International Relations of Southeast Asia

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A brief self-introduction

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- Research Interests:
  - Comparative regionalism
  - International political economy
  - Public opinion analysis

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Southeast Asia at a glance

- Maritime and mainland Southeast Asia
- Religion in Southeast Asia
- Political regimes
- Trade, FDI, and economic development
International relations and Southeast Asia

- The historical legacies of Southeast Asia
  - Early history, the tribute system, the colonial experiences, and the Cold War

- The contemporary challenges facing Southeast Asia
  - Geopolitics, economic development, human rights and human security, separatism and terrorism, regional security

- The regional context of Southeast Asia
  - Engaging neighboring powers, bilateral relationship with the US, region-building and ASEAN centrality
An overview of the course

- Three general topics of the course
  - The historical development of Southeast Asia
  - The contemporary challenges facing Southeast Asia
  - Southeast Asia in the regional and global context

- The topics of weekly lectures
  - [week 1] Introduction and Guidance
  - [week 2] The Early History of Southeast Asia
  - [week 3] Southeast Asia and the Tribute System
  - [week 4] Western Colonialism in Southeast Asia
  - [week 5] Nationalist Movements in Southeast Asia
An overview of the course

- [week 6] Southeast Asia and the Cold War
- [week 7] ASEAN and the Changing Geopolitics of Southeast Asia
- [week 8] Economic Development: Miracle, Crisis and Regionalism
- [week 9] Human Rights and Human Security in Southeast Asia
- [week 10] Domestic Security: Separatism and Terrorism
- [week 11] Regional Security: From TAC to ARF
- [week 12] Engaging External Powers: China, Japan and the US
- [week 13] Regionalism: Southeast Asia, East Asia or Asia-Pacific?
- [week 14] Guidance on Term Essay
- [week 15] Conclusion and Essay Submission
Textbooks and references

- Textbooks


Textbooks and references

Reference texts

Teaching and grading methods

Teaching methods
- Lecture-based course
- Student discussion is encouraged

Grading methods
- Attendance (25%)
- Class discussion (15%)
- Term Paper (60%)

Questions and Answers