COURSES

First-Year Experience Seminar
UGST 109
1 credit

Introduction to International Issues
GLBL 101
Core Education Social Science (>2)
Global Perspectives (>GP)
4 credits

Great Books of Asia
ASIA 111
Core Education Arts & Letters (>1)
Global Perspectives (>GP)
4 credits

CALENDAR

First FIG Meeting
You will get to meet your FIG classmates, FIG Assistant (FA), and Faculty before classes start!

Check your FIG page in September to find out more details.

ACADEMIC TEAM

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ABOUT THIS FIG

FYE Seminar
The 21st Century has been named the Asian Century, and you’re living in it! In this FIG, through discussions, guest speakers, hands-on activities and field trips, we’ll explore how global forces are seen and reported through the eyes of ordinary people living in a range of Asian societies. In GLBL 101, we’ll examine the big picture, learning about forces impacting the world, such as the media, film and music industries, immigration, resource scarcity, war and social media; in ASIA 111 we’ll take the local perspective, by reading books that show how these forces shape, and are shaped by individuals and their cultures and communities. Whether you’re one of the 60% of the earth’s population that calls Asia home, or whether you’ve never set foot outside of Oregon, studying the culturally and historically diverse areas of Asia will provide you with opportunities to discover new global perspectives, and new ways of thinking about yourself and your community.

Introduction to International Issues
Hunger, intellectual property, global warming, arms trade, water rights, civil war, genocide, education, global financial inequities, and immigration: a few examples of the challenges we face in a highly globalized world. Develop a fundamental knowledge about several international issues and critically examine how these issues are presented by stakeholders, and consider creative attempts to solve these problems.

Great Books on Asia
This course will introduce students to the cultural, social, economic, and political dimensions of life in modern Asia, along with comparisons of different regions of Asia. Through selections from four awesome and discussion-stimulating books, students will learn about the continent’s particular places, peoples, and aspects of their lives and cultures. This selective profile of Asia is aimed to convey not only the complex and diverse conditions of particular Asian countries but also the broadly shared regional patterns of development.

NEXT STEPS

After you’re registered for your FIG, you will want to check out the Meet Your FIG page (https://fyp.uoregon.edu/fall-2021-figs). This page will have everything you need to know before the beginning of fall term, including how to email your FIG Assistant, your summer assignment, and when you will be meeting your FIG for the first time in September. In order to prepare for your coursework and be notified about important academic deadlines you will want to download the “Canvas” and “Navigate” apps to your devices. Also, be sure to visit the FYE Community page in September, which has all the resources you’ll need to achieve success in your first-year (https://fyp.uoregon.edu/community). If you have questions about anything, make sure you email your FIG Assistant – they are here to help!
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