



CHINESE & JAPANESE STUDIES NEWSLETTER

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Registering for CJS Courses!

The following courses are offered through CJS or related departments. You are encouraged to sample these courses.

Two New Course Offered in Spring

CC-300-EX/EA 390 X/POLS 490 AX: *Cross-Cultural Analysis, Change in Rural China*, 3 cr. (MUH 113 TR 11:50AM 01:05PM) Prof. Lin

This research seminar features a two-week field research trip to China over the spring break. Approval from professor Lin is required for registration. Please check with him for pre-registration consultation.

ECON-390: *Asian Economies*, 3 cr. (MEH 143 TR 09:45AM 11:00AM) Prof. Raman

This course examines issue of economic development from an Asian Perspective with a focus on China/Japan. It seeks to answer such questions as what is unique about Asian economies & what their potentials/problems are.

EAST-110: *Intensive Elementary Chinese: Conversation*, 5 cr.*

EAST-209: *Intensive Intermediate Chinese*, 5 cr.*

EAST-210: *Intensive Intermediate Chinese: Conversation*, 5 cr.*

EAST-395: *Chinese Culture & Civilization*, 3 cr.*

EAST-495: *Supervised Reading & Research*, 1-3 cr. Prof. Lin

ECON-336: *Economics of Developing Nations*, 3 cr. (MEH 148 TR 08:15AM 09:30AM), Prof. Bernard

FLC-102: *Beginning Chinese II*, 3 cr. (MEH 142 MTRF 02:00PM 02:50PM) Prof. Meng

FLC-204: *Intermediate Chinese II*, 3 cr. (MEH 142 LE MTRF 12:55PM 01:45PM) Prof. Meng

FLC-495: *Supervised Reading & Research in Chinese*, 3 cr. TBA Prof. Meng

FLJ-102: *Beginning Japanese II*, 3 cr. (MEH 143 MTWR 11:50AM 12:40PM) Prof. Eda

FLJ-204: *Intermediate Japanese II*, 3 cr. (MEH 143 MTWR 12:55PM 01:45PM) Prof. Eda

FLJ-250-EV: *Arts in Japan: Lit & Theatre*, 3 cr. (MEH 143 MW 05:00PM 06:15PM) Prof. Eda

FLJ-306-A: *Advanced Japanese II*, 3 cr. (MEH 119 MTWR 10:10AM 11:00AM) Prof. Eda

FLJ-495: *Supervised Reading & Research in Japanese*, 3 cr. TBA Prof. Eda

HIST-210-A: *World in the Twentieth Century*, 3 cr. (MUH 4 TR 01:20PM 02:35PM) Prof. Whitefield

HIST-341-EV: *Making of Modern China*, 3 cr. (MEH 142 TR 06:30PM 07:45PM) Prof. Whitefield

POLS-130-A: *Comparative Politics*, 3cr. (MUH 1 LE MWF 09:05AM 09:55AM) Prof. Lin

POLS-130-B: *Comparative Politics*, 3cr. (MUH 1 MWF 10:10AM 11:00AM) Prof. Lin

POLS-130-C: *Comparative Politics*, 3cr. (MUH 1 MWF 11:40AM 12:40 PM) Prof. Lin

THEO-363-A: *Religions of China and Japan*, 3 cr. (MEH 135 MWF 10:10AM 11:00AM) Staff

THTR-334-A: *Theatre of the Non-Western World*, 3 cr. (UCA 1409 LE MWF 11:50AM 12:40PM) Prof. Paul

* Indicates courses available in Hangzhou, China only.

Preparation for 2004 Summer Courses in China Program Underway

VU's China Center will offer three summer courses in China in summer 2004. Students who participate in the program will leave the US for China on May 19. Students will tour Beijing, the capital of China, for three days before arrival at Hangzhou. There will be four weeks of classes with weekly field trips to various sites in and near Hangzhou. The program ends on June 27. Professor **Zhenhu Jin** of CBA is the director of the program.

Students will pay summer session tuition and international travel. All the other expenses (room & board, field trips, tour of Beijing, etc.) will be covered by the China Center. If you are interested in the program or want information, please contact **Professor Jin** (x7957, Zhenhu.jin@valpo.edu) or **Professor Lin** (x5749).

Mini Course on Chinese Landscape Painting Offered from 10/24 to 12/10

Two Chinese artists, Mr. Qing Hong Zhang and Ms. Zi Zi Zhou are currently visiting VU at the invitation of Brauer Museum of Arts and the CJS program. In addition to hosting an exhibition of the paintings of these two artists from October 12 to December 22, the CJS program has arranged for them to teach a short course on Chinese landscape painting. The course will start on October 24 and end on December 10. Class meets from 7:00 to 8:20 p.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays. During the 12 sessions, students will learn the basic technique of brush pen painting as well as the cultural context in which this type of painting is known.

To register for the class, please contact **Jan Rubsam**, assistant to the Dean of College of Arts and Sciences of VU immediately (464-5309, jan.Rubsam@valpo.edu).

On 12 October, more than 60 VU students and faculty took a trip to Chicago's Chinatown. The following is Laura Van't Land's reflection of the trip:

The trip to Chinatown on October 12 was awesome. The Chicago marathon was being run and so it was really crowded. They even had a lion dance going to some techno music. After we arrived, a group of us went out for dim sum. The food was really good and, although we didn't order anything too exotic like chicken feet, there were a few unidentifiable foods. They were all good though and it was interesting to try some new things. After eating, we split up and wandered around the shops. They had all kinds of trinket stores, candy shops, movie stores, and others. We wanted to buy "Hero" but it was too expensive. They also had "Harry Potter" on DVD in Chinese, but that was way too expensive. Most people bought Chinese candies or other foods. Then we went to the Chicago Art Institute to look at an exhibit on Buddhist art. The exhibit was really interesting and it was fun looking at the different pieces. I had a great time visiting the Art Institute and Chinatown, but all in all, I'd say the food was the best part.

China Club News

China Club has recently elected the following officers:

President: Laura Van't Land
Vice President: Andy Earhart
Secretary: Joy Woellhart
Treasurer: Carl Boschert

China Club sponsors a variety of activities including the weekly noodle lunch. If you want to get involved or to know more about the China Club, please contact **Laura** (x6654) or professor **Jiayun Meng** (x6771), faculty adviser.

Japanese B.Y.O.L. Party on Fridays

What is a "B.Y.O.L."? - Bring Your Own Lunch! We have started a bi-weekly gathering on Fridays in Meier 142 with the first and the second year students meeting on alternating Fridays. Its purpose is to encourage everyone to speak Japanese outside the class, as well as to provide opportunities for us to get to know each other. So far, we have played games, practiced karaoke, learned some songs, and laughed and laughed. We hope to continue to bring fun activities such as a tea ceremony demonstration and onigiri (rice ball) making. Everyone is welcome to join us. We speak both English and Japanese. For more details, please contact Sanae Eda for time of lunch (x5311, Sanae.Eda@valpo.edu).

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Japanese Club Photo



Members of the Japanese Club preparing a Japanese dinner in Huegli Hall last year.