ASIA 300: Topics in Asian Studies, Winter 2025

















Course Title: Modern East Asia

This course examines China, Japan, and Korea from the mid-19 century to the present in terms of their history, politics, society, and culture. It is designed to help students enhance their fundamental knowledge, critical thinking and analytical skills needed to evaluate the current issues and concerns of East Asia and to develop their own worldview. We will begin with the important historical events and developments of the 19th and 20th centuries that propelled political, social, economic, and cultural changes in East Asian societies as they transitioned from traditional to modern.

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