

Regional Scenarios of Asia Pacific			
Course Code	POL110034	Course Time	
Course Name	Regional Scenarios of Asia Pacific		
Credit	2	Credit hours	48 HOURS
Instructor		Department	
Prerequisites	International Business		
Course Description:			
Analyze from an historical point of view the principal social, political, and economic processes of the Asia Pacific region, as well as its most outstanding cultural features in order to evaluate and analyze this region's recent development and integration.			
Course objectives:			
Upon completion of this course, students will be able to analyze from a historical post-cold war perspective, the main social, political and economic processes of the region.			
Course Content:			
Course topics and subtopics:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction to Asia-Pacific <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. East Asia: Integrating countries, spoken languages, types of government, practiced religions, contemporary issues. 2. Southeast Asia: Integrating countries, spoken languages, types of government, practiced religions, contemporary issues. 2. European Arrival <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Trading Companies, 16th century-1820 2. Regional processes, 16th century-1820 3. Regional Transformation, 1880-1914 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Independent States: Japan (Meiji Restoration), China (Background to the Revolution of 1911) and Thailand (Modernization). 2. The Colonial World: Korea, Taiwan, Southeast Asia. 3. The Nationalist Movements. 4. From the First World War to the Fifteen Year War <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Japanese Society Militarization and Economic Development 2. Second World War, Pacific War or Fifteen Year War? 3. The Japanese Colonies: Korea and Taiwan (1918-1945) 4. China, 1911-1949: Instability, Civil War, Invasion 5. Colonial Southeast Asia during the interwar period 6. Southeast Asia: the Japanese invasion and the consolidation of nationalism. 5. Asia-Pacific and the Cold War <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Japan: North American Occupation (1945-1952) 2. The Consolidation of Socialism in China (1949-1976): the Great Leap Forward, the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution 3. The Korean War (1950-1953) 4. Independence movements: Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos 6. Economic Miracles <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Japanese Miracle and its Social Cost 2. Malaysia: Between the Ethnic Equilibrium and the Generation of Wealth 3. China: the Economic Reforms 7. The Political Transitions <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Malaysia: Ethnic Balance and Authoritarianism 			
Course Requirements:			
Teaching Methods:			
Teaching Materials & References:			
Author	Title	Publisher	Publishing Time
Textbook of the course:			
Mark Borthwick	Pacific Century: the emergence of modern Pacific Asia 3rd ed.	Westview Press, Boulder	2007
Complemented by (not necessary that the students buy these books):			
Derek McDougall	Asia Pacific in world politics	Lynne Rienner Publishers, Boulder	2007
Instructor's Academic Background:			
Masters in Business Management, specialized in Marketing. Experience in multicultural environment and constant in world business and possess international experiences.			
Course Schedule:			
Grading & Evaluation:			