

Huron Brief Course Outlines

Fall/Winter 2023-2024

Course Title: China: Current Issues in Historical Context

Course Number and Section

HISTORY

1606F - 550

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Course Description:

This course examines the historical context of several thorny issues facing China at both international and domestic fronts: the strategic competition with the US, South China Sea disputes, territorial disputes with Japan and India, as well as the Cross-Strait relations, and the separatist/autonomous movements in Taiwan, Hong Kong, Tibet, and Xinjiang.

Learning Outcomes:

- To understand critical issues facing China and their historical roots
- To evaluate historiographical debates among historians on these issues
- To analyze sources in ways that recognize their value and limitations
- To sharpen their analytical skills
- To articulate their critical views, both in class discussion and in written work
- To demonstrate the value of historical inquiry.

Textbooks and Course Materials:

Weekly readings are available online at the course website

Methods of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Exam	11/15/2023	40%
Research essay	11/27/2023	40%
Tutorial participation	throughout the term	20%

In solidarity with the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak, and Chonnonton peoples on whose traditional treaty and unceded territories this course is shared.