

## COURSE DETAIL

### MODERN EAST ASIA

**Country**

Hong Kong

**Host Institution**

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST)

**Program(s)**

Hong Kong Summer, HKUST

**UCEAP Course Level**

Lower Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Asian Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

20

**UCEAP Course Suffix**

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**UCEAP Official Title**

MODERN EAST ASIA

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

MODERN EAST ASIA

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.50

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.00

### **Course Description**

This course is a survey of the history of political, social, economic, and cultural changes in East Asia—primarily China, Japan, and Korea, to a lesser extent Taiwan and Vietnam—from the 1800s to the end of the Cold War in the early 1990s. We examine the tumultuous interactions of these East Asia countries with the West and with each other. To locate the historical origins of twenty-first-century East Asia, we study the internal and external dynamics that undermined the Confucian orders, fomented revolutions and wars, brought unprecedented human suffering and economic disasters, generated extraordinary prosperity, developed democratic and authoritarian institutions in different societies.

### **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

### **Host Institution Course Number**

HUMA1520

### **Host Institution Course Title**

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### **Host Institution Campus**

### **Host Institution Faculty**

### **Host Institution Degree**

### **Host Institution Department**

Humanities

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