# CAH4520: CULTURAL PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION

## **Effective Term**

Semester A 2022/23

# Part I Course Overview

#### **Course Title**

Cultural Production and Consumption

## **Subject Code**

CAH - Chinese and History

#### **Course Number**

4520

#### **Academic Unit**

Chinese and History (CAH)

## College/School

College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CH)

#### **Course Duration**

One Semester

#### **Credit Units**

3

## Level

B1, B2, B3, B4 - Bachelor's Degree

## **Medium of Instruction**

English

#### **Medium of Assessment**

English

## Prerequisites

Nil

#### **Precursors**

Nil

## **Equivalent Courses**

CTL4520 Cultural Production and Consumption

## **Exclusive Courses**

Nil

# **Part II Course Details**

#### **Abstract**

This course aims to enable students to learn critical approaches, concepts, and issues in the study of cultural production and consumption; explore relevant research problems concerning cultural production and consumption as cultural, economic, social, and political practices and processes with specific reference to East Asia; explore the cultural meanings of selected cultural artworks.

## **Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)**

|   | CILOs  | Weighting (if app.) | DEC-A1 | DEC-A2 | DEC-A3 |
|---|--|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1 | Acquire and apply knowledge of critical approaches, concepts and issues in the study of cultural production and consumption.         |                     | x      | X      |        |
| 2 | Explain and critically assess the meaning of a given piece of cultural artwork.  |                     | X      | x      |        |
| 3 | Identify and tackle relevant research problems concerning cultural production and consumption through context-specific case studies. |                     |        | х      | х      |
| 4 | Formulate and elaborate arguments in an organized and coherent manner in written and spoken forms through individual and group work. |                     |        | х      | x      |

## A1: Attitude

Develop an attitude of discovery/innovation/creativity, as demonstrated by students possessing a strong sense of curiosity, asking questions actively, challenging assumptions or engaging in inquiry together with teachers.

#### A2: Ability

Develop the ability/skill needed to discover/innovate/create, as demonstrated by students possessing critical thinking skills to assess ideas, acquiring research skills, synthesizing knowledge across disciplines or applying academic knowledge to real-life problems.

### A3: Accomplishments

Demonstrate accomplishment of discovery/innovation/creativity through producing /constructing creative works/new artefacts, effective solutions to real-life problems or new processes.

## **Teaching and Learning Activities (TLAs)**

| Т | LAs   | Brief Description   | CILO No.   | Hours/week (if applicable) |
|---|---|---|------------|----------------------------|
|   | ecture and teacher-<br>acilitated discussions | Lecture and teacher-<br>facilitated discussions to:<br>(i) explore key concepts<br>and issues; and (ii)<br>explain and consolidate<br>background knowledge<br>and conceptual<br>framework | 1, 2, 3, 4 |                            |

| 2 | Weekly reading assignments on specific                            | 1, 2, 3, 4 |  |
|---|---|------------|--|
|   | topics followed by short<br>oral reports and class<br>discussions |            |  |

## Assessment Tasks / Activities (ATs)

|   | ATs  | CILO No.   | Weighting (%) | Remarks (e.g. Parameter<br>for GenAI use) |
|---|--|------------|---------------|---|
| 1 | Attendance and participation   | 1, 2       | 10            |   |
| 2 | Group Project and Presentation on a research topic relating to cultural production and/or consumption; students are required to submit a written report and give a formal group presentation at the end of the semester. | 1, 2, 3, 4 | 40            |   |
| 3 | One group presentation on a weekly reading   | 1, 2       | 10            |   |
| 4 | One written assignment   | 1, 2       | 10            |   |
| 5 | Two in-class tests(2 hours) on key concepts, terminology, and issues covered in class  | 1, 2       | 30            |   |

## Continuous Assessment (%)

100

## **Examination (%)**

0

## **Assessment Rubrics (AR)**

#### **Assessment Task**

participation

## Criterion

Performance in class discussion and activities/group tasks

## Excellent (A+, A, A-)

Strong evidence of original thinking; good organization, capacity to analyse and synthesize; superior grasp of subject matter; evidence of extensive knowledge base.

## Good (B+, B, B-)

Evidence of grasp of subject, some evidence of critical capacity and analytic ability; reasonable understanding of issues; evidence of familiarity with literature.

## Fair (C+, C, C-)

Student who is profiting from the university experience; understanding of the subject; ability to develop solutions to simple problems in the material.

# Marginal (D)

Sufficient familiarity with the subject matter to enable the student to progress without repeating the course.

#### Failure (F)

Little evidence of familiarity with the subject matter; weakness in critical and analytic skills; limited, or irrelevant use of literature.

#### **Assessment Task**

Group Project and Presentation

## Criterion

Team work

Subject knowledge

Applied knowledge

Analytical content

Evidence of research

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#### **Assessment Task**

Written assignment

#### Criterion

Subject knowledge Applied knowledge Analytical content Evidence of research

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#### Assessment Task

Two in-class tests

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# **Part III Other Information**

## **Keyword Syllabus**

Cultural Production, the Cultural Sector and Cultural Institutions, Cultural Industries, Cultural Consumption, Aspects of Popular Culture, Production and Reception of Cultural Products, Cultural Theory, East Asia, Screen Cultures, Mass Media, Exhibitions, Regional Cultural Flows

## **Reading List**

## **Compulsory Readings**

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|    | Title  |
| 1  | Chua, Beng Huat and Koichi Iwabuchi (2008), East Asian Pop Culture: Analysing the Korean Wave, Hong Kong University Press.   |
| 2  | Curran, James and David Morley (2006), Media and Cultural Theory, ed. James Curran and David Morley. London: Routledge.  |
| 3  | Du Gay, Paul (1997), Production of Culture/Culture of Production, ed. Paul Du Gay, London: Sage Publication  |
| 4  | Hesmondhalgh, David (1996) "Flexibility, post-Fordism and the Music Industries" Media, Culture & Society 18: 469-488.  |
| 5  | Iwabuchi, Koichi, ed., Feeling Asian Modernities: Transnational Consumption of Japanese TV Dramas, Hong Kong University Press.   |
| 6  | Iwabuchi, Koichi, Stephen Muecke and Mandy Thomas, eds., Rogue Flows: Trans-Asian cultural Traffic, Hong Kong University Press.  |
| 7  | Kinsella, Sharon (2000) Adult Manga: Culture & Power in Contemporary Japanese Society. Richmond, Surrey: Curzon  |
| 8  | Lash, Scott and John Urry (1994) Economies of Signs and Space, London: Sage  |
| 9  | Miller, Daniel ed. (1998), Consumption: Critical Concepts in the Social Sciences, London and New York: Routledge   |
| 10 | Moeran, Brian (2001) Asian Media Production, Richmond, Surrey: Curzon  |
| 11 | Pang, Laikwan (2005) Cultural Control and Globalization in Asia: Copyright, Piracy, and Cinema. London: Routledge  |
| 12 | Williams, Raymond (1980) Problems in Materialism and Culture. London: Verso  |
| 13 | Yeh, Yueh-Yu, and Darrell William Davis (2002) "Japan Hongscreen: Pan-Asian Cinemas and Flexible Accumulation." Historical Journal of Film, Radio and Television 22(1): 61-82. |

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# **Additional Readings**

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