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**DIPL 6622 CHINA'S FOREIGN RELATIONS**

**Fall 2014**

**Thursday 11:00-1:10pm.**

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**Course Description**

This course provides students with a comprehensive introduction to the international relations of the People's Republic of China. It will explore a number of important events, including China's foreign relations during the Cold War as well as contemporary diplomatic, security and economic issues. In particular, this course will provide students some current research in Chinese foreign policy from multiple theoretical perspectives and methodologies.

This course is divided into four parts. It first examines Chinese security policy, including Chinese use of force, policy toward conflicts of interests affecting war and peace, and China's strategy as a rising power. The second part covers China's behavior as an actor in multilateral institutions and China's response to emerging global trends. These topics are relatively new for the field, reflecting the fact that since the late 1980s, China has advanced more rapidly into international institutional life than any other major state moving from a similar position of isolation. Part III will introduce new research on domestic-foreign linkages, considering the impact of trends in public opinion and of Chinese identity on China's policy toward major powers. The final part will be student presentations of their research papers.

**Course Requirements:**

|                                    |     |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|-----|
| First exam                         | 20% |     |
| Final research paper               | 50% |     |
| Presentation and class attendance: |     | 30% |

**Grading Scale**

|   |         |    |               |    |        |
|---|---------|----|---------------|----|--------|
| A | 94-100% | A- | 90-93%        | B+ | 87-89% |
| B | 83-86%  | B- | 80-82%        | C+ | 77-79% |
| C | 73-76%  | C- | 70-72%        | D+ | 67-69% |
| D | 60-66%  | F  | 59% and below |    |        |

**Course Information and Policies**

**Remarks**

1. All forms of dishonesty, whether by act or omission including, but not limited to, cheating, plagiarism and knowingly furnishing false information to the University are prohibited. Intentional disruption or obstruction of teaching, research or administrative proceedings is prohibited. University sanctions may extend to suspension and dismissal.

2. Students who have a physical, medical, learning or psychiatric disability, either temporary or permanent, may be eligible for reasonable accommodations at the University as per the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and/or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. In order to receive such accommodations, students must identify themselves at the Office of Disability Support Services (DSS), provide appropriate documentation and collaborate with the development of an accommodation plan. The DSS phone number is 973-313-6003. For further information, please go to website at <http://studentaffairsshu.edu/health/DisabilitySupportServices.html>.

**Late Assignments and Make-up Policy**

All assignments and exams should/must be completed by the date indicated in the syllabus. If for some substantial reason you cannot turn in your assignment or take an exam/quiz at the scheduled time you must/should contact the instructor directly prior to the due date, or test date. Make-up exams will not be given unless exceptional circumstances prevail. The decision whether to grant a make-up is solely at the instructor’s discretion. No one will be allowed to take a make-up for more than one examination. I will generally expect you to take exams early if you are going to miss the regular date.

**Group Presentation Overall Grading**

The oral presentation project will comprise 30% of your final grade in this course. The oral presentation project is designed for students to capitalize on their creativity while creating a presentation with usable content.

The actual presentation will be graded out of 30% points. 10% is for individual presentation and 20% is for team presentation. Everyone in the group must present some portion of the material, or points will be taken off.

Oral Presentation Evaluation

Individual Performance (10%)

Group Performance (20%)

|                         |    |                               |    |
|-------------------------|----|-------------------------------|----|
| 1. Pose/Professionalism | 2% | 1. Choosing the case          | 5% |
| 2. Team work            | 6% | 2. Understanding of topic     | 5% |
| 3. Delivery             | 2% | 3. Good use of time           | 5% |
|                         |    | 4. Answered questions clearly | 5% |

## Readings

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., Chinese foreign policy: theory and practice (Oxford New York, Clarendon Press; Oxford University Press, 1994).

## Recommended books:

Johnston A. Iain and Ross RobertS, eds., New Directions in the Study of China's Foreign Policy (Stanford, California, Stanford University Press, 2006).

Hunt, Michael. *The Genesis of Chinese Communist Foreign Policy*. New York, NY: Columbia University Press, 1996, pp. 3-28. ISBN: 0231103107.

Harry Harding, *A Fragile Relationship: The United States and China since 1972* (Brookings, 1992).

Lampton, David M., ed. *The Making of Chinese Foreign and Security Policy*. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press, 2001. ISBN: 0804740569.

Mann, James. *About Face: A History of America's Curious Relationship with China, From Nixon to Clinton*. New York, NY: Knopf, 1999. ISBN: 067945053X.

Nathan, Andrew J., and Robert S. Ross. *Great Wall and Empty Fortress*. New York, NY: W.W. Norton, 1997, pp. 1-18. ISBN: 0393317846.

## Part 1: Introduction: Theoretical and Chinese security policy

### Week 1 (4/Sep/2014)

#### Introduction

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., *Chinese foreign policy: theory and practice*

Chapt. 2. Traditions of Centrality, Authority, and Management in Modern China's Foreign Relations

William C. Kirby

## Recommended:

Chinese Foreign Policy: Theory and Practice (Edi., Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh. Clarendon Press. Oxford, 1997).

Michael Hunt, *The Genesis of Chinese Foreign Policy* (New York: Columbia University Press, 1996), pp. 3-28

John K. Fairbank, "A Preliminary Framework," in John K. Fairbank, ed., *The Chinese World Order* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1968), pp. 1-19

### Week 2 (11/Sep/2014)

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., *Chinese foreign policy: theory and practice*  
*Chapt.3. Perception and ideology in Chinese Foreign Policy*  
Steven I. Levine

### **Recommended:**

Michael Ng-Quinn, "The Analytic Study of Chinese Foreign Policy," *International Studies Quarterly*, Vol. 27, No. 2 (June 1983), pp. 203-224

Symposium on Rethinking the Lost Chance in China, *Diplomatic History*, Vol. 21, No. 1 (Winter 1997)

Sergei N. Goncharov, John W. Lewis and Xue Litai, *Uncertain Partners: Stalin, Mao and the Korean War* (Stanford: Stanford UP, 1993), pp. 76-109

Odd A. Westad, "Introduction," in Odd A. Westad, ed., *Brothers in Arms: The Rise and Fall of the Sino-Soviet Alliance, 1945-1963* (Stanford: Stanford UP, 1998), pp. 5-32

### Week 3 (18/Sep/2014)

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., *Chinese foreign policy: theory and practice*

*Chapt.4. The Foreign Policy Implications of China's Economic Development Strategy*  
Barry Naughton

**Recommended:**

Michael Ng Quinn, "The Effects of Bipolarity on Chinese Foreign Policy," *Survey*, Vol. 26, No. 2 (1982), xxx-xxx

Robert Ross, "From Lin Biao to Deng Xiaoping: Elite Instability and China's US policy," *The China Quarterly*, No. 118 (June 1989), pp. 265-299

Kenneth Lieberthal, "Domestic Politics and Foreign Policy," in Harry Harding, ed., *China's Foreign Policy in the 1980s* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1984), pp. 43-70

**Week 4 (25/Sep/2014)**

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., *Chinese foreign policy: theory and practice*

Chapt.5. Elite Politics and the Development of China's Foreign Relations  
Carol Lee Hamrin

**Recommended:**

Thomas J. Christensen, "Posing Problems without Catching Up: China's Rise and Challenges for US Security Policy," *International Security*, Vol. 25, No. 4 (Spring 2001), pp. 5-40

Alan Romberg, *Rein in at the Brink of the Precipice: American Policy Toward Taiwan and US-PRC Relation*, (Washington: Henry J. Stimson Center, 2003), skim but key

Michael A. Glosny, "Strangulation from the Sea? A PRC Submarine Blockade of Taiwan," *International Security*, Vol. 28, No. 4 (Spring 2004), pp. 125-160

**Part 2:China's behavior as an actor in multilateral institutions**

**Week 5 (2/Oct /2014)**

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., *Chinese foreign policy: theory and practice*

*Chapt. 6. China and the International Strategic System*  
William T. Tow

**Recommended:**

You Ji, "China and North Korea: A Fragile Relationship of Strategic Convenience," *Journal of Contemporary China*, Vol. 10, No. 28, (August 2001), 387-398

David Shambaugh, "China and the Korean Peninsula," *The Washington Quarterly*, Vol. 26, No. 2 (Spring 2003), 43-56

**Week 6 (9/Oct/2014)**

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., *Chinese foreign theory and practice*

Chapt. 7. International Science and Technology and Chinese Foreign Polic, Wendy Frieman

**Recommended:**

Dale Copeland, "Economic Interdependence and the Future of US-China Relations," G. John Ikenberry and Michael Mastanduno, eds., *International Relations Theory and the Asia-Pacific* (New York: Columbia University Press, 2003), pp. 323-352

Robert S. Ross, "The Geography of Peace: East Asia in the Twenty-first Century," *International Security*, Vol. 23, No. 4 (Spring 1999), pp. 81-118

Samantha Blum, "Chinese Views of US Hegemony," *Journal of Contemporary China*, Vol. 12, No. 35 (2003), pp. 239-264

October 13-14 Fall Break

**Week 7 (16/Oct/2014)**

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., *Chinese foreign Policy: theory and practice*

*Chapt. 8. Patterns of Interaction in Sino-American Relations*  
David Shambaugh

**Recommended:**

Robert Sutter, "China and Japan: Trouble Ahead?," *The Washington Quarterly*, Vol. 25, No. 4, (Autumn 2002), pp. 37-49

Ming Wan, "Tensions in Recent Sino-Japanese Relations: The May 2002 Shenyang Incident," *Asian Survey*, Vol. 43, No. 5 (September/October 2003), pp. 826-844

**Week 8 (23/Oct/2014):**

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., *Chinese foreign policy: theory and practice*

*Chapt. 9. Nationalism and Internationalism: Sino-Soviet Relations*  
Steven M. Goldstein

**Recommended:**

David Lampton ed. *The making of Chinese foreign and security policy in the era of reform, 1978-2000*

**Part 3: Introduce new research: China's policy toward major powers**

**Week 9 (30/Oct/2014)**

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., *Chinese foreign policy: theory and practice*

*Chapt. 10. China and Europe: The Significance of a Secondary Relationship*  
Michael B. Yahuda

**Recommended:**

Samuel S. Kim, "The Maoist Image of World Order," in Samuel S. Kim, *China, The United Nations and World Order* (Princeton University Press, 1979) pp.49-93.

**Week 10 (6/Nov /2014)**

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., *Chinese foreign policy: theory and practice*

*Chapt. 11. China and Africa: Consensus and Camouflage*  
Philip Snow

**Recommended:**

*New Directions in the Study of China's Foreign Policy* (Edi., Alstair Iain Johnston and Robert S. Ross. Stanford University Press Stanford, California 2006).

3. *Widows and War: Trend Analysis and Beijing's Use of Force*  
Thomas J. Christensen



**Week 11 (13/Nov/2014)**

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., *Chinese foreign policy: theory and practice*

Chapt. 12. Myth and Reality in China's Relations with the Middle East  
Lillian Craig Harris

**Recommended:**

The Great Wall and the Empty Fortress: China's Search for Security  
(Andrew J. Nathan and Robert S. Ross. W.W. Norton and Company, New York. 1998)

1. China's Place in the World

**Week 12 (20/Nov /2014)**

Thomas W. Robinson and David Shambaugh, eds., *Chinese foreign policy: theory and practice*

Chapt. 13. China as an Asian Power  
Harold C. Hinton

**Recommended:**

The Great Wall and the Empty Fortress: China's Search for Security  
(Andrew J. Nathan and Robert S. Ross. W.W. Norton and Company, New York. 1998)

4. The American Puzzle

**Part 4: Course summary and final examination**

**Week 13 (4/Dec/2014)**

Course summary

**Week 14 (11/Dec/2014)**

Last class

**Week 15 (18/ Dec/2014)**

Final Exam

