**Topics in Area Studies**

Fall 2023

Jong-Ho Jeong

e-mail: jeongjh@snu.ac.kr

Tel: (02)880-5813

**I. Course Description**

This course is designed as a preparatory course for students in international area studies to develop their thesis writing skills. Students are expected to prepare and present their thesis topics in class. Students will be evaluated based on weekly presentations (30%), attendance and participation (20%), and a final term paper (50%).

**II. Course Schedule**

**Week 1 Course Overview**

**Week 2 Area Studies: Emergence and Development**

Bruce Cumings. 1997. “Boundary Displacement: Area Studies and International Studies during and after the Cold War.” *Bulletin of Concerned Asian Scholars*, 29(1): 6-26.

Wallerstein, Immanuel et al. 1996. *Open the Social Sciences: Report of the Gulbenkian Commission on the Restructuring of the Social Sciences*. Stanford: Stanford University Press.

Wallerstein, Immanuel. 1997. “The Unintended Consequences of Cold War Area Studies.” In Noam Chomsky (ed.), *The Cold War and the University: Toward an Intellectual History of the Postwar Years*. New York: The New Press.

정종호. 2020. “포스트 냉전기 지역학의 전개: 중국지역연구를 중심으로,” 『국제지역연구』, 29권 3호, 2020 가을, pp. 1-28.

**Week 3 Invention of “area”**

Said, Edward. 1978. *Orientalism*. New York: Pantheon Books. pp. 1-28.

Carrier, James, “Occidentalism: the World Turned Upside-Down,” *American Ethnologist,* Volume 19, 1992, pp. 195-212.

**Week 4 Asian Values**

Zakaria, Fareed, 1994, “Culture is Destiny: A Conversation with Lee Kuan Yew,” *Foreign Affairs*, 73: 2, pp. 109-126.

Kim, Dae jung, 1994, “Is Culture Destiny,” *Foreign Affairs*, 73: 6, pp. 189-194.

Robinson, Richard. “The Politics of ‘Asian Values’,” *The Pacific Review*. Volume 9, Number 3, 1996. pp. 309-327.

Patten, Chris. “Asian Values and Asian Success,” *Survival*. Volume 38, Number 2. pp. 5-12.

Dupont, Alan. “Is There An ‘Asian Way’?” *Survival*. Volume 38, Number 2. pp.

 13-34.

Kim, Yung-Myung, 1997, “Asian-Style Democracy: A Critique from East Asia,” *Asian Survey*, Vol. 37, No. 12, pp. 1119-1134.

Pye, Lucian. 2000. “’Asian Values’: From Dynamism to Dominoes?” in Harrison and Huntington. eds., *Culture Matters*, pp. 244-255.

Park and Shin 2006. “Do Asian Values Deter Popular Support for Democracy in South Korea?” Asian Survey Vol. XLVI, No. 3, May/June 2006, pp. 341-361.

**Week 5 Invention of “Asia”: China**

Fei Xiaotong,《鄕土中國》

Fei Xiaotong, *From the Soil: The Foundations of Chinese Society* (U. of California Press, 1992)

Andrew Nathan, “Authoritarian Resilience,” Journal of Democracy 14.1 (2003) 6-17.

Joshua Cooper Ramo, The Beijing Consensus (London: Foreign Policy Centre, 2004).

Daniel A. Bell, The China Model: Political Meritocracy and the Limits of Democracy (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2015), pp. 151-198

Suisheng Zhao “Whither the China Model: revisiting the debate,” Journal of Contemporary China, Vol. 26 No. 103 (2017), pp. 1-17.

**Week 6 Invention of “Asia”: Japan**

Ruth Benedict, *The Chrysanthemum and the Sword: Patterns of Japanese Culture*

 (Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1989)

Charlmers Johnson, MITI and the Japanese Miracle (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1982)

**Week 7 Invention of “Asia”: Korea**

Kim, Sunhyuk. (2004). “South Korea: Confrontational Legacy and Democratic Contributions.” In Muthiah Alagappa (Ed.), Civil Society and Political Change in Asia: Expanding and Contracting Democratic Space. Stanford: Stanford University Press.

Kim, Sunhyuk and Jong-Ho Jeong. (2017). “Historical Development of Civil Society in Korea since 1987,” Journal of International and Area Studies, Vol. 24, No. 2, pp. 1-14.

**Week 8 Dialectics among local, national, and regional identities in East Asia**

Honig, Emily. “Pride and Prejudice: Subei People in Contemporary Shanghai.” In Unofficial China: Essays in Popular Culture and Thought in the Peoples Republic, eds. by Richard Madsen, Perry Link, Paul Pickowicz (Westview Press), 1989. pp. 138-155.

Kim, Wang-Bae, 2003, “Regionalism: Its Origins and Substance with Competition and Exclusion,” Korea Journal, Vol. 43, No. 2, pp. 5-31.

Moon, Chung-In, “Unraveling National Identity in South Korea: Minjok, Gukga, Gukmin,” in National Identity in East Asia

Zhao, Suisheng, 1997. “Chinese Intellectuals' Quest for National Greatness

 and Nationalistic Writing in the 1990s.” The China Quarterly 152

 (December 1997). pp. 725-745.

Gilbert Rozman, “Chinese National Identity and East Asian National Identity Gap” in Gilbert Rozman, ed. National Identities and Bilateral Relations (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2013), pp. 203-232.

**Week 9 Term Paper Outline Presentation**

**Week 10 Origins of Social Theory I: Marx**

Karl Marx, *The German ideology* (Karl Marx with Friedrich Engels, Amherst, NY: Prometheus Books, 1998)

**Week 11 Origins of Social Theory II: Weber**

Max Weber, *The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism* (London; New York: Routledge, 2001)

**Week 12 Origins of Social Theory III: Durkheim**

Emile Durkheim, *The Rules of Sociological Method* (Free Press)

Anthony Giddens, *Capitalism and Modern Social Theory: An Analysis of Marx, Durkheim and Max Weber* (Cambridge Univ. Press, 1971)

**Week 13 Structure and Agency**

Bourdieu, Pierre, “Structures and Habitus,” chapter 2 of his *Outline of a Theory of Practice*, 1977, Cambridge University Press.

Sewell, William, “A Theory of Structure: Duality, Agency, and Transformation,” *American Journal of Sociology,* Vol. 98, No. 1, 1992.

Sherry Ortner, “Theory in Anthropology since the Sixties,” *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, Vol. 26, No. 1 (1984).

**Week 14 Weapons of the Weak**

James Scott, *Weapons of the Weak: Everyday Forms of Peasant Resistance* (Yale University Press, 1985)

**Week 15 Final Presentation**