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A Three-Week Online Contemporary Issues Course

January 19-February 11, 2022



Having hosted its first Olympic Games in Summer 2008, Beijing is gearing up to host its second Olympics in February 2022. This 3-week mini course will dive into history of Beijing, China's capital for the majority of the last 700 years; analyze contemporary issues around urbanization and social change in the city; and explore the international spectacle of the Olympics as these particular games spark controversy and conversation about China's rise, human rights, and the global world order. Course content will include 3 required Zoom meetings, including a real-time virtual visit to Beijing with an NCTA consultant on the ground. Course assignments will include light reading, videos, and podcasts that will be of use to you and your students.

Online Format and Participation Requirements: The seminar consists of a three-day Intro Period and three one-week online modules. Each module consists of course assignments as noted above and an asynchronous discussion forum. Week One features a live "trip" to Beijing. Weeks Two and Three include live discussion via Zoom, with a focus on current issues and a "close read" of the Olympic spectacle as a window into China today. Course members agree to participate fully in all module activities, submit a short Classroom Implementation Plan (CIP) describing ways to use the content in their teaching, and complete an evaluation.

Eligibility and Selection: Secondary teachers nationwide are invited to apply. Preference will be given to contract teachers whose required curriculum includes modern China or global issues and who are not enrolling in another winter NCTA online seminar from TEA.

Seminar Dates: This winter 2022 course begins January 19 with a short introduction period. The formal course runs January 21 through February 11. Our live interactive tour will take place January 27, 8-9:15 pm ET. Our live discussion meetings will take place February 3 (the night before Olympic opening ceremonies) and February 10, both from 7-8 pm ET on Zoom. ***Please check that you can participate fully for these dates before applying.*** A short Curriculum Implementation Plan (CIP) and evaluation will be due March 1, 2022.

Participation is free, with the following benefits for full participation: Certificate of Completion for 18 contact hours and \$75 completion award.

Apply online: <http://www.colorado.edu/ptea/Beijing>. **Course is limited to 20 eligible teachers and closes January 7 or when course fills. For more information:** lynn.parisi@colorado.edu.

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