

Divinations in Chinese Society

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Course Date & Time

July 19, 20, &21 1410 p.m. – 1700 p.m.

Course Objectives

- to understand the culture of divination (fortunetelling and geomancy) in Taiwanese/Chinese society
- to learn different facets of Taiwanese society

Course Outline or Topics (more details shall be revealed later)

Session 1 (July 19): Taiwanese Divinations (1)
Session 2 (July 20): Taiwanese Divinations (2)
Session 3 (July 21): Taiwanese Divinations (3)

•Contents:

Students are supposed to do the following readings before class. More details will be revealed later.

- Gary Seaman, "The sexual politics of karmic retribution."
- Henry Dore, S.J., Researches into Chinese Superstitions. (optional)
- De Groot, The Religious System of China, v3. (optional)
- Yi-yuan Li, "Chinese Geomancy and Ancestor Worship: a Further Discussion."
- C.K. Yang, Religion in Chinese Society. (optional)