**ASIA3001 Understanding Asia**

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Course Content: Learning Materials in Seven Units with PDFs + Links + Videos

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All Readings and videos grouped into seven Units:

**UNIT #1: Academic and Career Opportunities**

**Travel to Asia: Work, Study, Life**

**Unit-1A: Academic Articles**

Gao, H. and Womack, D. F. (2007) "Approaching Chinese Culture: Strategies American Expatriates Adopt for Learning Chinese Culture," Global Business Languages: Vol. 12 Article 6. Available at:

<https://docs.lib.purdue.edu/gbl/vol12/iss1/6/>

**Unit-1B: Information Links:**

BA in Asian Studies curriculum (new with more flexibility, since August 1, 2023)

[Program: Asian Studies, B.A. - Kennesaw State University - Acalog ACMS™](https://catalog.kennesaw.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=68&poid=8449#courses)

BA in Asian Studies & MBA Double Owl Pathway (You can pay undergraduate tuition for MBA courses)

<https://www.kennesaw.edu/double-owl/pathways/rchss/asian-studies-business-administration.php>

Asian Studies Minor Curriculum (15-credit) at KSU:

<https://catalog.kennesaw.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=38&poid=4667&returnto=3040>

How Asians View America (and China), by Brookline Institute

<https://www.brookings.edu/articles/how-asians-view-america-and-china/>

The Asia Foundation. (2016). Asian Views on America’s Role in Asia. Asian Foundation: The Future of the Rebalance. Available at: <https://asiafoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/Asian-Views-on-Americas-Role-in-Asia_Nov17.pdf>

Hollywood relies on China to stay afloat.

<https://www.npr.org/2022/02/21/1081435029/china-hollywood-movies-censorship-erich-schwartzel>

**Unit-1C: YouTube Videos:**

Golden Opportunities for KSU Asian Studies Majors

<https://youtu.be/OS0u_y4up7g>

Hiring KSU Asian Studies Interns for Success

<https://youtu.be/6uR2UaJGMrE>

SAUPO 10-year Tribute YouTube Video: <https://youtu.be/gqEtQ2Dl1UM>

SAUPO 2023 Summary Video: <https://youtu.be/SchFmi2lRt4>

SAUPO 2022 Summary Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4JpEsaDOlTc>

1-minute video I made with iMovie App about Asian Studies Internship course: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nAq8XYCH35s>

Episode 2: The Story of India, a Documentary by BBC: (Origin of Buddhism & Non-violence)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F9c7gYcBE8o>

**Unit #2: Asian Histories, Philosophies, Religions, Art and Cultures**

**Unit-2A: Academic Articles (4 PDFs)**

Bentley, J. (1999). Asia in World History. *Education About Asia*. V. 4. N. 1. Available at:

[Asia in World History](https://www.asianstudies.org/wp-content/uploads/asia-in-world-history-BENTLEY.pdf)

Lubeck, E. B. (2002). Breaking Free: Reflections on Stereotypes in South Asian History. *Education About Asia*. V. 07:2. Available at:

<https://www.asianstudies.org/publications/eaa/archives/breaking-free-reflections-on-stereotypes-in-south-asian-history-2/>

Steger, What is Neoliberalism

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45376331/View>

Nye, J. & Kim, Y. (2019). Soft power and the Korean Wave. in Kim, Y (Ed.) *South Korean Popular Culture and North Korea. London*. UK: Routledge.

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45376333/View>

Lee, Sangjoon, A Decade of Hallyu Scholarship

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45376332/View>

Kim, Suk-Young, K-Pop Live, Ch. 1

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45376334/View>

Fuller, J. (2010). Hinduism: Ancient or Modern. *Education About Asia*. V. 15:2

<https://www.asianstudies.org/publications/eaa/archives/teaching-modern-hinduism/>

Lee, Yasukuni and Hiroshima in Clash

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45376326/View>

Teaching About Comfort Women

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45376328/View>

Sneider, The Debate Over Wartime Memory

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45376329/View>

Nothing Ever Dies Vietnam and the Memory of War

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45376330/View>

Asian Regionalism, Context and Scope

<https://aric.adb.org/emergingasianregionalism/pdfs/Final_ear_chapters/chapter%202.pdf>

**Unit-2B: Information Links:**

Shintoism

<https://www.worldhistory.org/Shinto/>

Religions in India: Tolerance and Segregation

<https://www.pewresearch.org/religion/2021/06/29/religion-in-india-tolerance-and-segregation/>

The Life and Ideas of Confucius:

<https://www.britannica.com/biography/Confucius>

The Three Pillars of Ancient China: Confucianism, Taoism, Buddhism

<https://education.nationalgeographic.org/resource/chinese-religions-and-philosophies/>

Introduction to Daoism (Taoism)

<https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/daoism/>

Religion in India: Tolerance and Segregation

<https://www.pewresearch.org/religion/2021/06/29/religion-in-india-tolerance-and-segregation/>

Language of East and Southeast Asia

<https://owlcation.com/humanities/Aural-Identification-of-East-Asian-and-Southeast-Asian-Languages>

Meiji Restoration of Japan

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Meiji_Restoration#:~:text=The%20Meiji%20Restoration%20>(%E6%98%8E%E6%B2%BB%E7%B6%AD%E6%96%B0,in%201868%20under%20Emperor%20Meiji.

How do Chinese and Japanese view each other?

<https://www.pewresearch.org/global/2016/09/13/hostile-neighbors-china-vs-japan/>

Economies in Asia

<https://www.britannica.com/place/Asia/Economy>

The Five Pillars of Islam

<https://www.metmuseum.org/learn/educators/curriculum-resources/art-of-the-islamic-world/unit-one/the-five-pillars-of-islam>

Main Ideas of Buddhism (PBS)

<https://www.pbs.org/edens/thailand/buddhism.htm#:~:text=The%20Four%20Noble%20Truths%20comprise,to%20the%20end%20of%20suffering>.

The Heart Sutra

<http://webspace.ship.edu/cgboer/heartsutra.html>

Hinduism (History website)

<https://www.history.com/topics/religion/hinduism>

Popular Culture

The Chinese Government’s Unlikeliest Standoff is with… fandom

<https://www.vox.com/culture/23404571/china-vs-fandom-danmei-censorship-qinglang-social-media>

# China erases thousands of social media accounts for vulgarity, negativity and more

# <https://www.npr.org/2022/03/03/1084310580/china-erases-thousands-of-social-media-accounts-for-vulgarity-negativity-and-mor>

# Hollywood relies on China to stay afloat. What does that mean for movies?

<https://www.npr.org/2022/02/21/1081435029/china-hollywood-movies-censorship-erich-schwartzel>

How the Chinese and Japanese View Each Other

<https://www.pewresearch.org/global/2016/09/13/hostile-neighbors-china-vs-japan/>

# China's Belt and Road Initiative: Changing the Rules of Globalization

<https://www.researchgate.net/publication/325342944_China%27s_Belt_and_Road_Initiative_Changing_the_Rules_of_Globalization#page=331>

**Unit-2C: YouTube Videos:**

Video: Taiji (Yin & Yang) Demonstration

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8TSEnoAa39s>

Video: Chinese History in 30 Minutes

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fz_uQNQBK0g>

Why Home Depot Failed in China? CNBC interviews Dr. May Gao

<https://youtu.be/d7QxeBwWXvY>

The History of Asia at a Glimpse

<https://youtu.be/3S734SZ4bcc>

Confucius the Movie: Chinese with English Subtitles (2-hour)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IM5BiR7PeHA>

Bollywood: A Documentary (1-hour)

<https://youtu.be/0Sos85PrNuo>

Laozi: How to love yourself (17 minutes)

<https://youtu.be/TMWaqfaup-0>

Taoism: The Power of Letting Go

<https://youtu.be/B-F319b5SuQ?si=c3pdHHZNiDeIHB31>

A Documentary about Meiji Restoration:

<https://youtu.be/oPgypU8iTYA?si=VZlV4-61QnY25vss>

A video that introduced Chinese ink painting

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wIpLzItqCqk&t=203s>

An Online Gallery of Japanese Woodblock Prints

<https://www.roningallery.com/collections>

The Great Wave off Kanagawa: Famous Japanese Painting

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IBcB_dYtGUg>

The UK-Qing Opium War in 1840 and 184s2 and their Impact on China

<https://youtu.be/62BABCgJSO8?si=MdLyvJaAn3hMJD9_>

**Unit #3: Doing Business with Asia**

List of Asian Economies by GDP:

<https://statisticstimes.com/economy/asian-countries-by-gdp.php>

The Economy of Asia in Encyclopedia Britannica:

<https://www.britannica.com/place/Asia/Economy>

Hostile Neighbors: China vs. Japan

<https://www.pewresearch.org/global/2016/09/13/hostile-neighbors-china-vs-japan/>

Korean Business Culture & Etiquette

<https://asialinkbusiness.com.au/republic-of-korea/conducting-business-in-korea/korean-business-culture-and-etiquette?doNothing=1>

Japanese Business Culture & Etiquette

<https://asialinkbusiness.com.au/japan/conducting-business-in-japan/japanese-business-culture-and-etiquette?doNothing=1>

Japanese Business Culture: Five Things You should Know

<https://nhglobalpartners.com/japan-business-culture-five-things-you-should-know/>

Japanese Culture:

<https://culturalatlas.sbs.com.au/japanese-culture/japanese-culture-business-culture>

Cultural Atlas website with tips on all cultures:

<https://culturalatlas.sbs.com.au/countries>

Hollywood Relies on China for Business:

<https://www.npr.org/2022/02/21/1081435029/china-hollywood-movies-censorship-erich-schwartzel>

**Unit-3C: YouTube Videos:**

Why Home Depot Failed in China? CNBC interview with Dr. May Gao

<https://youtu.be/d7QxeBwWXvY>

Chinese Ink painting & Japanese art:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wIpLzItqCqk&t=203s>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IBcB_dYtGUg>

Chinese tea: The elixir of the orient, made by the Confucius Institute at KSU

<https://youtu.be/vTBq19RK5ZM>

Modern marvels: The history of tea, by History Channel

<https://youtu.be/az5lkJD_MMA>

Everything you need to know about Japanese Green Tea

<https://youtu.be/0XtC8PnqE7s>

**Unit #4: Paradigms for Asian Studies:**

**Orientalisms, Modernity & Globalization**

**Unit 4A: Academic Publications**

Said, E. Orientalism. London, UK: Routledge & Kegan Paul Ltd.

Available at: <https://sites.evergreen.edu/politicalshakespeares/wp-content/uploads/sites/33/2014/12/Said_full.pdf>

Gao, M. H. (2018). Chapter 17: Globalization 5.0 Led by China: Powered by Positive Frames for BRI. In Zhang, W., Alon, I., and Lattermann, C. (eds.), China's Belt and Road Initiative: Changing the Rules of Globalization. Cham, Switzerland: Palgrave MacMillan. pp. 321-335.

<https://www.researchgate.net/publication/325342944_China%27s_Belt_and_Road_Initiative_Changing_the_Rules_of_Globalization#page=331>

Sylvia Shin Huey Chong, Orientalism

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45329759/View>

Yun You, The new Orientalism education policy borrowing and representations of East Asia

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45329760/View>

David Birch, Chapter 1 The Idea of Asia in Asia: Cultural politics in the global age (2001)

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45329860/View>

Asian Regionalism

<https://aric.adb.org/emergingasianregionalism/pdfs/Final_ear_chapters/chapter%202.pdf>

**Unit 4B: Information Links**

The Meiji Restoration and Modernization

<http://afe.easia.columbia.edu/special/japan_1750_meiji.htm>

**Unit 4C: YouTube Videos**

Video: Edward Said and the concept of “Orientalism” explained

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RfeAxw502Hs>

Why do we say “Asian American” not “Oriental”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ZJUgv_3IMk>

The history of Asian representation in film:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k5KwDTXWgSA>

What is “Post-Colonialism?”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c99SbGYKrGw>

Unit #5: Gender and sexuality in Asia

Readings

Women in Traditional China - short article in Asia Society

<https://asiasociety.org/education/women-traditional-china>

Gender and income - Research article on effects of traditional gender attitude and income inequality in China.

<https://asiasociety.org/education/women-traditional-china>

Gender equality in South Asia -short report from UNICEF

<https://www.unicef.org/rosa/what-we-do/gender-equality>

Viewings

Men and women’s speech difference in Japanese language - YouTube video

<https://www.google.com/search?q=gender+in+japanese+language&rlz=1C1GCEU_enUS873US873&sxsrf=APwXEdehtSlVyX1bU9UfctSQs699Ef6fLA:1683127776099&source=lnms&tbm=vid&sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwjgvtLJu9n-AhVIk2oFHciDDZIQ0pQJegQIBxAE&biw=1600&bih=690&dpr=1.2#fpstate=ive&vld=cid:e6605914,vid:D34dbEfQERc>

On her honor: combating inequality in Asian culture - Georgia Tech TED Talk by Aiman Shahab.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nOz5GNlcDR0>

Raise the Red Lantern - movie

<https://www.google.com/search?q=red+lantern+movie&rlz=1C1GCEU_enUS873US873&sxsrf=APwXEdeu5Lq5I5PuBVNp4xpJjWxdrj1BdA:1683126945472&source=lnms&tbm=vid&sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwi6_ci9uNn-AhUNl2oFHQbADQEQ0pQJegQIBxAE&biw=1600&bih=762&dpr=1.2#fpstate=ive&vld=cid:1581e622,vid:BMwHE8Po-oc>

Wiki description: Set in the 1920s, the film tells the story of a young woman who becomes the fourth wife of a wealthy man during the [Warlord Era](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warlord_Era). It is noted for its opulent visuals and sumptuous use of colors. The film was shot in the [Qiao Family Compound](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Qiao_Family_Compound) near the ancient city of [Pingyao](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pingyao), in [Shanxi Province](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shanxi_Province).

Unit # 6 Languages and Education in Asia

Readings

Languages of East Asia

<https://www.milestoneloc.com/languages-of-east-asia/>

Languages of East and Southeast Asia

<https://owlcation.com/humanities/Aural-Identification-of-East-Asian-and-Southeast-Asian-Languages>

Chinese Writing System

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Chinese-writing>

The Confucian View: Putting East Asian Education in Context- A short article on the online journal Global Asia

<https://www.globalasia.org/v10no2/cover/the-confucian-view-putting-east-asian-education-in-context_cheng-kai-ming>

Viewing

Introduction to Japanese Writing System

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CFq2Y43DY0U>

An introduction to Korean Writing System

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pT4k7LC91Cw>

The School that turned Chinese(Episode 1): A BBC Document

<https://search.alexanderstreet.com/preview/work/bibliographic_entity%7Cvideo_work%7C3366408>

Chinese School (Episode 2): A BBC Document

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZxTCVGqP8-c>

Unit #7: Contemporary Issues

The Loner in South Korea

<https://i-d.vice.com/en/article/d3k75j/the-death-of-romance-and-the-rise-of-the-loner-in-collectivist-south-korea>

Lee, Mixed Race Youth in South Korea

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45376336/View>

Yang, Yuan China's Millennials

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45376337/View>

McLaughlin, How Milk Tea Became an Anti-China Symbol - The Atlantic

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45376338/View>

Himawan et al, Asian Single Profiles

<https://kennesaw.view.usg.edu/d2l/le/content/2718474/viewContent/45376339/View>

China’s Gen Z Is Dejected, Underemployed and Slowing the Economy

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2022-07-25/xi-s-covid-rules-and-tech-crackdown-push-gen-z-in-china-to-bailan>

Korean Marriages Slump to Record Low

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2023-03-16/korean-marriages-slump-to-fresh-record-low-in-blow-to-fertility>