## Economic Development and Leadership in Asia

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# Meeting Schedule: Monday 14:30~17:30

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Office Hour: Tuesday and Thursday 14:30-16:00

1. **Purpose of Class**

In modern economy, leadership is recurring as key element for successful economic development of any country. In Asia, modern economic development starts with Meiji Restoration in late 19th century, which was triggered by a group of wise intellectuals in Japan. Moreover, it is also interesting to research on why Japan preceded other Asian countries.

This course intends to offer students with chance of reading many of past life of Asian leaders who made current Asia. We will select a couple of representing leaders in Japan, Korea, and China and analyze them how they could differentiate themselves from other figures. In this process, students are expected to seek their own role models for their future career.

1. **Requirements**

There will be no prerequisite for this course. Students are requested to read at least 3 full biographies of their own selection and present 3 times (in PPT format) from the 5th week of semester. Students are also encouraged to join discussion in every meeting. In the first 4 weeks, we will review diverse theoretical leadership approaches and their application for shaping a critical framework of assessing individual Asian leaders. Based on this exercise, students are requested to present specific leaders from diversified perspectives. In the end, a term paper of 10~12 pages is to be submitted as final. Students may concentrate leaders on either specific countries or politicians, businessmen in different countries from comparative perspective.

1. **Grading Criteria**
   * 1. Attendance and Weekly Participation: 60%
     2. Term Paper: 40%
2. **Tentative Class Schedule:** 
   1. **Part I: Introductory Part (Week 1~4)**
      1. Leadership and Development in General and Asian development (modernization) and leadership
      2. Theoretical Approach I
      3. Theoretical Approach II
      4. Theoretical Application to the Case of Gengghis Khan
   2. **Part II: Students Presentations and Discussions (Week 5~15)**
      * 1. **Japanese Development and Leadership (Week 5~8)**

**Founding father**

**Politicians**

**Businessmen**

* + - 1. **Korean Development and Leadership (Week 9~12)**

**Founding father**

**Politicians**

**Businessmen**

* + - 1. **Chinese Development and Leadership (Week 13~15)**

**Founding father**

**Politicians**

**Businessmen**

Possible List of Asian Leaders (Be added later)

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|  | **philosopher/ founding father** | **politician** | **businessmen** |
| Japan | Fukuzawa Yukichi  Sakamoto Ryoma  Emperor Meiji? | Ito Hirobumi  Yoshida Shigeru  Ikeda | Shibusawa Eiichi  Toyoda  Morita Akiko? |
| Korea | Kim Ku  Syngman Rhee | Park Chung-Hee  Kim Ilsung | Lee Byungchul  Jung Juyoung |
| China | Sun Wen  Jiang Jieshi | Mao Zedong  Zhou Enlai  Deng Xiaoping, | Rong’s Family,  Li Kashing |

1. **Reading materials**
2. **Textbook**

John Antonakis et al (2004),The Nature of Leadership

Peter G. Northouse, Leadership: Theory and Practice

1. **Biographies**: