Reading List

Note:

The purpose of these readings is twofold. First, the readings are designed to provide you with a background to the corresponding lecture. As such, it is necessary that you read the materials BEFORE the lecture. Second, the readings are the background for the discussion groups. Again, this means that they need to be read BEFORE the discussion groups commence. You should be aware that some questions in the exam at the end of the course may be based on themes found in the readings and discussed in the lecture. A deeper understanding of these themes will help you with your exam performance. As a general rule, 1-2 core readings have been provided for each topic in the course (NB: some lecture periods cover two topics). For those who take 4-week programmes with 12 credits and have to submit an academic essay, we provide some more articles as additional readings for essay research.

Week 1 (Hong Kong June 23 -28)

Monday (June 23):

(1) Introduction to “Asia as the Global Future”
(2) Asian Economic Development

Discussion Topic: What are the issues for study of "Asia as the global future"?

Core Reading


Additional Readings


Tuesday (June 24):

**Rising Powers (1): China and East Asia**

*Discussion Topic: Has China followed the Asian model of development?*

**Core Reading**


**Additional Readings**


Wednesday (June 25):

**Rising Powers (2): India and South Asia**

**Core Readings**


**Additional Readings**


Thursday (June 26):

(1) Regional Dynamics in West Asia
(2) Regional Communities in East Asia and the United States

Core Reading


Additional Readings


Friday (June 27):

The Entertainment Industry in Macau: The Asia’ Las Vegas

Core Readings


Additional Readings


Week 2 (Hong Kong June 30 - July 5)

Monday (June 30):

Business and Development in Asia

Core Reading


Additional Readings


Tuesday (July 1):

(1) Popular Culture in Asia
(2) Environmental Crisis and China’s Responses

Core Reading


Additional Reading


**Wednesday (July 2):**  

**Democratisation in Asia**

*Core Reading*


*Additional Readings*


**Thursday (July 3):**

(1) **Human Right in Asia**  
(2) **Labour in Asia**

*Core Readings*


*Additional Readings*


Week 3 (Shanghai & Hangzhou July 5-11)

Saturday (July 5):

(1) Shanghai: from past to future
(2) Marketing in China

Core Reading

Knight, Deirdre Sabina, ‘Shanghai cosmopolitan: class, gender and cultural citizenship in Weihui’s Shanghai Babe’. Journal of Contemporary China, (Vol. 12, No. 37, 2003), pp. 639-653


Additional Reading


Monday (July 7):

Appreciation of Chinese History and Culture

Core Reading


Additional Reading


General information about Chinese history at
http://www-chaos.umd.edu/history/toc.html
http://condensedchina.com/
http://www.sino.uni-heidelberg.de/igcs/ighist.htm
Tuesday (July 8):

**The Rise of Private Education in Zhejiang Area: Policy Implications**

*Core Reading*


*Additional Reading*


Thursday (July 10):

1. **The Role of Olympics in China’s Development**
2. **Chinese Economy and the Global World: Opportunities and Challenges**

*Core Reading*


*Additional Reading*


Monday (July 14):

(1)  Modern and Pre-modern Korea: A Historical Overview  
(2)  Korean Economy in a Globalising World  

Core Readings


Additional Readings


Discussion topics:
What are the distinctive features of Korean economic development?  
What were the internal dynamics and external contexts of the globalization of Korean capital?  
What difference did the Asian Economic crisis bring to Korean society?

Tuesday (July 15):

(1) Democracy and Politics in Korea  
(2) Peace on the Korean Peninsula in a Newly Emerging Regional Security Order  

Core Readings


Additional Readings


Discussion topics:
What are the challenges to Korean democracy after democratization?
How did democratization affect the relation between South and North Korea?

Thursday (July 17):

(1) Dynamics of Korean Civil Society
(2) Popular Culture and Society in Korea

Core Readings


Additional Readings


Lim, Timothy C., ‘Racing from the bottom in South Korea?’, Asian Survey, (Vol. 43, Iss. 3, 2003), p. 423-42.


Discussion topics:
What role did social movements play in socio-economic development in Korea?
What challenges is Korean civil society facing?
What is the ‘Korean wave”? Why do Korean cultural products very well in Asian market?

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