Economics 5430/6430

Asian Economic History and Development

Spring 2015, Thursday 6-9pm

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Focus: ASEAN and East Asian countries

Prerequisite: Principles of Economics

Office Hours: By appointment or after the class

Course Objective:

Students are able to identify major themes, diversity and commonalities among Asian's nations' economic histories and contemporary experience (through narrative description, theory and empirical analysis), to explain the implication for contemporary Asian, global and US economies and to communicate professionally. Also the course examines both the internal economic dynamics of Asian economies and issues important for today's global economy.

Main Textbook: Wang, Min, *The Political Economy of East Asia: Striving for Wealth and Power*, CQ Press: Washington DC.

Course Requirements and Grading:

Homework 20%

Presentation 20%

(Each student is required to complete one in class, 15 minutes presentation on one of the topic from the selected readings)

Midterm Exam 25%

Final Exam 30%

Attendance 5%

Grading Schedule:

A 90-100%

A- 85-85.9%

B+ 80-84.5%

B 75-79.9%

B- 70-74.9%

C+ 65-69.9%

C 60-64.9%

C- 55-59.9%

D+ 50-54.9%

D 45-49.9%

D- 40-44.9%

E 0-39.9%

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Should the instructor be late for class due to whether or other reasons, the department will be notified and a departmental representative will meet the class and inform students regarding when the class will begin. If the instructor is late, students may inquire by calling the economics department at 581-7481.

All students are expected to maintain professional behavior in the classroom setting according to the Student Code, spelled out in the student handbook. Students have specific rights in the classroom as detailed in Article III of the Code. The Code also specifies proscribed conduct (Article XI) that involves cheating on test, plagiarism, and/or collusion, as well as fraud, theft, etc. Students should read the code carefully and know they are responsibility to enforce responsible class behaviors, and the instructor will do so, beginning with verbal warning, and progressive to dismissal from class, to a failing grade. Students have the right to appeal such action to the student behavior committee.

Schedules:

January 15 th , 2015 Ov	erview of the East Asian Economies, Course Syllabus
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Reading:

Chapter 2 in Wang, Min, *The Political Economy of East Asia: Striving for Wealth and Power*, CQ Press: Washington DC

Kim, W. (2009), Rethinking Colonialism and the Origin of the Developmental State in East Asia, *Journal of Contemporary Asia*, 39(3), 383-399.

January 29th, 2015 The East Asian Miracle

Readings:

Chapter 5 in Wang, Min, *The Political Economy of East Asia: Striving for Wealth and Power*, CQ Press: Washington DC.

February 5th, 2015 **Historical Overview: India, China and Japan**

Readings:

Lin, J. (1995), The Needham Puzzle: Why the Industrial Revolution Did Not Originate in China, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 43(2), 269-292.

Huber, J.R. (1971), Effect on Prices of Japan's Entry into World Commerce after 1858, *The Journal of Political Economy*, 79(3), 614-628.

February 12th, 2015

Southeast Asia: Early Indian, Chinese and European Influence

Readings:

Boeke, J.H. (1954), Three Forms of Disintegration in Dual Societies, *Indonesië, Tweemaandelijks Tijdschrift gewijd aan het Indonesisch Cultuurgebied*, 7(4), 279-295.

Chapter 4 in Wang, Min, *The Political Economy of East Asia: Striving for Wealth and Power*, CQ Press: Washington DC.

February 19th, 2015

19^{th} Century Economic Development (Plantations, Mines and the Rice Trade)

Readings:

Myint, H. (1970), Dualism and Internal Integration of Underdeveloped Economies, *PSL Quarterly Review*, (23(93), 315-347.

Baldwin, R.E. (1963), Export Technology and Development from a Subsistence Level, *The Economic Journal*, 73(289), 80-92.

Enke, S. (1966), The Economic Aspects of Slowing Population Growth, *The Economic Journal*, 76(301), 44-56.

February 26th, 2015

Post Colonial Industrialization Strategies: Import Substitution, Export Promotion and Export Substitution

Readings:

Chapter 7 in Wang, Min, *The Political Economy of East Asia: Striving for Wealth and Power*, CQ Press: Washington DC.

Oshima, H.T.(1987), *Economic Growth in Monsoon Asia: A Comparative Survey*, Tokyo: University of Tokyo Press, pp.315-342.

March 5th, 2015

The Political Economy of East Asian Trade

Readings:

Chapter 8 in Wang, Min, *The Political Economy of East Asia: Striving for Wealth and Power*, CQ Press: Washington DC.

Lipsey, R.E. (1999), Affiliates of U.S. and Japanese Multinationals in East Asian Production and Trade, *NBER Working Paper* 7292.

Chang, D.O. (2009), Informalising Labour in Asia's Global Factory, *Journal of Contemporary Asia*, 39(2), 161-179.

Hart-Landsberg, M. (2010), The U.S. Economy and China: Capitalism, Class, and Crisis, Monthly Review, 61(9), 14-31.

March 12th, 2015 **Midterm Exam 6.00-8.00pm**

March 19th, 2015 **No class, spring break**

March 26th, 2015 The Asian Financial Crisis

Readings:

Chapter 6 in Wang, Min, *The Political Economy of East Asia: Striving for Wealth and Power*, CQ Press: Washington DC.

Felix, D. (2003), The Past as Future? The Contribution of Financial Globalization to the Current Crisis of Neo-Liberalism as a Development Strategy, *Political Economy Research Institute Working Paper* 69, University of Massachusetts Amherst.

Wade, R. and Veneroso, F. (1998), The Asian Crisis: The High Debt Model Versus the Wall-Street-Treasury-IMF Complex, *New Left Review*, 228, 3-23.

Reynolds, S. Rattanakomut S, and Gander, J. (1999), The Private Sector in Financial Crisis: The Short-Term and Long-Term Capital Structure of Firms in Southeast and East Asia, *Journal of Asian Business*, 15(1), 1-14.

April 2nd, 2015

East Asian after the Financial Crisis

Readings:

Chapter 10 in Wang, Min, *The Political Economy of East Asia: Striving for Wealth and Power*, CQ Press: Washington DC.

Noland, P. and Zhang, J. (2010), Global Competition After the Financial Crisis, New Left Review 64, July-August.

Eichengreen, B. (2006), Global Imbalances and the Asian Economies: Implications for Regional Cooperation, *ADB Working Paper Series on Regional Economic Integration* No.4, Asian Development Bank.

April 9th, 2015 **Review for Final Exam**

April 16th, 2015 **Presentation**

April 23th, 2015 **Presentation**

April 30th, 2015 Final Exam 6.00-8.00pm