Subject Description Form

Subject Code	CHC409P				
Subject Title	Confucianism, Classical Learning and the State 儒學經學與國家				
Credit Value	3				
Level	4				
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	Nil				
Objectives	The course examines the relationship between Confucianism, classical learning and the state in traditional China. It discusses the impact of Confucian thought on the political ideas as well as the political and social institutions in Chinese history. It also studies the Confucian idea of moral self-cultivation and the maintenance of the social order, in addition to the practice of Confucian social programs.				
Intended Learning Outcomes	 Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to: (a) know the main thoughts and influences of important Confucians, (b) understand the content and significance of Confucian advocacies for personal cultivation, (c) have knowledge about the Confucian designs on maintaining political and social order as well as on organizing community life, (d) acquire the method and ability to read the Confucian classics with understanding, and (e) form independent judgment on historical consequences of Confucian thoughts and proposals. 				

Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus

- 1) The formation of Confucianism: people, texts, ideas and advocacies
- 2) Main ideas of Confucius, Mencius, and the early schools of philosophy on government and education
- 3) Confucianism as the state ideology and the political culture in Han times
- 4) Confucianism in the Wen-jin period: philosophic discourse and humanistic awakening
- 5) Tang dynasty Confucianism and Confucians in the vogue of Buddhism
- 6) The beginning of Neo-Confucianism: appeal and theoretical foundation of Northern Song lixue/learning of principles
- 7) Zhu Xi's intellectual achievements and influence
- 8) The thought of Wang Yangming and its influence
- 9) Neo-Confucian classics
- 10) Neo-Confucian impacts on late imperial Chinese political culture and social life
- 11) Orientations in Confucian learning in late imperial times: learning of principles, statecraft learning, and evidential learning
- 12) Confucian institutions of sacrificial and canonization and their political and cultural significance
- 13) The agenda of modern Confucianism

Teaching/Learning Methodology

Classes will consist of lectures that introduce the subject's materials and classroom discussions where the materials are analyzed in depth. Students are responsible for the source and secondary materials before class, and writing the term paper and the reading report. The methodology is essentially interactive. Classroom discussions and the two quizzes will not only test students' grasp of the content of the course but also enable the teacher to address problems that cause difficulties to students' learning. Students' reports and papers will enhance their understanding of the course and their skill in writing academic papers.

Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes	Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)					
			a	b	c	d	e	
	1. mid-term quiz	25%	✓	✓	✓	✓		
	2. Reading report & Oral Presentation	25%	√	1	✓	✓	✓	
	3. Term paper	50%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Total	100%						
	The mid-term quizze is designed to assess students' understanding of the thoughts of the major Confucians and their ability to read and comprehend classical texts.							
	2. Written reports and their classroom presentation are especially suited for students' presentation of their own understanding of issues arising from the lectures. They also make it easy for the teacher to evaluate their mastery of the intended learning outcomes.							
	3. The term paper of about 2000 words on a topic derived from the course subject matter is designed to assess students' mastery of the main content of the course and their ability to pursue their own learning.							
Student Study Effort	Class contact :							
Required	Seminars					39 Hrs.		
	Other student study effort :							
	■ Readings					60 Hrs.		
	■ Writings					30 Hrs.		
	 Discussion 					3 Hrs.		
	Total student study effort					132 Hrs.		
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