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FOCUS: CHINA, JAPAN, AND KOREA

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Seminar Dates, Times, Locations

Saturdays—January 30, April 10, (8:15 a.m.- 3:30 p.m.).

Thursdays—February 4, 11, 25, March 4, 11, 18 (4:15-7:30 p.m.).

All sessions are at Education Connection, 355 Goshen Road, Litchfield, CT 06759

Make-up session: To be announced

Seminar Topics

Understanding Religions of East Asia, Confucianism and the Concept of Order

The Silk/Horse Route: Cultural Diffusion and Religious Transmission

Chinese Language and Culture

Japan: Historical Perspectives

21st Century Urbanization in China and Japan

Korean History and Culture

Nationalism, Democracy, and Labor Reform in China

Who are the Chinese?

The Rise of China and Changing East Asia

Seminar Presenters

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Seminar texts (provided)

1. *East Asia: A Cultural, Social, and Political History*, Patricia Ebrey, Anne Walthall, & James B. Palais.
2. *Education About Asia* (one year subscription).
3. *Through Japanese Eyes*, Richard H. Minear.
4. *Through Chinese Eyes*, Edward Vernoff & Peter J. Seybolt.
5. *Confucius: The Analects*, Arthur Waley, Translator.
6. *Our Twisted Hero*, Yi Munyol.
7. *To Live*, Yu Hua.
8. *History of Korea*, Young Ick Lew.
9. *When We Say Hiroshima*, Kurihara Sadako, translated by Richard H. Minear.

Excerpts and Articles (provided in your binder)

1. Koller, "The Vision of Confucius," *A Sourcebook in Asian Philosophy*, pages 407-421.
2. Jones, "Confucius, Navigating Our Way Through the Analects," (*Education About Asia*, Fall 1999).
3. McColl, "Understanding the Geographies of China," (*Education About Asia*, Fall 1999).
4. Neighbor, "Top Ten Things to Know About China in the 21st Century," (*Education About Asia*, Winter 2003).
5. Petry, "Geography of Japan," (*Japan Digest*).
6. Grant, "Geography's Importance to Japan's History," (*Education About Asia*, Spring 1998).
7. Gluck, "Top Ten Things to Know About Japan in the Early Twenty-First Century," (*Education About Asia*, Winter, 2008).
8. Economy, "The Great Leap Backward?" (*Foreign Affairs*, Sept./Oct. 2007)
9. Schultz, "Top Ten Things to Know About Korea in the 21st Century," (*Education About Asia*, Winter 2002).

Note: There will be additional excerpts and articles provided by presenters.

Important to Remember:

Due **April 24, 2010**: Implementation Plan and Mini-Grant Proposal

February of 2010: Follow-up meeting to be scheduled around the Chinese New Year. You will receive an email announcing the exact date no later than October 15, 2010.

Requirements of the seminar can be found on the "How Things Work" page in your binder. These will be reviewed during the sessions. It is important to remember that the seminar 30 hours must be attended or made up.

Inclement weather may occur. Check your email for announcements or contact Arlene at 413-250-1424. Email: arlnkoala@aol.com.

The Year of Tiger begins February 14, 2010 and ends February 2, 2011.



Session #1—Saturday, January 30, 2010, 8:15 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Topic: “ Understanding Religions of East Asia”

(Confucianism and the Concept of Order)

Suggested readings: Waley, *Confucius: The Analects*, pages 13-87; Koller, “The Vision of Confucius,” *A Sourcebook in Asian Philosophy*, pages 407-421; Jones, “Confucius, Navigating Our Way Through the Analects,” (*Education About Asia*, Fall 1999); Ebrey, Walthall & Palais, *East Asia: A Cultural, Social, and Political History*, Chapter 2; Vernoff & Seybolt, *Through Chinese Eyes*, pages 25-57, 241-254.

Suggested websites: www.askasia.org; www.aasianst.org/EAA/about.htm; www.aems.uiue.edu

- 8:15-8:45 a.m. Registration and refreshments. Delivery of course texts and resources.
8:45-9:15 a.m. Introductions, review of syllabus, “How Things Work,” other announcements.
9:15-12:00 noon Lecture/Discussion, Daniel Gardner, History & East Asian Studies, Smith College, dgardner@email.smith.edu.
12:00-12:45 p.m. Lunch provided.
12:45-3:15 p.m. Presentation continues.
3:15-3:30 p.m. Journal reflections and sharing.

Session #2—Thursday, February 4, 2010, 4:15-7:30 p.m.

Topic: “The Silk/Horse Route: Cultural Diffusion and Religious Transmission”

(History/geography of the region as an Indo-Sino contact zone. The diffusion of Buddhism and the trans-Asian Buddhist world, 600-900 CE, Basic Buddhism. Tibet on the Silk Route. The reorientation of trade and culture through Islam)

Suggested readings: Ebrey, Walthall & Palais, *East Asia: A Cultural, Social, and Political History*, Chapters 3 and 4; McColl, “Understanding the Geographies of China,” (*Education About Asia*, Fall, 1999).

Suggested websites: www.atlantic.com/slideshows/china-nations;

www.China360online.org;

<http://www.chinainstitute.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=Page.ViewPage&PageID=577>.

- 4:15-4:30 p.m. Review materials from Five College Center for East Asian Studies Resource Library, refreshments.
4:30-7:15 p.m. Lecture/Discussion, Todd Lewis, Religious Studies, College of the Holy Cross, tlewis@holycross.edu.
7:15-7:30 p.m. Journal reflections and assignment.

Session #3—Thursday, February 11, 2010, 4:15-7:30 p.m.
Topic: “Chinese Language and Culture”

Suggested readings: Ebrey, Walthall & Palais, *East Asia: A Cultural, Social, and Political History*, Chapter 1.

Suggestions website: www.mandarintools.com.

- 4:15-4:30 p.m. Review of materials from Five College Center for East Asian Studies Resource Library, refreshments, sharing of reviews.
- 4:30-7:15 p.m. Lecture/Discussion, Stephen Platt, History, University of Massachusetts/Amherst, platt@history.umass.edu.
- 7:15-7:30 p.m. Journal reflections, sharing of reviews.

Session #4—Thursday, February 25, 2010, 4:15-7:30 p.m.
Topic: “Japan: Historical Perspectives”
(Japan within East Asia, Early-Modern Japan, Meiji Restoration, WWII, Postwar Recover, Japan in the World Today)

Suggested readings: Minear, *Through Japanese Eyes*, pages 37-43, 69-82, 91-93, 107-140; Petry, “Geography of Japan,” (*Japan Digest*); Grant, “Geography’s Importance to Japan’s History,” (*Education About Asia*, Spring 1998); Gluck, “Top Ten Things to Know About Japan in the Early Twenty-First Century,” (*Education About Asia*, Winter, 2008).

Suggested websites: www.visualizingcultures.com; www.aboutjapan.japansociety.org.

- 4:15-4:30 p.m. Review materials from Five College Center for East Asian Studies Resource Library, refreshments, sharing of reviews.
- 4:30-7:15 p.m. Lecture/Discussion, Trent E. Maxey, History, Asian Languages and Civilizations, Amherst College, tmaxey@amherst.edu.
- 7:15-7:30 p.m. Online activity: Viewing websites.

Session #5—Thursday, March 4, 2010, 4:15-7:30 p.m.
Topic: Economics of East Asia

Suggested readings: Economy, “The Great Leap Backward?” (*Foreign Affairs*, Sept./Oct. 2007); Neighbor, “Top Ten Things to Know About China in the 21st Century,” (*Education About Asia*, Winter 2003); Vernoff & Seybolt, *Through Chinese Eyes*, pages 3-21, 61-88, 223-232; Minear, *Through Japanese Eyes*, pages 1-34.

Suggested websites: www.chinadaily.com.cn; www.koreaherald.com.kr; www.japantimes.co.jp.

- 4:15-4:30 p.m. Refreshments. Sharing of reviews.
- 4:30-7:15 p.m. Lecture/Discussion, Piper Gaubatz, Geosciences, University of Massachusetts/Amherst, gaubatz@geo.umass.edu.
- 7:15-7:30 p.m. Journal reflections.

Session #6—Thursday, March 11, 2010, 4:15-7:30 p.m.

Topic: “Korean History and Culture”

Suggested readings: Young Ick Lew, *A Brief History of Korea*; Yi Munyol, *Our Twisted Hero*; Gluck, “Top Ten Things to Know About Korea in the 21st Century,” (*Education About Asia*, Winter, 2002).

Suggested website: www.koreasociety.org.

- 4:15-4:45 p.m. Refreshments.
Our Twisted Hero for the classroom, notes from Arlene Kowal.
- 4:45-7:30 p.m. Lecture/Discussion, Hye-Sook Wang, Brown University, East Asian Studies, hye-souk_wang@brown.edu.

Session #7—Thursday, March 18, 2010, 4:15-7:30 p.m.

Topic: “Nationalism, Democracy and Labor Reform in China”

Suggested readings: Yu Hua, *To Live*.

Presenter’s handouts to be announced prior to session.

- 4:15-4:40 p.m. Refreshments. Movie clip: *To Live*, and notes on other Chinese films, Arlene Kowal.
- 4:40-7:15 p.m. Lecture/Discussion, Sigrid Schmalzer, History, University of Massachusetts/Amherst, sigrid@history.umass.edu
- 7:15-7:30 p.m. Journal reflections.

Session #8—Saturday, April 10, 2010, 8:15 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Morning Topic: “Who are the Chinese?”

Afternoon Topic: “The Rise of China and Changing East Asia”

Suggested readings: Minear, *Through Japanese Eyes*, Chapters 7-9; Vernoff & Seybolt, *Through Chinese Eyes*, pages 325-350.

Suggested website: www.alloksame.com.

- 8:15-9:00 a.m. Refreshments, review of requirements, complete forms and evaluations.
- 9:00-12 noon Lecture/Discussion, Jonathan Lipman, Mount Holyoke College, History, Asian Studies, jlipman@mtholyoke.edu.
- Noon-12:45 p.m. Lunch.
- 12:45-3:15 p.m. Lecture/Discussion, Shiping Zheng, Bentley University, Political Science, Department of Global Studies, szheng@bentley.edu
- 3:15-3:30 p.m. Turn in paperwork, receive PDP certificates.

Make-up session—TO BE ANNOUNCED
