

Southeast Asian (SEASIAN)

Courses

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SEASIAN R5A Self, Representation, and Nation 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Summer 2020 Second 6 Week Session, Fall 2019

This course is devoted to a study of selected literary texts set in various regions of Southeast Asia. The readings will include works by foreign authors who lived and traveled in Southeast Asia and translations of works by Southeast Asian writers. These texts will be used to make comparisons and observations with which to characterize coloniality, nationalism, and postcoloniality. This course satisfies the first half of the Reading and Composition requirement.

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Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Satisfaction of the Entry Level Writing Requirement

Requirements this course satisfies: Satisfies the first half of the Reading and Composition requirement

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Summer: 6 weeks - 10 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Final exam not required.

Formerly known as: South and Southeast Asian Studies R5A

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SEASIAN R5B Under Western Eyes 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2019

In this course, the student will read selections from the large body of scholarly texts that have been written about Southeast Asia. Expository and argumentative essays by premier scholars such as Sir Thomas Stamford Raffles, Margaret Mead, Clifford Geertz, and Benedict Anderson will be examined. Discussions will cover a broad range of theoretical issues including power, gender, and space. This course satisfies the second half of the Reading and Composition requirement. Under Western Eyes: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Previously passed an R_A course with a letter grade of C- or better. Previously passed an articulated R_A course with a letter grade of C- or better. Score a 4 on the Advanced Placement Exam in English Literature and Composition. Score a 4 or 5 on the Advanced Placement Exam in English Language and Composition. Score of 5, 6, or 7 on the International Baccalaureate Higher Level Examination in English

Requirements this course satisfies: Satisfies the second half of the Reading and Composition requirement

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Alternative to final exam.

Formerly known as: South and Southeast Asian Studies R5B

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SEASIAN 10A Introduction to the Civilization of Southeast Asia 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017

Readings, lectures, and discussion of the culture and civilization of Southeast Asia. Mainland Southeast Asia: Covers the modern-day nations of Burma, Cambodia, Thailand, etc., with special emphasis on the impact of Hinduism and Buddhism. (F,SP) Staff

Introduction to the Civilization of Southeast Asia: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Summer:

6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 2.5 hours of discussion per week

8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture and 1.5 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Tiwon

Introduction to the Civilization of Southeast Asia: Read Less [-]

SEASIAN 10B Introduction to the Civilization of Southeast Asia 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Summer 2018 Second 6 Week Session

Readings, lectures, and discussion of the culture and civilization of Southeast Asia. Insular Southeast Asia: Covers the modern-day nations of Indonesia, Malaysia, and the Philippines. Special emphasis on the arts and their social and political context, with discussions on the impact of the colonial experience and the question of modernization vs. tradition. Introduction to the Civilization of Southeast Asia: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Summer:

6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 2.5 hours of discussion per week
8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture and 1.5 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Hadler

Introduction to the Civilization of Southeast Asia: Read Less [-]

SEASIAN 128 Introduction to Modern Indonesian and Malaysian Literature in Translation 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Fall 2014, Fall 2011, Fall 2009

This course will examine the role of contemporary literature in Indonesian/Malaysian society. Emphasis on the socio-political aspects of this literature in historical context. Genres discussed will include poetry, the novel, the short story, and drama.

Introduction to Modern Indonesian and Malaysian Literature in Translation: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Introduction to Modern Indonesian and Malaysian Literature in Translation: Read Less [-]

SEASIAN 129 Mainland Southeast Asian Literature 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2018, Spring 2015

Readings and lectures focus on Thailand, Vietnam and Burma; Cambodian and Laotian materials as available. After brief attention to the influence of oral tradition, classical poetry, and dance drama, emphasis will be on modern novels, short stories, film, and television in their cultural/historical context.

Mainland Southeast Asian Literature: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Upper division standing or consent of instructor

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Summer: 8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Mainland Southeast Asian Literature: Read Less [-]

SEASIAN 130 Articulations of the Female in Indonesia 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Fall 2016, Spring 2014, Fall 2012

This course examines the impact of the history of literacy and literature upon the ways in which perceptions and roles of women are constructed and reinforced in a developing non-Western society. Course material includes literature, oral and manuscript narratives, ritual performance.

Articulations of the Female in Indonesia: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Tiwon

Articulations of the Female in Indonesia: Read Less [-]

SEASIAN 137 Islam and Society in Southeast Asia 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Fall 2016, Fall 2014, Fall 2013

This undergraduate seminar will be an investigation into key discourses on Islam in Southeast Asia, focusing on history, literature, and culture.

We will trace the processes through which Islam entered the Malay world in the 13th century, and explore the European colonial encounters with Islam in Southeast Asia and the ways that Islam interacted with and resisted colonialism. We will discuss the role of mysticism and of reformists and will also explore the struggles of Islam as a minority religion in the Philippines and Thailand. Readings will include primary sources in translation, literary texts, ethnographic works, and writings by colonial and local scholars.

Islam and Society in Southeast Asia: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Hadler

Islam and Society in Southeast Asia: Read Less [-]

SEASIAN 138 Southeast Asian Cultures, Texts, and Politics 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Fall 2010, Fall 2008, Fall 2006

This seminar will focus on the late colonial and national periods in Southeast Asia. Through literary and political texts as well as classical anthropological sources, we will explore different approaches to reading and analyzing Southeast Asian source material. There will be extensive readings of works of fiction and primary source material in translation, as well as occasional screenings of films. We will tackle broader themes and theoretical approaches to Southeast Asian sources and literatures and will discuss different approaches to reading modern Southeast Asian texts. The course is open to advanced undergraduates and graduate students.

Southeast Asian Cultures, Texts, and Politics: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Southeast Asian 10B or consent of instructor

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Instructor: Hadler

Southeast Asian Cultures, Texts, and Politics: Read Less [-]

SEASIAN 148 Philippines: History, Literature, Performance 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Summer 2020 First 6 Week Session, Spring 2020, Summer 2019 First 6 Week Session

The course focuses on Philippine history through literature and performance. Among the texts to be discussed are: traditional forms (rituals, poetry, songs, dances) that give insights to belief systems and economic, political, and social life during the indigenous or precolonial period; performance and literary forms that were instruments both of colonial conquest and anti-colonial movements; and theater and literature that participated in discourse on agrarian issues, labor, martial law and militarism, gender rights, academic freedom, and human rights.

Philippines: History, Literature, Performance: Read More [+]

Objectives Outcomes

Student Learning Outcomes: Students will be able to answer the following questions: what are the romantic, realist and radical conventions in Philippine literature and theater? How did literature and theater document significant events in Philippine history? How was literature instrumental in the shaping of history?

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students who have passed S,SEASN 148 do not get credit for SEASIAN 148 (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/search/?P=SEASIAN%20148>).

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Instructor: Barrios-Leblanc

Formerly known as: South and Southeast Asian Studies 148

Philippines: History, Literature, Performance: Read Less [-]

SEASIAN 150 Southeast Asian Mythology 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Fall 2019

An introduction to the mythologies of Southeast Asia, providing a comparative overview of key myths. We will focus on indigenous narrative traditions encompassing myths of creation and origin, agricultural and maritime myths and practices, the founding of kingdoms, and indigenous geographies. We will further explore the role of myth in the contemporary world.

Southeast Asian Mythology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students who have passed S,SEASN 150 do not get credit for SEASIAN 150 (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/search/?P=SEASIAN%20150>).

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Formerly known as: South and Southeast Asian Studies 150

Southeast Asian Mythology: Read Less [-]

SEASIAN 152 Filipino Mythology 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Summer 2020 First 6 Week Session, Summer 2019

Second 6 Week Session

We will be reading Philippine myths, legends, indigenous poetry and epics. This includes traditional narrative forms such as the alamat (legends) and the kuwentong-bayan (folktales) and poetic forms such as the ambahan, diona, and tanaga. Among the questions the course explores are: How can we understand the way of life and belief systems of the ethnolinguistic groups of the Philippines through their literatures? How do the dynamics between orality and literacy come into play in these Filipino literary texts?

How have traditional forms been revitalized and transformed by writers to articulate

contemporary concerns such as poverty, land reform, women's issues, and human rights?

Filipino Mythology: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Summer: 6 weeks - 10 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Instructor: Barrios

Filipino Mythology: Read Less [-]

SEASIAN 154 Philippines: Narratives of Tradition and Resistance 6 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Summer 2020 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2019

The course brings students on a research trip to the Philippines to learn through interviews and interactions with Filipino people, selected lectures by

the Philippines' leading scholars and interactive activities with the Philippines' artists and

writers.

Philippines: Narratives of Tradition and Resistance: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Summer: 5 weeks - 6 hours of lecture, 8 hours of discussion, and 13 hours of fieldwork per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Instructor: Barrios

Philippines: Narratives of Tradition and Resistance: Read Less [-]

SEASIAN 160 Philippine Cultural Politics 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Summer 2020 First 6 Week Session, Summer 2019 First 6 Week Session

Can a song inspire a revolution? The course focuses on literary, visual, and performance texts that participated in political discourses in the Philippines. What strategies did the writers and artists employ? How did writers and artists face issues of censorship and persecution? How did social movements influence these texts, and in turn, how did these texts contribute to these social movements?

Philippine Cultural Politics: Read More [+]

Objectives Outcomes

Student Learning Outcomes: At the end of the course, students should have: gained knowledge on the dynamics between politics and culture in the Philippines; interrogated strategies used by writers and artists to participate in discourses on social change; demonstrated critical thinking through class discussions, weekly papers, and research paper as they analyze the texts presented; demonstrated research skills through their final paper.

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students who have passed S,SEASN 160 do not get credit for SEASIAN 160 (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/search/?P=SEASIAN%20160>).

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Instructor: Barrios-Leblanc

Formerly known as: South and Southeast Asian Studies 160

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SEASIAN C164 The Indonesian Connection: Dutch Literature About the Indies in English Translation 4 Units

Offered through: South and Southeast Asian Studies

Terms offered: Spring 2018, Spring 2014, Spring 2010

In postcolonial thought on European claims to cultural supremacy, the case of the "Dutch East-Indies" (the future Indonesia) still arouses questions like: What made the Dutch colonial policy different from that of other European powers? What were the main characteristics of the "Dutch East-Indies"? How did a small country like the Netherlands manage to rule a territory that was fifty-two times its own in scale? And how can we explain that 350 years of Dutch domination left so few traces in contemporary Indonesia?

The Indonesian Connection: Dutch Literature About the Indies in English Translation: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Southeast Asian/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Also listed as: DUTCH C164

The Indonesian Connection: Dutch Literature About the Indies in English Translation: Read Less [-]