



Change and Continuity: Chinese Foreign Policy (CFP) Since 1949

Module Code	-	Program Level	<i>MBA; graduate level</i>
Target Students	<i>MBA; Master</i>	Total Credits	1

Semesters	<i>Spring Semester 2024</i>	Prerequisites	<i>Constantly following International affairs</i>
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Office hours/ Appointment Procedures	<i>2-4PM (Beijing Time), Thursday afternoon. Appointments by emails.</i>
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Course Description	This course would introduce to the students the proper methodologies to analyze Chinese foreign policy (CFP) and the logic behind China's international behaviors as well as its implications to the rest of the world so as try to predict trade or economic development looking at the policy.
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Aims & Objectives	<p>The aim of the course is to help student:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ obtain a comprehensive understanding of the change and continuity of CFP since 1949 and their implications for today. ◆ find out China's unique perceptions of particular international political, economic and security issues, and its special behavior patterns in negotiation, cooperation and deterrence as well as the variables that might affect them. ◆ take an intensive look at some of the major problems that China faces and its policy toward international regimes, its neighbors in the region and the big powers in the new era ◆ understand the effective approaches and methods in CFP study.
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Learning Outcomes	The students would have a comprehensive understanding of China's foreign policy since 1949 and especially the considerations and reasons behind it so that they could have a sound ability to do analysis and make predictions regarding China's international behavior and its dynamics.
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Grading System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Class Participation & In-Class Discussion</i> 40 % • <i>Final Paper</i> 60 %
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Outline of Teaching Schedule	Lecture	Readings/Cases
22 March, 2024	Theories and Methodologies: an Introduction of CFP Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alastair Iain Johnston: "Trends in Theory and Method in the Study of Chinese Foreign Policy", paper prepared for the conference on China Studies on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Fairbank Center for East Asian Research, December 2005
29 March, 2024	Harmony or Hegemony: CFP from the Political Perspective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chen Jian, <i>Mao's China & the Cold War</i>, The University of North Carolina Press, 2001.
5 April, 2023	Interdependent or Independent: China's Economic Relations with the World	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rethinking Globalization in the Trump Era: US-China Relations Joseph E. Stiglitz. Note prepared for the 2017 China Development Forum, Beijing, March, 2017.
12 April, 2024	Power and Responsibilities: China's path to a responsible Power in the Global Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Henry Kissinger: <i>World Order</i>, Penguin Books, 2014.
19 April, 2024	Diplomatic Simulation	None

Method of Class Teaching	Lectures and Q&A Debates and discussions Simulations
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Course Materials Required	The course does not require a textbook. However, we do highly recommend the following books, which provide more details on many of the technical concepts we touch on in this course. Part of the course reading materials are available within our course platform and will be shared at the start of each session.
Reading List Recommended	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1, John King Fairbank: The United States and China, Harvard University Press, 1983.2, Samuel P. Huntington: Clash of Civilizations, Simon & Schuster, 1996.3, David Shambaugh: China's Leaders: From Mao to Now, Polity, 2021.4, David M. Lampton (ed.): The Making of Chinese Foreign and Security Policy in the Era of Reform, 1978-2000, Stanford University Press, 2001.5, Yasheng Huang: Capitalism with Chinese Characteristics: Entrepreneurship and the State, Cambridge University Press, 2008.6, Herry Kissinger: On China, Penguin Books, 2012.7, Xi Jinping: The Governance of China Volume I, II, III: Foreign Language Press, 2014, 2017, 2020.8, Julian Gewirtz: Unlikely Partners: Chinese Reformers, Western Economists, and the Making of Global China, Harvard University Press, 2017.
Short Bio	TO BE UPDATED