

**IASP4280 International Asian Studies Programme Senior Seminar**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> term, 2022-23**  
**Time: 3:30pm-6:15pm, Friday; Place: YIA 402**

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**Course Objectives**

1. To discuss current affairs and cultural issues pertaining to Chinese and Asian societies.
2. To train students to conduct collaborative research and pursue team work.
3. To encourage cross-cultural exchange between international and local students.
4. To provide an opportunity for inter-disciplinary research and discussion.

**Group Structure**

1. Students will be grouped into groups of four students on each research team.
2. As far as possible, members of each group shall come from different disciplines in at least two different faculties. The disciplines of Faculty of Business Administration students are identified by their major.

**Project Structure and Topics**

- Each member of the research group should approach the topic from their own discipline. By doing so, each student will gain an all-round knowledge and diverse perspective of the topic.
- As each group will be comprised of international and local students, a comparative analysis should be made of varying Chinese and Western perspectives.
- The scope of the research topic to be selected is very wide. Some suggested areas include:
  - Philosophy and anthropology
  - University, society, Hong Kong, and global issues
  - Political, economic, societal, moral, technological and arts issues
  - Developments and discoveries in different fields

**Course Assessment**

1.	Presentation	Oral presentation, contents, format & discussion Should not exceed 45 minutes	30%
2.	Discussion	Participation in open discussion (45 minutes per session)	20%
3.	Written report	Between 6,000 and 10,000 words (20-35 pages) Due on: 28 April 2023	50%

## Class Schedule

Week	Date	Tasks	
1	January	13	Introduction & presentation arrangement / Organization of research teams
2		20	Discussion on research topic
3		27	No class – Chinese New Year Holiday
4	February	3	Submit preliminary research topic
5		10	Consultation & group research
6		17	
7		24	
8	March	3	
9		10	No class – Reading Week
10		17	Consultation & group research
11		24	
12		31	Group presentation and discussion*
13	April	7	No class – Easter Holiday
14		14	Group presentation and discussion*
15		21	Group presentation and discussion*
		28	Research paper due

Note: \* Two group presentations per week and attendance required

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