

NATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR TEACHING ABOUT ASIA
AT THE PROGRAM FOR TEACHING EAST ASIA

FALL 2019 ONLINE BOOK GROUP NOW REGISTERING

***Bullets and Opium:
Stories of China After the Tiananmen Massacre
By Liao Yiwu
September 21 – October 25, 2019***



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The National Consortium for Teaching about Asia (NCTA) at the **Program for Teaching East Asia, University of Colorado Boulder**, invites applications for this fall 2019 online book group.

Overview: In *Bullets and Opium: Real-Life Stories of China After the Tiananmen Square Massacre*, award-winning writer Liao Yiwu offers a new look into how citizens and workers experienced the June 1989 events in China. Based on interviews with survivors of the massacre, the non-fiction accounts in this collection challenge us to rethink what we know and understand about this important historical moment and its aftermath. Join Chinese literature specialist Lynn Kalinauskas for an

exploration of these classroom-applicable but disturbing stories that will increase our awareness of the complexity of events that shook China and the world.

Online Format: The book group will be conducted entirely through four asynchronous online modules. Participants are responsible for buying *Bullets and Opium: Real-Life Stories of China After the Tiananmen Square Massacre* (available in [hardback, Kindle, and audiobook editions on Amazon](#)) in advance of the book group start date. Any additional readings will be provided on the course site. Participants may take part in **discussion only** or choose to complete the book group with **full participation for full benefits**: a certificate of 16 contact hours and a materials stipend award. Teachers who wish to receive full benefits must participate completely in all four module discussions and submit an evaluation and a three- to four-page Classroom Implementation Plan (CIP) describing ways to use the book in their teaching.

Eligibility and Selection: Open to high school literature, social studies, and Chinese language teachers. Admission is selective, with priority given to grade 9-12 contract teachers whose required curriculum in one of the above subject areas includes contemporary China and who are not enrolling in another fall 2019 NCTA course through TEA.

Book Group Dates: The course begins with online introductions Sept. 21-27, with four one-week modules, Sept. 28-Oct. 4; Oct. 5-11; Oct 12-18; and Oct. 19-25. Curriculum Implementation Plans are due Nov. 15, for those participants wishing to receive a certificate of contact hours and a completion award.

Participation is free, with the following benefits for full participation, as outlined above:

- Certificate of completion for 16 contact hours;
- \$50 Amazon gift card as completion stipend.

Apply online at <https://www.colorado.edu/ptea/content/bulletsopium>. Course is limited to 20 eligible teachers and closes September 13, 2019, or when the course is full. For more information, e-mail lynn.parisi@colorado.edu or lynn.kalinauskas@nctasia.org.