

Subject Description Form

Subject Code	CC4241 / CC4241P
Subject Title	Chinese Traditional Theatre and Performing Arts 中國傳統舞臺及表演藝術
Credit Value	3
Level	4
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	Exclusion for CC4241: CC4241P / CC401 Exclusion for CC4241P: CC4241 / CC401
Objectives	The subject aims at introducing Chinese traditional theatre represented by the oldest Kun and Peking Operas, as well as those relatively young genres such as the Cantonese and Shanghai Opera. Other performing arts on stage will be also introduced to correct inaccurate, biased views of Chinese traditional theatre and other performing arts that students may have. The study and appreciation of Chinese traditional theatre and performing will provide significant help to students in their understanding of the richness and beauty of Chinese culture.
Intended Learning Outcomes	Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) appreciate the beauty and the uniqueness of various performing arts represented by operas and the chanting and singing in Chinese music; b) understand the role of theatre in Chinese performance arts and Chinese popular culture; c) examine in depth the relationship between Chinese music, Chinese society and Chinese literature and other performing arts; and d) develop a sense of national and local identity through the appreciation of Chinese performance arts.
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The Varieties of Chinese Theatre 2) Historical Storytelling and Chanting Arts 3) Kun Opera & Peking Opera 4) Shanghai and Szechuan Opera 5) Cantonese Opera 6) Storytelling in Soochow Dialect in String 7) Storytelling in Shantung Dialect with Drum 8) Performers and their Histories

	9) The Dragon Boat Songs 10) Puppetry																																												
Teaching/Learning Methodology	<p>The lectures introduces key concepts of Chinese performing arts, aided by the showing of videos of Chinese operas and other types of Chinese performing arts. Students are required to form groups to make an oral presentation on assigned topics during tutorials. Consultations are provided by the instructor to help the students understand the subject matter in general, and prepare their presentations in particular. Students are also required to read selected articles recommended by the instructor. Study tours to different types of theatres inside and outside Hong Kong will be also organized.</p>																																												
Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes	<table border="1" data-bbox="480 692 1425 1442"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">Specific assessment methods/tasks</th> <th rowspan="2">% weighting</th> <th colspan="4">Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)</th> </tr> <tr> <th>a</th> <th>b</th> <th>c</th> <th>d</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1. Two Short Quizzes</td> <td>25%</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2. Oral Presentation/Class Discussion</td> <td>25%</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3. Final Paper (includes outline and draft)</td> <td>40%</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4. Attendance</td> <td>10%</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✓</td> <td>✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>100%</td> <td colspan="4"></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes:</p> <p>The two quizzes are designed to measure the students' attainments of intended learning outcomes (a), (b) and (c), which measure students' overall understanding of the special features and uniqueness of various performing arts represented by different operas, and the chanting and singing of songs. For example, students should know the basic difference between the Kun opera and Peking opera, and the role of theatre in Chinese performance arts and Chinese popular culture.</p> <p>Second, the assigned research project is designed to assess the students' capability in the intended learning outcome (e) that requires good communication and writing skills. Such an assignment can help assessing</p>					Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)				a	b	c	d	1. Two Short Quizzes	25%	✓	✓	✓	✓	2. Oral Presentation/Class Discussion	25%	✓	✓	✓	✓	3. Final Paper (includes outline and draft)	40%	✓	✓	✓	✓	4. Attendance	10%	✓	✓	✓	✓	Total	100%				
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	<p>students' ability in working on a guided-research project, the findings of which will first be presented orally and then in a standard academic report.</p> <p>Both the quizzes and the research projects are designed to develop a sense of national identity among the students stated in the intended learning outcome (d). Good reports are those which critically examine the questions raised by scholars and laymen such as the future and prospect of traditional Chinese performance arts. Furthermore, the presentations on local operas such as Cantonese opera will certainly help develop a sense of national and local identity among our students.</p>	
Student Study Effort Expected	Class contact:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lectures 	26 Hrs.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tutorials 	13 Hrs.
	Other student study effort:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Readings 	45 Hrs.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Writings 	30 Hrs.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Performance Appreciation 	6 Hrs
	Total student study effort	120 Hrs.

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