Syllabus

Office Hours: Tu. & Th. 2 – 3:30 (HHH 260), Wed. 1 – 2:00 (SSS 477), or by appointment.

Course Description: “An economic analysis of the successes, problems, and policies of Pacific Asia. It examines the economies of Japan, China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, South Korea, and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations” (UW-EC catalogue).

Prerequisites: Econ 103 and 104, or consent of instructor; meets Foreign Culture Requirement.

Course Evaluation:

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1. Examinations
   - Three non-cumulative exams
   - The final exam is on Friday, May 18th at 10:00 AM
   - The dates for the other exams will be announced at least one week in advance.
   - Make-ups due to unexcused absences will be given only in extreme circumstances and only in the week of May 14th.

2. Group Research Project and Homework
   - The research project consists of a group written paper and in class presentation
   - Homework assignments are individual projects
   - Delays in turning in assignments due to unexcused absences will be subject to penalty (1 point per day)

3. Grading

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4. **Attendance and Class Participation**
   Students are expected to attend **all** class sessions and participate in class discussions and activities. *Attendance will be taken.*

5. **Videotapes (VT)/DVDs**
   Lectures will be supplemented with VT/DVDs. That material will be incorporated in the exams.

**Academic Goals:** The baccalaureate degree at UW-Eau Claire provides students with the knowledge and abilities needed for lifelong learning. In designing the degree, the faculty expect that graduates will have achieved the following goals: *a knowledge of human culture and the natural world; creative and critical thinking; effective communication; individual and social responsibility; respect for diversity among people* (UW-Eau Claire 2011-2012 catalogue, page 4; emphasis added for this class).

**Students with Disabilities:** Any student who has a disability and is in need of classroom accommodations, please contact the instructor and the Services for Students with Disabilities Office in Old Library 2136 at the beginning of the semester.

**Civility:** “As members of this class, we are members of a larger learning community where excellence is achieved through civility. Our actions affect everyone in our community. Courtesy is reciprocated and extends beyond our local setting, whether in future jobs, classes, or communities. Civility is not learned individually, it is practiced as a community.” (http://www.uwec.edu/civility/).

**Please turn off all cell phones and iPods.**

**Academic Integrity:** I consider any academic misconduct in this course as a serious offense, and I will pursue the strongest possible academic penalties for such behavior. The disciplinary procedures and penalties for academic misconduct are described in the UW-Eau Claire *Student Services and Standards Handbook* (http://www.uwec.edu/dos/Codes/ch14.htm) in Chapter UWS 14—Student Academic Disciplinary Procedures.

**Resources**

- **Text (PS):** *Handbook of Markets and Economies: East and Southeast Asia,* ed. by Pecotich and Shultz II, ME Sharpe, 2006
- **Desire2Learn:** PowerPoint slides and other materials will be posted on D2L

**Readings on E-Reserve (also available on D2L):**


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| 1.5   | I. Introduction to Pacific Asia | PS Introduction  
       |                        | IC Ch 1: Overview  
       |                        | IC Ch 2: Public policy and political economy  
       |                        | RR 1, 2, 3, and 4  
       |                        | VT “The Two Coasts of China”  
       |                        | [http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/asia-pacific](http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/asia-pacific) |
| 3.5   | II. Japan              | PS Ch 7: Japan (A Crisis of Confidence in the World’s Second Largest Economy)  
       |                        | RR 5, 6, 7, and 8  
       |                        | VT “Meiji: Asia’s Response to the West”  
       |                        | “Reinventing Japan”  
       |                        | “Inside Japan Inc.” |
| 5     | III. The NIEs          | PS Ch 8: Korea (Two Countries, Sharp Contrasts, but a Common Heritage)  
       |                        | IC Ch 9: Republic of Korea (South Korea)  
       |                        | RR 9, 10, and 11  
       | 1) South Korea         | PS Ch 16: Taiwan (Euphoria and Paranoia on the Emerging Greater China Economy)  
       |                        | IC Ch.10: Taiwan (The Republic of China)  
       |                        | RR 12  
       | 2) Taiwan              | PS Ch 15: Singapore  
       |                        | IC Ch 12: Singapore  
       | 3) Singapore           | PS Ch 4: Hong Kong (pp. 151 – 190)  
       |                        | IC Ch 11: Hong Kong  
       |                        | RR 13  
       | 4) Hong Kong           | IC Ch 3: Macroeconomic stabilization  
       |                        | IC Ch 4: The Financial system  
       |                        | IC Ch 5: Labor market institutions  
       |                        | RR 14, 15, 16, and 17  
       |                        | VT “Big Business and the Ghost of Confucius”  
       | 5) Economic Lessons    |
| 3  | IV. China | PS Ch 4: The People’s Republic of China (pp. 107-151)  
|    |          | IC Ch 17: The People’s Republic of China  
|    |          | RR 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22  
|    |          | VT “The Mao Years, 1949-1976”  
|    |          | “The Deng Years, 1976-1997”  
| 2  | V. Class Presentations |