Syllabus [2025Year 1 Term]

Course Information

Course Title	Korean Politics	Credits	3
Course Code	559180-1	Required/Elective (For Undergraduate Courses)	Mandatory Major
Department or Major	Department of Korea Studies	Language	English
Methods of Teaching		Lecture Room	목12,13,14,15,16,17(국제402)
Time Allotment	Lecture(3) Experiments(0) Trainging & Practice(0) Performance(0) Designing & Planning(0)	Cyber Lectures	
Course Type	offline		

Lecturer

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	Field of Interest					

Course Summary

Course Description	This course offers students an introduction to South Korea's political history and a review of major contemporary issues in Korean politics. It begins with the political debates of the late Joseon dynasty and colonial eras, then shifts to cover the development of political institutions in South Korea after its establishment in 1948 as well as the history of Korean democratization. Following a review of this political history, a series of classes ask how the previous authoritarian era of Korean politics continues to influence the current democratic era. Additionally, students will learn the basics of the current Korean political system and review current political debates such as the power of chaebol in Korena politics, regionalism, and gender politics.
Description Related Courses	

Course Goals	−Students will garner a basic understanding of Korean political history −Students will garner a basic understanding of the current Korean political system −Students will garner a basic understanding of current issues in Korean politics
Projected Results	In addition to achieving the stated goals, students will improve their writing skills through the three blog post assignments and have an opportunity to pursue their own interests related to Korean politics to satisfy their own personal goals and satisfy their personal interests.
Percentage of the original language classes(%)	

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Times	Lecture Topic	Lecture Goals	Lecture Methods	Assignments
1	Course Introduction		강의,	
2	Foundations of Political Conflict: Late Joseon and Colonial Period		강의,	
3	Establishment of the the Republic of Korea and Syngman Rhee		강의,	
4	The Park Chung Hee Era		강의,	
5	Chun Doo Hwan and the Democratization of Korea		강의,	
6	"Democracy after Democratization"		강의,	
7	The Cold War and Foreign Policy in Korean Politics		강의,	
8	Mid−Term Exam		강의,	
9	Martial Law and the 2025 Presidential Election		강의,	
10	Electoral System and Political Parties		강의,	
11	Chaebol and Economic Inequality		강의,	
12	Gender and New Political Issues		강의,	
13	Civil Society and Protests		강의,	
14	Popular Culture and Politics		강의,	
15	Final Exam		강의,	

Methods of Grading

sequence	Description	Percentage	Details
1	Mid-tem Exam	25%	
2	Final-exam	25%	
3	Pop Quizzes	0%	
4	Assignments	30%	Blog Post란 과제 3 개 있으며 각각 과제는 10%임
5	Reports	0%	
6	Presentations & Discussions	10%	
7	Attendance	10%	
8		0%	
9	Others	0%	
All		100%	

Core of Value

핵심가치	전공역량	역량정의	역량구분	값(%)
혁신 (Discovery)	창의적문제해결 (Creative problem-solving)	주어진 상황과 문제를 창의적으로 해결할 수 있는 능력		0%
혁신 (Discovery)	도전 (Challenging)	전공 지식을 새로운 분야와 융합하고 아우를 수 있는 능력		0%
혁신 (Discovery)	지식융합 (Knowledge convergence)	새로운 분야를 개척하거나 도전적으로 임할 수 있는 능력	부역량	25%
헌신 (Dedication)	세계시민 (Universal value)	세계 공동체 구성원으로 전공자로서 국제적 이슈에 대응할 수 있는 능력	부역량	25%
헌신 (Dedication)	상호협력 (Cooperation)	공동의 목적 달성을 위해 타인과 상호협력을 할 수 있는 능력		0%
헌신 (Dedication)	공동체 (Sense of community)	공동체의 구성원으로서 필요한 태도와 윤리의식을 가질 수 있는 능력		0%
능동 (self-Determination)	자기주도 (Self-Managing)	주어진 상황과 문제를 주도적이고 능동적으로 해결할 수 있는 능력		0%
능동 (self-Determination)	지식활용 (Knowledge application)	주어진 상황과 문제에 대해 논리적으로 파악하고 분석할 수 있는 능력	주역량	50%

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능동 (self- Determinatio n)	논리적사고 (Logical thinking)	전공관련 지식을 필요에 따라 다양하게 적용하고 활용할 수 있는 능력		0%
능동 (self- Determinatio n)	의사소통 (Articulation)	대화를 통해 다양한 의견을 조율하고 합의를 이끌어 낼 수 있는 능력		0%

Textbook(s) & References

Description	Title	Author	Publisher
Required Textbook	Korean Politics: The Quest for Democratization and Economic Development	John Kie-Chiang Oh	Cornell University Press
Required Textbook	The Oxford Handbook of South Korean Politics	Jeonghun Han et al.	Oxford University Press

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This course is in English.