

Course Form for PKU Summer School International 2024

Course Title	Title in English: Chinese Politics and Public Policy
	Title in Chinese: 中国政治与公共政策
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First day of classes	July 15, 2024
Last day of classes	July 26, 2024
Course Credit	3 credits
Course Description	
Objective:	
<p>This course is for students to explore contemporary political system of China, with a special focus on its policy making process. The emphasis is on China’s political structure, state and society relations. This course aims to provide students with a background on major political events in modern China, and then to investigate the current political issues in China today—environmental civil society activity, problems and benefits associated with continuing economic liberalization, and discourse from within the CPC on political reform.</p>	
Pre-requisites /Target audience	
<p>Students who are interested in Contemporary China’s politics, society, and innovation policy. No prior knowledge of Chinese politics is required.</p>	
Proceeding of the Course	
<p>This class meets every morning class session/working-day in the classroom. Students are expected to have read all the assigned readings before coming to class and to participate actively in class discussions. The course will be delivered through lectures, in-class discussions, field trip to local community (if available). Students’ participation is required. Students are responsible for the cost of transportation (e.g., taxi or public transportation) for the field trip.</p>	
Assignments (essay or other forms)	
<p>Students will be required to submit a 10-15 pages research paper. The paper should be relevant for the central theme of this course, and that should focus on one or more specific issues or topics. Students will have two weeks writing period and submission due day will be by Aug 15th. No written exams.</p>	
Evaluation Details	

Class Participation and discussion: 50% Final paper: 50%	
Text Books and Reading Materials Sebastian Heilmann: <i>China's Political System</i> , Rowman & Littlefield, 2017 All reading materials will be posted to the course website.	
Academic Integrity (If necessary) Cheating will NOT be tolerated. Appropriate citations/Bibliography are required for final paper	
CLASS SCHEDULE (Subject to adjustment)	
Session 1: <i>Title</i> Methodology for Researching Chinese Politics, Legacies and Diversity	Date: 07/15/24
【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)	
【Questions】	
【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】 Sebastian Heilmann: <i>China's Political System</i> , Rowman & Littlefield, 2017, pp.23-37 <i>Recommend:</i> Elizabeth Perry, "Chinese Concepts of 'Rights', From Mencius to Mao—and Now", <i>Perspectives on Politics</i> , March 2008, Vol. 6/No. 1	
【Assignments for this session (if any)】	
Session 2: <i>Title</i> From Revolution to Development	Date: 07/16/24
【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)	
【Questions】	

<p>【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】 Tony Saich, <i>Governance and Politics of China</i>, NY: Palgrave Macmillan, 2011, chapter 3 <i>Recommend:</i> Sebastian Heilmann: <i>China's Political System</i>, Chapter 4</p>	
<p>【Assignments for this session (if any)】</p>	
Session 3: <i>Title</i> The Communist Party of China	Date: 07/17/24
<p>【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)</p>	
<p>【Questions】</p>	
<p>【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】 Sebastian Heilmann: <i>China's Political System</i>, Chapter 2 (pp. 46-92) <i>Recommend:</i> Susan Lawrence and Michael Martin, <i>Understanding China's System</i>, Congressional Research Service, March, 2013</p>	
<p>【Assignments for this session (if any)】</p>	
Session 4: <i>Title</i> Local Autonomy under Central Authority	Date: 07/18/24
<p>【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)</p>	
<p>【Questions】</p>	
<p>【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】 Sebastian Heilmann: <i>China's Political System</i>, Chapter 2 (pp.85-104) <i>Recommend:</i> Tony Saich, <i>Governance and Politics of China</i>, pp. chapter 7</p>	
<p>【Assignments for this session (if any)】</p>	

Session 5: <i>Title</i> Decision Making in an Authoritarian Regime	Date:07/19/24
【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)	
【Questions】	
【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】 Sebastian Heilmann: <i>China's Political System</i> , Chapter 3 (pp.153-176) <i>Recommend:</i> Sebastian Heilmann: <i>China's Political System</i> , Chapter 6	
【Assignments for this session (if any)】	
Session 6: <i>Title</i> China's Crisis Management	Date:07/22/24
【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)	
【Questions】	
【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】 Chen Gang, "China's management of natural disasters Organizations and norms," Jae Ho Chung, "China's Crisis Management," Routledge, 2012	
【Assignments for this session (if any)】	
Session 7: <i>Title</i> States and Society	Date:07/23/24
【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)	
【Questions】	

【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】	
【Assignments for this session (if any)】	
Session 8: <i>Title</i> China's Contemporary Nationalism	Date:07/24/24
【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)	
【Questions】	
【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】 Gries, Peter Hays "Tears of Rage: Chinese Nationalism and the Belgrade Embassy Bombing." <i>The China Journal</i> , 45 (July 2001), pp. 25-43	
【Assignments for this session (if any)】	
Session 9: <i>Title</i> Ethnicity, Identity and Domestic Ethnical Conflicts	Date:07/25/24
【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)	
【Questions】	
【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】 Neil Collins and Andrew Cottey, <i>Understanding Chinese Politics</i> , Manchester University Press, pp.124-140 <i>Recommend:</i> Sebastian Heilmann: <i>China's Political System</i> , Chapter 5 (pp.281-288)	
【Assignments for this session (if any)】	

Session 10: <i>Title</i> China's Industrial and Innovation Policies	Date:07/26/24
【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)	
【Questions】	
【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】 Feng-chao Liu et.al., "China's innovation policies: Evolution, institutional structure, and trajectory," Research Policy 40 (2011) 917–931 <i>Recommend:</i> Erik BAARK, "China's Indigenous Innovation Policies," World Scientific Pub Co Pte Lt (ISSN 1793-9305), East Asian Policy, #02, 11, pages 5-12, 2019	
【Assignments for this session (if any)】	