Course Form for PKU Summer School International 2020

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<th>Course Title</th>
<th>China in the Global Economy</th>
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<td>Teacher</td>
<td>CHEN Shaofeng</td>
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### Course Description

#### Introduction

The central theme of this course is China’s role in world economy. Specifically, it includes three major types of contents. Firstly, it aims to help international students to understand the global economic structure, institutions and mechanisms where the Chinese economy is sitting; Secondly, it aims to help them to understand Chinese economic reform, covering some major issues of Chinese economy, such as the rationale and roadmap of China’s reform and opening-up, urban-rural divide, SOE reform, financial reform, demographic change, FDI in China, sustainable development, economic growth mode etc.; Thirdly, emphasis of this course is the interaction between China and the rest of world in terms of trade, finance, investment, regional integration, and participation in international economic institutions, and the implications of Chinese economic reform on the global economy.

Meanwhile, it is my strong conviction that to learn China, we cannot simply focus on China. Thus, the course will expand its scope into the outside world or big events that have strong impact on China through the form of case studies.

#### Objective:

a. To understand the roadmap of Chinese reform and the logic behind it;
b. To understand the uniqueness of China’s transition and its economic implications;
c. To learn how China interacts with the world;
d. To build the capability of studying Chinese economy.
e. Upon completing this course, students are expected to get familiar with China model, China’s economic interaction with the outside world, challenges the Chinese economy is facing, as well as the world economic system.

#### Pre-requisites /Target audience

No prerequisites.
Undergraduate and graduate students are all eligible.

#### Proceeding of the Course

- July 12, 2020
Based on a philosophy that effective learning hinges not only upon teacher-student interaction, but also upon inter-student interaction, this course will be carried out in a variety of forms. Besides lectures offered by the instructor, students are encouraged to engage in class discussions, learning from each other and self-learning. Hence, there will be some team projects like presentations on some case studies, group discussions and debates.

1) Presentation: Throughout the course, students are required to present some topics. For topic presentation, students may be divided into different groups (depending on the no. of students), each responsible for one topic. Students in the same group need to make joint efforts to make well preparation for their presentations.

Presentations will count toward final grades. The students who prepare presentations should circulate the PPT slides to other students and the instructor before class. Topic presentation should be around 15-18 minutes, followed by class discussion. Students’ performance in presentations will be counted.

2) Group discussions and debates. Some topics will be assigned to the students for discussions and debates in the class. Students should make some preparations before the class in order for an more effective engagement.

Students are expected to complete all required readings prior to class meetings and to actively participate in class discussion. Absence without legitimate reasons will lead to deduction in scores for participation and discussion.

### Evaluation Details

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### Text Books and Reading Materials


Required readings: Those readings in bold letters; other readings are not compulsory.

### Academic Integrity (If necessary)

Taking this course implies that students and the instructor abide by a general norm of equal opportunity and academic integrity. Plagiarism will directly lead to a failure in this course. It is your responsibility to familiarize yourself with the definition of plagiarism.

### CLASS SCHEDULE

(Subject to adjustment)

| Session 1-2: China’s Reform and Opening-up | Date: 6-29 morning |
### Session 1: Rationale and Roadmap of Chinese reform and open-up

**Description of the Session** (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)

To understand the Rationale and Roadmap of Chinese reform and open-up

**Questions**

- Why did China launch the reform and opening-up in 1978?
- How did China carry out reform and opening-up?
- What is notable about China’s reform path?
- Why has China adopted a gradualism approach to economic reform?

**Readings, Websites or Video Clips**


Class continues and **Group Discussion**: Market transition: a comparison between China and Russia

### Session 2-3: China’s Enterprise (SOE) Reform

**Description of the Session** (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)

To understand major problems of Chinese SOEs, why SOE reform matters in China, how to reform and prospect of the SOE reform

**Questions**

- How has China carried out its SOE reform?
- How shall we evaluate the SOEs’ performance?
- Can mixed ownership reform save Chinese SOEs?

**Date**: 6-30 & 7-1 morning
What are the problems?

【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】


“Why SOE Reform Cannot Be Avoided,”

Tracy Yang, Jamus Jerome Lim, and Toshiki Kanamori, “Strategies for the People’s Republic of China’s Small and Medium Development within the National Innovation System,” ADB Institute Research Paper Series No. 73, November 2008,
http://www.adbi.org/files/2008.11.05.rp73.prc.strategies.national.innovation.system.pdf

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<th>Debate 1: Will American supremacy be overtaken by China?</th>
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<td>Student presentation 1: The impact of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic on China’s economy</td>
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<td>Session 4: China’s Sustainable Development</td>
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### 【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)

To understand major challenges for China’s sustainable development, why environmental pollution has become so serious in China

### 【Questions】

- How does China perceive and deal with energy security?
- Why has environmental pollution in China become so serious?
- What are the major drivers?
- Can China’s economic mode sustainable?

### 【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】

* Barry Naughton, pp. 543-570.


[http://project2049.net/documents/china_energy_dilemma_lin.pdf](http://project2049.net/documents/china_energy_dilemma_lin.pdf)


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<th>China's demographic trend and its impact on the Chinese economy</th>
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**Session 5: China’s Internal Imbalance and Economic Challenges**

Date: 7-3 morning

### 【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)

To understand China’s economic growth mode and problems associated with it

### 【Questions】

- How to understand the change of China’s economic growth mode?
- What are the characteristics in different growth periods?
- What are the problems?

### 【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】

Ettore Dorrucci, Gabor Pula and Daniel Santabárbara, “China’s Economic Growth and Rebalancing, ” Occasional Paper Series No. 142 / Feb. 2013, European Central Bank,

Cheung, Yin-Wong and Jakob de Haan (eds.), *The evolving role of China in the global*


Student presentation 3  Will US’ surging debts spark a financial crisis?  Date: 7-3 afternoon

Session 6-7: China’s Foreign Trade and Global Imbalance  Date: 7-6/7 morning

【Description of the Session】(purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)

To understand the world we are in and how the world economy is operating and governed, the role of China in leading to global imbalance

【Questions】
➢ How has the world economy been governed? What are the major institutions and mechanisms?
➢ Why and how global imbalance happened?
➢ Has global imbalance been redressed?

【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】

Barry Naughton, The Chinese Economy, pp. 397-422.


**Student presentation 4:** China-US trade war: why it happened and who will win? Date: 7-6 afternoon

**Student presentation 5:** Will economic decoupling between China and the US take place? Date: 7-7 afternoon

**Session 8:** China and economic regionalization in East Asia Date: 7-8 morning

【Description of the Session】 (purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)

To understand why countries join regional integration projects, the evolution of FTAs in the world, the status quo and features of regional integration in East Asia, why it differs from Europe and North America

【Questions】

➢ What progress has East Asia made in economic regionalization?
➢ What are the major arrangements?
➢ What role has China played?
➢ And how the US and Japan see China’s regional influence?

【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】

C. Fred Bergsten, “Chapter 9 China and Economic Integration in East Asia: Implications for the United States,”  


### Student presentation 6  
Rising populism and its impact on world economy  
Date: 7-8 afternoon

### Session 9:  
China’s One Belt, One Road Initiative  
Date: 7-9 morning

#### Description of the Session  
(purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)

To help understand the logic, motives and rationale of the BRI

#### Questions
- What is China’s One Belt, One Road Initiative?
- Why has China put forth such an initiative?
- What are the implications to the world?
- Any potential risks?

#### Readings, Websites or Video Clips


The Economist Intelligence Unit, “Prospects and challenges on China’s ‘one belt, one road’: a risk assessment report,” 2015.

### Student presentation 7:  
Will ‘Abeconomics’ (a term describing Japanese prime minister Shinzo Abe’s economic policies) be able to reinvigorate Japan’s economy?  
Date: 7-9 afternoon

### Session 10:  
China Model: Debates and Prospect  
Date 7-10 morning
【Description of the Session】(purpose, requirements, class and presentations scheduling, etc.)

To understand the debate surround the China model, whether it can be exported to other countries, and whether it will defy the Washington Consensus

【Questions】

➢ How to explain China’s economic success?
➢ What is Chinese model?
➢ Is Beijing consensus a substitute of Washington consensus?
➢ What challenges is China facing?

【Readings, Websites or Video Clips】

time.dufe.edu.cn/wencong/washingtonconsensus/beijingconsensusen.pdf

http://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/65947/the-end-of-the-beijing-consensus


Economist Debate: China Model, 
http://www.economist.com/debate/overview/179


| Student presentation 8: | Will China become the Japan of the 1980s? | Date: 7-10 afternoon |

A CV of 250-300 words and a high-resolution personal photo should also be provided

My Bio:
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