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US-China-Taiwan and the Global System

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Course Requirements: This is a seminar-based course. Students must participate actively in class discussions. Participants are required to finish the readings **before** the weekly class meeting starts.

Registered students **must** make at least two formal presentations in class:

- (1) Choose **one or two topics** from the weekly sessions. You will help identifying key arguments of the reading materials and provide additional information in your oral presentations .
- (2) Present your “ pioneer paper proposal” in the last meetings of class.

Based on oral presentations, students will discuss and debate major viewpoints in class.

Instructor will lead the discussions, lecture supplemental topics, and raise further questions.

Grading:

Class participation , presentations and midterm: 65%

Pioneers proposal.:

35%

COURSE SCHEDULE :

Introduction and Organization

Background Review

Walter Russell Mead, “ The Return of Geopolitics”

G. John Ikenberry, “The Illusion of Geopolitics,”

Foreign Affairs, May/June 2014, pp. 69-91.

John Mearsheimer, “Taiwan’s dire strait”, *National Interests*, March, 2014

<https://www.mearsheimer.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Taiwans-Dire-Straits.pdf>

The “China Threat” debate and Sino-American relations

Suisheng Zhao, “Engagement on the Defensive: From the Mismatched Grand Bargain to the Emerging US–China Rivalry,” *Journal of Contemporary China*, Vol. 28, No. 118 (2019), pp. 501-518.

“Linking Values and Strategy: A task Force Report”, Alliance for Securing Democracy, October, 2020,

<https://securingdemocracy.gmfus.org/linking-values-and-strategy/>

Nye Jr. Joseph S., 2020. “Power and Interdependence with China.” *The Washington Quarterly*, Vol. 43, No. 1, pp. 7-21.

Continuity and change of Chinese foreign policy

David A Lake, “Domination, Authority, and the Forms of Chinese Power,”

The Chinese Journal of International Politics, Volume 10, Issue 4, 1 December 2017, Pages 357–382,

Yan Xuetong , “From Keeping a Low Profile to Striving for Achievement,”

The Chinese Journal of International Politics, 2014, Vol. 7, No. 2

Jae Ho Chung, "Homework for Beijing: Five Hurdles on China's Path to Becoming a 'Responsible Great Power' " *Asian Perspective*, Vol. 45, No. 1 (2021).

Challenges of Cross-Strait relations

Shelley Rigger, "Taiwan's 2020 Election Analysis", March 1, 2020

China Leadership Monitor

<https://www.prcleader.org/shelley-rigger-taiwan-election>

Szu-yin Ho, "Cross Strait Relations", Chapter 15, in *Dynamics of Democracy in Taiwan: The Ma Ying-jeou Years* Hardcover – August 17, 2020 Lynne Rienner Publishers, Inc. (August 17, 2020)

Xin Qiang, "Selective Engagement: Mainland China's Dual-Track Taiwan Policy," *Journal of Contemporary China*, Vol. 29, No. 124 (2020), pp. 535-552.

China's Belt and Road Initiatives

Li Mingjiang, "China's Economic Power in Asia: The Belt and Road Initiative and the Local Guangxi Government's Role," *Asian Perspective*, Vol. 43, No. 2 (Spring 2019), pp. 273-295.

Sasada Hironori, "Resurgence of the 'Japan Model'? Japan's Aid Policy Reform and Infrastructure Development Assistance," *Asian Survey*, Vol. 59, No. 6 (December 2019), pp. 1044-1069.

Xue Gong, "The Belt & Road Initiative and China's influence in Southeast Asia," *The Pacific Review*, Vol. 32, No. 4 (2019), pp. 635-665.

European aspects on the US-China rivalry

“Decoupling - Severed Ties and Patchwork Globalization”, Report by European Chamber of Commerce in China in partnership with MERICS, January, 2021.

<https://merics.org/en/report/decoupling-severed-ties-and-patchwork-globalisation>

“Europe in the face of US –China rivalry”. 2020

<https://www.merics.org/en/europe-in-the-face-of-us-china-rivalry>

Cases on Germany and EU

Gaskarth, Jamie and Kai Oppermann, “Clashing Traditions: German Foreign Policy in a New Era”, *International Studies Perspectives*, 2021 doi: 10.1093/isp/ekz017

Video Comments and Discussion

midterm exam.

Major Power politics in the Arctic region: the US Perspective

“Changes in the Arctic : Background and Issues for the Congress”, February, 2021

<https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/R41153.pdf>

Major Power politics in the Arctic region: the Chinese Perspective

Timo Koivurova and Sanna Kopra, ed.,

Chinese Policy and Presence in the Arctic (Brill, 2020), Chapter 3 , 5, 6, 7

Indo-Pacific Strategies and major power politics

Sung Chul Jung, Jaehyon Lee and Ji-Yong Lee, “The Indo-Pacific Strategy

and US Alliance Network Expandability: Asian Middle Powers' Positions on Sino-US Geostrategic Competition in Indo-Pacific Region," *Journal of Contemporary China*, Vol. 30, No. 127 (2021), pp. 53-68.

Kei Koga, "Japan's 'Indo-Pacific' Question: Countering China or Shaping a New Regional Order?" *International Affairs*, Vol. 96, No. 1 (January 2020), pp. 49-73.

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Domestic politics and foreign policy making

Morrin Ripsman, Jeffrey Taliaferro, and Steven E Lobell, Neoclassical realist theory of international politics, chapter 3

Yu Keping, "Governance and Good Governance: A New Framework for Political Analysis" *Fudan Journal of the Humanities and Social Sciences* volume 11, pages1–8(2018)

Shirley Lin, "Analyzing the Relationship between Identity and Democratization in Taiwan and Hong Kong in the Shadow of China
December 20, 2018"
<http://www.theasanforum.org/analyzing-the-relationship-between-identity-and-democratization-in-taiwan-and-hong-kong-in-the-shadow-of-china/>

Culture , Memories, History and International relations

Yuan-kang Wang (2020) The Durability of a Unipolar System: Lessons from East Asian History, *Security Studies*, 29:5, 832-863, DOI: 10.1080/09636412.2020.1859127

David C. Kang (2010) Hierarchy and Legitimacy in International Systems: The Tribute System in Early Modern East Asia, *Security Studies*, 19:4, 591-622,

DOI: 10.1080/09636412.2010.524079 To link to this article:
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Fenghua Zhang and Pascal Courty, "The China Museum Boom: Soft Power and Cultural Nationalism," *International Journal of Cultural Policy*, Vol. 27, No. 1 (2021), pp. 30-49.

Guest Speaker: Professor Joseph Chan, University of Hong Kong.

group discussion section I

group discussion section 2

Final exam week