

Course Outline

Course number	RBE307					
Course title	Asia Policy Studies					
Credit points	3 ECTS (2 LV CP)					
Total hours	80					
Lecture hours	15 lectures + 15 seminars					
Course level	Bachelor's					
Prerequisites	-					
Category	Mandatory		Restricted elective	x	Free elective	

COURSE RESPONSIBLE

Name	Academic degree	Academic position
Tjaco Theo van den Hout	LLM (Leiden)	Visiting Professor

COURSE TEACHERS

Name	Academic degree	Academic position
Tjaco van den Hout	see above	see above

COURSE ABSTRACT

The course covers developments in China and the Indian Subcontinent, Japan and the Korean Peninsula as well as the countries of Southeast Asia with a focus on current affairs. It will, in large part, rely on recent publications, mostly scholarly articles that have appeared in prestigious journals. Students will cover a multidisciplinary plane moving from the geo-political field to that of foreign and domestic policy as well as economics and demographics.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

With its ever-growing influence in world affairs, it is useful to have an understanding of the countries that form part of the vast continent of Asia - home to most of the world's population. The course aims to familiarize students with recent developments in the East and, in the process, acquaint them with both the fundamentals as well as more specific issues and trends pertinent to the countries of Asia.

GRADING CRITERIA

Criteria	Weighting
Class preparation and participation	30%
Final Exam	70%

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

COURSE PLAN – MAIN SUBJECTS

No.	Main subjects	Planned hours
1	China	6
2	India and the Subcontinent	6
3	Japan	4
4	Korean Peninsula	4
5	SE Asia and ASEAN	4