

POP88324 — Chinese Politics

Module Information	
Module Code	POP88324
Module Title	Chinese Politics
Department	Political Science
Module Personnel	Jiwon Baik
Academic Year	2026–27
Credit Weighting	5 credits
Semester	Semester 2
Contact Hours	2 lecture per week (100 minutes).

Module Content	
Module Description	As a modern state, the People's Republic of China (PRC) continues to amaze and confound observers both inside and outside its borders. More than four decades after opening its doors to the outside world, China remains as important as it is misunderstood, especially in recent years, as it has reversed some of these fundamental trends toward reform and opening up. This course is designed to provide you with a road map to help understand the fascinating world of Chinese politics and the contemporary Chinese state by providing different perspectives on China's past achievements, its political and economic futures, and the global implications of China's rise. The course presumes no prior knowledge of China.
Learning Outcomes	• Have an understanding of the various political, economic, and societal institutions behind Chinese politics. • Sharpen skills such as reading scholarly articles critically and articulating thoughts into words both verbally and in writing. • Be able to independently assess new events and developments in Chinese politics using concepts and material from the course



Assessment

Assessment Components

Participation: 20%
Weekly Responses: 40%
Final Policy Analysis paper: 40%

Additional Information

Prerequisites

None

Co-requisites

None