# **COURSE DETAIL**

#### **COMPARATIVE EAST ASIAN STUDIES**

# **Country**

Korea, South

#### **Host Institution**

Yonsei University

### Program(s)

Yonsei University

#### **UCEAP Course Level**

**Upper Division** 

### **UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Sociology Asian Studies

### **UCEAP Course Number**

132

#### **UCEAP Course Suffix**

#### **UCEAP Official Title**

COMPARATIVE EAST ASIAN STUDIES

### **UCEAP Transcript Title**

**COMP E ASIAN STUDY** 

### **UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.50

#### **UCEAP Semester Units**

3.00

### **Course Description**

This course provides a comparative and theoretical introduction to the recent social transformation of East Asian societies. In the first half, we study the reform and opening up of "Actually Existing Socialism" in China. For this, we read the theories of Marx and Lenin to make sense of issues in post-socialist transformation. Socialism in theory by Marx and Lenin used to be an alternative vision to western, liberal capitalism to some countries, but socialism in reality has been disasterous and almost disappeared on earth. The topics of working class politics, human rights and democracy, resistance and struggle from below, and globalization are discussed. In the second half, we move to the topics of gender and citizenship. We read a few articles by contemporary feminists, then examine the contemporary issues faced by women and minority in East Asia. In this part, we collectively examine and grapple with the problem of social exclusion and discrimination in East Asia today. Assessment: Attendance and Participation (20%), Final Exam (40%), Mid-Term Exam (40%)

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

**Host Institution Course Number** 

SOC3402

**Host Institution Course Title** 

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**Host Institution Course Details** 

**Host Institution Campus** 

**Host Institution Faculty** 

**Host Institution Degree** 

**Host Institution Department** 

Sociology

**Course Last Reviewed**