History/EACS 80 Chinese Civilization
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This course provides a general survey of the history of China from the beginning to the present.

Required Reading:
* Reading packet. (Available for purchase at Associated Students, UCen beginning from the week of October 1)

Grading System
Section: 20%*
Two quizzes: 5% each
Two 3-4-page papers: 10% each
Midterm exam: 20%
Final exam: 30%
*Although sections normally account for only 20% of the overall grade, one must pass section in order to pass the whole course.

**The reading assignments and lectures are designed to complement each other. To do well in this course, you must complete the reading assignments on time and attend the lectures regularly, in addition to participating in sections regularly. Some important information is given only during the lectures.

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Schedule of Lectures and Assignments

Week 1 (Oct 1 and 3): Introduction and Early China
Readings: Textbook: Ch. 1; handout from sections.

Week 2 (Oct 8 and 10): Eastern Zhou and Classical Thought
Readings: Textbook: Ch. 2; packet reading (see the table of contents in the reading packet for page numbers)

Week 3 (Oct 15 and 17): Qin and Han Dynasties
Readings: Textbook: Ch. 3, some Ch 4; packet reading.
First Quiz: Monday, Oct 15.
First paper due to be submitted electronically by 10PM on Sunday, Oct 21 (specific
instructions regarding electronic submission will be provided with the paper prompt).

Week 4 (Oct 22 and 24): Age of Division, Sui and Tang
Readings: Textbook: Ch. 4 and 5; packet reading.

Week 5: 1) **Oct 29: Midterm Exam**
                2) Oct 31: Song China
Readings: Textbook: Ch. 6; packet reading.

Week 6 (Nov 5 and 7): The Mongols and the Ming
Readings: Textbook: Finish Ch. 7; Ch. 8; packet reading.

Week 7 (Nov 14): China under Manchu rule
Readings: Textbook: Ch. 9 up to p.236; packet reading.
No lecture on Nov 12: Happy Veteran’s Day!

Week 8: 1) Nov 19: Western Intrusions and the Chinese Response
                2) Nov 21: no lecture; no section meeting for this day
Second **Quiz:** Monday, Nov 19.

Week 9 (Nov 26 and 28): The early 20th century
Readings: Textbook: Ch. 10; packet reading.
**Second paper due to be submitted electronically by 10PM on Tuesday, Nov 27.**

Week 10 (Dec 3 and 5): The People’s Republic and wrapping up
Readings: Textbook: Ch. 11 and 12.

**Final Exam: Thursday, December 13, 12-3PM**