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**SEMINAR ON AREA STUDIES**

**(Comparative Studies in Aid Industries in United States, Europe and East Asia)**

**DCPP Only**

**Syllabus**

**Fall, 2017**

**International Area Program**

**Graduate School of International Studies**

**Seoul National University**

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**Outline of the Course**

This course is designed to give DCPP students general views on comparative perspectives with regards to aid industries across the United States, European countries, and East Asian countries. By inviting government officers who are in charge of international development cooperation in each Ministry of Republic of Korea, the course will provide practical concepts, patterns, and problem-solving processes of aid governance throughout the prism of South Korean government agents in order to compare different mechanisms of aid industries in three regional contexts. In a nutshell, this course is aimed to introduce the two explanatory approaches: first, understanding South Korean aid policies and perspectives via the viewpoints of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Finance and Planning, the National Board of Audit, Korea International Cooperation Agency, etc.; and second, deepening the comparative analysis of aid policies in the US, Europe and East Asia throughout Korean ministerial perspectives.

**Honor code**

You are expected to be thoroughly familiar with the Honor Code, which provides guidance on when citation is required. Essentially, all quotations must be set off as such and attributed; citations should be used whenever material is derived from another source; and students who present words or ideas from another source as their own in papers or exams by failing to give proper attribution will receive a failing grade in the class, at a minimum. Please do not plagiarize your own work: work that has been prepared for a purpose other than this class may not be submitted to fulfill class requirements and doing so is a violation of the Honor Code. If you have any questions about plagiarism or proper citation practices please do not hesitate to ask.

**Participation**

Stimulating and thoughtful class discussion is a public good that is only possible if students come to class and are prepared. You are expected to attend class, to arrive on time, and to come to class prepared to engage in class discussion by doing the assigned reading, noting the key arguments, and identifying and thinking about discussion questions and raising questions of your own. You should be prepared to be called upon at random and asked to introduce a reading by outlining its main discussion points.

**Grading**

* Weekly summaries (30%)
* Discussion points (30%)
* Final examination (30%)
* Class participation and attendance are a basic requirement that all students enrolled in this course are expected to meet (10%).

**Weekly Summaries & Discussion Points**

All students are required to submit weekly summaries which contain key points of speaker’s lecture in the previous session. Weekly summaries should be no longer than one page of A4 (single-spaced, 12 font size). Also, in order to help prepare for class discussion, all students are required to ask at least one question to the speakers with high creativity for discussion. Every week, the instructor will count how many discussion points come from each DCPP student.

**Individual Exceptions**

In the interest of fairness to all students, no individual exceptions to the rules stated in this syllabus will be granted in principle.

**Course Structure**

All sessions will be conducted in the combined fashion of instructor’s lecture, and class discussions which invite all students enrolled in this course. Both lecture and presentations will be provided by PPTs.

**WEEK 1 (9/7): INTRODUCTION: HOW TO COMPARE US, EUROPE AND EAST ASIA THROUGH THE PRISM OF SOUTH KOREAN AID POLICIES**

**WEEK 2 (9/14): Chusok National Holiday (no class)**

**WEEK 3 (9/21): MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS**

*SPEAKER: MR. LEE GYU-HO (DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT POLICIES)*

**WEEK 4 (9/28): MINSTRY OF TRADE, INDUSTRY AND ENERGY**

*SPEAKER: MR. KWON HYUK-WOO (DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE)*

**WEEK 5 (10/5): NATIONAL BOARD OF AUDIT**

*SPEAKER: MS. JANG NAN-JOO*

**WEEK 6 (10/12): MINISTRY OF LAND, INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT**

*SPEAKER: DR. OH SEOUNG-IK*

**WEEK 7 (10/19): KOREA INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGENCY**

SPEAKER: TBD

**WEEK 8 (10/26): KOREA EXPORT-IMPORT BANK**

*SPEAKER: DR. LIM SOJIN*

**WEEK 9 (11/2): MINISTRY OF UNIFICATION**

SPEAKER: TBD.

**WEEK 10 (11/9): MINISTRY OF DEFENSE**

*SPEAKER: DR. KIM JUNG-SUP*

**WEEK 11 (11/16): STATISTICS KOREA**

*SPEAKER: DR. PARK YOUNG-SIL*

**WEEK 12 (11/23): OFFICE OF PRIME MINISTER**

*SPEAKER: DR. MAENG JOON-HO*

**WEEK 13 (11/30): MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT**

*SPEAKER: MR. JUNG MYUNG-GYU*

**WEEK 14 (12/7): KOREA LABOR INSTITUTE**

*SPEAKER: DR. PARK MYUNG-JOON*

**WEEK 15 (12/14): FINAL EXAM**