

**HY 441-01  
HISTORY OF CHINA TO 1644  
FALL 2004**

**INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION:**

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**TEXTS:**

John K. Fairbank and Edwin Reischauer, *China: Tradition and Transformation* (Rev. Edition)  
William Theodore de Bary and Irene Bloom, compilers, *Sources of Chinese Tradition:  
From Earliest Times to 1600* (Second Edition)  
David Young, translator, *Five T'ang Poets*  
Cyril Birch, translator, *Stories From a Ming Collection*

**GRADES:**

**Attendance and Participation (15%)**

Students are expected to attend all classes. Five points will be subtracted for each unexcused absence and additional points will be subtracted for tardiness. Students with FOUR or more unexcused absences will F/A. Students are also expected to participate in daily class discussions. Students will also present material from required readings on a regular basis. Readings may present some initial challenges for students. It is imperative that students read each assignment carefully.

**Quizzes (15%)**

Quizzes will be given at the beginning of class on assigned readings.

**Examinations (70%)**

Three essay examinations (First, 20%, Second 20% and Third 30%).

**STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY:**

Students are responsible for having prepared all assignments by the date required. Readings must be brought to class. Writing assignments not turned in on time will be docked one letter grade for each day they are late. Missed exams and quizzes may be made up only with a doctor's excuse.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Samford University complies with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act. Students with disabilities who seek accommodations must make their request by contacting Disability Support Services, located in Counseling Services on the lower level of Pittman Hall (telephone number: 726-4078 or 726-2105). A faculty member will grant reasonable accommodations only upon written notification from Disability Support Services.

**GRADING SCALE:**

A+ 97-100	B+ 87-89	C+ 77-79	D+ 67-69
A 94-96	B 84-86	C 74-76	D 64-66
A- 90-93	B- 80-83	C- 70-73	D- 60-63

## CLASS SCHEDULE AND READINGS

### PART ONE: FOUNDATIONS

**TU 31 AUG Introduction to the Course**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 1

**TH 2 SEP The Origins of Chinese Civilization: The Shang Dynasty**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 2, pp. 17-22 and 27-32

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 1

**TU 7 SEP The Origins of Chinese Civilization: The Zhou Dynasty**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 3

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 2

**TH 9 SEP The Chinese Language**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 2, pp. 22-27

**TU 14 SEP The Confucian Tradition: Confucius**

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 3

**TH 16 SEP The Confucian Tradition: Mencius and Xunzi**

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 6

**TU 21 SEP The Daoist Tradition: Laozi and Zhuangzi**

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 5

On the “Mystery of the Dao”, read from the *Daodejing*, selections 1 and 4

On the “Unity of the Dao”, read from the *Daodejing*, selections 2, 28, 36, and 42 and from the *Zhuangzi*, chapter 2 (pp. 99-103)

On “Nature” and “Man’s Relationship to Nature”, read all selections from the *Zhuangzi*

**TH 23 SEP The Daoist Tradition: Laozi and Zhuangzi**

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 5

On “The Virtuous Individual”, read from the *Daodejing* selections 9, 22, 28-29, 38-39, 43, and 48 and from the *Zhuangzi*, chapter 4 (pp. 105-107) and chapter 6 (pp. 108-111)

On “The Dao in Government”, read from the *Daodejing* selections 3, 10, 17-18, 37-38, 47, 57, 65, 66, and 80 and from the *Zhuangzi* chapter 7 (p. 111)

**TU 28 SEP The Legalist Tradition: Han Fei and Sunzi**

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 7, pp. 190-206 and 213-223

**TH 30 SEP FIRST EXAM**

## **PART TWO: THE EARLY EMPIRES**

**TU 5 OCT                      The Qin**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 4, pp. 55-59

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 7, pp. 206-212 and chapter 8

**TH 7 OCT                      The Han**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 4, pp. 59-70

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 9, pp. 234-256 and chapter 10, pp. 283-310

**TU 12 OCT                      The Han**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 4, pp. 70-82

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 10, pp. 310-346

**TH 14 OCT                      The Han**

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 11

**TU 19 OCT                      The Age of Division**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 5, pp. 83-86 and 93-96

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 14

**TH 21 OCT                      The Age of Division**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 5, pp. 86-92 and 106-110

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 15, pp. 415-420 and chapter 17, pp. 525-531

**TU 26 OCT                      FALL BREAK (NO CLASS)**

**TH 28 OCT                      The Age of Division**

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 15, pp. 420-426

**TU 2 NOV                      The Tang**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 5, pp. 96-106

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 18, pp. 539-564

**TH 4 NOV                      The Tang**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 5, pp. 110-115 and chapter 6, pp. 116-123

*Five T'ang Poets*, selections to be announced

**TU 9 NOV                      SECOND EXAM**

### **PART THREE: GROWTH AND SPLENDOR**

**TH 11 NOV**

**The Song**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 6, pp. 123-132 and pp. 147-151

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 19, pp. 587-605 and chapter 20, pp. 667-682

**TU 16 NOV**

**The Song**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 6, pp. 132-147

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 20, pp. 682-697 and pp. 714-731 and chapter 23, pp. 800-819

**TH 18 NOV**

**The Song**

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 23, pp. 819-840

**TU 23 NOV**

**The Yuan**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 7

**TH 25 NOV**

**THANKSGIVING BREAK (NO CLASS)**

**TU 30 NOV**

**The Yuan**

“The Orphan of Chao” and “The Injustice Done to Tou Ngo” (handout)

**TH 2 DEC**

**The Ming**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 8, pp. 177-195

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 22, pp. 779-799 and chapter 24, pp. 899-923

**TU 7 DEC**

**The Ming**

*Tradition and Transformation*, chapter 8, pp. 195-210

*Sources of Chinese Tradition*, chapter 24, pp. 841-857 and 865-874

**TH 9 DEC**

**The Ming**

Cyril Birch, translator, *Stories From a Ming Collection*, selections to be announced

**TU 14 DEC**

**FINAL EXAM**