Overview

The course is designed to provide students with a basic understanding of the patterns of political and economic development in Japan, China, South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, and the Hong Kong SAR (Special Administrative Region).

The course consists of three parts. In part one, attention is given to the patterns of political and economic developments of these six entities. Japan is examined as a developmental model for the East Asian countries and as a major player in the regional economy. China is offered as a contrasting model and examined in terms of its changing patterns of economic development and its importance for the region. In part two, the focus is on economic regionalism, and in part three, the relationship between economic development and democratization is examined.

Requirements

1. Examinations: An in-class mid-term is scheduled on February 14 (T), 2006. Students will be asked to answer two essay questions and some IDs.

2. Class Presentation: students are required to make one class presentation on one assigned reading. The presentation should be about five to ten minutes in duration and should summarize the major arguments of the reading. Three to four questions should also be prepared for class discussion. A handout is suggested.

3. Research Paper: students are required to write a research paper on a topic related to East Asian political economy (10-12 pages for undergraduates and 15-18 pages for graduate students).

Students should discuss the proposed research topic with the instructor prior to beginning work on the paper. Instructor will provide comments on successive drafts submitted by students. The research paper is due on March 16, 2006.
4. Class Attendance: students are required to attend classes regularly.

Required Books

The following required books are available for purchase at the OSU Bookstore.


Final Course Grade

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Course Outline

Week 1 (1/10 & 12)
Course Introduction
The Path to Industrialization and the Rise of East Asia

Part I. Political Economy and Development

Week 2 (1/17 &19)
A. Japan and the Developmental State Model
   Arase, Chapters 4-7
   1/19 (Th) In-class video viewing, “The Japanese Economic Bubble.”

Week 3 (1/24 & 26)
B. South Korea: Miracle and Crisis
   Graham, Chapters 1-3, & 5

Week 4 (1/31 & 2/2)
C. Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Singapore
   (handouts)

Week 5 (2/7 & 9)
D. China: The Command Economy vs the Socialist Market Economy
   Gittings, Chapters 1-2, 6-7, & 11 &13

(In class midterm, 2/14)

Part II. Economic Regionalism

Week 6 (2/16)
A. The Linkages for Economic Regionalism
   Lincoln, Chapters 1-5

Week 7 (2/21 & 23)
B. Toward a New Regionalism?
   Lincoln, Chapters 6-10
   Arase, Chapters 11-13

Part III. Economic Development and Democratization
Week 8 (2/28 & 3/2)

A. Sough Korea: Fight for Democracy
   Graham, Chapters 4 & 6
   Arase, Chapter 9
   3/2 (Th) In-class video-viewing: “The Fight for Democracy.”

Week 9 (3/7 & 9)

B. Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Singapore
   Arase, Chapter 8
   (More to be added)

Week 10 (3/14 & 16)

C. China: Economic Development and One-Party Rule
   Gittings, Chapters 8-10, 12, 14

D. Conclusion and Paper Presentations