

2014 Fall Course Offerings

Asian Studies

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For Asian Studies courses requiring Department or Program Permission, please contact Professor Kiri Lee at kjl2@lehigh.edu

IR 061-10 Pacific Asian International Relations (SS) 4 credits CRN 49258 ASIA Attribute

Introduction to Pacific Asian international relations, with emphasis on post1945 period: historical background; Cold War conflicts; China's rise to power; Japan's growing role; Korea and the NIC's; Southeast Asia; U.S. and Russian policies; current and future issues. Professor He T, R / 2:35 p.m. - 3:50 p.m.

ASIA, MLL, HIST 090-10 Understanding Contemporary China (SS) 4 credits CRN 46427

An overview of recent history, politics, economy, religion, problems of modernization, popular culture, and attitudes. Contemporary Chinese society viewed against the backdrop of tradition and the tumultuous history of twentieth-century China. Professor Pankenier M, W / 2:35 - 3:50 p.m. Freshman Seminar, Dean's Permission Required

ASIA, MLL 097-10 Introduction to Traditional Crafts & Technologies in China (HU) 4 credits CRN 49029

Through the study of traditional architecture, textiles, paper-making, and metallurgy that developed over thousands of years of Chinese history, students will explore a few key Chinese technologies that expanded later by sea or overland (the Silk Road) into other regions in Asia and elsewhere. Students will also be encouraged to explore other Chinese inventions such as gunpowder and the compass, as part of individual projects. Professor Wang M, W / 12:45 - 2:00 p.m.

ASIA, PHIL 140-10 Eastern Philosophy (HU) 4 credits CRN 49560

Survey of selected texts and issues in the eastern philosophical traditions. Attention will be given to the development and interrelations of these traditions as well as a comparison of western and eastern treatments of selected issues. Areas of focus may include Confucianism, Taoism, and Zen Buddhism. Professor Bliss M, W, F / 10:10 – 11:00 a.m.

ASIA, HIST 170-10 The Last Samurai (HU) 4 credits CRN 49600

Explores the revolutionary character of the political upheaval in 1868 that led to the fall of the ruling shogun and the dissolution of the elite samurai class. Examines both the causes of these major political and social changes and their continuing impact upon Japanese culture and society. Professor Cooper T, R 2:35 – 3:50 p.m.

POLS 339-10 The Rise of the Modern State in Modern Asia (SS) 4 credits CRN 49161 ASIA and GS Attributes

An examination of Asian nationalism in the construction of the modern state form in Asia. Professor Fennel M, W / 2:35 p.m. - 3:50 p.m.

ASIA 371-10 Advanced Readings in Asian Studies (HU/SS depending on topic) 1-4 credits CRN 46793

Directed course of reading and writing in advanced topic not covered in regular Asian Studies course offerings. May be repeated for credit. Program permission required. Professor Lee

ASIA 381-10 Special Topics in Asian Studies (HU/SS depending on topic) 1-4 credits CRN 46799

Advanced study of aspects of Asian studies not covered in regular course offerings. Individual faculty supervision. Research paper required. May be repeated for credit. Program permission required. Professor Lee

ASIA 391-10 Senior Seminar in Asian Studies (HU/SS depending on topic) 1-4 credits CRN 46800

Advanced seminar focusing on discussion and research on specialized subjects in Asian studies. Variable subject matter. Offered by faculty on rotating basis. May be repeated for credit. Program permission required. Professor Lee

ASIA 399-10 Senior Thesis in Asian Studies (HU/SS depending on topic) 1-4 credits CRN 46805

Advanced, individual research project on topic agreed between faculty and student. Research paper and oral defense required. May be repeated for credit. Open to Asian studies majors only. Program permission required. Professor Lee