

RDIN 24002 1, SOSC 24002 1, HIST 18302 1, ANTH 24002 1, SALC 24002 1, CRES 24002 1 - Colonizations II: Imperial Expansion, Anti-Imperialism, and Nation in Asia - Instructor(s) - Yuan Tian

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Spring 2024

Number Enrolled: 16
Number of Responses: 8

### **Report Comments**

Opinions expressed in these evaluations are those of students enrolled in the specific course and do not represent the University.

Creation Date: Thursday, July 11, 2024

# What are the most important things that you learned in this course? Please reflect on the knowledge and skills you gained.

#### Comments

Colonialism and Imperialism in 18-19th century East Asia.

Imperial engagements in East Asia in the 18th-20th centuries.

History of colonisation in East Asia

How to compare different historical perspectives from primary sources and later analysis to better understand a historical event.

The general structure of colonial ideology

colonial actions and responses in east asia (China and Japan)

# Describe how aspects of this course (lectures, discussions, labs, assignments, etc.) contributed to your learning.

#### Comments

Lecture and readings.

Discussion posts were due every single class (with three dropped), which I found daunting but it did help motivate me to stay on top of the reading.

The presentation structure could have been better though. I really enjoyed the discussion lead by Dr. Tian on the first day, and always preferred her lectures to the student–run discussions. On both the presenter's side and the student's side, I found 50 minutes very long for a discussion leader. I felt that we as students were inherently less likely to know what questions to ask to lead a productive discussion. I struggled to answer questions as a student and to keep the discussion going as a presenter. It felt like we needed more guidance and ideally more class days not led by students.

Discussions were very helpful, especially the student-led discussions, in understanding and engaging critically with the material.

Readings provided historical insight

Discussions and discussion posts helped me gain a better understanding of the readings by comparing it with historical context and what my peers understood differently than me.

They are all fine

## Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.25	4.50	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	37.50%	50.00%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	62.50%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.25	5.00	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	12.50%	62.50%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.50	5.00	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	12.50%	75.00%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.25	5.00	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	12.50%	62.50%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	85.71%
I felt respected in this class.	4.75	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	87.50%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.38	5.00	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	25.00%	62.50%

### Additional comments about the course:

### Comments

The assigned readings are a little bit too much for me. Professor will provide us with sufficient historical background before the discussion and each discussion was really interesting and thought—provoking.

N/A

### I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	25.00%	75.00%
Anyone interested in the topic	25.00%	75.00%

# Thinking about your time in the class, what aspect of the instructor's teaching contributed most to your learning?

#### Comments

Her well-prepared PPT to provide us with historical background. And questions raised by professor was always inspiring.

Dr. Tian was very clear when discussing the readings and historical context, and her expertise definitely contributed a lot to the class.

Definitely the content reviews before class, they helped center our discussions!

Lectures

Suggesting areas of a text that I should focus on more than others helped me not zone out while reading big texts.

Good presentations, clear direction and questions for the students presenting

idk

## What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

#### Comments

/

Slow down a bit when speaking, the historical backgrounds were very interesting and I worried I was missing some of it.

Also alter the presentation structure of the class and ideally talk more with less student-led (see above in the question about course components).

N/A

Less student presentation

N/A

:v!

probably more discussion based seminars instead of reading through the papers and then have students lead discussions.

### The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.38	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	62.50%	37.50%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.25	4.50	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	37.50%	50.00%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	3.88	4.00	0.00%	25.00%	0.00%	37.50%	37.50%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.13	4.00	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	50.00%	37.50%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.25	4.50	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	37.50%	50.00%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.38	5.00	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	25.00%	62.50%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.29	5.00	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	28.57%	57.14%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.38	5.00	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	25.00%	62.50%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.25	4.50	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	37.50%	50.00%	0.00%

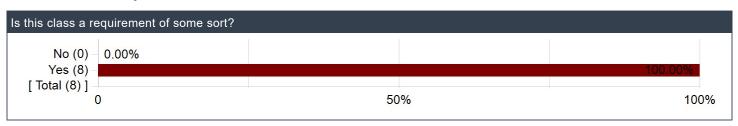
## How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	Mean	Median	No Gain	A Little Gain	Moderate Gain	Good Gain	Great Gain	N/A
Laboratory Experience	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Field Trips	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Library Sessions	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Review Sessions	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Writing Seminars	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

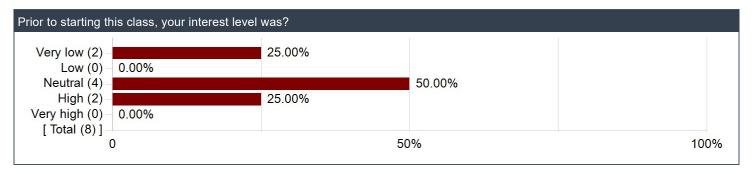
## Other course elements not mentioned above:



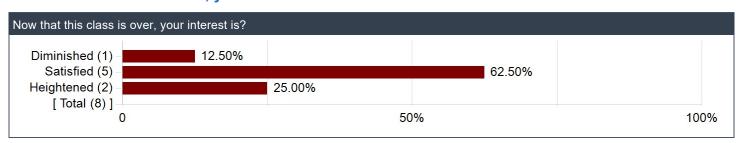
## Is this class a requirement of some sort?



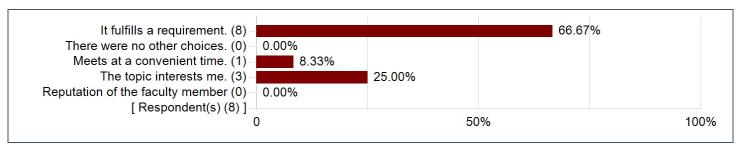
## Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



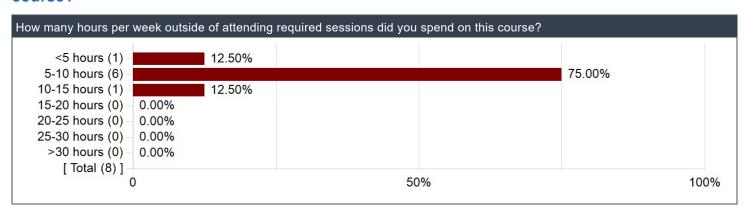
## Now that this class is over, your interest is?



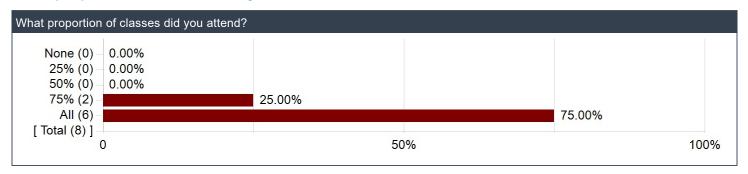
## Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



# How many hours per week outside of attending required sessions did you spend on this course?



## What proportion of classes did you attend?



# Please comment on the level of difficulty of the course relative to your background and experience.

Comments	
I have no systematic history background, but this class is a great choice for the civ requirement.	
N/A	
Not very difficult but I still learned a great deal that I didn't know before	
Doable!	