Course Title: Introduction to Chinese Politics

Course Code: CS4012

Aims and Objective

This is a foundational course that provides social science students with an overview of Chinese politics, which includes the evolutionary process of contemporary Chinese politics (from the final years of Qing to present day), political ideology, governing system, and political economy of modern China. Topics to be discussed in the course include the issues in Chinese domestic politics (both developments and problems) and the foreign policies of China in regional and global politics. The course is designed with the intention to develop the students' interest in contemporary Chinese politics and to encourage an informed and balanced understanding of politics within China and related to China in the world.

Intended Learning Outcomes of the Course

On completion of the course, students should be able to

ILO1. describe the basic political developments and identify the major political events/figures in China from the mid 1800s to modern day;
ILO2. explain the major features of the political ideology, the party system, and the political economy of the People’s Republic of China;
ILO3. discuss issues related to domestic developments and problems in China and their causes;
ILO4. illustrate the theme of Chinese foreign relations in regional and global politics.

Syllabus

Political History
- From Empire to Republic (mid 19th Century – 1949)
- The Maoist Era (1949 – late 1970s)
- Deng and his Successors (late 1970s – present)

Political Thought and Governance
- Political Ideology
- Political System
- Political Economy

Domestic Issues in Chinese Politics
- Developments
- Problems

China and the World
- Sources of Foreign Policies
- Behaviors in Foreign Relations
# Assessment

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## Pre-requisite(s)

Nil

## Required and Recommended Reading

### Textbook:


### Supplementary Readings:


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