Chinese Politics in Comparative Perspective

Essay



Overview

- Main task: Choose one of the questions and write an original essay of 3,000 words (max)
- The main task is to demonstrate an adequate understanding of the subject matter and relevant literatures, which means you should use readings or additional references on Moodle and in lecture slides
- Deadline(s)
 - Formative assessment (optional): Reference list, submitted before 31
 March 2025
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 - Essay due on 21 April 2025 (midday/12pm)
- Support outside the classroom: 1:1 meetings with Chao-yo and Birkbeck's Study Skills workshops
- ▶ **PG students**: You are free to choose a topic and conduct outside research, ideally in relation to the RQ for your dissertation project; in your formative assessment, include a one-paragraph topic statement (about the project of the project of

- Is culture an important factor for understanding Chinese politics?
- How does domestic Chinese politics impact the country's foreign relations?
- How institutionalized is the Chinese political system?
- ► How "successful" has the Communist Party of China been as both a revolutionary and ruling party?
- ▶ Why does the ruling Communist Party allow local elections?
- ► How does the distribution of social welfare benefits and local public goods contribute to China's regime survival?



Friendly reminders

- ▶ Read instructions carefully and answer the questions
- ► Attach the asseesment coversheet (Moodle)
- ► Enter your student ID in the field of **Submission Title** (see below)



