

## **ECON343 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF EAST ASIA: Summer 2019**

**Main Theme:** Issues on Economic Development in Asia

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**Course Website:** <https://sites.google.com/site/uscglobasia/>

### **I. Main Purpose:**

In this course, we study some key issues on economic development in the Asian region by applying basic economic analysis.

The main objective is to understand various views and approaches about Asia's economic development and obtain insight into current issues in the global economy, where the issues include China-US comparisons, income distribution, the environment and energy, East Asian integration, population problems, etc.

### **II. Key Points:**

(a) Students' interest and initiative will be crucially important in understanding key issues to be studied in this course, and not much lecture will be given in class.

(b) Each student's individual efforts to improve his/her own capacity for study and understanding will be encouraged, measured and evaluated constantly.

(c) Each student's performance will be observed and tested in every class.

(d) There will be either quizzes, polls, tests in every class, and a term paper on Asia's economy is required. Instead, no midterm or final will be given.

### **III. Class Organization:**

Preparation: Students' preview of class materials on the course website

Mondays: Overview of the current issue selected, and a quiz on the issue

Tuesdays: Students' debate on the issue, and a survey on each student's stance.

Wednesdays: Discussions on related issues, and a weekly test

### **IV. Grading:**

Class participation (attendance, class discussion, communication).....15%

Quizzes (Monday's quizzes).....5%

Debate performance (Tuesday's debates).....10%

Weekly tests (Wednesday's tests).....40%

Term paper (topic due 6/12, draft due 6/26 final version due 7/9).....30%