Boston College
Asian Studies Courses at a Glance*
Spring 2015
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*Note: This list includes only essential information such as course number, title and, class time and location, name of professor and an abbreviated course description. For full course descriptions, syllabi, and course sections, see BC online course listing through Agora)

ARTH228001 Masterpiece of Islamic Art TTh 12-1:15 p.m. Devlin 216 Sheila Blair
A detailed examination of a dozen masterpieces of Islamic art ranging from architecture to ceramics and textiles, the 7th century to the present, and Spain to India.

ARTH335001 Object in Islamic Art Tue 3-5:30 p.m. Devlin 218 Sheila Blair
This seminar focuses on the manufacture, function, collecting and exhibition of these objects, made from the 7th century to the present from Spain to Indonesia.

ARTH224601 Architecture in East Asia MW 3-4:15 p.m. Devlin 216 Aurelia Campbell
This course explores a diverse range of architecture in China, Japan, and Korea from ancient to contemporary times. We will investigate the major architectural types in East Asia.

ARTH224401 Chinese Visual Culture MW 1:30-2:45 p.m. DEVLIN 218 Aurelia Campbell
This course surveys the visual and material culture of China from Neolithic to present times. Our subject matters include ritual bronzes, tomb artifacts, Buddhist sculpture, landscape paintings, garden architecture, imperial portraiture, and contemporary art.

EALC112201 Elementary Chinese II TTh 9-10:15 a.m. Lyons Hall 207 Fang Lu
Co-requisite: EALC 112301 Elementary Chinese Practicum Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 8-8:50 a.m. Higgins Hall 275 Violet Richardson

EALC 2122 Intermediate Chinese II TTh 9-10:15 a.m. Gasson Hall 203 Sing-shen Chiang

EALC 4122 Advanced Chinese II Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 10-11 a.m. (section 1); 9-10 a.m. (section 2) Gasson 208 Fang Lu

EALC 122201 Elementary Japanese II MWF 12-12:50 p.m. W 11-11:50 a.m. Devlin Hall 112 Sullivan

EALC 122202 Elementary Japanese II MWF 1-1:50 p.m. & F 11-11:50 a.m. Devlin Hall 221 and 218 Rie Kamimura

EALC 222201 Intermediate Japanese II MWF 3-3:50 p.m. & M 4-4:50 p.m. Devlin Hall 112 Cheung

EALC 222202 Intermediate Japanese II MWF 1-1:50 p.m. & F 11-11:50 p.m. Devlin Hall 112 Sullivan

EALC322201 Third-Year Japanese II MWF 2-2:50 p.m. Devlin Hall 112, Cheung Jun

EALC422201 Advanced Japanese II MWF 2-2:50 p.m. Devlin Hall 221 Rie Kamimura

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EALC 3161 Business Chinese MWF 12-12:50 p.m. Lyons 207 Fang Lu

EALC 2162 Gods and Heroes in Chinese Literature TTh 12-1:15 p.m. Stokes Hall 209S Sing-shen Chiang
This course focuses on Chinese literary representations of gods and heroes as embodiments of the culture’s values, ideals, and wisdom. Students will acquire the knowledge and analytical skills needed to understand the symbolic language of Chinese myth and literature.

EALC 2312 Continuing Korean II TTh 12–1:15 pm, Stokes Hall N103 Choong-Nam Yoon
This course is for those who have completed Introduction to Korean (SL031-32) and Continuing Korean I (SL075) or have equivalent skills in spoken and written Korean. The primary objective of this course is to develop intermediate level fluency in speaking, reading, and writing Korean. Special emphasis is on the expansion of vocabulary, both idiomatic and non-idiomatic.

ENGL4406: Literary & Religious Traditions of India MWF 12-12:50 p.m. O'Neill Library 247 Kalpana R. Seshadri
This course will focus on texts written in English and regional languages that provide insight into the diversity of modern India’s social and cultural fabric.

POLI459001: East Asian Security Thursdays, 11:00-1:30 p.m. McGuinn Hall Robert Ross
This class offers an analytical perspective on the strategic conditions of post-Cold War East Asia. It examines the regional political structure, the strategic characteristics of the region's great power relationship, and the implications for the conflicts on the Korean peninsula, in the Taiwan Strait, and in the South China Sea and the role of alliance relationships in regional diplomacy.

PHIL 443001: Classical and Contemporary Asian Philosophy Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 1-1:50 p.m. Campion Hall 328 David Johnson
This course will begin with a survey of some of the central texts in the classical Confucian and Daoist canons. We will then look at the ways in which modern thinkers in Japan have appropriated and transformed this intellectual heritage.

THEO 3001 Hinduism: Past and Present TTH 10:30 a.m. Catherine Cornille
This course will focus on modern developments within Hinduism in light of its ancient history. It will deal with questions of the status of women, caste, mega-gurus, nationalism, and internationalization in relation to the traditional texts, teachings and practices of Hinduism.

THEO 4472 01, PHIL 4472 01, TMCE 4472 01 Buddhist Ethics in Theory and Practice Tuesdays 4:25 p.m. Stokes Hall 209S John Makransky
We explore a variety of foundational Buddhist ethical principles in relation to diverse Buddhist practices of Indian, Southeast Asian and Tibetan Buddhism. Then we discuss analyses of ethical issues in the modern world by a variety of contemporary Buddhist writers.

THEO 3527 01, TMCE 7113 01 Buddhist Meditation, Interfaith Learning, and Social Service Thursdays 2:00 p.m. - 4:25 p.m. Stokes Hall 107S John Makransky
Buddhist understandings of the nature of mind with its capacities for awareness, wisdom and compassion are explored through contemporary writing and guided meditations adapted for students.

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