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# Taiwan's Social and Demographic Changes and Development

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Course's Schedule	
Date	July 4th, 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th and 13th, 2022
Time	09:00 to 12:00 PM

# **Course's Objectives**

- To get familiar with key concepts of population and social changes
- To learn and discuss key progresses of population and social changes and development in Taiwan.
- To understand the challenges and opportunities for social and public policies that promote population and social development in Taiwan

# **Course requirements/ Grading Standards**

- Short Quiz (20%)
- Class Participation and Discussion (40%)
- Final Presentation (40%)

# **Course Outline and Topics**

### Session 1 (July 4th):

Introduction and Overview of Taiwan's Population and Social Changes over past Hundred Years

#### Contents:

- Course design and description (seating, grading, assignment, etc)
- Overview of the course and all relevant topics
- History of population and social development in Taiwan
- Documentary on youtube: "Tug Of War: The Story Of Taiwan" by PBS

#### Session 2 (July 5<sup>th</sup>):

Aging of Taiwanese Society

#### Readings:

- Lin, Y. Y., & Huang, C. S. (2016). Aging in Taiwan: building a society for active aging and aging in place. The Gerontologist, 56(2), 176-183.

#### Contents:

- Short quiz of prior session
- Lecture and discussion of the readings

#### Assignment:

Choosing a presentation topic

#### Session 3 (July 6<sup>th</sup>):

### Low Fertility

#### Readings:

- Poston, D. L. (2000). Social and economic development and the fertility transitions in mainland China and Taiwan. Population and Development Review, 26, 40-60.

#### Contents:

- Short quiz of prior session
- Lecture and discussion of the readings

#### Assignment:

Collecting materials/data for your presentation

#### Session 4 (July 11th):

#### Diversity of Family and LGBT Rights

## Readings:

- Ho, M. S. (2019). Taiwan's road to marriage equality: Politics of legalizing same-sex marriage. The China Quarterly, 238, 482-503.

### Contents:

- Short quiz of prior session
- Lecture and discussion of the readings

- Assignment:
  - Making slides for your presentation

# Session 5 (July 12<sup>th</sup>):

Cross-Strait Marriages and New Immigrants

- Readings: Wang, H. Z. (2011). Immigration trends and policy changes in Taiwan. Asian and Pacific Migration Journal, 20(2), 169-194.
- Contents:
- Short quiz of prior session
  - Lecture and discussion of the readings
- Assignment:
  - None. Prepare your presentation for tomorrow.

# Session 6 (July 13<sup>th</sup>):

Conclusion and Student Presentation

- Contents:
  - Review of the key concepts and issues
  - Student presentation and discussion