

## **Korean 10/Humanities 45: Introduction to Korean Civilization Spring 2012**

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Time: T/Th 1:00 – 2:25 pm

Location: JH 113

**Office Hours: By Appointment only**

**Office: JH 108**

### **Course Description:**

This course is an introduction to the Korean civilization from early times to the contemporary periods. Socio-political and cultural context will be discussed, and the position of Korea in East Asia will be especially addressed. No prior knowledge of the Korean language and history will be required. But students are required to read carefully all of what's assigned before coming to class. Students are expected to attend all classes and participate in the in-class discussion.

### **Texts:**

Carter Eckert et al., *Korea Old and New: A History* (Seoul: Ilchogak for Korea Institute, Harvard University, 1990)

Additional readings will be posted in the class web page if it is necessary.

<http://www.google.com>

[koreancivilization@gmail.com](mailto:koreancivilization@gmail.com)

PW: kciv10h45 => click "Document"

### **Useful webpages:**

Joongang Daily: <http://koreajoongangdaily.joinsmsn.com>

Donga Daily: <http://english.donga.com>

Chosun Daily: <http://english.chosun.com>

Hangyere: <http://english.hani.co.kr>

### **Course Requirements:**

#### **Attendance and Class Participation 20% (40 points)**

You are allowed 2 unexcused absences in this class. 4 unexcused absences will result in F for attendance grade. 3 tardies equal to one absence.

#### **Exam 45% (3x30 = 90 points)**

There will be a total of four multiple-choice exams given at the beginning of class as scheduled, testing your understanding of key concepts, figures and terms. All class materials (including lecture, assigned readings, films, and images) will be tested on the exams. These exams are non-cumulative. The lowest score of the 4 exams is dropped.

**NO MAKE-UP.**

**Presentation 15% (30 points)**

You are required to do 5 minutes oral presentation using power point. Presentation materials will be provided. Presentation will be evaluated based on clarity, organization and delivery.

**Final Paper 20% (40 points)**

You will submit a 4-6 page (double-spaced, 11/12 point font) final paper on a contemporary issue as it relates to the historical formation of an aspect of Korean identity. You are also required to relate your analysis of the issue with class materials. This paper will be evaluated on presentation, research, use of course materials, and quality of your analysis. You need to discuss the paper topic with me. The Final Paper is to be submitted by 5/29, Tuesday 2:30 pm in the classroom. **Late submissions will not be accepted.**

**Grade:**

200 – 180: A

179 – 160: B

159 – 140: C

139 – 120: D

119 – 0: F

**If you are caught cheating or plagiarizing, you will be given ZERO for the assignment/test and immediately notified to the dean.**

**Class Schedule**

<b>WEEK 1</b>	Eckert, pp.1-23
2/7	Introduction, Origin of Korea
2/9	The Three Kingdoms Period
<b>WEEK 2</b>	Eckert, pp. 24-41
2/14	The Three Kingdoms Period
2/16	Unified Silla
<b>WEEK 3</b>	Eckert, pp. 42-84
2/21	Koryŏ
2/23	Koryŏ
<b>WEEK 4</b>	Eckert, pp. 86-94
2/28	Koryŏ
3/1	Koryŏ
<b>WEEK 5</b>	Eckert, pp. 86-94
3/6	<b>Exam 1</b>
3/8	Video clip ( <i>Musa, Warrior</i> )

- WEEK 6** Eckert, pp. 95-131  
 3/13 Early Chosŏn  
 3/15 Two Wars
- WEEK 7** Eckert, pp. 132-177  
 3/20 Late Chosŏn  
 3/22 Late Chosŏn
- WEEK 8** Eckert, pp. 178-198  
 3/27 Video Clip (*Sŏnggyungwan Scandal*)  
 3/29 No Class

**Spring Break** 4/2 – 4/9 No Class

- WEEK 9** Eckert, pp. 199-253  
 4/10 The Great Han Empire  
 4/12 **Exam 2**
- WEEK 10** Eckert, pp. 254-275  
 4/17 Colonial Period  
 4/19 Colonial Period
- WEEK 11** Eckert, pp. 276-304  
 4/24 Liberation, Division and War (1945-1953)  
 4/26 Video Clip
- WEEK 12** Eckert, pp. 305-347  
 5/1 **Exam 3**  
 5/3 Democratization
- WEEK 13** Eckert, pp. 348-388  
 5/8 Economic Development  
 5/10 Globalization
- WEEK 14** Eckert, pp. 389-418  
 5/15 North Korea: The Juche Ideology  
 5/17 North Korea II
- WEEK 15**  
 5/22 Korean Wave (*Hallyu*)  
 5/24 **Exam #4**

**Final Paper Due**

5/29/2012, Tuesday at 2:30 pm