412  Call # 12634  
**Location:** 352C International Affairs Building  
**Points:** 4  
Paul G. Hackett  
**Day/Time:** MW 3:10 PM to 5:00 PM

Course offered to Cornell and Yale through Videoconferencing

Elementary Modern Colloquial Tibetan I  
**LECTURE**  
TIBT G4600  Call # 27528  
**Location:** 352C International Affairs Building  
**Points:** 5  
Sonam Tsering  
**Day/Time:** MTWR 1:10 PM to 2:15 PM

Intermediate Modern Colloquial Tibetan I  
**LECTURE**  
TIBT G4603  Call # 68605  
**Location:** 652 Schermerhorn Hall  
**Points:** 4  
Sonam Tsering  
**Day/Time:** MW 2:40 PM to 3:45 PM

Advanced Modern Tibetan I  
**LANGUAGE**  
TIBT G4611  Call # 63168  
**Location:** 412 Kent Hall  
**Points:** 4  
Sonam Tsering  
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**WEATHERHEAD EAST ASIAN INSTITUTE CERTIFICATE**

**Introduction**

The Weatherhead East Asian Institute Certificate attests to specialized knowledge of a language and country of the Asia Pacific region and can be earned by matriculated Columbia graduate students not
enrolled in an East Asian area/regional studies degree program. Students may choose from among three certificate options: a focus on modern China, modern Japan, or modern Korea.

Summary of Requirements

(1) **Language:** the student demonstrates fourth-year level language proficiency for one country of study (China, Japan, or Korea) either by completing the appropriate course work at Columbia or by demonstrating comparable proficiency on language placement examinations administered by the Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures. Since the emphasis is upon specified levels of language ability, no credit for course work necessary to attain the required level of proficiency (fourth year) is granted toward the Certificate.

(2) **Course Work:** seven graduate level East Asia courses (at least three credits each) according to the requirements of the student’s chosen program of study (see Coursework Requirements below). Students using Chinese or Japanese to meet the language requirement may count one fifth-year language course; the remaining course work must be selected from non-language offerings. Many of the courses also satisfy program requirements for the student’s school or department.

Language Requirement

Students must achieve a working competence in one East Asian language, to be demonstrated as follows:

(1) **Chinese, Japanese, and Korean (depending on the certificate to be earned):** by completion of the fourth-year course at Columbia with a grade of B or higher, or successful completion of the fourth-year or higher level language placement examination administered by the Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures at the beginning of each semester. All entering students who wish to enroll in a language course beyond the first-year level must take the placement examination before registering for courses.

The language requirement must be met with a language that matches the certificate to be earned (i.e., Chinese for the Weatherhead East Asian Institute Certificate in Chinese Studies).

Language courses from the first- through the fourth-year level are offered each academic year. Although these courses meet more frequently than most non-language graduate courses, they are generally considered one course in the typical student’s program of four or five courses per semester.

Students may also complete the equivalent of one year of language study during the Columbia summer session. These are intensive courses and students will generally be unable to take other course work during the summer. Students may count one fifth-year language course as coursework.

Requests for Advanced Standing and Exemption from Specific Course Requirements

(1) **Graduate transfer students** from other universities may receive up to four courses of credit for comparable graduate work in East Asian studies. Students requesting advanced standing should submit the following material to the Institute’s student affairs program officer: a transcript of the
relevant courses along with a letter indicating the content of each course and the reasons that it fulfills the course requirement(s) for the certificate. The Director of the Weatherhead East Asian Institute reviews requests for advanced standing. If approved, the student would receive a letter from the Institute Director indicating that advanced standing had been granted.

**Note:** Regardless of previous course work, the seminar-colloquium requirement of the Institute must be fulfilled at Columbia.

(2) **Entering students** who have completed graduate courses in East Asian studies as undergraduates may be exempted from specific East Asian courses in which they are already prepared. The procedure to be followed is the same as described above for graduate transfer students. However, unless they received an undergraduate degree from Columbia College, and the graduate courses taken exceeded the total courses required for the undergraduate degree, graduate credit will not be granted for these courses.

In exceptional cases, modifications may be made in the Institute Certificate requirements for students entering the program with a significant background in Asian studies. Any revision will be considered on an individual basis, and must be approved in writing by the Institute Director.

**Application for the Certificate**

To apply, submit a completed Certificate Audit Form, Application for Degree or Certificate form, and transcript to the Weatherhead East Asian Institute Student Affairs Officer.

The Institute Director will review all materials, and, if approved, the Registrar will be informed that the certificate should be conferred along with the student’s diploma.

For complete information and to download a Certificate Audit form, go to http://www.columbia.edu/cu/weai/certificate-program.html.
The Weatherhead East Asian Institute administers the Master of Arts in Regional Studies–East Asia (MARSEA) program through the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences for those wishing to focus on a social science approach to modern East Asia at the master’s level. The program provides interdisciplinary training (intensive exposure to the politics, international relations, modern history, culture, and society of the region) with a country or area of focus. The program, generally completed in one year, is tailored to meet the needs of individuals entering professional careers, mid-career professionals, and students preparing for entry into doctoral programs, and those pursuing a professional degree, who want to gain regional expertise.

Degree Requirements

Summary of Basic Requirements

- Language Proficiency equivalent to three years of Chinese, Japanese, or Korean, or two years of modern Tibetan
- Two modern history courses on the country or area of focus
- Six appropriate regional courses (at least two of which are colloquia or seminars)
- Two elective courses
- Minimum of 30 credits in total (approximately 10 courses)
- A master’s thesis (minimum 30 pages)

Requirements for the China, Japan, Korea, or Tibet Program

- Proficiency equivalent to the third-year level of Chinese, Japanese, or Korean, or the second-year level of modern Tibetan. The language requirement may be met through coursework or by passing a language placement examination at Columbia. For more information contact the Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures at http://www.columbia.edu/cu/ealac/
- Two courses in modern history of the appropriate country or area (same as that of language proficiency).
- Six regional courses selected from at least two different fields: at least one of the six courses must focus on an Asia Pacific country or sub-region other than the student’s country or area of specialization. These courses must include at least two colloquia and/or seminars and are drawn from a wide range of offerings in Anthropology, Business, Economics, History, International Affairs, Literature, Law, Political Science, and Sociology. Courses dealing with the region as a whole or dealing with the region’s relations with other countries or regions may also be taken to fulfill this requirement. Students taking an East Asian language at the fourth-year level or above may count two semesters of language toward this requirement.
- Two elective courses not necessarily dealing with East Asia.
- The master’s thesis must be at least thirty pages in length and deal with a modern or contemporary topic in the social sciences that focus on East Asia. It must substantially incorporate the student’s country or area of focus, although other countries or areas can be dealt with in the paper.
EAST ASIAN REGIONAL SPECIALIZATION WITHIN SIPA

Students in the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) may fulfill SIPA’s requirement for a specialization by completing the East Asian Regional Specialization. The specialization requires the completion of three graduate-level East Asian studies courses (at least 3 credits each for a total of at least 9 credits). Courses must be drawn from at least two different social science disciplines and cover at least two different East Asian countries.

FUNDING FOR EAST ASIAN STUDIES

The Weatherhead East Asian Institute offers funding for research, language acquisition, internships, and dissertation write-up during the summer and academic year to selected Columbia graduate and undergraduate students committed to professional and academic engagement with East Asia.

Eligibility varies depending on the particular funding opportunity, so please review the application materials carefully before applying. For complete information on all of the awards administered by the Weatherhead East Asian Institute and instructions on how to apply, please visit the following web address:

http://www.columbia.edu/cu/weai/funding/

The deadline for summer 2015 and academic year 2015-2016 applications are due: late February – early March 2015.