TEA Programs

TEA-NCTA National Online Courses Now Enrolling for Fall 2019

NCTA at TEA is offering three online seminars, two online book groups, and a current events discussion course this fall. Each course is targeted to a specific teacher audience; please note eligibility for each course and details on each course flyer. All courses begin in late September.

New! Book Group: *Bullets and Opium: Stories of China After the Tiananmen Massacre*, by Liao Yiwu. September 21 – October 25, 2019. 16 professional development contact hours and stipend. [Flyer and application](#).

Seminar: *Cracking the Samurai Code: Separating Fact from Fiction*. September 29 – November 23, 2019. 20 professional development contact hours and stipend. [Flyer and application](#).

Seminar: *Chinese History through Its Dynasties: Qin, Han, Tang*. September 29 – November 19, 2019. 18 professional development contact hours and stipend. [Flyer and application](#).

Discussion Group: *China in the News*, with Author Eric Fish. September 29 – November 16, 2019. 12 professional development contact hours and stipend. [Flyer and application](#).

Seminar: *Korea (1876-1953): Independence to Division*. September 26 – December 5, 2019. 24 professional development contact hours and stipend. [Flyer and application](#).

Book Group: *The Great Wave: Japan through Children’s Literature*. September 27 – December 2, 2019. 16 professional development contact hours and stipend. [Flyer and application](#).

NCTA in Northern Virginia

Northern Virginia and DC area teachers *save the date* for the first of three 2019-2020 NCTA Saturday workshops, December 14, 2019. Our first workshop will focus on society and culture in contemporary China, including China’s millennials and emerging social issues in Xi Jinping’s China today. Look for details in our October E-News. Two more workshops are planned for winter-spring 2020.
National Opportunities


NCTA Online Seminar: War and Peace: Voices from Japan. September 30 – December 8, 2019. Application deadline: September 4, 2019. This seminar offered by the Five College Center for East Asian Studies will consider the experiences of the people of Okinawa, Hiroshima, and Nagasaki, during and after World War II. More information and application.

Workshops: Dharma and Punya: Buddhist Ritual Art of Nepal. The College of Holy Cross is offering three teacher workshops in conjunction with an exhibition of ritual art. For more information, contact Mimi Stephens at stephensmimi21@gmail.com.

- Teaching Buddhism and Its Asian Diaspora: History, Geography, and Its Place in World History. September 17, 2018, 4-7 pm.
- Understanding the Role of Ritual and Art in Buddhism as Lived Tradition. September 24, 4-7 pm.
- Guided Exhibit Tours and Interaction with Ritual Objects. October 8, 4-7 pm.

NCTA Webinar: Thirty Minutes Over Oregon: A Japanese Pilot’s World War II Story, with author Marc Tyler Nobleman. October 24, 2019, 7-8 pm EDT. The author will discuss his Freeman Award-winning book in this webinar sponsored by the Five College Center for East Asian Studies. Registration.

NCTA State and Local Programs


NCTA Pennsylvania Seminar: Intersections: East Asia and STEAM. September 3 – December 17, 2019. Application deadline: August 27, 2019. This course for K-12 teachers will introduce the cultures of China, Japan, and Korea, with special emphasis on how STEAM topics intersect with the cultures of the region. Class will meet on Tuesday evenings from 5:30-8:30 pm at the University of Pittsburgh. Information and registration.

NCTA New York Seminar: Teaching East Asia. October 19, 2019 – March 7, 2020. Application deadline: September 20, 2019. This seminar for K-12 teachers will cover topics related to geography, philosophy, religion, history, literature, and art identified in the NY state core curriculum. The seminar will be held at Clarkson University in Schenectady. To apply, contact Catherine Snyder at csnyder@clarkson.edu.
NCTA California Seminar: *East Asia Since 1800*. September 28 – November 18, 2019. Application deadline: September 14, 2019. This seminar to be held at the University of Southern California will offer in-depth presentations on the history and cultures of East Asia. The course will meet on three Monday evenings and four Saturdays. [Information and application](#).

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### Featured Resources

Each year in the May-June issue of *Social Education*, the National Council for the Social Studies publishes a list of notable social studies trade books vetted by a committee of social studies educators. This year’s list includes several books on Asia, including *Moth and Wasp, Soil and Ocean: Remembering Chinese Scientist Pu Zhelong’s Work for Sustainable Farming; A Thousand Beginnings and Endings*; and *Voices from the Second World War: Stories of War as Told to Children of Today*.

*Ms. Ice Sandwich* (Pushkin Press, 2018) is a new title appropriate for secondary students. Written by Mieka Kawakami and translated by Louise Heal Kawai, the book showcases a quirky “slice of life” in contemporary Japan.