Northern Virginia and DC Area Social Studies Teachers: Still Time to Register for NCTA Saturday Workshops!

Registration is now open for fall 2018 NCTA workshops for Northern Virginia/DC area educators. The first fall workshop, *The Korean Peninsula in the Modern World: Legacies and Challenges*, will take place Saturday, October 27, at George Washington University, followed by *China on the World Stage*, Saturday, December 8, at the Madeira School in McLean. Spring 2019 workshops will be announced in January. [Flyer and registration](#).

National Opportunities

**Asia for Educators-NCTA Online Book Groups.** The NCTA national coordinating site at Columbia University is offering three online book groups starting between October and December. All are in its Graphic Adaptations Series:


For more information and to register, visit the Asia for Educators [website](#).

**NCTA Online Seminar: Taiwan: Identity and Place in the World Today.** January 14 – April 1, 2019. The NCTA national coordinating site at the Five College Center for East Asian Studies is offering this 20-week online course considering Taiwanese identity today through the lenses of history and culture. Limited to 20 participants accepted on a rolling basis. [More information and registration](#).

**Teach in China – Summer 2019.** Application deadline: January 15, 2019. SABEH (Sino-American Bridge for Education and Health) offers three- to four-week opportunities to teach in China during July and August 2019. Participating K-12 teachers experience Chinese culture, schools, teaching, travel, and collaboration with Chinese and American colleagues. More information and an application are available on the SABEH [website](#).
SPICE Online High School Courses on Japan, Korea, and China. Applications are now open for three courses for high school students offered through the Stanford Program on International and Cross-Cultural Education. Each course offers real-time discussions with Stanford faculty and other experts, interactive discussions with peers, and a rigorous college-level learning experience. For information on each course, click the course title below:

- **China Scholars Program**: Late January to late May 2019. Application deadline: October 15, 2018.

**National Security Language Initiative for Youth (NSLIY), Summer 2019 or 2019-2020 Academic Year. Application deadline: October 30, 2018.** NSLIY is a U.S. State Department foreign language program in which selected students age 15-18 study a less commonly taught language overseas for a summer, semester, or school year. Chinese and Korean are among the languages offered. Learn more about the program and access an application [here](#).

**The Mainichi Essay Contest on The Face of Jizo. Application deadline: October 31, 2018.** The Mainichi Japanese newspaper is sponsoring an international essay contest for young people between the ages of 13 and 23. Essays are to respond to the play *The Face of Jizo* (available on *The Mainichi* website), written by Hisashi Inoue about the atomic bombing of Hiroshima. [More information](#).

**Colorado Programs**

**Taiko Summit Colorado 2018. October 6-7, 2018.** The Taiko Summit features a workshop on Saturday at Boulder Aikikai (2424 30th Street), from 12:30-5:30 p.m. and a Sunday evening concert (6:30-8:00 p.m.) at Unity of Boulder (2855 Folsom Street). [More information](#).

**Panel Discussion: The U.S. China Trade War. October 10, 5:00 p.m.** The Center for Asian Studies is presenting this panel discussion on the implications of the trade war for the United States, China, and beyond. This free event will be in Eaton Humanities 250 on the CU Boulder campus. [More information](#).

**Japan in the Schools, 2018-2019.** Japan America Society of Colorado is currently scheduling school visits to Denver and Boulder area K-12 classrooms. The one-hour presentations focus on Japanese language and culture through fun hands-on activities. [More information](#).

**Youth in Action Cultural Exchange Trip to Japan. June 2020. Application deadline: October 12, 2018.** This program for students in grades 7-11 includes Japanese language and culture study, community service, and fundraising, culminating in a month-long trip to Japan. To learn more, contact JoAnne Harada, [yia-colorado@comcast.net](mailto:yia-colorado@comcast.net).
NCTA State and Local Programs

Northern Virginia NCTA Workshop Series for 2018-2019. Northern Virginia area social studies teachers are invited to register for one or both NCTA Saturday workshops: *The Korean Peninsula in the Modern World: Legacies and Challenges*, October 27 at George Washington University, and *China on the World Stage*, at the Madeira School in McLean, December 8. Additional workshops will be offered during winter-spring 2019 semester. Details, flyer, and registration.

Rhode Island NCTA Seminar: *Human and Physical Geography of East Asia*. January 12 – March 2, 2019. This 30-hour seminar will look at past and contemporary issues through a geographic lens. The seminar will be held on five Saturdays at Rhode Island College in Providence. Flyer and registration.

Pennsylvania NCTA Seminar: *East Asia*. January 26 – April 6, 2019. Application deadline: November 16, 2018. This 30-hour seminar will encourage teaching and learning about East Asia’s cultural, political, and social history. Sessions will be held on Saturdays and Thursday evenings on the University of Pennsylvania campus. Flyer and registration.

Featured Resources

The Freer|Sackler has partnered with the Smithsonian Center for Learning and Digital Access and Emperor Qin Shihuang’s Mausoleum Site Museum to produce a series of Terracotta Army Learning Lab Collections. Click through an interactive timeline of ancient Chinese history; analyze figures from the Terracotta Army; explore Emperor Qin Shihuang’s elaborate tomb complex like an archaeologist, and more.

The Literature Translation Institute of Korea (LTI Korea) maintains a website presenting many resources useful to world literature teachers, including a digital library of Korean literature in translation and an English-language magazine on Korean literature featuring poetry, short stories, and interviews with writers.