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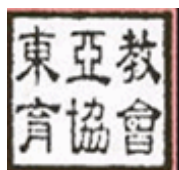
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Deadline. Wednesday, September 4, 2013 (or when course fills). National Online Seminar: “Teaching about China’s Political System.” Offered by the NCTA National Coordinating Site at TEA, University of Colorado, this online seminar was co-developed by political scientists with expertise on China in consultation with AP comparative government teachers. The fall 2013 offering runs from September 21 – December 8. The 25-hour asynchronous seminar addresses instructional objectives of the AP Comparative Government course and provides essential background to all teachers who cover contemporary China in their courses. See **full details and registration instructions** on the TEA website.

Deadline. Wednesday, September 4, 2013 (or when course fills). National Online Seminar: “Cultural Encounters: Japan’s Diverse Past and Present.” This online course for middle and high school teachers of world history examines episodes in Japan’s international and intercultural relations from the Nara period to the present, with special attention to Japanese approaches and responses to cross-border movement of peoples, ideas, and materials. Content will address the World History Content Standards and AP World History Course Guidelines. The course runs from September 13 – December 12, 2013. This course is sponsored by the J-OPP project at the University of Colorado in cooperation with the University of Washington East Asia Resource Center and NCTA. See **full details and registration instructions** on the TEA website.

Deadline. Saturday, September 14, 2013. NCTA Fall-Winter Seminar for Washington, DC, and Virginia/Maryland Suburbs. This seminar for K-12 teachers is offered by the Georgetown University East Asia Resource Center and sponsored by the NCTA National Coordinating Sites at the University of Colorado and University of Pittsburgh. The seminar takes place on the Georgetown main campus and runs from September 28, 2013 – February 28, 2014, with 10 half-day meetings on Saturday mornings. Application is available **here**. For more details on the syllabus and requirements, contact local seminar coordinator Kat Harrington at **krh45@georgetown.edu** or check the NCTA **seminar link** for Georgetown.

Wednesday, October 9, 2013. Webinar on Ainu History and Culture. This will be the first fall webinar offering from the Five College Center for East Asian Studies (FCCEAS). More details and registration information will be available soon on the **FCCEAS website**.

Fall 2013 – Spring 2014. East Asia in World History Series. Asia for Educators at Columbia University and NCTA are collaborating to provide a series of online seminars for world history teachers. Upcoming seminars include “1400-1750: Dynasties and Shoguns,” “1750-1919: East Asia and the West,” and “20th-21st Centuries: Modern East Asia.” For more information or to register, click **here**.

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Sunday, September 8, 2013, 2:00 pm. *Qi Shu Fang Peking Opera Company Residency Public Performance, University of Colorado Campus.* Founded in 1987, the Qi Shu Fang Peking Opera Company is dedicated to the preservation and performance of the Chinese theatrical tradition, Peking Opera. The company will offer several lectures and performances of interest to teachers and students, culminating with a public performance consisting of “Red Ribbon Dance”; “Fighting in the Dark,” a short opera; and an excerpt from “The White Snake.” The performance will take place at the CU Boulder Loft Theater.

Deadline. Friday, September 20, 2013. TEA Workshop: “Chinese Characters: Profiles of Fast-Changing Lives in a Fast-Changing Land.” Saturday, September 28. 8:30 am - 2:30 pm. Join TEA staff and China specialist Jeffrey Wasserstrom for this September 28 workshop based on Wasserstrom’s 2012 book, *Chinese Characters*. Participants will gain ideas for teaching about contemporary China by using case studies that illustrate life in China today: for example, Xi’an migrant workers who make a living recycling trash in the city dumps, an entrepreneur hoping to strike it rich in the rental car business, an old woman about to lose her home in Beijing, and a crusading legal scholar. These case studies challenge oversimplified views of China presented in the media and, in so doing, help us present a multifaceted portrait of a country undergoing extraordinary transformations. Participants will receive a copy of the book and will have the opportunity to discuss strategies for using these case studies to address Common Core standards. Cost is \$30; download the **registration form** from the TEA website.

NCTA Opportunities

This fall, the NCTA national coordinating site at the Five College Center for East Asian Studies is offering a 36-hour seminar at Union College Graduate School in Schenectady, NY. The seminar will consist of six Saturday sessions between October 5, 2013, and February 8, 2014. For more information, contact seminar leader Catherine Snyder at **snyderc@uniongraduatecollege.edu**; an **application form** is available on the FCCEAS website.

See **National Opportunities** listings above for additional upcoming NCTA seminars.

Featured Resources

Colonial Korea in Historical Perspective (2012). The experience of the Korean peninsula under Japanese colonial rule from 1910 to 1945 constitutes an important part of global history, especially considering the extent to which colonial legacies continue to shape current relations in East Asia and beyond. Drawing heavily upon a wealth of various primary sources from both Korea and Japan—especially images and oral histories—this three-lesson curriculum unit seeks to contribute to a more balanced understanding of the global history of colonialism by providing an in-depth examination of the history of the Korean peninsula under Japanese rule. This unit from the SPICE program at Stanford can be purchased for \$39.95; ordering information is available **here**.

Five College Center for East Asian Studies (FCCEAS) Webinars. FCCEAS has archived 14 webinars presented during the 2012-2013 school year. Users can access the webinars free at the **FCCEAS website**. Sample titles of archived webinars are “All About Korea,” “Getting a Hold on Contemporary Chinese Cities,” and “Pacifism in Japan: Kagawa Toyohiko.”

The Mongol Empire (2012). The story of the Mongol Empire is an important piece of world history, as well as a dramatic tale of ambition and conquest, devastation and renewal, and expansion and dissolution. This curriculum unit introduces students to the various societies, individuals, and dynamics that played a part in the saga of the Mongol Empire and develops appreciation of the Empire's impact on world history. Price of this unit from the SPICE Program at Stanford is \$59.95; ordering information is available [**here**](#).

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