

COURSE DETAIL

CHINA AND JAPAN: NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AND TRANSNATIONAL CONVERGENCE

Country

United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution

University of Edinburgh

Program(s)

University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Asian Studies

UCEAP Course Number

109

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

CHINA AND JAPAN: NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AND TRANSNATIONAL CONVERGENCE

UCEAP Transcript Title

CHINA & JAPAN

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

This course introduces students to the shared history and contemporary relations of two of the most powerful countries in the world, China and Japan, from roughly 1800 to 2000. Students approach China and Japan's tumultuous relationship through the study of their social history, economic policies, cultural outputs, and political engagement (or lack thereof). The course introduces the best research publications on the subject, as well as introducing primary source material (including English translations) to deepen students' understanding of the region that may very well define global politics in the 21st century. Students learn not only the long history of Sino-Japanese relations, but also the transnational convergences that tied them together. Militarism, the developmental state, pan-Asianist ideology, support for scientific research, and popular support for total war were all features of the discourse in China and Japan at this time. In order to learn how to debate such serious historical and political issues, a rigorous grounding in document analysis is necessary. Students learn the changing contours of the specialist literature, from the emergence of "civic republicanism," comparative fascism, and economic imperialism to the debates over the "history issues," human rights, and territorial disputes in post-war East Asia. Equally important, students learn how to identify and use primary sources, whether they be in Chinese, Japanese, or English.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

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ASST10149

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