Winter Quarter 2018
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Office Hours: Tu 2-3:30, F 3-4:30 (SSB 282)

Anth 87 (§B00) (1 unit)
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Section ID: 927861 (P/NP only)

Taiwan

Description: "This course will briefly examine the history of Taiwan and the evolution of popular culture in Taiwan in recent decades. Sources will largely be ethnographic descriptions and analyses of Taiwan life."

Session Dates: Jan 12, 19, 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 23, March 2

Overview. There are no exams or termpapers in this course. However attendance is required. In addition, at each session after the first you are required to turn in a page with a paragraph or two indicating what you have learned from the reading assigned for that day that particularly interested you and that you hadn't known before. Some class discussions will make use of these paragraphs. I will usually return them to you with comments.

Legalisms: Written assignments you turn in should be composed by you and should not consist largely of direct quotations from other writers or from published sources, including the Internet. No assignment will be accepted that is more than two weeks late (one week in the case of the last assignment). Other late assignments will be credited, but no comments will be written on them. Papers in very poor English may be returned for rewriting.

Each time you attend class and sign the attendance sheet you will receive a point. Each assignment you submit within the time limits mentioned above will also be awarded a point. The theoretical maximum number of points for the class is therefore 15. Except in extraordinary circumstances, a student with a score below 12 will receive a grade of NP.

Readings: Assigned readings are all in electronic format. They, as well as lots of other materials, will be linked to the full syllabus on the class web site:

http://dkjordan.net/an87tw/taiwan.html

The web site assumes you have a browser capable of displaying extended Roman alphabets and Chinese characters. (If you don't know any Chinese, you obviously don't need to see the characters, but you will still need the extended Roman alphabet.) Most computers are already equipped this way. To the best of my knowledge, all computers in student labs on campus should work okay. Using an E-reader may or may not work. Newer browsers should NOT be set to "reader" mode, which suppresses graphics and some kinds of paragraphs.

This course is continuously under development, so the list of assigned readings may change at any time until the week when they are due.