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Chaminade University
Interim Session Winter 2000 – HI 442 20
Modern Chinese History, Politics & Culture
中國近代史

Instructor: Henry H C Ku E-mail: hku@hawaii.rr.com Fax: 545-1503 (Until 12/31/99)
Dates: December 17, 1999 to January 7, 2000. 1730 hrs to 2140 hrs
Text Book: *China: A New History*, John K Fairbank & Merle Goldman, Harvard University Press, 1998
Course This course covers a period that preceded the China of today. It starts with the cultural characteristics of the Chinese people, the rise of the Qing Dynasty and focuses on the events that brought about the demise of the Qing Dynasty and the establishment of the Republic of China (ROC), and then the People's Republic of China (PRC).
Description: The course material will be presented in lectures, discussions, team activities and individual research work.
Format: Students will be able to have a general understanding of :
Course
Objectives: 1. the cultural, political and social characteristics of China as a nation and the peoples of China.
 2. the forces at work that led to the various changes in China.
 3. China's response to the changes.

Class Schedule

This schedule may be changed. The lecturer will try to give prior notice.

<u>Mtg.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Topics</u>	<u>Assignment Due</u>
1	12/17/99 Fri	Overview of China and things Chinese	
2	12/20 Mon.	Ming Dynasty & Early Qing Dynasty	
3	12/22 Wed	Opium War and the Decline of Qing	Research presentation (RP)
4	12/23 Th.	Taiping Rebellion	RP
5	12/27 Mon.	Boxer Rebellion	RP
6	12/29 Wed	Revolution and Warlords	RP
7	12/30 Th.	WW II and the Civil War	RP
8	1/3/2000 Mon.	PRC, Great Leap Forward, Cultural Revolution, etc.	RP, Term paper due
9	1/5 Wed	The Post-Mao Years	Guest Speaker
10	1/7 Fri	Final exam presentation	

Evaluation: Students are graded for their participation in class, in a team project, and achievement in individual research work. Students will be evaluated by their peers for their participation in the team project.

Active participation in class	25%	Each class attendance will gain 2.5%
Research report	25%	Students select a topic which could be a video, a book, a visit or an interview and make a presentation. No written report is required.
Term paper	25%	Student select a topic listed in the class schedule and write a report on it.
Final Exam – group presentation	25%	A team project on a subject pertaining to China after 1900.

Grading **A** = 90 - 100 **B** = 80 - 89 **C** = 70 - 79 **D** = 60 - 69 **F** = 59 & less



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