

Requirements

This course does not assume any prior knowledge of Chinese politics or history. All students should have read the assigned material before class and keep up-to-date on news related to China.

Format

The class format will be that of a combined lecture-seminar. Sessions will typically include extensive remarks by the instructor—remarks designed to orient the students and to provide a context within which the readings for that day can be understood. Sessions will also include full class and small group discussions of both points made in the lecture and of the readings assigned for that day. All students are encouraged to ask questions and raise points of interest during our sessions. At the end of each session after Week 3, at least one student will make a brief presentation of an event or news story that relates to contemporary China.

Academic Misconduct

It is the responsibility of the Committee on Academic Misconduct to investigate or establish procedures for the investigation of all reported cases of student academic misconduct. The term “academic misconduct” includes all forms of student academic misconduct wherever committed; illustrated by, but not limited to, cases of plagiarism and dishonest practices in connection with examinations. Instructors shall report all instances of alleged academic misconduct to the committee (Faculty Rule 3335-5-487). For additional information, see the Code of Student Conduct (http://studentaffairs.osu.edu/resource_csc.asp).

Disability Services

Students with disabilities that have been certified by the Office for Disability Services will be appropriately accommodated, and should inform the instructor as soon as possible of their needs. The Office for Disability Services is located in 150 Pomerene Hall, 1760 Neil Avenue; telephone 292-3307, TDD 292-0901; <http://www.ods.ohio-state.edu/>.

Schedule of Readings

Most readings will be available on carmen.osu.edu and/or with links below.

Week 01 – Introduction

Sep 2 – Initial Session

Sep 4 – Area Studies & Comparative Politics

[1] Robert Bates. 1997. “Area Studies and the Discipline: A Useful Controversy,” *PS: Political Science and Politics*. (June): 166-169.

[2] Perry Link, “The Anaconda in the Chandelier,” *New York Review of Books*, April 11, 2002.
China Map Quiz

Week 02 – Factory Girls Building Dreams

Sep 9, 11

[1] Leslie Chang. 2008. *Factory Girls: From Village to City in a Changing China*. Selections. [Link](#).

[2] Economist. 2014. “China: Building the Dream.” Special Report.

Week 03 – Area Studies, Legacies of Imperial China, & Beginnings of Mao

Sep 16, 18

[1] Lieberthal. Chapters 1&2

[2] Lieberthal. Chapter 4

Week 04 – Maoist China

Sep 23, 25

[1] Ezra Vogel. 1967. "From Revolutionary to Semi-Bureaucrat," *China Quarterly*, pp. 36-60.

[2] Barry Naughton. 2007. *The Chinese Economy: Transitions and Growth*. Ch. 3

[3] James C. Scott. 2012. "Tyranny of the Ladle." *London Review of Books*. pp. 21-8.

[4] Resolution on CPC History (1949-1981), Selections

China: A Century of Revolution [watching and discussing portions of the film in class]

Week 05 – The Decision to & Beginnings of Reform

Sep 30, Oct 2

[1] Lowell Dittmer. 1978. "Bases of Power in Chinese Politics: The Fall of the Gang of Four," *World Politics*, pp. 26-55.

[2] David Zweig. 1986. "Prosperity and Conflict," *China Quarterly*, pp. 1-18.

[3] Jean Oi. 1999. "Two Decades of Rural Reform in China: An Overview and Assessment," *China Quarterly*, pp. 616-628.

Week 06 – Economics of Reform

Oct 7, 9

[1] Barry Naughton. 2007. *The Chinese Economy: Transitions and Growth*. Chapters 4 & 5.

[2] Yasheng Huang. 2008. *Capitalism with Chinese Characteristics: Entrepreneurship and the State*. Preface & Chapter 1.

Week 07 – Tiananmen

Oct 14, 16

[1] Andrew Nathan. 2001. "The Tiananmen Papers." *Foreign Affairs*.

[2] Andrew Walder. 1991. "Workers, Managers and the State: The Reform Era and the Political Crisis of 1989." *China Quarterly*.

[3] Dingxin Zhao. 2001. *The Power of Tiananmen: State-Society Relations and the 1989 Beijing Student Movement*. Selections.

Midterm Review

Week 08 – Midterm Exam & Growth and Discontents

Oct 21—Midterm Exam

Oct 23

[1] Dorothy Solinger. 2003. "State and Society in Urban China in the Wake of the 16th Party Congress." *CQ*.

[2] Dali Yang. 2006. "Economic Transformation and Its Political Discontents in China." pp. 143-64.

Week 09 – Social Stability and Nationalism

Oct 28, 30

[1] Lianjiang Li & Kevin O'Brien. 1996. "Villagers & Popular Resistance in Contemporary China." *Modern China*.

[2] Tanner, Murray Scot. 2004. "China Rethinks Unrest." *The Washington Quarterly*. pp. 137-56.

[3] Susan L. Shirk. 2007. "The Echo Chamber of Nationalism: Media and the Internet." pp. 79-104.

[4] Jessica Weiss. 2013. "Autocratic Signaling, Mass Audiences and Nationalist Protest in China." *International Organization*.

Week 10 – Promotions and Information

Nov 4, 6

[Analysis Writing Prompts Handed Out]

[1] David Shambaugh. 2008. *China's Communist Party: Atrophy and Adaptation*. University of California Press. Selections.

[2] Graeme Smith. 2009. "Political Machinations in a Rural County" *China Journal*.

[3] Sebastian Heilmann, Elizabeth Perry, & Patricia Thornton. *Mao's Invisible Hand: The Political Foundations of Adaptive Governance in China*. HUP. Chapters 1 and 7.

Week 11 – Cities and Stability

Nov 11—Veteran's Day. No class.

Nov 13

[1] Jeremy Wallace. 2014. *Cities and Stability: Urbanization, Redistribution, and Regime Survival in China*. Chapters 1-5.

Week 12 – China 3.0

Nov 18, 21

[1] Mark Leonard (ed). 2012. *China 3.0*. [Including: Cui Zhiyuan, Xiao Bin, Yu Yongding, Justin Yifu Lin, Zhang Weiyang, Wang Shaoguang, Hu Shuli, Sun Liping, Ma Jun, Pan Wei & Shang Ying, Wang Hui, Michael Anti, Wang Yizhou, Yan Xuetong, Wang Jisi]

Week 13 – Moving Forward

Nov 25—TBD

Nov 27—Thanksgiving

Week 14 – Conclusions

Dec 2, 4

[1] Willy Lam. 2012. "The Maoist Revival and the Conservative Turn in Chinese Politics." *China Perspectives*.

[2] Cheng Li. 2012. "The End of the CCP's Resilient Authoritarianism?" *CQ*. No. 211.

[3] Jeremy Wallace. *Cities and Stability*. Chapter 8.

Week 15 – Final Exam Review

Dec 9

Final Exam Review

Friday, December 12, 2014. 6:00-7:45pm

FINAL EXAMINATION