

CCS253e China's Rise and Its Implications

Level: 2

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JAN

E-Learning: BLENDED - Learning is done MAINLY online using interactive study materials in Canvas. Students receive guidance and support from online instructors via discussion forums and emails. This is supplemented with SOME face-to-face sessions. If the course has an exam component, this will be administered on-campus.

Synopsis:

CCS253 China's Rise and Its Implications charts the trajectory of China's ascendance to great power status on the world stage. Contrasting views of China's emergence are foregrounded as we trace the evolution of China's foreign policy from 1949 to the 21st century. After understanding who and what shape today's Chinese foreign policy, we will examine China's role in the UN and WTO, how China has sought to enhance its international standing through both hard and soft power, as well as the territorial issues and transnational challenges that a rising China has to grapple with. Finally, we will discuss the nature of Chinese power before concluding with the implications of China's rise for international order and stability.

Topics:

- China: Peaceful Rise or Threat?
- From Sinocentrism to the Western International System
- The Cold War and Its End
- Foreign Policy Making in the Reform Era
- Who Makes Chinese Foreign Policy
- China in International Institutions I
- China in International Institutions II
- China in International Institutions III
- Hard Power: Military Build-up
- Soft Power or the Lack Thereof
- Concept of Security and National Interest
- The Taiwan Issue
- The Tibet Question: Internationalization and Stalemate
- China's Rise and World Order

Textbooks:

Marc Lanteigne: Marc Lanteigne, Chinese Foreign Policy: An Introduction 4th Taylor and Francis
ISBN-13: 9780429795435

Learning Outcome:

- Demonstrate basic knowledge in who and what shapes Chinese foreign policy;
- Apply international relations concepts and theories in explaining China's place in the world;
- Discuss the relationship between China's domestic politics and its foreign policy;
- Analyse how China seeks to expand its hard and soft power;
- Appraise the impact and implications of China's rise;
- Develop and present arguments on the nature of China's rise.

Assessment Strategies (Evening Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	PRE-CLASS QUIZ 1	5
	PRE-CLASS QUIZ 2	5
	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 1	15
	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 2	25
Overall Examinable Components	ECA	50
Total		100