

**Winterim Regional Course in Nonproliferation: East Asia
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Course Overview

This section of the course will deal with threats to nuclear and missile nonproliferation regimes in East Asia. Students will learn possible motives for Taiwan and Japan to acquire theater missile defense, Chinese objections to missile defense, and how various deployment decisions could affect regional security and the nonproliferation regimes. Students will study the actions that have caused some to label North Korea a “rogue” state or an irrational state. The course will explore whether North Korea’s nuclear weapons and ballistic missile programs are bargaining chips, defensive, or intended to support an invasion of South Korea. Students will also consider and discuss possible U.S. policy responses to North Korea.

Readings

Required readings are listed for each day of the course. Students will be mailed a copy of the first day’s readings (on China and Theater Missile Defense). Copies of the required reading packet will be placed on reserve in the MIIS library’s reference section. Students are expected to read the required readings before attending classes. Supplementary readings are provided for reference in writing policy papers or for further research.

Evaluation

Students will be required to submit a two-three page policy paper on a topic dealing with East Asia or South Asia at the end of the class. The paper will determine 75 percent of the final grade. Students will be required to make a 10-15 minute oral presentation based on the policy paper, which will constitute 10 percent of the grade. The remaining 15 percent will be based on participation and contribution to the class as a whole.

Monday, January 3, 2000

China: Will Theater Missile Defense Wreck the NPT?

REQUIRED READINGS:

Conference Report: Second US-China Conference on Arms Control, Disarmament and Nonproliferation: "Missiles, Theatre Missile Defense, and Regional Stability," 27-29 April 1999, Monterey, California
<http://cns.miis.edu/cns/projects/eanp/conf/uschina2/report.htm>

Theater Missile Defense (TMD) in Northeast Asia: An Annotated Chronology, 1990-Present
<http://cns.miis.edu/research/neasia/index.htm>

Read the Introduction, Overview, and the 6 country pages.

Yan Xuetong, "Theater Missile Defense and Northeast Asian Security," *Nonproliferation Review*, Vol. 6, No. 3 (Spring/Summer 1999), pp. 65-74.

Arthur S. Ding, "China's Concerns About Theater Missile Defense: A Critique," *Nonproliferation Review*, Vol. 6, No. 4 (Fall 1999), pp. 93-101.

"Statement of the Chinese Delegation on TMD," ASEAN Regional Forum Intersessional Support Group Meeting, Bangkok, 3-5 March 1999.

REFERENCE:

John Pomfret, "Chinese Official Warns US on Missile Defense," *Washington Post*, 11 November 1999, p. A01

"China Missile Advantage Over Taiwan Overwhelming by 2005: Pentagon," *AFP*, 26 February 1999.

Michael O'Hanlon, "Star Wars Strikes Back," *Foreign Affairs*, Vol. 78, No. 6 (November/December 1999).

Thomas J. Christensen, "China, the U.S.-Japan Alliance, and the Security Dilemma in East Asia," *International Security*, Vol. 23, No. 4 (Spring 1999), p. 49-80.

Tuesday, January 4, 2000

North Korea: Is it a Rogue State?

REQUIRED READINGS:

Leon V. Sigal, "Jimmy Carter makes a deal: how a former president pulled the United States and North Korea back from the brink in 1994," *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, Vol. 54, No. 1 (Jan/Feb 1998), pp. 40-6.

Curtis H. Martin, "Lessons of the Agreed Framework for Using Engagement as a Nonproliferation Tool," *Nonproliferation Review*, Vol. 6, No. 4 (Fall 1999), pp. 35-50.

William Perry, *Review of United States Policy Toward North Korea: Findings and Recommendations* (Washington: State Department, Oct 12, 1999).
http://www.state.gov/www/regions/eap/991012_northkorea_rpt.html

North Korea Advisory Group, "Report to The Speaker," U.S. House of Representatives, November 1999. [Introduction and Summary, pp. 1-7].
http://www.house.gov/international_relations/nkag/report.htm

Eberstadt, Nicholas. "The Most Dangerous Country," *The National Interest*, Fall 1999, pp. 45-54.

David Wright, "Cut North Korea some slack," *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, Vol. 55, No. 2 (Mar/Apr 1999), pp. 54-58.

Georgie Anne Geyer, "North Korea's Aims," *Washington Times*, May 14, 1999.
<http://www.aei.org/ra/rageyer.htm>

James R. Lilley, "New Rules in Korea," *Newsweek*, November 9, 1998
<http://www.aei.org/ra/ralilley5.htm>

Evan S. Medeiros and James Clay Moltz, "The Possible Collapse of the U.S.-North Korea Agreed Framework: Prospects, Probabilities, and Potential Solutions," Discussion Paper for the Monterey Nonproliferation Strategy Group, Washington, D.C., November 3-4, 1999.

REFERENCE:

Leon V. Sigal, *Disarming Strangers: Nuclear Diplomacy with North Korea* (Princeton, N.J.: Princeton University Press, 1998).

James Clay Moltz and Alexandre Y. Mansourov, eds., *The North Korea Nuclear Program: Security, Strategy, and New Perspectives from Russia* (New York: Routledge, 2000)

Joe Wit, "The Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization: Achievements and Challenges," *Nonproliferation Review*, Vol. 6, No. 2 (Winter 1999), pp. 59-69.

Oberdorfer, Don. *The Two Koreas: A Contemporary History* (Reading, Mass.: Basic Books, 1997).

Mazarr, Michael J. *North Korea and the Bomb: A Case Study in Nonproliferation* (St. Martin's Press, 1997).

Downs, Chuck. *Over the Line: North Korea's Negotiating Strategy* (Washington, DC: AEI Press, 1999)