COURSE DETAIL

MODERN CHINESE HISTORY

Country
Korea, South

Host Institution
Yonsei University

Program(s)
Yonsei University

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
International Studies History Asian Studies

UCEAP Course Number
115

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title
MODERN CHINESE HISTORY

UCEAP Transcript Title
MODERN CHINESE HIST

UCEAP Quarter Units
4.50

UCEAP Semester Units
3.00

Course Description
This course provides a foundational knowledge of modern Chinese history, and also poses the most fundamental questions about the meaning of China's modern experience. With an emphasis on the intersection of intellectual and political history, where power and ideas converge, we rethink the grand narrative of China from the highpoint of the Qing Dynasty in 1800, to the lowpoint of Republican era warlordism and semi-colonialism in the 1930s, all the way through the extraordinary return of China to economic and political significance since the start of “reform and opening up” in the 1970s. The class focuses on a dozen seminal intellectual and political leaders who in many ways defined the course of modern Chinese history. We study their changing diagnoses of China's problem and their prescriptions for “saving” their country. In the last weeks of the class, we will look at how China is being transformed by the attainment of the constant goal of modern leaders-wealth, power, and status, and, finally, consider the possibilities of what might come next.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
ISM3510

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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
International Studies

Course Last Reviewed

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