

HONORS 2130A

The Meaning of Life: Great Ideas of the East

Spring 2024

COURSE SCHEDULE

Tuesdays

Thursdays

<p>Jan 9</p> <p>Introductions, Syllabus</p> <p>Understanding the Question of the Meaning of Life</p>	<p>Jan 11</p> <p>Identity, Truth and Enlightenment East and West</p>
<p>Jan 16</p> <p>Early Human History & Oracle Bones</p>	<p>Jan 18</p> <p>The I Ching</p>
<p>Jan 23</p> <p>Ancient Indus: Mystery Cities, Castes & Invaders</p>	<p>Jan 25</p> <p>Charvaka, Ajivika, Hinduism</p> <p>Yoga</p>
<p>Jan 30</p> <p>(No class) Read the Bhagavad Gita</p>	<p>Feb 1</p> <p>(No class) Continue reading the Bhagavad Gita</p>
<p>Feb 6</p> <p>(No class) Continue reading the Bhagavad Gita</p>	<p>Feb 8</p> <p>Hinduism Continued</p> <p>Yoga II</p>
<p>Feb 13</p>	<p>Feb 15</p>

India, Buddhism (start reading Siddhartha)	Buddhism Vipassana Meditation
Feb 20 China Breaks Eggs to Make an Omelette (continue reading Siddhartha)	Feb 22 Buddhism continued Body Scan and Loving Kindness Meditation
Feb 27 Golden Age China Comes for Vietnam and Korea	Feb 29 Taoism Tai Chi
Mar 5 (Spring Break)	Mar 7 (Spring Break)
Mar 12 The Silk Road, The Huns, and How to Get Rich and Not Die	Mar 14 Taoism continued and Confucianism Qigong
Mar 19 Korea's Golden Age vs. Japan's Feudalism	Mar 21 Korean Martial Arts Samu, KiCheon meditation
Mar 26 The Mongols and the Black Death	Mar 28 Mongol Ethics vs. Jain Ethics
Apr 2 The Mughal Empire & the East India Trading Company	Apr 4 Islam

<p>Apr 9</p> <p>China's Century of Humiliation</p> <p>Samurai vs. The Modern World</p>	<p>Apr 11</p> <p>Zen</p> <p>Haiku, Zazen</p> <p>(Finalize chart structure)</p>
<p>Apr 16</p> <p>Revolution Three Ways: China, Korea, India</p> <p>(Continue working on Signature Assignments)</p>	<p>Apr 18</p> <p>Signature Assignment due</p> <p>Final Conclusions</p>
<p>Apr 23-25</p> <p>(finals week)</p> <p>QUIZ 3 CLOSES ARIL 25 AT 8:00 PM</p>	