

Course Title	: HISTORICAL GEOGRAPHY OF CHINA
Course Code	: HST4360
Recommended Study Year	: 1, 2, 3
No. of Credits/Term	: 3
Mode of Tuition	: Sectional approach
Class Contact Hours	: 3 hours per week
Category in Major Prog.	: Elective
Prerequisite(s)	: None
Co-requisite(s)	: None
Exclusion(s)	: None
Exemption Requirement(s)	: N/A

Brief Course Description

This course is intended to provide an introduction to the historical geography of China by exploring changing social, political, and cultural relations and the way these changes have shaped the landscapes of China.

Aims

This course aims to provide students with a geographical perspective of the historical development in China.

Learning Outcomes

Students will be able:

1. to achieve a general understanding of the interactions between historical and geographical development in ancient China;
2. to collect and assess maps and technical materials to be used in historical research;
3. to conduct historical research with primary and secondary materials used in the whole course.

Indicative Content

- I. Introduction
 - A. Physical Features
 - B. Natural Resources
- II. The Political Map
 - A. Qin and Han Period
 - B. Tang and Song Period
 - C. Ming and Qing Period
 - D. Modern China
- III. The Socio-Economic Map
 - A. Social Development
 - B. Changes in Population
 - C. Cities and Rural Settlement
 - D. Land System and Taxation
 - E. Trade and Commerce

- IV. The Cultural Map
 - A. Language
 - B. Arts
 - C. Architecture
 - D. Tradition and Customs
 - E. Institutions
- V. Modernization of China
 - A. Urbanization
 - B. Industrialization
 - C. Social and Cultural Changes

Teaching Method

This course is taught partly as lectures, partly as a seminar with assigned readings and discussions.

Measurement of Learning Outcomes

- a) Class Discussion: to assess students' analytical skill, communication skill, and their understanding of assigned readings. (LOs 1, 2, 3)
- b) Map Quiz: to evaluate students' ability in understanding Chinese history via reading maps. (LOs 1, 2)
- c) Term Paper: to assess students' writing skill, analytical skill, and the ability to use primary and secondary source materials. (LOs 1, 2, 3)
- d) Examination: to assess students' knowledge of historical geography of China based on the materials used in the whole course. (LOs 1, 2, 3)

Assessment

Continuous Assessment: 60%
 Class Discussion: 20%
 Map Quiz: 10%
 Term Paper: 30%
 Examination: 40%

Required Reading

王育民：《中國歷史地理概論》（北京：人民教育出版社，1987-1990年）。

Supplementary Readings

- Arlington, L.C. and Lewisohn, William, *In Search of Old Peking*. Hong Kong: Oxford University Press, 1987.
- Brook, Timothy, *Geographical Sources of Ming-Qing History*. Ann Arbor: Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, 1988.
- Faure, David and Siu, Helen F., *Down to Earth: The Territorial Bond in South China*. Stanford, Calif.: Stanford University Press, 1995.
- Hay, John, *Boundaries in China*. London: Reaktion Books, 1994.
- Larner, John, *Marco Polo and the Discovery of the World*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1999.
- Osgood, Cornelius, *Village Life in Old China: a Community Study of Kao Yao, Yunnan*. New York: Ronald Press Co., 1963.
- Rozman, Gilbert, *The Modernization of China*. New York: Free Press, 1981.

Stockard, Janice E. *Daughters of the Canton Delta: Marriage Patterns and Economic Strategies in South China, 1860-1930*. Stanford, Calif.: Stanford University Press, 1989.

Waldron, Arthur, *The Great Wall of China: From History to Myth*. Cambridge; New York: Cambridge University Press, 1992.

牛建強：《明代人口流動與社會變遷》（開封：河南大學出版社，1997年）。

王恢：《中國歷史地理通論》（臺北：學生書局，1991年）。

王國良：《中國長城沿革考》（臺北：臺灣商務印書館，1971年）。

史念海：《河山集》（太原：山西人民出版社，1991年）。

史念海：《唐代歷史地理研究》（北京：中國社會科學出版社，1998年）。

石方：《中國人口遷移史稿》（哈爾濱：黑龍江人民出版社，1990年）。

辛德勇：《古代交通與地理文獻研究》（北京：中華書局，1996年）。

李根蟠：《中國農業史》（臺北：文津出版社，1997年）。

周振鶴：《中國歷史文化區域研究》（上海：復旦大學出版社，1997年）。

-----：《西漢政區地理》（北京：人民出版社，1987年）。

翁俊雄：《唐朝鼎盛時期政區與人口》（北京：首都師範大學出版社，1995年）。

馬正林：《中國城市歷史地理》（濟南：山東教育出版社，1998年）。

張全明、張翼之：《中國歷史地理論綱》（武昌：華中師範大學出版社，1995年）。

張步天：《中國歷史文化地理》（長沙：湖南教育出版社，1993年）。

曹婉如：《中國古代地圖集》（北京：文物出版社，1990-1997年）。

楊遠：《西漢人物的地理分布》（臺北：幼獅學誌，1986年）。

-----：《東漢人物的地理分布》（臺北：幼獅學誌，1987年）。

葛劍雄（編）：《中國人口史》（上海：復旦大學出版社，2000年）。

趙世瑜、周尚意：《中國文化地理概說》（太原：山西教育出版社，1991年）。

趨逸麟：《中國歷史地理概述》（福州：福建人民出版社，1993年）。

譚其驤：《中國歷史地圖集》（上海：地圖出版社，1982-1987年）。

顧頡剛、史念海：《中國疆域沿革史》（長沙：商務印書館，1938年）。

Important Notes:

(1) Students are expected to spend a total of 9 hours (i.e. 3 hours of class contact and 6 hours of personal study) per week to achieve the course learning outcomes.

(2) Students shall be aware of the University regulations about dishonest practice in course work, tests and examinations, and the possible consequences as stipulated in the Regulations Governing University Examinations. In particular, plagiarism, being a kind of dishonest practice, is “the presentation of another person’s work without proper acknowledgement of the source, including exact phrases, or summarised ideas, or even footnotes/citations, whether protected by copyright or not, as the student’s own work”. Students are required to strictly follow university regulations governing academic integrity and honesty.

(3) Students are required to submit writing assignment(s) using Turnitin.

(4) To enhance students’ understanding of plagiarism, a mini-course “Online Tutorial on Plagiarism Awareness” is available on <https://pla.ln.edu.hk/>.