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## TEA Programs

**TEA on Twitter.** TEA announces our program's pop-up classes, webinars, and other news regularly through Twitter. To learn about opportunities, resources, and news, follow TEA: [@TEAatCU](#)

**Fall Workshop for Iowa Social Studies Teachers:** TEA-NCTA is offering *Teaching Japan through Geographic and Historical Lenses*, a one-day, in-person workshop on October 3, 2021 in conjunction with the Iowa Council for the Social Studies. See details and registration under **NCTA State and Local Opportunities**.

### New TEA-NCTA Online Courses Now Enrolling for Fall 2021

Application for these courses opens **August 10**. All courses offer a certificate of professional development hours and completion award. Courses are open to teachers nationwide unless otherwise noted. Please see individual course flyers for specifics of each course and eligibility.

#### Online Seminars:

**Online Seminar: *Modern Japan, Part I: Meiji through World War II, September 19 – November 22*.** This popular four-module seminar exploring significant elements of Japan's political, social, and cultural history from 1868-1945. The course includes academic video lecture, primary and secondary source readings, and exemplary websites for instructional use. Participants will discuss contemporary scholarship on the period as well as classroom applications. Open to secondary social studies teachers who teach about Japan as part of their required curriculum. [Flyer and application](#).

**Online Seminar: *Chinese Literature through History, Part I: Yuan, Ming, Qing Dynasties, September 22 – November 10*.** This three-module seminar examines literary writings from China's Yuan, Ming, and Qing dynasties (171-1912 CE). Participating teachers will explore important, classroom-applicable pieces of literature that offer windows into Chinese history, society, and culture. Open to secondary teachers who teach about China as part of their required curriculum. [Flyer and application](#).

#### Online Book Groups:

**Online Book Group: *Tiananmen: Our Shattered Hopes*, September 14– October 18, 2021.** This nonfiction graphic novel is a winner of the 2020 Freeman Book Award Honorable Mention for Young Adult/High School Literature. Join NCTA for analysis and discussion of

the events of 30 years ago that led to the Tiananmen massacre. Open to secondary teachers who teach about China. [Flyer and application](#).

**Online Book Group: *The Land of Large Numbers: Linking Literature and Current Issues*. October 2 – November 6, 2021.** In this four-week, 12-hour NCTA book group, participants will read short stories in the critically acclaimed *Land of Big Numbers* that examine the lives of individuals navigating the complexities of life in contemporary China. Each story will be accompanied by non-fiction background reading to establish context. [Flyer and application](#).

**Online Book Group: [Flyer and application](#)**

## National Opportunities

**NCTA Offerings from the Five College Center for East Asian Studies (FCCEAS).** FCCEAS has announced several online offerings for late summer and early fall 2021. More information and registration links [here](#).

- **Online Workshop: *Ties that Bind: Women's Empowerment in early 20th Century Korea*. August 12, 1-3 pm EDT.** What role did Christian missionaries and the Christian church play in the empowerment of Korean women in the early 20th century? This is the essential question which will be discussed in this 2-hour virtual workshop led by Lee-Ellen Strawn. Open to open to K-16 educators, administrators, and home school teachers. [Registration](#).
- ***Sports in Japan: The Olympics and More*.** March 16, with Robin Kietlinski.
- ***Basho and the River Stones*.** April 6, with author Tim J. Myers, in collaboration with the University of Colorado Program for Teaching East Asia.
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**Putting Books to Work. August 12, 7-8 pm ET.** Grace Lin, a *New York Times* bestselling author and illustrator, discusses how to encourage children to read books with culturally diverse characters. [Register](#).

**Teachers of Critical Languages Program Grant. Application deadline: October 22, 2021.** Opportunity for K-12 schools to launch a new Chinese language program or expand an existing one by hosting a teacher from China. [Information and application here.](#)

**Online, one-day workshop: *Cross-Cultural Comparison between South Korea and America: Stereotypes and Biases.* October 16, 2021, 11am – 6pm EST.** Application deadline: September 15, 2021. Pathways to Cross-Cultural Understanding invites K-12 educators in the US to gain cross-cultural knowledge between the US and South Korea, as well as Korean American society. Information and application. [Information and application here.](#)

**NCTA Online Workshop: *Behind the Scenes: Exploring the Environments of Edo Japan through the Documentary Edo Avant Garde.* May 15, 9:30-11:30 am ET.** Prior to this workshop from NCTA at the Five College Center for East Asian Studies, participants will watch a film on Japanese arts of the Edo era; during the workshop, master teachers will share lessons on using concepts from the film in the classroom. Priority given to teachers in New England and New York. .

**NCTA Online Seminar: *Sashiko: A Japanese Needlework Art.* May 15 – July 15. Application deadline: May 14 or when workshop fills.** NCTA at the Five College Center for East Asian Studies is offering this primarily asynchronous program in which a sashiko artisan will offer instruction in how to create sashiko projects; readings, optional small-group online meetings with the artisan, and one synchronous webinar will complement the video presentations. [Application.](#)

**Online Seminars: *Korean History and Culture*, June 28-30, 1-4 pm PT. *Sijo: Comparing Verses from Korea, China, and Japan*, July 6, 13, and 20, 1-3 pm PT. Registration deadline: June 10.** National Korean Studies Seminar, NCTA at Indiana University, and the Sejong Cultural Society are collaborating to offer these two programs. Teachers can sign up for one or both. [More information and registration.](#)

## Colorado Programs

**Outdoor Movie and Lion Dance. August 17, 2021, 6 pm.** Sunset Cinema at Sculpture Park presents a free outdoor viewing of Walt Disney's *Raya and The Last Dragon* and an opening performance of a Chinese Lion Dance by Shaolin Hung Mei King Fu. [More information and registration.](#)

## NCTA State and Regional Programs

**Iowa: *Teaching Japan through Geographic and Historical Lenses.* October 3, 2021, 9 am – 4 pm. Registration deadline: September 24, 2021.** The workshop takes place in West Des Moines a day prior to the Iowa Council for the Social Studies Conference. It will feature presentations on Japan's geography and early modern Japan's domestic and foreign policies, with attention to skills-based learning and disciplinary literacy per the Iowa Social Studies Standards. Stipends and curricular resources are available. [Registration.](#)

**New York: *Teaching East Asia* Schenectady NCTA Seminar. October 16 – February 19.** This face-to-face seminar will provide K-12 teachers in all disciplines with the content and resources to teach about East Asia as identified in the New York state curriculum. Sponsored by NCTA at the Five College Center for East Asian Studies.

**[Application.](#)**

## Featured Resources

The University of Southern California Libraries launched an online exhibition of Japanese posters produced in the 1910s and 1920s, entitled ***Unpinning History: Japanese Posters in the Age of Commercialism, Imperialism, and Modernism***. Includes an introductory essay, six curated poster exhibits, and a bibliography. Access the exhibition for these primary sources **[here.](#)**

**Ako: A Tale of Loyalty** is a visual novel game to experience the story of the 47 Ronin. Early Modern Asia specialist, Dr. Adam Clulow consulted on this historically accurate game developed for free classroom use. **[For information and download access.](#)**