

Chinese Foreign Policy

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Course Description

This course introduces to international students a basis for studying contemporary Chinese foreign policy. Students are, in particular, alerted to international-institutional and geo-economic/geo-strategic complexities in China's overall international relations. This is important and necessary because developments in relations between China and its neighbors often do not get reflected in news headlines and academic research in the West as they should. Yet the regional context often shapes Chinese foreign policy behaviors towards states outside of the region and Chinese response on a number of global issues.

Numerous books and articles deal with issues related to the study of Chinese foreign policy. Students are advised to pursue, on their own, readings that offer comprehensive introductions to the subject matter, as part of gaining a background for understanding journal articles selected as required course readings.

The TBC library has agreed to put a list of ten books (attached to the end of this syllabus) on reserve for this particular course.

It is useful to frequently refer to such news sources – all on-line – as the China Daily, Beijing Review, International Herald Tribune, and Financial Times.

Course Requirements

A basic requirement is for each student to turn in a short (anywhere between 2 and 5 pages, single spaced) paper of reflections on the readings assigned. This is due, in hardcopy form, in class every third week, from the second week onward. In such a paper, summary of the key points made in the readings should be kept to a minimal. Instead, a student should focus on what new insights he/she gains, what critique he/she can offer and, more importantly, what additional questions seem to remain.

The reflection papers are a substitution for the mid-term exam component of the course.

Another requirement is for students to write a term paper. The final paper is due in the examination week of the course. No plagiarism is tolerated.

Grading System

Attendance	10%
Reflection papers	30%
Term paper	60%

Course Schedule

Week 1 (September 7) Course Introduction

David M. Lampton, "Power Constrained: Sources of Mutual Strategic Suspicion in U.S.-China Relations," NBR Analysis June 2010.

http://www.nbr.org/publications/analysis/pdf/2010_U.S._China.pdf

Week 2 (September 13) Conceptual Issues

Alison Kaufman, "The 'Century of Humiliation', Then and Now: Chinese Perceptions of the International Order," Pacific Focus, Volume 25, Number 1, April 2010, pp. 1-33.

Daniel Bell, "From Communism to Confucianism: China's alternative to liberal democracy," New Perspectives Quarterly, Volume 27, Number 2, Spring 2010, pp.18-27.

Scott Kennedy, "The Myth of the Beijing Consensus," Journal of Contemporary China, Volume 19, Number 65, June 2010, pp. 461-477.

Week 3 (September 20) China in World Politics: soft power?

Liu Tiewa, "Marching for a More Open, Confident and Responsible Great Power: explaining China's involvement in UN peacekeeping operations," Journal of International Peacekeeping, Volume 13, Numbers 1-2, January 2009 , pp. 101-130.

Arian de Haan, "Will China change international development as we know it?" Journal of International Development, 28 JUL 2010, DOI : 10.1002/jid.1732

Shogo Suzuki, "Chinese Soft Power, Insecurity Studies, Myopia and Fantasy," Third World Quarterly, Volume 30, Number 4, June 2009, pp. 779-793.

Week 4 (September 27) China and the World: perceptions

Susan L. Craig, "Chinese Perceptions of Traditional and Non-traditional Security Threats," Strategic Studies Institute of the U.S. Military, March 2007 (document

obtained on-line).

Qin Yaqing, "Why is there no Chinese international relations theory?," *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific* Volume 7 (2007) 313–340.

Bradley Thayer, "Confronting China: An Evaluation of Options for the United States," [Comparative Strategy](#); Jan-Mar2005, Vol. 24 Issue 1, pp. 71-98.

Week 5 (October 4) China in the International Monetary System

Motomichi Ikawa, "Reform of the International Monetary System Based on Special Drawing Rights and Its Implications for Asia," *Pacific Economic Review*, Volume 14, Number 5, December 2009, pp. 668-681.

Paola Subacchi, "Who is in control of the international monetary system?," *International Affairs*, Volume 86, Number 3, May 2010, pp. 665-680.

Daniel W. Drezner, "Bad Debts: Assessing China's Financial Influence in Great Power Politics," *International Security*, Volume 34, No 2, Fall 2009, pp.7–45.

Week 6 (October 11) China in the International Trade System

Xu Yingfeng, "China's Export-led Growth Strategy: an international comparison," *China & World Economy*, Volume 18, Number 4, July-August 2010, pp. 18-33.

Henryk Kierzkowski and Chen, Lurong, "Outsourcing and Trade Imbalances: the United States China case," *Pacific Economic Review*, Volume 15, Number 1, February 2010, pp. 56-70.

Busakorn Chantasawat, et al, "FDI Flows to Latin America, East and Southeast Asia, and China: Substitutes or Complements?" *Review of Development Economics*, Volume 14, Number 3, August 2010 , pp. 533-546.

Week 7 (October 18) China in Northeast Asia

Li Muqun, et al, "Export Relationships among China, Japan, and South Korea," *Review of Development Economics*, Volume 14, Number 3, August 2010, pp. 547-562.

Hidetaka Yoshimatsu, "Regional cooperation in Northeast Asia: searching for the mode of governance," *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*, Volume 10, Number 2, 2 May 2010, pp. 247-274.

Peter Gries, et al, "Historical beliefs and the perception of threat in Northeast Asia: colonialism, the tributary system, and China Japan Korea relations in the twenty-first century," *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*, Volume 9, Number 2, 13 May 2009, pp. 245-265.

Week 8 (October 25) China, Russia and Central Asia

Neville Maxwell, "How the Sino-Russian boundary conflict was finally settled," *Critical Asian Studies*, Volume 39, Number 2, June 2007, pp. 229-253.

David Kerr, "Central Asian and Russian perspectives on China's strategic emergence," *International Affairs*, Volume 86, Number 1, January 2010, pp. 127-152.

Siddharth Varadarajan, "The Russia-India-China Trilateral and Afghanistan," *China Report*, May 2009, pp. 153 - 158.

Rong Ying, "Stabilising Afghanistan: The Role of China-India-Russia (CIR) Trilateral Cooperation," *China Report*, May 2009, pp. 145 - 151.

October 30 - November 6, Students on study tour to Guilin

Week 9 (November 7) China and the Middle East, Africa

Peter Kragelund, "The Return of Non-DAC Donors to Africa: New Prospects for African Development?" *Development Policy Review*, Volume 26, Issue 5, September 2008, pp. 555-584.

Maryam Daftari, "Sino-Iranian Interactions and 'Encounters': Past and Present," *China Report*, May 1997, pp. 181-198.

Øystein Tunsjø, "Hedging Against Oil Dependency: New Perspectives on China's Energy Security Policy," *International Relations*, Mar 2010, pp. 25-45.

Week 10 (November 14) China and the United States (I)

Oliver Turner, "China's Recovery: why the writing was always on the wall," *The Political Quarterly*, Vol. 80, No. 1, January-March 2009, pp.111-118.

Jade Miller, "Soft Power and State-Firm Diplomacy: Congress and IT corporate activity in China," *International Studies Perspectives*, 2009, pp. 285-302.

Gregory Moore, "Not Very Material but Hardly Immaterial: China's Bombed Embassy and Sino-American Relations," *Foreign Policy Analysis*, Volume 6, Number 1, January 2010, pp. 23-41.

Week 11 (November 21) China and the United States (II)

Chad Bown and Rachel McCulloch, "U.S.-Japan And U.S.-China Trade Conflict," *World Bank Research Working papers*, November 2009.

Cai Congyan, "China-US BIT Negotiations and the Future of Investment Treaty Regime: A Grand Bilateral Bargain with Multilateral Implications," *Journal of International Economic Law*, Volume 12, Number 2, 20 June 2009, pp. 457-506.

May-Britt U. Stumbaum, *Toward a Transatlantic Approach to Technology Transfers to China*, German Marshall Fund, April 2010.

Week 12 (November 28) China and Southeast Asia

Paul Cohen, "The post-opium scenario and rubber in northern Laos: Alternative Western and Chinese models of development," *International Journal of Drug Policy*, Volume 20, Issue 5, September 2009, Pages 424-430.

Sastrohandoyo Wiryono, "Indonesia and Southeast Asian territorial peace processes," *Asia Europe Journal*, Volume 6, Number 1, April 2008, pp. 15-30.

Liu Yunhua and Ng Beoy Kui, "Facing the Challenge of the Rising Chinese Economy: ASEAN's Responses," *Review of Development Economics*, Volume 14, Number 3, August 2010, pp. 666-682.

December 3 Classes end

December 5-11 Reading and Makeup Classes Week

December 12-16 Finals Week

Reserve book list for Fall 2010, Chinese Foreign Policy course

Prepared by Prof. Zha Daojiong

1. Li Lanqing, *Breaking Through: The Birth of China's Opening-up Policy*, Oxford University Press, 2010.
2. Zhiqun Zhu, *China's New Diplomacy: Rationale, Strategies and Significance*, Ashgate, 2010.
3. Utpal Vyas, *Soft Power in Japan-China Relations: State, Sub-state and Non-state Relations*, Routledge, 2010.
4. Scott Snyder, *China's Rise and the Two Koreas: Politics, Economics, Security*, Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2009.
5. Colin Mackerras and Michael Clarke, *China, Xinjiang and Central Asia: History*,

Transition and Crossborder Interaction into the 21st Century, Routledge, 2009.

6. Nicola Casarini, *Remaking Global Order: The Evolution of Europe-China Relations and its Implications for East Asia and the United States*, Oxford University Press, 2009.

7. Karl Sauvant, *Investing in the United States: Is the Us Ready for Fdi from China?;* Edward Elgar, 2010.

8. Warren I. Cohen, *America's Response to China: A History of Sino-American Relations*, Columbia University Press; Fifth Edition, 2010.

9. Chad J. Mitcham, *China's Economic Relations with the West and Japan, 1949-1979: Grain, Trade and Diplomacy*, Routledge, 2005.

10. Qichen Qian, *Ten Episodes in China's Diplomacy*, HarperCollins, 2006.