

**EAS 201/HISTORY 280: THE CULTURES OF EAST ASIA: POLITICAL-MATERIAL ASPECTS
FALL 2000, MW, TR, HU102; F, SL120; 9 AM**

Instructor:

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Texts:

Kaplan, Edward. *An Introduction to East Asian Civilizations*.

Download chapters as needed from my web site.

Spence, Jonathan. *The Death of Woman Wang* (Purchase from bookstore at EAS 201 shelf, not History 280.).

Statler, Oliver. *Japanese Inn* (Purchase from bookstore at EAS 201 shelf, not History 280).

Optiona (for extra credit): <http://www.stratfor.com>

Optional Extra Credit Work:

You may earn extra credit by reading and summarizing Asia reports in www.stratfor.com/asia/, attending East Asia Colloquia and other public presentations approved in advance by Kaplan. You should summarize the presentation and subsequent discussion in under 1,000 words, typed or word processed, and then answer (in writing) a follow-up question composed by Kaplan. The grade from doing this with one Colloquium can substitute for your lowest multiple choice quiz grade. The grade average from doing this with two Colloquia can substitute for your lowest single weekly essay grade.

Alternate Day Discussion Periods:

The downloaded (see downloading instructions sheet) set of Kaplan "textlectures" does double duty as both textbook and the equivalent of lectures. Hence the class meets solely for discussions framed by what you have read for that day and for examinations. Students registered for EAS 201 or H280 are both divided into MW and TR groups (except for last week). During the first 43 minutes of these alternate day meetings, I will lead a discussion of the day's assigned readings and related issues. Active participation in these discussions is recommended for both principled and practical reasons. It helps everyone to learn more, makes the time pass more rapidly and agreeably and constitutes **twenty** percent of your grade.

Objective Quizzes and Weekly Essay Exams:

During the last seven minutes of each of the discussion periods there will be a ten-question multiple choice quiz on the two chapters from the Kaplan textlectures assigned for discussion that day (or from half of the Spence or Statler paperbacks) drawn at random from the two tutorials for these chapters (which you can download from my web site).

Every Friday (except for last week) after each pair of alternate day discussions we will have a third class meeting bringing together MW and TR students in room PH146. The first half of each Friday session will be a final discussion of the week's readings and the larger issues they raise. During the second half of the Friday period you will take an essay exam. I will distribute to each student a question drawn at random from the eight essay questions (two heading each of the four textlectures assigned for the week or downloaded for one of the two paperbacks assigned). After an initial two minutes consultation of your notes and/or textlecture underlinings (a reward to good note-takers and underliners), you will each write an essay answering the question you drew on the form I provide.

The average of the multiple choice quizzes will comprise **30 percent** of your final grade. The average of the weekly essays will comprise **50 percent**. The last two quizzes and last essay exam are given during the final exam period. This last essay will be double-weight because it contains some comprehensive elements. I will

throw out the lowest two of your alternate day objective quiz grades and your lowest single weekly essay grade. No makeups for quizzes or essay exams are given without a note from the Dean of Students. Missed quizzes or essays beyond the authorized drops = "F's."

Discussion Class & Quiz/Essay Exam Schedule:

W 27 Sep, R 28 Sep & -F 29 Sep: Organizational Sessions; preliminary discussion on Ch. 1-2; troubleshooting downloading.

M 2 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 1-2.

T 3 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 1-2.

W 4 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 3-4.

R 5 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 3-4.

F 6 Oct: Discussion of & essay exam on Kaplan, Ch. 1-4.

M 9 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 5-6.

T 10 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 5-6.

W 11 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 7-8.

R 12 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 7-8.

F 13 Oct: Discussion of & essay exam on Kaplan, Ch. 5-8.

M 16 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 9-10.

T 17 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 9-10.

W 18 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 11-12.

T 19 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 11-12.

F 20 Oct: Discussion of & essay exam on Kaplan, Ch. 9-12.

M 23 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Spence, Preface & Ch. 1-2.

T 24 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Spence, Preface & Ch. 1-2.

W 25 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Spence, Ch. 3-5 & Epilogue.

R 26 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Spence, Ch. 3-5 & Epilogue.

F 27 Oct: Discussion of & essay exam on Spence.

M 30 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 13-14.

T 31 Oct: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 13-14.

W 1 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 15-16.

R 2 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 15-16.

F 3 Nov: Discussion of & essay exam on Kaplan, 13-16.

M 6 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 17-18.

T 7 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 17-18.

W 8 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 19-20.

R 9 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 19-20.

F 10 Nov: Discussion of & essay exam on Kaplan, 17-20.

M 13 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 21-22.

T 14 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 21-22.

W 15 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 23-24.

T 16 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 23-24.

F 17 Nov: Discussion of & essay exam on Kaplan, 21-24

M 20 Nov: Discussion of & quizzes on Statler, Postscript & Ch. 1-8.

T 21 Nov: Discussion of & quiz Statler, Postscript & Ch. 1-8.

W 22 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Statler, Ch. 9-15.

M 27 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 25-26.

T 28 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 25-26. & Statler, Ch. 9-15.

W 29 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 27-28.

R 30 Nov: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 27-28.

F 1 Dec: Discussion of & essay exams on Kaplan, 25-28 & Statler

M 4 Dec: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 29-30.

T 5 Dec: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 29-30.

W 6 Dec: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 31-32.

R 7 Dec: Discussion of & quiz on Kaplan, Ch. 31-32.

F 8 Dec: Review session for final exam.

Final: M 11 Dec, 8-10 am (TR); 10:30-12:30 (MW): Discussion of & double-weight essay exam on Kaplan, Ch. 29-32.

HOW TO ACQUIRE FREE AND USE ADOBE ACROBAT READER AND TIANXIA

GENERAL ADVICE:

You will be using the *Reader and TianXia* programs to perform two quite different tasks with two entirely different kinds of files.

Reader is used to read and print out files bearing the suffix .pdf. Files bearing this suffix are listed under the chapter numbers for my text near the beginning of my web site. *TianXia* is used to view on the computer and work through tutorial files (files bearing the suffix .txa). These files are located on my web site *after* the pdf files for EAS 201/H 280 in a table of their own. You can identify the type of files by pointing the mouse at a particular underlined chapter number and reading the underlying code at the *bottom* of the browser (e.g. Netscape or Internet Explorer) screen and see if the file has the .pdf or .txa extension.

Both pdf and txa files must be downloaded from my web site (<http://www.ac.wvu.edu/~kaplan>). For you to be able to use them, they must then be loaded into the *Reader* and *TianXia* programs respectively.

You will have to proceed differently if you are working in the computer labs than if you are working at home, on your own computer, linked to the Internet.

WORKING IN A COMPUTER LAB:

Both *Reader* and *TianXia* are already present on the computers in the following labs: MH60, MH67 (far side of lab), Eng.Tech 321, and AH5. Eng.Tech 321 seems to be the most frequently free lab, but even when classes are using a lab there are often unoccupied computers. Be polite and try not to trip over the furniture when maneuvering to occupy a vacant computer during a class.

Both programs (*Reader* and *TianXia*) reside in the "applications" group. Usually, an icon labeled "applications" already exists half way up the screen on the left side of Windows 95 or 98. Double-click on it to bring up the applications screen. On some machines you may have to click on the "start" button at the lower left, and then slide through "programs" to "applications."

Icons for the *Reader* and *TianXia* programs are located on the applications screen. (You may have to use the scroll bar on the right to scroll up and down on that screen.)

Before evoking these two programs you must go onto Netscape to reach my web site and download the appropriate pdf and txa files for use in the programs. The Netscape icon is in the middle of the applications screen. Move to Western's home page, (<http://www.ac.wvu.edu>). Click the left mouse button after moving the pointer to the end of the above address. If the address background turns blue, hit the right arrow key. Then type in [/~kaplan](http://www.ac.wvu.edu/~kaplan), followed by the carriage-return key.

My home page should then appear. Scroll down (using the scroll bar on the right) until you reach the appropriate text chapters. You can tell if an underlined chapter number is a .pdf file by looking at the bottom of the screen while mouse-pointing at the underlined item. If it is the one you want, and you intend to print in the lab, click the *left* mouse button. This will bring up Adobe Acrobat Reader and load that .pdf file in it. You can then print the .pdf file using the directions given below. If there is not enough RAM to let this procedure work, or you want to save the .pdf file on a floppy to print it out elsewhere later, click the *right* mouse button while pointing at the underlined chapter number. A menu will pop up. Click with the left mouse button on the option "Save link as . . ." Yet another menu, called "Save as" will then pop up. You can place the .pdf file either at c:\temp\ or (preferably) on drive a: (into which you should have placed a formatted 3.5" floppy). The c:\temp\ subdirectory empties whenever the machine is rebooted, thereby keeping the computer lab's hard disk from becoming cluttered. If you save .pdf files onto a:, you can carry them off to another machine and not have to download them from Netscape again.

Repeat the above procedure, remembering to click on the file with the *right* mouse button only, for each of the .txa files you need. It would be best to download *only a week's worth of files at a time*, as I revise both the text and tutorial files on an irregular schedule, and you might as well have the most up to date version of each file.

Once you have downloaded and saved all the files you need for the week, close Netscape. This should return you to the applications group screen.

To print a .pdf file you have downloaded onto the machine you are using, double left click on the Adobe Acrobat Reader icon near the top right of applications. After the Reader opening screen appears, click on "file" and then on "open." Select the drive or drive and subdirectory where you placed your pdf files, and then select the file you want to print. After the first page of that file appears on the screen, click on "file" and then on "print." It may take a few minutes for Reader to process the file for printing. Bring a good book to read during such delays.

To work through a *tutorial*, double left click on the *TianXia* (TX) icon on the applications screen. It should take only about 30 seconds to load TX. When the first TX screen appears, click on "select file" and then choose the drive and subdirectory or drive where you placed your .txa files. Your .txa file names should then pop up. Double click on the one you want to work through first. That file name should then appear in the "files selected" box. If it doesn't, double click on it again. Then click on the "done" button. Finally, click on the "load" button. It should take about 50 seconds for *TianXia* to decode and load your file, enough time to read a page in the book you've brought along.

When the first question pops up, click on the button for the answer you think is correct. The program will highlight it in aquamarine color if your selection was right. If it wasn't, it will pop up the right answer highlighted in aquamarine. It will also pop up an explanation in blue near the bottom of the screen. Then click the "next question" button. Notice that a running score is kept on the lower right. If you miss too many questions, you should consider

rereading the relevant parts of the chapter. At the end of the tutorial, the program gives you the option of doing it again or loading a different tutorial. You can exit at any stage. You can also open Notepad for note-taking in a separate window. *You can't print .txa files. They are so thoroughly encoded that even the Chinese Intelligence Bureau or any Chinese spies resident in Los Alamos cannot decode them.*

WORKING WITH YOUR OWN COMPUTER

1. Boot up Netscape Navigator or Microsoft's Internet Explorer. Specific wording of menu choices may vary between the two browsers and between different versions of each. Follow your intuitions and hope for the best!

2. If you have an internet connection, go to my WWU web site: <http://www.ac.wvu.edu/~kaplan>. Note that everything before /~kaplan constitutes the address of Western's home page. (The ~, called the tilda, is at the upper left of the keyboard. Be sure to hold down shift while hitting that key.)

3. You may already have Reader. If not, you will have to download the *Reader* as well as TianXia from the Web before accessing text (.pdf) or tutorial (.txa) files.

4. To download the Reader, click the underlined words Download free with the left mouse button near the beginning of my web site. This will, within a few moments, connect you to Adobe's site. Follow the directions given there to download the version of Reader you require. After downloading, *don't forget to install it by following Adobe's installation instructions.*

5. To download text chapter files (.pdf), beginning with the Frontmatter (containing table of contents, map, pronunciation guide, historical table), do the following:

- Click with the right mouse button on the underlined chapter number at my web site. (If you installed *Reader* enabling this option, the left button will open *Reader* and automatically load the file you have just selected.)
- The right button will pop up a menu. Select "Save this link as . . ." by clicking on it with the left mouse button.
- This will bring up a "Save as" box. Select the directory or subdirectory in which you prefer to have the file placed. You may want to create a special directory for the downloaded files beforehand.
- Remember, if you want to read or print any file bearing the suffix .pdf, you must do so from the *Reader* program, *not* from your word processor.

6. To make use of the tutorial files, you must first download and install the TianXia tutorial program.

- To download the TianXia tutorial program from my web site, right click on the first of the two links just above the table of txa files (i.e. the underlined words, tianxia1.exe), select "save link as . . ." and then save the file tianxia1.exe onto the appropriate location (see below) on your hard disk. Then repeat the above steps for tianxia2.exe..
- You should save the two files from the web site onto your home machine at C:\Windows\Temp\ If you are using Windows 3.1, you may have to first create Temp as a subdirectory of the directory Windows, using File Manager: Go to File Manager, click on File and then on Create Directory. Call the directory Temp. Be sure before you

create any new (sub)directory that you are either at the root directory or a directory to which you wish to subordinate the Temp directory.

- Next, close down *all* programs, including Netscape, leaving only Windows running. Shift Windows to the "run" command (in 3.1 via Program Manager, and clicking on "File," and then on "Run;" click on "start" and then "run" in W95 or 98).
- To decompress the two files, at the "Run" command type C:\Windows\Temp\tianxia1.exe and then hit the carriage return key. Next, do the same with C:\Windows\Temp\tianxia2.exe).
- Finally, run the third run command, C:\Windows\Temp\setup.exe, to install the files comprising the TianXia program. This installation will automatically create the (sub)directory C:\txstdyv2\, display a pretty red icon 天, allow you to put TianXia to use.

7. To download individual tutorials from my web site, right click on the name of a particular tutorial, choose "save link as . . ." for that tutorial and elect to save its file to the C:\txstdyv2\ directory, or to some other directory, if you prefer. So far tutorials are only available for EAS201/H280. *Do not left click. Only the unreadable encoded text will appear on your screen if you do.*

8. To run a tutorial, open the TianXia program by left double clicking on the 天, select "open," and then double-click (all with the left mouse button). Wait a minute for the program to load.

- At the opening screen, left mouse button click on "Select File."
- Then move via double-clicks to the directory where you have put the tutorial files, double-click on the appropriate file name (and make sure that its name appears in the "files selected" box on the lower left),
- click on the "done" button, then on "load file." When a dialog box appears warning you that to proceed will empty any other files from the program, click on "o.k." Wait for the file to be loaded, which may take a minute or so (since the program must first decode it). The first question of that tutorial should eventually pop up onto your screen.
- After you have selected an answer by left-mouse button clicking on one of the A-E or A-B buttons, a response will appear at the bottom, indicating whether and why you were correct or incorrect, commenting on the other answers and sometimes giving new material. *Whether you were right or wrong, study this response carefully. It is the point of the exercise. Avoid rote memorization of right answers. That will not prepare you for the essay exams or even reliably for the tutorial quizzes.*
- Then click on the "Next Question" button at the bottom of the screen. Note that the program keeps score for you
- After you have finished a tutorial you are given the option of either repeating it or loading another tutorial.
- You can exit at any time, even in the middle of a tutorial, by clicking on the "Exit" button on the lower right.

9. You can take notes while doing a tutorial by opening up your word processor or Windows Write in another window and toggling between the two windows. (In 3.1 hold down "Alt" while hitting "Tab," to rotate through open windows

containing different programs, or by left clicking on the program bar at the bottom of the screen in W95 or 98.)