As our world has left the Cold War era and is now entering the new world order of economism, it is Asia, and especially Southeast Asia, that shows the potential for the new era as well as wounds and scars of the past. Parts of Southeast Asia are enjoying the economic boom unparallel by any Western country while other parts are among the poorest in the world. This is partly the result of the US role in the region but most Americans know very little about the people there where the past is still present.

Enriched by the Chinese and Indic civilizations, Southeast Asia was the place of a distinct civilization since the first millennium, a place where most of world's religions meet (Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, Confucianism and Roman Catholic). But it is also a place of strikingly different local cultures. Cultural traditions had shaped the history of the region despite colonization and are very much alive even in the Westernized world today. If the understanding of Asia is crucial for the multicultural world tomorrow and for the new world of economism in the next century, the history of Southeast Asia in the pre-modern time is necessary.

This course will explore major themes and topics as well as major events in the history of the whole region rather than of individual countries in details. No prior knowledge is required. Nor is the ability to memorize the dates and unfamiliar names. The enthusiasm to learn other cultures and to study unfamiliar materials, plus imagination, is hoped for.

Lecture and Discussion

Three 50-min. lectures a week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 11:00-11:50 a.m. at 1221 Humanities. One discussion hour, which will be informal and not mandatory, will be announced. Questions are welcome any time.

Office Hours
Room 5211 Humanities ph. 263-8931
Monday 1:30-2:30 and Thursday 4:00-5:00 or by appointment

Grading
1. Mid-term exam (perhaps a take-home in week 7)
2. One 2,500 word research essay with notes and references at the end of it. Due Friday November 20, 1992. 40% (5,000 words and 50% for graduate students)
3. Final exam 40% (30% for graduate students)

Note on Reading Materials
There is no single text for the diversity of the region over such a lengthy period. Each textbook covers a major aspect of a particular lengthy period with implication to the understanding of the entire region. The General Supplemental are the history of individual countries in Southeast Asia, with rich bibliography for each of them. All textbooks can be purchased at bookstores. A few copies of each Required Textbooks and General Supplemental are in the Reserve Book Room.
(at College Library). Those weekly required readings which are not in textbooks will be in the course-package (for sale at the Humanities Copy Center).

Students should do the required reading before the lecture each week. Supplementary Reading in each week are those studies in more details and depth on specific topics for your interest and may be useful as starting points for your research paper.

**Required Textbooks**
- Coedes, George. *The Making of Southeast Asia.*
- Reid, Anthony. *Southeast Asia in the Age of Commerce 1450-1860, Volume One: the Lands Below the Winds.*

**Recommended Textbooks**
- Coedes, George. *The Indianized States of Southeast Asia.*
- Wolters, O.W. *History, Culture, and Region in Southeast Asian Perspective.*

**General Supplemental** (The first two items with the @ mark are the very useful encyclopedia-like political history of the whole region.)
- @ Hall, D.G.E. *History of South East Asia.*
- @ Cady, John F. *Southeast Asia: Its Historical Development.*
- Legge, J.D. *Indonesia.*
- Andaya, Barbara and Leonard. *A History of Malaysia.*
- Wyatt, David K. *A Short History of Thailand.*
- Chandler, David P. *A History of Cambodia.*
- Harvey, G.E. *History of Burma.*
- Cushner, Nicholas. *Spain in the Philippines.*
- Phelan, J.L. *The Hispanisation of the Philippines: Spanish Aims and Filipino Responses 1565-1700.*

**COURSE SCHEDULE**

(* = required reading, the rest are supplementary)

**Week 1** (Sept.2) Introduction
- What is Southeast Asia?
- Diversity and similarity
  No required reading.

**Week 2** (Sept 7) Prehistory
- The old theory of great migrations
- The new theory of early settlements

* Coedes, G. *The Making of South-East Asia.* pp.10-33.


Week 3 (Sept 14) The First Millennium: Early States
- Southeast Asia as a region - Early states

* Wolters, O.W. History, Culture and Region. pp.34-44.
* Wolters, O.W. History, Culture and Region. pp.45-68.


Taylor, Keith. The Birth of Vietnam.

Wales, H.G.Q. Dvaravati: the Earliest Kingdom of Siam.

Week 4 (Sept 21) Indianization and the Formation of Early States
- Indianization vs. Localization - Economic and religious factors

* Wolters, O.W. History, Culture and region. pp. 45-68.


Luce, G.H. "Economic Life of the Early Burman," JBR3 30 (1940), pp.283-335.

Week 5 (Sept 28) Classical States
Pagan, Angkor, Srivijaya and central Java, Namviet

* Hall, Kenneth R. Maritime Trade and State Development. pp. 78-102, 169-93
* Coedes, George. The Making of South-East Asia. pp. 73-87.
Aung-Thwin, Michael. Pagan. part III (pp. 71-166).
Luce, G.H. Old Burma Early Pagan, (3 vols.)
Harvey, G.E. History of Burma. chap.2 (pp.21-70).
Coedes, George. Ankor.
Wolters, O.W. Early Indonesian Commerce. chap.14 (pp. 229-54).

Week 6 (Oct 5) Power, State and Kingship
- Idea of power
- Cosmology, macro/microcosm
- Mandala state

Kulke, Hermann. The Devaraja Cult.
Reynolds, Frank E. and Mani B. Three Worlds According to King Ruang: A Thai Buddhist Cosmology. see introduction.
History and Historiography ed. C.D. Cowan and O.W. Wolters, pp. 190-202

Week 7 (Oct 12) The Thirteenth Century Turning Point
-the Decline of Classical states - The Mongol invasion
(Mid-term exam)

* Coedes, George. The Making of South-East Asia. pp. 121-34.
Wolters, O.W. The Fall of Srivijaya in Malay History. chap. 1-5.
Kasetsiri, Charnvit. The Rise of Ayudhya. chap. 3-4 (pp. 30-75).

Week 8 (Oct 19) Consolidation of Power in the Mainland and the Battles for Supremacy (14th-18th c.)
- Pre-modern states – Politics of overlordship and tributaries

Kasetsiri, Charnvit. The Rise of Ayudhya. chap. 7 (pp. 119-47).
Harvey, G.E. History of Burma. chap. 3 & 6 (pp. 71-125, 151-216).
Buttinger, Joseph. The Smaller Dragon. chap. 3 (pp. 129-76).
Chandler, David. History of Cambodia. chap. 5 (pp. 77-98).
Mangrai, Sao Saimuang. The Shan States and British Annexation.

Week 9 (Oct 19) Islam and the Archipelago

Lapidus, Ira M. A History of Islamic Societies. chap. 19 (pp. 467-88).
Week 10 (Nov 2) Religion, State and Society

Reynolds, Frank E. and Mani B. Three Worlds According to King Ruang: A Thai Buddhist Cosmology. intro.

Week 11 (Nov 9) Pre-modern Societies: State Mechanism and Social organization

Hanks, Lucien M. Rice and Man: Agricultural Ecology in Southeast Asia.
Moertono, Soemarsaial. State and Statecraft in Old Java: A Study of the Later Mataram Period, 16th to 19th Century.
Geertz, Clifford. Negara: The Theater State in the Nineteenth Century Bali.
_____. The Organization of Thai Society in the Early Bangkok Period, 1782-1873.
Wales, H.G.Q. Ancient Siamese Government and Administration.
Reid, Anthony, ed. Slavery, Bondage and Dependency in Southeast Asia. see another article by Reid in pp.156-81; and by others on individual
Week 12 (Nov 16) The Coming of the West (I)
-Mercantilism and the Voyage to the East
-Malacca
-Philippines

* Hall, D.G.E. History of South East Asia. chap. 11, 12, 17 (pp. 205-37, 321-34) or
* Cady, John Southeast Asia. chap.9, 11 (pp. 173-90, 232-59)

Meilink-Roelofsz. Asian Trade and European Influences in the Indonesian Archipelago between 1500 and about 1630.
Boxer, C.R. The Portuguese Seaborne Empire. 1415-1825.
Smith, George V. The Dutch in Seventeenth Century Thailand.
Hall, D.G.E. Early English Intercourse with Burma 1587-1743.
Van Leer, J.C. The Indonesian Trade and Society. pp. 159-245.

Week 13 (Nov 23) The Coming of the West (II)
-The European rivalries in SEAsian arena
-The Dutch V.O.C.

* Cady, John Southeast Asia. chap.10 (pp. 203-28).
* Hall, D.G.E. History of South East Asia. chap.15, 16 (pp. 290-320).
* Geertz, Clifford. Agricultural Involution. chap.4 (pp.47-82).
* Legge, J.D. Indonesia. chap.4 (pp.71-89).
* Furnival, J.S. Colonial Policy and Practice: A Comparative Study of Burma and Netherlands India.
* Chauduri, K.N. The Trading World of Asia and the English East India Company 1660-1760.

(See also readings in Week 12)

Week 14 (Nov 30) Twilights of the Old World


[Week 15 (Dec 15) Summary