



FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES AND CULTURES

ASIAN STUDIES PROGRAMME
ASIA 101 INTRODUCTION TO ASIAN STUDIES

20 POINTS

TRIMESTER 1 2015

Important dates

Trimester dates: 2 March to 1 July 2015

Teaching dates: 2 March to 5 June 2015

Easter/Mid-trimester break: 3–19 April 2015

Study period: 8–12 June 2015

Examination/Assessment Period: 12 June to 1 July 2015

Note: students who enrol in courses with examinations must be able to attend an examination at the University at any time during the scheduled examination period.

Withdrawal dates: Refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/withdrawals-refunds. If you cannot complete an assignment or sit a test or examination, refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/aegrotats.

Class times and locations

Lectures Tuesday and Thursday 10.00am - 10.50am HM (Hugh McKenzie) LT205

Tutorials – choose **ONE** from either:

Tuesday	11.00am - 11.50am	KK (Kirk) 204
Tuesday	11.00am - 11.50am	CO (Cotton) 118
Tuesday	12noon - 12.50pm	Room(s) TBC
Wednesday	11.00am - 11.50am	vZ (von Zedlitz) 510
Wednesday	12noon - 12.50pm	vZ (von Zedlitz) 506
Thursday	9.00am - 9.50am	vZ (von Zedlitz) 515

Please note that tutorials start in the **second** week of the trimester.

Students are to choose a tutorial class group by signing up using the S-cubed system.

<https://signups.victoria.ac.nz>. You must remain in your allotted tutorial for the whole course, unless a change is authorised by the Course Coordinator.

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Communication of additional information

Students are encouraged to consult Blackboard regularly for information on course changes and other announcements. Almost all of the course material for ASIA 101 is available on-line via Blackboard or on the Internet. Quick links to the latter will be provided for you on Blackboard. We have also set up a special YouTube channel for Asian Studies at Victoria with a playlist of material geared specifically to ASIA 101. Please see: www.youtube.com/asianstudiesvuw.

You might also be interested in exploring www.youtube.com/user/asiadownunder at some point for an additional archive of relevant material on YouTube from Asia Down Under, a long-running NZ

show “about Asia and Asians in New Zealand, addressing topical and even controversial stories affecting Asian Kiwis.”

Prescription

An interdisciplinary introduction to the study of aspects of Asia. This course is thematic in structure and focuses on contacts and cultural interchange between Asia and the West.

Course content

This is an introductory course examining Asia from a New Zealand perspective. We give particular attention to the theme of intercultural contact and how ‘Asia’ has been variously constructed within the context of a ‘Western’ society like New Zealand. We are also interested in how these constructions shape New Zealand’s engagement with Asia and the place of Asia and Asian peoples within New Zealand.

As an introductory course, ASIA 101 is necessarily broad; it samples a range of historical, cultural, economic, political, religious, and artistic issues rather than exhaustively analysing them. The course takes “Asia” to be not so much a region, distinct from other regions, but as a culturally constructed site within and against which people(s) of diverse background have come into contact with one another in a variety of ways, and for various purposes over many, many years.

One objective of this course, therefore, is to help you understand these numerous processes of contact and the ways in which “Asia” has been constructed and is continually undergoing reconstruction as contexts change. We begin with a broad introduction to the themes that we return to frequently throughout the course. We then explore some of the constructions of Asia in the Western imagination, with a specific focus on New Zealand, and the historical background to New Zealand’s encounters with Asia. Many of the ideas generated in the early periods of contact continue to shape interactions that occur today. We then consider aspects of New Zealand’s vastly expanded engagement with Asia as a result of globalisation in a variety of contexts, from relations at the national level to cultural flows and the establishment of immigrant communities from Asia.

Course learning objectives (CLOs)

Students who pass this course should be able to:

1. analyse critically different representations of Asia;
2. discuss with knowledge a variety of topics related to Asia and its place in New Zealand;
3. extend their study of Asia in upper-level university courses;
4. approach life as more informed citizens of the greater Asia-Pacific region.

Teaching format

The course will consist of lectures and tutorials, supplemented by reading materials and self-directed study. Students are expected to take an active part in tutorials (see below for descriptions of each week’s session) and to contribute their own thoughts to topics under discussion. Insofar as possible recordings of lectures will be made available for review in the EchoCenter on Blackboard, but as this technology often experiences glitches, you should never rely on the recording of a particular lecture.

Mandatory course requirements

In addition to achieving an overall pass mark of 50%, students must:

- a) submit the course essay by the specified date (subject to provisions stated for late submission of work)
- b) attend at least 7 of 10 tutorials
- c) attend the final examination at the appointed time.

Although roll call will not be taken in lecture except for the session on April 21, attendance is expected, and your success and enjoyment of the course will be directly proportional to your participation.

Workload

The University Assessment Handbook has laid down guidelines concerning the number of hours per week that students are expected to devote to a course in order to maintain satisfactory progress. Students enrolling in a one trimester 20-point course should expect to work on average 13 hours per week, to make up to a rough total of 200 hours including 20+ hours of lecture and 10 hours of tutorial over the trimester. Reading and review of course material (both general and exam-specific) should take approximately half of the remaining hours to equal roughly 80-85 hours over the semester; the remaining 80-85 will be devoted to individual assignments (see below). **Please note that these figures are only a very rough guideline.** Some students will find they need to do more, and students aiming for high grades will almost certainly need to do more.

Adequate advance preparation through reading, research, informed participation and presentation in tutorials is very important. In order to get the most out of the course, you should complete the assigned reading **before** each lecture.

Assessment

The breakdown of the assessment, which is designed to test how well you have understood the aims and objectives of the course, is as follows:

Assessment items and workload per item		%	CLO(s)	Due date
1	Restaurant Group Exercise (800-1000 words)	10%	1,2,3,4	5 May
2	4 Tutorial-Related Assignments (x 5%)	20%	1,2,3,4	See below
3	Course Essay (2000 words)	30%	1,2,3,4	29 May
4	Final Exam (2 hours)	40%	1,2,3,4	TBA

Please note the examination period is from 12 June to 1 July 2015.

Specific marking criteria for individual assessments will be provided on Blackboard. A potential breakdown of time spent for assignments might be as follows:

1. **Restaurant Group Exercise:** 10-20 hours (organising and going to the restaurant; discussion and consultation over tutorial presentation; writing your section of the group report; feedback and further group consultation)
2. **Tutorial assignments:**
 - Map and General Skills Quizzes:** 5-10 Hours (learning countries and capitals; reading material on library use, plagiarism and grammar; your level of prior knowledge here will play a role);
 - Media Analysis:** 5-10 hours (selection of appropriate piece for analysis; consideration of tutorial feedback; writing up and revision of analysis)
 - Essay Prospectus:** 10-15 hours (determining topic, preliminary research, deciding upon initial sources; writing of prospectus);

Essay Presentation: 10-15 hours (continuation of research and writing; selection of material for presentation; rehearsing);

3. **Course Essay:** 40-50 hours (research, writing and revising; note that the more effort and care you put into your prospectus and presentation the less additional time you will need here).

Assessment breakdown

1. Restaurant Group Exercise (10%) (800-1000 words) - Due 4 p.m., Tuesday 5 May

At some point early in the trimester, collect yourself into a group of three to five students from your tutorial group and visit a local restaurant that specialises in some form of “Asian” cuisine. Collectively write a report that discusses your restaurant experience in terms of the restaurant’s “Asian-ness”. You may determine for yourselves how to distribute the work involved in writing the piece; note, however, that only one report is to be handed in for the whole group and each member will receive the same grade. We therefore strongly recommend that you circulate the report amongst yourselves and comment on each other’s contributions; you will have an opportunity to do so in class on April 21. Note also that a short presentation (non-assessed) on your group’s experience will be expected in the **Week 7** tutorial – feedback associated with this presentation is to be incorporated into your submitted final report.

You should consider a variety of aspects of the restaurant and show how they reflect forces of globalisation in New Zealand’s relationship with Asia. Possible features you might focus on include decor, menu items, seating arrangements, music, restaurant name, ‘authenticity’, clientele, and so on. Think about the issues that came up in the lectures and readings on the globalisation of food.

NB: Students who wish to choose a halal restaurant should contact the course coordinator by the end of Week 4 for placement into an appropriate group.

2. 4 x 5% Tutorial-Related Assessments (20%)

Week 2 and 3	Map Quiz/General Skills Quiz
Week 4	Media Analysis Assignment (analysis due Friday, March 27, 4 pm)
Week 6	Course Essay Prospectus (prospectus due Tuesday, April 21, 4 pm)
Week 9 and 10	Three-minute Oral Presentation on Course Essay

For more information on the tutorial assessments, consult the course schedule for the week in which the assessment appears.

3. Course Essay (30%) (2000 words) - Due 4 p.m., Friday 29 May

Write an essay that responds to one of the questions listed below. The essay should not vary more than 10% from 2000 words (i.e. no less than 1,800 words and no more than 2,200 words); please **include the word count** and be sure to type it **double-spaced**. As you will see in the schedule there will also be a tutorial for you to discuss essay writing with your tutor.

In writing your essay, develop an argument, and be sure to use carefully chosen examples to back up your points and main thesis. You will need to refer to secondary sources, but do not rely upon them to make your argument for you. We are interested in how you have worked

through a particular research question and what you have concluded on the basis of the research you have done.

When you do refer to secondary sources in support of your argument, provide accurate quotations as well as a bibliography for the books cited; the bibliography does not count towards the word total. You may use any standard referencing system as long as you are consistent in your format. For more information, see: http://www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/slss/studyhub/pdf/referencing.pdf or www.cite.auckland.ac.nz. Whatever system you use, however, be sure to include the page numbers of material you are citing, unless the specific reference refers to an entire work as a whole.

Insofar as possible, we encourage students to take the initiative of creating a topic that they find particularly interesting: what aspects of New Zealand's historical or contemporary engagement with Asia do you find compelling? You might choose, for example, to analyze an organisation that builds a bridge between New Zealand and Asia; to look at a particular book, poem or film made by a New Zealand writer or filmmaker that treats New Zealand's relationship with Asia or the experience of peoples of Asian descent in New Zealand; to examine in detail a set of New Zealand media texts that represent Asia to the wider public; or to look closely at Asian culture influence in a particular area of New Zealand (religion, music, popular culture, food). Possibilities here are multiple, but before you begin **we strongly urge you to chat with your tutor or the Course Coordinator** to be sure that your choice is suitable and viable.

Topic 1. Create a topic of your own related to the themes of the course that you find particularly interesting. (For more see the above paragraph).

Topic 2. Consider the Chinese, Indian, Korean and Filipino immigrant experience in New Zealand. Choose **TWO** of the four and discuss how these experiences have differed and what crucial factors have been involved.

Topic 3. Analyse how the transformation in the Asian population of New Zealand since 1987 has influenced the construction of New Zealand's 'national' identity.

Topic 4. Write an essay assessing the significance of any one individual's contribution towards developing an understanding of Asia in New Zealand.

Topic 5. Assess the main factors that contributed to the transformation of New Zealand's relationship with Asia during the twentieth century.

Your essays are to be polished jobs. Try to get an early start and leave ample time for revisions. **PROOFREAD CAREFULLY AND USE A SPELLING AND GRAMMAR CHECK!** It is difficult to overemphasize this point. Many simple errors can be readily caught just by reading your paper out loud to yourself from a hard copy.

If you have further questions, please see one of us. Always feel free to talk with the course coordinator, your lecturers or your tutor about these essays at any stage of the writing process.

4. Final Exam (40%)

The final exam is of 2 hours' duration. It will consist of two parts. The first will be a series of short questions and identifications based on the lectures delivered in the course, the

assigned readings and the tutorial discussions. This part is worth 20% of the exam mark. The second part of the exam will require answering two essay questions (you will have a number of options to choose from). These essay questions are designed to examine themes raised throughout the course. This part is worth 80% of the exam mark. The final exam will be held during the examination period (12 June to 1 July 2015).

Submission and return of work

All assignments must include a cover sheet available from the Course Documents section of Blackboard or from the School of Languages and Cultures (SLC) Office. Any assignments due in tutorial may be handed in during your tutorial; all other assignments are to be placed in the Asian Studies assignment slot. This is located to the left of the SLC Office, vZ610, opposite the lifts on the 6th floor of von Zedlitz. You must keep a copy of your assignment. No responsibility will be taken for essays placed in staff mailboxes, pushed under doors, etc. You should never destroy notes or delete your draft until your marked assignment is returned to you. Marked work will either be returned in class or be made available for collection from the SLC office. Please bring your student ID card with you when you come to collect your work. Work can be collected between 10am-2pm each day. We aim to get work back to you within two weeks of submission; occasionally this may take longer.

Please also note that for your course essay, you must submit both:

- a) **an electronic copy to Turnitin** via Blackboard; and
- b) **a hard copy with signed coversheet** to the Asian Studies assignment slot on the 6th floor of von Zedlitz.

For more on the use of Turnitin at Victoria, please see www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/wiki/index.php/Turnitin

Extensions and penalties

Extensions

While extensions will usually be granted on request, work that comes in after the original deadline will as a rule receive less feedback.

Penalties

Assignments must be handed in at the deadlines specified to avoid penalties. 5% per day (counting an individual piece of work as 100%) will be deducted from work submitted after the assigned date without prior permission or without a necessary and demonstrable reason such as illness. Please keep to the word counts; assignments that fall below or go over the given limits by more than 10% can expect to lose marks in proportion to the severity of the excess or shortfall.

Set texts

- *Asia in the Making of New Zealand*, Henry Johnson and Brian Moloughney eds. (Auckland: Auckland University Press, 2006)
- ASIA 101 Student Notes

You are required to purchase the textbook; it is also strongly recommended that you purchase the Student Notes. All material from Student Notes is also available electronically via Blackboard, but you will find a hard copy very useful for making your own annotations. For copyright reasons, we are unable to print out some material available on the Internet in Student Notes. Please print it out for yourself if you want a hard copy.

Set texts can be purchased from Vic Books, Ground Floor Easterfield Building, Kelburn Parade. They can also be ordered online at www.vicbooks.co.nz. Orders and enquiries can be emailed to enquiries@vicbooks.co.nz.

Class representative

The class representative provides a useful way to communicate feedback to the teaching staff during the course. A class representative will be selected at the first lecture of the course. Students may like to write the Class Rep's name and details in this box:

Class Rep name and contact details:

Class reps will attend a meeting with the Head of School to discuss how the course is going and to raise any concerns or suggestions that they may have. You can find out more information on Class Representatives on the VUWSA website: www.vuwsa.org.nz

Student feedback

Enhancements made to this course, based on the feedback of previous students, will be covered during the course. Student feedback on University courses may be found at www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/feedback/feedback_display.php

Use of Turnitin

Student work provided for assessment in this course may be checked by the electronic search engine www.turnitin.com to ensure that it meets expectations for academic integrity. The course essay is to be uploaded via Blackboard to allow the Turnitin check to occur automatically. Turnitin will retain a copy of submitted material on behalf of the University for detection of future plagiarism, but access to the full text of submissions is not made available to any other party.

Other important information

The information above is specific to this course. There is other important information that students must familiarise themselves with, including:

- Academic Integrity and Plagiarism: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/integrity-plagiarism
- Aegrotats: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/aegrotats
- Academic Progress: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/academic-progress (including restrictions and non-engagement)
- Dates and deadlines: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/dates
- FHSS Student and Academic Services Office: www.victoria.ac.nz/fhss/student-admin
- Grades: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/grades
- Resolving academic issues: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/dvc-academic/publications
- Special passes: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/dvc-academic/publications
- Statutes and policies including the Student Conduct Statute: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/strategy
- Student support: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/support
- Students with disabilities: www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/disability

- Student Charter: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/student-charter
- Student Contract: www.victoria.ac.nz/study/apply-enrol/terms-conditions/student-contract
- Subject Librarians: <http://library.victoria.ac.nz/library-v2/find-your-subject-librarian>
- Turnitin: www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/wiki/index.php/Turnitin
- University structure: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/structure
- Victoria graduate profile: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/graduate-profile
- VUWSA: www.vuwsa.org.nz

Course programme

WEEK ONE

Lecture **Tuesday 3 March: *Introduction to the Course* (Stephen Epstein, Asian Studies)**

Reading: No assignment as such, but please read through the course outline carefully.

Lecture **Thursday 5 March: *The Idea of Asia, the Idea of NZ* (Stephen Epstein, Asian Studies)**

Reading: Johnson & Moloughney, 'Introduction: Asia and the Making of Multicultural New Zealand', in *Asia in the Making of New Zealand*, pp. 1-10 [hereafter *AMNZ*].

NO TUTORIALS THIS WEEK

WEEK TWO

Lecture **Tuesday 10 March: *Western Representations of Asia* (Stephen Epstein, Asian Studies)**

Reading: Birch, Schirato and Shivastava, 'The Idea of Asia,' in *Asia: Cultural Politics in a Global Age*, pp.1-24.

WEEK TWO TUTORIAL Introductions, (De)Constructing Asia, and Map Quiz

Try to think about what 'Asia' means to different people. How is NZ's 'Asia' different from Australia's? Why? Bring to the tutorial a list of 10 words that you think are descriptive of 'Asia'. Be prepared to explain why you have chosen them. You will find it useful to look at the Asia:NZ Foundation's list of countries in which it has programme coverage at: <http://asianz.org.nz/the-asian-region>.

There will also be a quiz, in which you will be given a blank map of Asia, akin to that found on www.worldatlas.com/webimage/countrys/asia/asoutl.htm, and asked to identify selected **countries and capitals**. What counts as Asia? This is a difficult question, which we will discuss in class, but we also want to start off the course by equipping you with some important basic geographical knowledge. Here are two sites where you can practice a bit: www.lizardpoint.com/fun/geoquiz/asiaquiz.html and www.purposegames.com/game/capitals-of-asia-quiz. We will provide a list of the countries and capitals you may be expected to identify on Blackboard. As further preparation for the tutorial and quiz, do a Google search for 'map of Asia' and see what you discover.

Lecture **Thursday 12 March: *Early Encounters* (Catherine Churchman, Asian Studies)**

Reading: Tony Ballantyne, 'Teaching Māori About Asia,' in *AMNZ*, pp.13-35; Moloughney, Ballantyne & Hood, 'After Gold: Reconstructing Chinese Communities, 1840-1900,' in *AMNZ*, pp. 58-75.

WEEK THREE

Lecture Tuesday 17 March: *The Wellington Chinese Community: Representing Haining Street* (Lynette Shum, Alexander Turnbull Library)

Reading: Lynette Shum 'Remembering Chinatown,' in *Unfolding History, Evolving Identity*, ed. by Manying Ip, pp. 73-93.

WEEK THREE TUTORIAL *Illustrious Energy* and General Skills

In this tutorial we will watch an excerpt from the film *Illustrious Energy*, and then discuss some of the issues that this raises. For this tutorial it will be useful to review (or preview) the material from the "Early Encounters" and "Wellington Chinese Community" lectures. A copy of the film is held in the main library, and your local video store may also have it, if you wish to see the whole film; it is very well made and highly recommended: for a fuller description see www.filmarchive.org.nz/feature-project/pages/Illustrious-Energy.php.

When watching the film, think about the following:

1. What image of New Zealand does the film create and how?
2. How does the film challenge or reinforce dominant images of Chinese?

We will also discuss some very important basic skills for your university degree including issues pertaining to library use, referencing, plagiarism and important grammar points. There will also be an optional online quiz made available via Blackboard that will test your mastery of these skills. You will be able to take this quiz up to three times between Tuesday, March 17 and Thursday, March 19. **For your first 5% of marks in ASIA101, you will receive the better of your score on the map quiz or the online general skills quiz.**

Lecture Thursday March 19 *Biculturalism, Multiculturalism and Asian Immigration to NZ* (Andrew Butcher, Asia: NZ Foundation)

Reading: "The Structure of Maori-Asian Relations: An Ambivalent Future," *New Zealand Population Review* 33/34 (2008), pp. 129-151 www.population.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2010/01/nzpr-vol-33-and-34_tahu-kukutai.pdf

WEEK FOUR

Lecture Tuesday 24 March: *Documentary - New Faces, Old Fears* (Stephen Epstein, Asian Studies)

Reading:

www.asianz.org.nz/sites/asianz.org.nz/files/Asia_NZ_perceptions_of_asia_report_2011_final.pdf

(There are many charts and tables, so it will read quickly; feel free to skim as appropriate)

<http://publicaddress.net/yellowperil/asian-angst-is-it-time-to-send-some-payback>

Recommended additional reading/listening to accompany the reading:

<http://asianz.org.nz/reports/report/new-zealanders-perceptions-of-asia-and-asian-peoples-2013-annual-survey/new-zealanders-knowledge-of-asia-and-perceptions-of-asias-importance/>

As always, quick links to these on-line readings will be provided on Blackboard.

WEEK FOUR TUTORIAL Media Analysis Discussion

Come to class with an article or photograph either from the Dominion Post or a major online news outlet (print out the piece if so and be sure to include the URL; you may only choose items that carry a dateline) and a 300-400 word analysis of how the author or photographer attends to, or represents “Asia” in the articles, photographs, etc. you have chosen. Be prepared to discuss how you have analysed the piece you have chosen. Do NOT merely summarise the article; the deeper your analysis, the better your grade will be. Comments should be clear, relevant, cogent and comprehensible. Part of your mark will be dependent on your preparation to discuss your analysis in tutorial, but you will be allowed to incorporate any feedback you receive when you hand in your analysis (**due Friday, March 27 at 4 p.m.**).

Issues you should think about include:

1. How is Asia represented in the article? Are there any underlying metaphors or thought patterns present?
2. How does it reinforce or challenge dominant representations of Asia?
3. Who wrote it, for whom, and how is this significant?

Lecture **Thursday 26 March: *Asia, the West & Globalisation* (Stephen Epstein, Asian Studies)**

Reading: Nick Knight, Chapter 10, “Globalisation and East and Southeast Asia” in *Understanding Australia’s Neighbours: An Introduction to East and Southeast Asia*, pp.179–198.

WEEK FIVE

Lecture **Tuesday 31 March: *Asia, NZ & Food I* (Stephen Epstein, Asian Studies)**

Reading: Lizzie Collingham, ‘Curry Travels the World’, in *Curry: A Tale of Cooks and Conquerors*, pp.245-257.

WEEK FIVE TUTORIAL

Essay Writing and the Proposal (300-400 words)

This tutorial is designed to help you think about the construction and development of an essay, and how to write a proposal demonstrating your plans. You will have the opportunity to discuss what is required for the course essay, as well as how you should go about developing researching and writing it. Over the course of the break, you will be expected to think about the topic you wish to undertake for your course essay and to do preliminary reading. We urge you to come up with a topic of your own that is related to the course themes, but we also have provided set topics that you may handle as well. See the description on pp. 5-6 of this course outline.

A 300-400 word proposal on your essay will be due on Tuesday, April 21 at 4 p.m. The proposal will allow us to help guide you in your work and to encourage you to get an early start. Although there is no set template that you have to follow, we are looking for the following to be included: 1) a concise indication of what issues you will write about, along with 2) a tentative outline of arguments you may be making (or perhaps better put, hypotheses you will be testing, as your thoughts will almost certainly grow and change as your research deepens). Be sure to give an indication of how you will go about confirming whether your arguments are correct or not. We also want to see: 3) a thoughtful preliminary reference list, so we can make sure you've gotten started and are on the right track. A strong proposal will have references in the appropriate form; show that you've searched for recent journal articles; and have an appropriate balance of library

and Internet sources. You are welcome to incorporate sections from your proposal in your final essay version, but part of that grade will depend on how well you incorporate any feedback you are given on your proposal.

Lecture **Thursday 2 April: Asia, NZ & Food II (Stephen Epstein, Asian Studies)**

Reading: Matthew Allen and Rumi Sakamoto, R. (2011) "White People Can't Sell Sushi: Unpacking Korean Influence over Sushi Production in NZ", *New Zealand Journal of Asian Studies*, Vol. 13, No. 2: 18-35.

EASTER/MID-TRIMESTER BREAK: 3 APRIL TO 19 APRIL 2015

WEEK SIX

Lecture **Tuesday 21 April: Small group discussions (Stephen Epstein, Asian Studies)**

There will be no lecture, but all students should come to HM205 to discuss writing up your restaurant exercise and to workshop your essay proposals within your restaurant groups.

NB: Those who attend class will be given an automatic two-day extension for their proposals to take into account discussion with their peers. **Attendance will be taken only for this lecture.**

WEEK SIX TUTORIAL The Burqa Case

Prior to the tutorial be sure to have read Erich Kolig's chapter (pp. in *AMNZ*) on the Burqa case. Think about the arguments Kolig is summarising in this chapter, and your own response to these arguments. Do you find them convincing? If so, why? If not, why not?

Many of you will remember the controversy that surrounded Amy Chua's best-selling book *Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother*. (For a very exaggerated and problematic "What Would You Do?" treatment of these issues, see www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Yul9P3m0qo on the course playlist.) Is this issue a valid example of a cross-cultural conflict? Can you think of other examples of conflicts that have arisen in New Zealand because of cultural clashes with recent immigrants from Asia? How should societies manage differences that arise in a multicultural situation?

Lecture **Thursday 23 April: Asian Religions in NZ (Rick Weiss, Religious Studies)**

Reading: Hugh Kemp, 'How the Dharma Landed: Interpreting the Arrival of Buddhism in New Zealand,' *Journal of Global Buddhism* 8 (2007), pp. 107-131. Also available at the journal website www.globalbuddhism.org/toc.html.

WEEK SEVEN

Lecture **Tuesday 28 April: The NZ-China Relationship (Jason Young, Political Science & International Relations)**

Reading: Anne-Marie Brady, 'New Zealand-China Relations: Common Points and Differences', *New Zealand Journal of Asian Studies*, 10, 2 (2008): 1-20.

WEEK SEVEN TUTORIAL Constructing and Deconstructing Asian Restaurants

Prior to this tutorial, collect yourself into a group of from three to five and visit a local restaurant that specialises in some form of “Asian” cuisine. Be prepared to give a short presentation (non-assessed) on your group’s experience. Feedback you receive on your presentation should be incorporated into your submitted report that will be due on Tuesday, 5 May at 4 p.m.

In preparing your presentation, focus on a number of aspects of this restaurant and consider how they reflect forces of globalisation, with specific reference to New Zealand’s relationship with Asia. Possible features you might touch upon include decor, menu items, seating arrangements, music, restaurant name, clientele, and so on. In what ways does the restaurant attempt (or refuse) to perform “authenticity”? Think about the issues that came up in last week’s lectures and the readings on the globalisation of food as well general issues of representation of Asia within New Zealand. Be sure to have completed the Allen and Sakamoto reading before you come to tutorial as well. Insofar as possible be analytical and not just descriptive. Do your best to apply the concepts from lectures and readings.

Lecture **Thursday 30 April: NZ Businesses and Asia, (Siah Hwee Ang, BNZ Chair in Business in Asia, Marketing and International Business)**

Reading: Siah Hwee Ang, ‘Eye On Asia,’ six-part series from New Zealand Herald (2014).

WEEK EIGHT

Lecture **Tuesday 5 May: NZ Engagement in Asia Amidst Regional Transformation (David Capie, Political Science & International Relations)**

Reading: Tim Beal, ‘Coming to Terms with Trade,’ *AMNZ*, pp. 94-121.

WEEK EIGHT TUTORIAL New Zealand Engagement with Asia

In this tutorial we will focus on the changing way that the New Zealand state has interacted with nations in Asia and how this relates to the material that we have looked at throughout the course. Be sure to read the Anne-Marie Brady article before arriving at tutorial. What do you see as the main driver in New Zealand’s relationship with China? Do you see this as different from, say, the main aspect of our relationship with other Asian nations that you may be familiar with? Many International Relations theorists argue that states have interests aside from political considerations and that these interests determine a state’s interactions with other countries. Given what you have learned does this approach make sense? What role does public opinion play in determining relations between states?

Lecture **Thursday 7 May: Confucius Institutes, Chinese Language and NZ (Catherine Churchman, Asian Studies)**

Reading: Michael Churchman, “Confucius Institutes and Controlling Chinese Languages,” *Chinese Heritage Quarterly* 26 (2011),
www.chinaheritagequarterly.org/articles.php?searchterm=026_confucius.inc&issue=026

WEEK NINE

Lecture **Tuesday 12 May: Lonely Planet Asia (Stephen Epstein, Asian Studies)**

Reading: Beth Notar, ‘Lonely Planeteers and a Transnational Authentic’, in *Displacing Desire: Travel and Popular Culture in China*. Honolulu: University of Hawai’i Press, 2006, pp. 20-37; 45-46.

WEEK NINE TUTORIAL Tutorial Presentations and Essay Workshop I

Prepare a three-minute presentation on your essay topic, explaining to your fellow students your argument, and the evidence that you are using to support it. If you have encountered particularly thorny issues in working out your argument, don't hesitate to raise them. One of the objectives of this assessment is to give you practice in making a clear and concise oral presentation. Time yourself and rehearse! Your tutor is under strict instructions to cut you off after three minutes. Because of our tight time limit, there will not be room for power point presentations or other visual aids other than holding up pictures of any particular relevant images that are central to your main argument. In order to encourage you to put some effort into your tutorial presentations, we announce small prizes to be given to the top three presentations in each tute as voted by your peers. These will be decided and awarded next week after we have gone through all presentations.

Please note that only students who attend the Week Nine Tutorial, or who have a doctor's certificate or other documentation for absence will be allowed to present in Week Ten. Other students will receive a 0% for this assessment.

Lecture Thursday 14 May: *Reinventing Indian Identity in NZ* (Sekhar Bandyopadhyay, History)

Reading: Sekhar Bandyopadhyay 'Reinventing Indian Identity,' in *AMNZ*, pp. 125-146.

WEEK TEN

Lecture Tuesday 19 May: *Korean-NZ Identity* (Stephen Epstein, Asian Studies)

Reading: Stephen Epstein, 'Imagining the Community,' in *AMNZ*, pp. 147-162.

WEEK TEN TUTORIAL Tutorial Presentations and Essay Workshop II

See the WEEK NINE Tutorial instructions for information about presentations.

In this tutorial we will cover any remaining presentations that we didn't cover the previous week and begin preparing for the examination. We will focus in particular on issues raised by the course textbook's articles on identity and help you think about how you might use this material in developing an essay in the examination. For this tutorial you should also read Paola Voci's chapter in the course textbook *AMNZ*, "From Middle Kingdom to Middle Earth and Back: Chinese Media/Mediated Identities in New Zealand," pp. 163-184.

Lecture Thursday 21 May: *Art, Globalisation and Identity in the Chinese Diaspora* (Yiyang Wang, Chinese)

Reading: Yiyang Wang. "Tyranny of Taste: Chinese Aesthetics in Australia and on the World Stage", Louie, Kam et al. editors. *Diasporic Chineseness after the Rise of China: Community, Culture, and Communication*. Vancouver: British Columbia University Press, 2013, pp. 149-169.

WEEK ELEVEN

Lecture Tuesday 26 May: *Asia, NZ & Cultural Flows I: Cool Japan* (Stephen Epstein, Asian Studies)

Reading: Douglas McGray, 'Japan's Gross National Cool', *Foreign Policy* 130 (September/June 2002), pp.44-54. Also available on-line from:
www.chass.utoronto.ca/~ikalmar/illustex/japfpmcgray.htm

WEEK ELEVEN TUTORIAL Asia, NZ and Popular Culture

In this week's tutorial we discuss how contemporary Asian pop culture has crossed boundaries and moved into the West. What forms of Asian popular culture are present in New Zealand? Why do you think New Zealand and global audiences have responded with increasing enthusiasm to Asian pop culture? Do you have any specific forms of which you are a particular fan? If so, how would you explain their attraction? What impressions and stereotypes of Asia do pop culture products convey? How does a nation achieve "soft power" if its products are popular elsewhere? Be sure to have read the Douglas McGray article as preparation for tutorial and to look at some of the associated YouTube clips from the course playlist. We will also continue to prepare for the examination and help you to think about how you might use the material covered in developing an exam essay.

Lecture Thursday 28 May: *Asia, NZ & Cultural Flows II: Cosplay* (Emerald King, Japanese)

Reading: Craig Norris and Jason Bainbridge, "Selling Otaku? The Relationship between Industry and Fandom in the Australian Cosplay Scene," *Intersections* 20 (2009):
intersections.anu.edu.au/issue20/norris_bainbridge.htm

For a brief introduction to cosplay by Emerald King, see:
<https://theconversation.com/explainer-what-is-cosplay-20759>

WEEK TWELVE

Lecture Tuesday 2 June: *Asia, NZ & Cultural Flows III: Gamelan* (Kimberly Cannady, NZ School of Music)

Reading: Henry Johnson in *AMNZ*, "Striking Accord! Gamelan, Education and Indonesian Cultural Flows in Aotearoa/New Zealand," pp. 185-203.

Lecture Thursday 4 June: *Course Evaluations, Review & Exam Prep* (Stephen Epstein, Asian Studies)

Reading: None