Module Brief- Additional Information

Note:

Please note that the information in this brief is tentative as faculty could still be in the process of developing or refining their module details.

Module Code and Title	YSS4266 Law and Resistance
Module Description The 100 word course description from Course Catalogue will be made available to students. Please provide additional information if you wish.	This advanced seminar examines the intersections between law and resistance. We explore how resistance is conceptualized; the many faces of power; the power of law in coercion and repression, and the responses to power, including but not limited to resistance; how resistance emerges; various types of resistance, including individual, collective, uncoordinated, coordinated, hidden, and open forms; the role of law in tactics of resistance; the role of lawyers; and the efficacy of law in achieving social change. We explore these issues by reading classic and recent works, as well as discussing case studies selected and presented by students.
Learning Objectives	 Understand major debates in the study of law and resistance Identify key issues concerning the relationship between law and resistance Develop critical understanding of contemporary episodes of resistance and social movements
Modes of Learning & Teaching Please provide details of the learning activities learners will participate in etc.	Three-hour classroom seminar
Assessment Criteria Please provide details of the assessment methods or what proportion of the overall grade is composed by each component of assessment	Written assignments - Response to class reading – 20% (the number of written responses per student will depend on the class size) - Final research paper – 60% In-class exercises - Presentation (graded individually) – 20%
Required Reading List	Readings will be listed in the detailed timetable, which will be provided later. Readings will be made available to students via CANVAS or Yale-NUS/NUS library collections. Students are not required to purchase any text.
Reading List (additional/supplementary)	
Any other Information	Tentative Plan:
	Introduction: What is law? What is resistance? (1 week)

Power and the role of law (2 weeks)

Agency and varieties of responses to power (1 week)
Varieties of resistance, tactics, and the place of law (4-5 weeks)
[includes individual, uncoordinated forms of resistance, coordinated, collective forms of resistance, hidden, and open forms; and their different tactics, such as "everyday" tactics to litigation, petitions, protests, sit-ins, rebellions and armed insurgency]

Lawyers and resistance (1 week)

Law, resistance, and social change (1 week)

Case studies selected and presented by students (2-3 weeks)