

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

2007 Summer Institute: Asia as the Global Future

Course Outline

As can be seen from the programme schedule, the summer institute will run over a three-week period. The first two weeks will be held in Hong Kong and Macau and the final week will be based in Beijing. The format for the course will be lectures and discussions in the morning (Monday-Friday) followed by field trips to various sites around Hong Kong, Macau or Beijing. With this structure students will be required to attend approximately 45 hours of lectures and a similar allocation for the various field trips.

Assessment

Throughout this summer institute students will be required to develop and maintain a journal, recording their lecture notes as well as notes from the field trips (35 percent). At the conclusion of the school students will also sit an exam (50 percent). The journal and the essay, along with an attendance grade (15 percent) will form the basis for evaluating individual student performances.

For the journal, students will be expected to take detailed notes from all the lectures as well as provide summaries of the subsequent Q&A sessions. Students will also be expected to include reports of their trips to the various field sites. The journal may be supplemented with appendices of either image or audio files taken during the course. The journal will be reviewed (but not formally assessed) twice during the course to ensure that each student is keeping an adequate record. This informal assessment will provide the student with opportunities to correct their approaches as well as ensure that the core teaching staff are aware of individual proficiencies within the group.

The exam will be the usual end of course exam, which will be based on lecture notes and the readings.

Both the journal and the essay are individual projects.

Students will be continuously assessed on their attendance. Attendance is mandatory at all lectures and field visits, unless prior approval has been given. Attendance also includes participation in the lectures and site visits (asking questions/raising issues).

Grading System

The assessment structure will be:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Grade Point</u>		<u>Standard</u>
A+	4.0	}	Excellent
A	4.0		
A-	3.7		
B+	3.3	}	Good
B	3.0		
B-	2.7		
C+	2.3	}	Satisfactory
C	2.0		
C-	1.7		
D+	1.3	}	Pass
D	1.0		
F	0		Fail

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