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PSC 395.01: Chinese Foreign Policy

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Chinese Foreign Policy - PSC 395?

Course Description:

After a quick look at the evolution of Chinese foreign policy since 1949, this course will firstly explore both the international and domestic determinants of Chinese foreign policy, which are the driving forces of Chinese foreign policy making. This course will also examine the process of Chinese policy making, by discussing the major political and governmental institutions which involve the process. Finally this course will discuss China’s relations with major power and other regions in the world, for example, China’s relations with the United States, Japan, Russia, India, Europe, etc.

What this course will help you to understand are:

- The trends of Chinese foreign policy in the world today
- The international setting of current Chinese foreign policy
- The domestic social, economic and political forces which shaped the current Chinese foreign policy
- How Chinese foreign policy is made
- China’s relations with major power and other regions in the world today
- China’s position in the world politics today
- And the challenges to China’s foreign policy in the 21st century world.

Required Readings:


Other readings are also going to be available.

Grading:

1. Class preparation, class participation, and attendance: one-third
2. Mid-term examination (essay exam): one-third (three-page paper)
3. Final examination paper: one-third (five-page paper)
Class Topics:

1. Introduction: A Historical Perspective

2. International Determinants of Chinese Foreign policy
   Readings:

3. Domestic Determinants of Chinese Foreign policy
   Readings:
   Michael D. Swaine, China: Domestic Change and Foreign Policy, (Santa Monica, CA.: RAND, 1995), Chapter 2, 3, and 4.
   Lu Ning, The Dynamics of Foreign Policy Decision Making in China, Chapter 5.

4. Foreign Policy Making: Bureaucracies (I)
   Readings:
   Lu Ning, The Dynamics of Foreign Policy Decision Making in China, Chapter 1, 4 and 6.

5. Foreign Policy Making: Bureaucracies (II)
   Readings:
   Lu Ning, The Dynamics of Foreign Policy Decision Making in China, Chapter 2 and 3.

6. Foreign Policy Making: Bureaucracies (III)
   Readings:
   David M. Lampton, ed., The Making of Chinese Foreign and Security Policy in the

7. MID-TERM EXAMINATION: prepare for exam

8. China’s Relations with the United States

Readings:
Robert G. Sutter, China's Rise in Asia: Promises and Perils, Chapter 3.

9. China’s Relations with Europe and Russia

Readings:
Robert G. Sutter, China's Rise in Asia: Promises and Perils, Chapter 4.

10. China’s Relations with Asian Countries

Readings:
Robert G. Sutter, China's Rise in Asia: Promises and Perils, Chapter 5, 6, and 7.

11. China’s Relations with South and Central Asian Countries

Readings:
Robert G. Sutter, China's Rise in Asia: Promises and Perils, Chapter 9 and 10.

12. China’s Relations with Latin America and Africa

Readings:


13. China and International Organizations

Readings:


14. The Future of Chinese Foreign Policy

Readings:

Selected Websites:
American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai. http://www.amcham-shanghai.org
American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong. http://www.amcham.hk
Asian Studies Virtual Library. coombs.anu.edu.au/WWWVL-AsianStudies.html
Center for Nonproliferation Studies, China Database. www.nti.org/db/china
Central Asia-Caucasus Institute. www.cacianalyst.org
China Data Center (University of Michigan). www.umich.edu/~iinet/chinadata
Chinese Military Power. www.comm.org/emp
ChinaInfo. www.chinainfo.gov.cn
China Documentation Center at George Washington University’s Gelman Library. www.gwu.edu/gelman/secarr/cdc
Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs. www.fmprc.gov.cn