

Fall: 6 courses

Spring: 7 courses

Fall Semester Courses of 2017

Chinese Foreign Policy

Course Number: SA. 750.702

Analyzes the evolution of the People's Republic of China's foreign policy. Deals with China's objectives, institutions, instruments of policy, changing alignments and growing role in the international system. Directs considerable attention to specific policy issues and the policy process.

Fall 17, Monday, 8-10:30 pm, Rome 200
Lampton

Contemporary Chinese Politics

Course Number: SA.750.228

Analyzes the domestic politics of the People's Republic of China, with particular emphasis on the reform era. This introductory course covers political history, policy process and institutional issues, leadership, and the challenge of socioeconomic modernization. Focuses on recurrent and substantive policy issues in Chinese politics.

Fall 17, Tuesday, 8:00-10:30 am, Rome 102
Lampton

Taiwan and Cross-Strait Relations: Prospects for Stability?

Course Number: SA.750.729

Analyzes the economic, political, military and international dimensions of the relationship across the Taiwan Strait and assesses the prospects for continued stability or a return to confrontation in the era of Xi Jinping and Tsai Ing-wen. Examines cross-strait relations as an issue for the United States and for Japan. Examines Taiwan's economic and political development. Analyzes Taiwan's politics, political culture and national identity and their impact on cross-Strait relations. Studies Taiwan's unique international status and the diplomacy of a non-recognized government.

Fall 17, Tuesday, 2-4:30 pm, Rome 535
Keegan

The Chinese People's Liberation Army and China's Search for Military Power and Security, 1949-Present

Course Number: SA.750.739

This course is designed to provide an overview of the development of the Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) from the establishment of the People's Republic of China (PRC) in 1949 to the present, and to enable students to analyze Chinese military capabilities, evaluate the ongoing modernization of the PLA, and assess the implications for regional and global security. The course will build a framework for analyzing Chinese military and security developments by focusing on a number of theoretical and practical issues.

Fall 17, Monday, 6-8:30 pm, Rome 205
Chase

China's Domestic Economy: Performance and Challenges

Course Number: SA.750.742

By some measures, China now has the world's largest economy. By any measure, China has contributed more to global economic growth over the past decade than any other country. Yet recent and ongoing developments have led to considerable pessimism regarding China's ability to transition to a high income economy. How can we explain China's rapid growth over the past four decades? Is this recent pessimism justified, and, if so, what must China do to avoid getting stuck in a middle income trap? Focusing on these questions, this course aims to help students develop a deeper understanding of the Chinese economy.

Fall 2017, Thursday, 2-4:30pm, Rome 205

Bulman

History and Political Conflict in Modern China

Course Number: SA.750.701

William Faulkner wrote "The past is never dead. It's not even the past." This course analyzes the complex relationship between politics and history in China. Students will examine how China's past influenced policy decisions made by Chinese leaders and how those leaders in turn attempted to shape history to serve their interests. History and Political Conflict in Modern China will encourage students to compare how China's governments—Qing, Nationalist, or Communist—have struggled to solve problems related to political legitimacy, national identity, state building, modernization, rural poverty, and foreign relations. This course will offer historical context for Chinese politics in 2017.

Fall 2017, Wednesday 6-8:30 pm, Rome 204

Phillips

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Spring Semester Courses of 2018

U.S.-China Relations

Course Number: SA.750.717

Examines U.S. policy toward China and specific U.S.-Chinese political, economic, cultural and security relations, with emphasis on the post-1949 period. Gives special attention to the foreign policy process in each nation, recurrent policy issues and their implications for each nation's behavior, and relations with third parties.

Spring 18, Tuesday, 8-10:30 am, Rome 200
Lampton

China's Evolving Financial System

Course Number: SA.750.743

This course focuses on the post 1980 deepening and diversification of China's financial system, the establishing of regulatory institutions and the integration with global finance. Topics covered include the spread of shadow banking, capital account opening, internationalization of the RMB, and cross-border lending for developmental and market integration purposes by China's development banks and through multilateral institutions.

Spring 18, Thursday 2-4:30 pm, Rome 202
Shahid Yusuf

China's National Security Perspectives

Course Number: 750.735

Along with China's emergence as a great power, Communist Party leaders in Beijing face a wide range of traditional and non-traditional security challenges. This course examines Chinese perspectives on, and responses to, contemporary national security issues such as North Korea's nuclear program, proliferation more generally, Taiwan and cross-Strait relations, energy security and sea lane protection, space and cyberspace security, and U.S. "rebalancing" to the Asia-Pacific region. Also considered will be security-related budget issues, as well as the responses of others to its rise in such areas as export control policy.

Spring 18, Monday, 6:00-8:30 pm, Nitze 517
Chase

China and International Organizations: Perspectives on China and Global Governance

Course Number: 750.706

Through reading, discussion and original research, this course provides an understanding of China's role in international organizations and evolving mechanisms of global governance. This course is a research seminar that is structured so that students produce a substantial research paper based on original research. Students are requested to submit a brief description of their preparation for the course and their tentative research proposal to the instructor for review prior to enrollment.

Spring 18, Tuesday, 6:00-8:30 pm, Rome 535
Freeman

China's Policies for Resources and the Environment

Course Number: 750.733

Managing environmental pollution and meeting domestic demand for natural resources pose challenges to China's ability to sustain its ambitious development objectives. Organized around the study of key natural resource sectors, this course examines the ways in which the Chinese state at all levels of governance has sought to address these challenges and its interactions with enterprises and such non-state actors as NGOs, ethnic groups, and individual citizens. The course gives particular attention to the linkage between China's domestic and international policies.

Spring 18, Tuesday, 2-4:30 pm, Rome 535

Freeman

China's Growing Global Economic Influence

Course Number: 750.744

China has come to play an increasingly influential role in global trade, finance, and economic governance. This course will analyze China's global economic influence through an analysis of issue areas (supply chains, regional integration, currency internationalization), global initiatives (OBOR, AIIB), and regional impacts. In addition to describing China's role in the global economy, the course will also focus on the domestic economic pressures that have influenced China's global behavior and the costs/benefits to China's domestic economy from its increasing global exposure.

Spring 2018, Wednesday, 8:45-10:30pm, Rome 534

Bulman

Grassroots China: The Social Dynamics of Economic Development

Course Number: SA.750.728

Beginning with an overview of the Mao years and Deng Xiaoping's policy of reform and opening up, this course examines the dramatic social changes brought about by China's rapid economic growth, exploring such issues as rapid urbanization due to massive rural-to-urban migration, the impact of the decline of state-owned enterprises on workers, and the situation of migrant workers, the growth of a consumer society, the spread of corruption and the continuing search for new values. We also examine civil society and its challenges, the rise of religious belief, the growing number of nongovernmental organizations, the introduction of competitive elections at the village level, and analyze possible scenarios for China's future.

Spring 18, Monday, 2-4:30 pm, Rome 535

Thurston

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