

**PS324: Chinese Politics**  
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Department of Political Science  
University of Wisconsin–Madison

**a. General Information**

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**Course Information**

Lecture time: T/Th 2:30-3:45PM

Instructional mode: Face to Face

Meeting location: Education L196

**Course description**

This course takes an in-depth look into Chinese political institutions and behaviors through a comparative perspective. It is divided into four modules. Module one overviews the historical development of the Chinese state and explores how its imperial legacies have shaped political norms and practices in the modern era. Module two examines the roles and functions of the PRC's major political institutions, including the Party, the central and local bureaucracy, the people's congresses, and the judiciary. We hope to understand how those institutions engage with each other in policymaking and implementation, and when tensions will arise among different agencies. Module three investigates three major "paradigm shifts" in modern Chinese politics, namely Mao's socialist transformation in 1949, Deng's reform and opening-up in 1978, and Xi's power consolidation since 2012. We will discuss the political and economic challenges those reforms aim to address, and their effects and consequences. Lastly, module four explores major governance challenges facing the Chinese regime, including corruption, censorship and propaganda, the disputes over Taiwan, among many others.

**Course credit information**

This is a 3-credit course. This class meets for two, 75-minute class periods each week over the spring semester and carries the expectation that students will work on course learning activities (reading, writing, problem sets, studying, etc.) for about 2 hours out of the classroom for every class period. The syllabus includes additional information about meeting times and expectations for student work.

## Textbooks

Note: The instructor will upload relevant textbook chapters to Canvas. You do not need to purchase your own textbook.

1. Dreyer, June Teufel. 2019. *China's Political System: Modernization and Tradition*. 10th edition. Routledge. (Thereafter "Dreyer")
2. Saich, Tony. 2015. *Governance and Politics of China*. 4th edition. Palgrave Macmillan. (Thereafter "Saich")
3. Zheng, Yongnian, and Lance L. P. Gore (eds.) 2020. *The Chinese Communist Party in Action: Consolidating Party Rule*. 1st edition. Routledge. (Thereafter, "Zheng and Gore eds.")

Journal articles and book chapters will be assigned as supplemental readings. All materials are available on the Canvas course page.

## Grading Criteria

There are three major components of the course grade, namely:

- **Map Exercise (10%).** This take-home practice aims to familiarize you with China's administrative units & subnational divisions. You will be provided with a blank map of China and be asked to fill out the names of major provinces, regions, and cities. Due **Friday, Feb 3.**
- **Midterm Exams (30% × 3).** There will be three non-cumulative midterms throughout the semester. Each exam will be a close-book, one-hour exam. You will be allowed to bring one *letter-page-size, double-sided* cheat sheet to the exam. The midterm will cover all materials in the lecture and readings. A study guide with a list of important questions will be provided to help you prior to each exam.

**Grading Scale:** We will use the University grading scale for this course.

A	93-100
AB	88-92.5
B	83-87.5
BC	78 – 82.5
C	70 – 77.5
D	60 – 69.5
F	0 – 59.5

## b. Classroom Policies

### Plagiarism and Academic Honesty

By virtue of enrollment, each student agrees to uphold the high academic standards of the University of Wisconsin-Madison; academic misconduct is behavior that negatively impacts the integrity of the institution. Cheating, fabrication, plagiarism, unauthorized collaboration, and

helping others commit these previously listed acts are examples of misconduct which may result in disciplinary action. Examples of disciplinary action include, but is not limited to, failure on the assignment/course, written reprimand, disciplinary probation, suspension, or expulsion. To understand more about plagiarism and proper attribution of sources, please consult the Writing Center, at: <https://writing.wisc.edu/>.

### **Accommodations for Students with Disabilities**

The University of Wisconsin-Madison supports the right of all enrolled students to a full and equal educational opportunity. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Wisconsin State Statute (36.12), and UW-Madison policy (Faculty Document 1071) requires that students with disabilities be reasonably accommodated in instruction and campus life. Reasonable accommodations for students with disabilities is a shared faculty and student responsibility. Students are expected to inform McBurney Disability Resource Center (<https://mcburney.wisc.edu/>) and the instructor of their need for instructional accommodations by the end of the third week of the semester, or as soon as possible after a disability has been incurred or recognized. I will work either directly with the student [you] or in coordination with the McBurney Center to identify and provide reasonable instructional accommodations. I am more than happy to accommodate your needs, but it is your responsibility to complete this process officially and in a timely manner, within three weeks of course inception (or upon the recognition of a disability).

### **Diversity and Inclusion**

Diversity is a source of strength, creativity, and innovation for UW-Madison. We value the contributions of each person and respect the profound ways their identity, culture, background, experience, status, abilities, and opinion enrich the university community. We commit ourselves to the pursuit of excellence in teaching, research, outreach, and diversity as inextricably linked goals. The University of Wisconsin-Madison fulfills its public mission by creating a welcoming and inclusive community for people from every background – people who as students, faculty, and staff serve Wisconsin and the world. For more information, please visit <https://diversity.wisc.edu/>.

## c. Course Schedule

Legend: ● Required reading ○ Recommended reading

### Module I. Traditions and Transformation of the Chinese State

#### **January 24: Introduction: What is so different about China?**

- Dreyer. Chapter 1. pp. 1-23.
- Saich. Chapter 1. pp. 1-16.
- (Optional) Marshall, Tim. 2015. *The Prisoner of Geography: Ten Maps that Explain Everything About the World*. pp. 40-67.

#### **January 26: Early Chinese Statebuilding**

- Dreyer. Chapter 2. pp. 24-45.
- Hui, Victoria Tin-Bor. 2006. *War and State Formation in Ancient China and Early Modern Europe*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 2. pp. 54-108.
- (Optional) Zhao, Dingxin. 2015. *The Confucian-Legalist State: A New Theory of Chinese History*. Oxford University Press. Chapter 1. pp. 29-50.
- (Optional) Wang, Yuhua. 2022. *The Rise and Fall of Imperial China: The Social Origins of State Development*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 1-2. pp. 3-60.
- (Optional) Peng, Peng. "Governing the Empire: Meritocracy and Patronage in Imperial China." Unpublished Working Paper.

#### **January 31: China's Struggles for a Modern State, 1840–1949**

- Dreyer. Chapter 3. pp. 46-75.
- Skocpol, Theda. 1979. *States and Social Revolutions: A Comparative Analysis of France, Russia and China*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 7. pp. 236-283.
- (Optional) Moore, Barrington. 1974. *Social Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy: Lord and Peasant in the Making of the Modern World*. Penguin University Books. Chapter 4. pp. 162-227.
- (Optional) Hsu, Immanuel C. Y. 1999. *The Rise of Modern China*. 6th edition. Oxford University Press. Chapters 21-24. pp. 493-618.

### Module II. The PRC's Political Institutions

#### **February 2: The Chinese Communist Party I: Organization and Structure**

- Saich. Chapter 4. pp. 85-115.
- Gore, Lance L. P. "Managing Human Resources to Sustain the One-Party Rule," in Zheng and Gore (eds). Chapter 3. pp. 51-80.
- Wang, Zhengxu and Dragan Pavlicevic. "Party Chiefs, Formal and Informal Rules and Institutions," in Zheng and Gore (eds). Chapter 4. pp. 81-98.
- (Optional) Wu, Guoguang. 2015. *China's Party Congress: Power, Legitimacy, and Institutional Manipulation*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 1 & 2. pp. 1-53.
- (Optional) Miller, Alice. 2017. "The CCP Central Committee's Leading Small Groups," in *Critical Readings of the Communist Party of China*. Brill. pp. 279-303.

## Map Exercise due Friday, Feb 3.

### February 7: The Chinese Communist Party II: Party Members

- Brødsgaard, Kjeld Erik. "Turning the CCP into an Elite Party," In Zheng and Gore (eds.) Chapter 2. pp. 33-48.
- Koss, Daniel. 2018. *Where the Party Rules The Rank and File of China's Communist State*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 1. pp. 3-33.
- Ji, Chengyuan and Junyan Jiang. 2020. "Enlightened One-Party Rule? Ideological Differences between Chinese Communist Party Members and the Mass Public." *Political Research Quarterly*, 73(3). pp. 651–666.
- (Optional) Koss. Chapter 6. pp. 193-242.
- (Optional) Tang, Wenfang. 2017. "Same Bed, Different Dreams: The Bifurcation of the Chinese Communist Party," in Wei Shan and Lijun Yang (eds.) *The Rising Civil Society and State-Society Relations in China*. World Scientific. pp. 123–51.

### February 9: The Chinese Communist Party III: Political Selection and Control

- Brødsgaard, Kjeld Erik. 2017. "Management of Party Cadres in China." in Kjeld Erik Brødsgaard (eds.), *Critical Readings of the Communist Party of China*. Brill. pp. 390–420.
- Li, Hongbin and Li-An Zhou. 2005. "Political Turnover and Economic Performance: the Incentive Role of Personnel Control in China." *Journal of Public Economics* 89(9-10). pp.1743-1762
- (Optional) Shih, Victor, Christopher Adolph, and Mingxing Liu. 2012. "Getting Ahead in the Communist Party: Explaining the Advancement of Central Committee Members in China." *American Political Science Review* 106(1). pp. 166–87.
- (Optional) Jia, Ruixue, Masayuki Kudamatsu, and David Seim. 2015. "Political Selection in China: The Complementary Roles of Connections and Performance." *Journal of the European Economic Association* 13(4). pp. 631-668.
- (Optional) Jiang, Junyan, and Zhaotian Luo. 2021. "Leadership Styles and Political Survival of Chinese Communist Party Elites." *The Journal of Politics* 83(2). pp. 777-782.
- (Optional) Landry, Pierre F., Xiaobo L'ü, and Haiyan Duan. "Does Performance Matter? Evaluating Political Selection along the Chinese Administrative Ladder." *Comparative Political Studies* 51(8). pp. 1074-1105.

### February 14: Government I: Central Bureaucracy

- Saich. Chapter 5. pp. 116-153.
- Xu, Yi-chong, and Patrick Weller. 2016. "The Challenges of Governing: The State Council in China." *The China Journal* 76(1). pp. 1-23.
- Zheng, Yongnian. 2017. "The Party Domination of the State," in Kjeld Erik Brødsgaard (eds.), *Critical Readings of the Communist Party of China*. Brill. pp. 249-278.
- (Optional) Halpern, Nina P. 1992. "Information Flows and Policy Coordination in the Chinese Bureaucracy," in Kenneth G. Lieberthal and David M. Lampton (eds.), *Bureaucracy, Politics, and Decision Making in Post-Mao China*. University of California Press. pp. 125-150.

## **February 16: Government II: Local and Street-level Bureaucracy**

- Saich. Chapter 6. pp. 154-190.
- Edin, Maria. 2017. “Remaking the Communist Party-State: The Cadre Responsibility System at the Local Level in China,” in Kjeld Erik Brødsgaard (eds.), *Critical Readings of the Communist Party of China*. Brill. pp. 421–436.
- (Optional) Jiang, Junyan. 2018. “Making Bureaucracy Work: Patronage Networks, Performance Incentives, and Economic Development in China.” *American Journal of Political Science* 62(4). pp. 982-999.
- (Optional) Zhao, Suisheng. 1994. “China’s Central-Local Relationship: A Historical Perspective,” in Jia Hao, Lin Zhimin (eds.) *Changing Central-Local Relations in China*. Routledge. pp. 19-34.
- (Optional) Birney, Mayling. 2012. “Decentralization and Veiled Corruption under China’s ‘Rule of Mandates.’” *World Development* vol. 53. pp. 55-67.

## **February 21: People’s Congresses I: Representation and Policy Coordination**

- Truex, Rory. 2016. *Making Autocracy Work: Representation and Responsiveness in Modern China*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 1 & 3. pp. 1-14 & 46-74.
- Lu, Xiaobo, Mingxing Liu, and Feiyue Li. 2018. “Policy Coalition Building in an Authoritarian Legislature: Evidence From China’s National Assemblies (1983-2007).” *Comparative Political Studies* 53(9). pp. 1380–1416.
- (Optional) Manion, Melanie. 2014. “Authoritarian Parochialism: Local Congressional Representation in China.” *The China Quarterly*, 218. pp. 311–338.
- (Optional) Truex, Rory. 2020. “Authoritarian Gridlock? Understanding Delay in the Chinese Legislative System.” *Comparative Political Studies* 53(9). pp. 1455–1492
- (Optional) Truex, Rory. 2016. *Making Autocracy Work: Representation and Responsiveness in Modern China*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 2. pp. 15-45. (Note: this chapter is mathematically intensive. Please feel free to skip the math while reading.)

## **February 23: Midterm I**

## **February 28: People’s Congresses II: Information and Bureaucratic Control**

- Manion, Melanie. 2015. *Information for Autocrats: Representation in Chinese Local Congresses*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 1 & 2. pp. 25-77.
- Manion, Melanie. 2017. “‘Good Types’ in Authoritarian Elections: The Selectoral Connection in Chinese Local Congresses.” *Comparative Political Studies* 50(3). pp. 362-394.
- (Optional) Hou, Yue. 2019. *The Private Sector in Public Office: Selective Property Rights in China*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 1, 3, & 4. pp. 1-16 & 43-101.
- (Optional) Lei, Zhenhuan, and Jeffrey B. Nugent. 2018. “Coordinating China’s Economic Growth Strategy via Its Government-Controlled Association for Private Firms.” *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 46. pp. 1273-1293.

## **March 2: The Legal System and Judiciary, I: Political Control of the Judiciary**

- Dreyer. Chapter 8. pp. 177-201.

- Wang, Jiangyu. “The Party in the Legislature and the Judiciary,” in Zheng and Gore (eds.) Chapter 9. pp. 181-198.
- Wang, Yuhua. 2015. *Tying the Autocrat’s Hands: The Rise of the Rule of Law in China*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 1. pp. 1-15.
- (Optional) Li, Ling. 2017. “The Chinese Communist Party and People’s Courts: Judicial Dependence in China” in Kjeld Erik Brødsgaard (eds.), *Critical Readings of the Communist Party of China*. Brill. pp. 1320–1368.

### **March 7: The Legal System and Judiciary, II: External Influence on Chinese Courts**

- Wang, Yuhua. 2015. *Tying the Autocrat’s Hands: The Rise of the Rule of Law in China*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 2 & 3. pp. 16-80.
- Xu, Jian. 2020. “The Role of Corporate Political Connections in Commercial Lawsuits: Evidence From Chinese Courts.” *Comparative Political Studies* 53(14). pp. 2321–2358.
- (Optional) Ang, Yuen Yuen, and Nan Jia. 2014. “Perverse Complementarity: Political Connections and the Use of Courts Among Private Firms in China.” *The Journal of Politics* 76(2). pp. 318-332.
- (Optional) Wang, Yuhua. 2018. “Relative Capture: Quasi-Experimental Evidence From the Chinese Judiciary.” *Comparative Political Studies* 51(8). pp. 1021-1041.

## **Module III. Reforms and Paradigm Shifts in the PRC**

### **March 9: Mao’s Socialist Revolution and its Legacies, I**

- Dreyer. Chapter 4. pp. 76-103.
- Saich. Chapter 2 (subsections 1-4). pp. 29-43.
- Kung, James Kai-Sing, and Shuo Chen. 2011. “The Tragedy of the Nomenklatura: Career Incentives and Political Radicalism during China’s Great Leap Famine.” *American Political Science Review* 105(1): 27-45.
- (Optional) Lin, Justin Yifu. 1990. “Collectivization and China’s Agricultural Crisis in 1959-1961.” *Journal of Political Economy* 98(6). pp. 1228-1252.
- (Optional) Meng, Xin, Nancy Qian, and Pierre Yared. 2015. “The Institutional Causes of Famine in China, 1959-61.” *The Review of Economic Studies*, 82(4). pp. 1568-1611.

### **March 11-19: Spring Break, no class**

### **March 21: Mao’s Socialist Revolution and its Legacies, II**

- Saich. Chapter 7 (subsection 1). pp. 191-197.
- Koss, Daniel. 2018. *Where the Party Rules: The Rank and File of China’s Communist State*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 7 & 8. pp. 243-308.
- (Optional) Wang, Yuhua. 2021. “The Political Legacy of Violence During China’s Cultural Revolution” *British Journal of Political Science* 51(2). pp. 463-87.
- (Optional) Chen, Yi, Ziying Fan, Xiaomin Gu, and Li-An Zhou. 2020. “Arrival of Young Talent: The Send-Down Movement and Rural Education in China.” *American Economic Review* 110 (11). pp. 3393-3430.

### **March 23: The Reform Era I: Political Reforms**

- Nathan, Andrew. 2003. “China’s Changing of the Guard: Authoritarian Resilience”. *Journal of Democracy* 14(1). pp. 6-17.
- Saich. Chapter 2 (subsections 5-9). pp. 44-64.
- Dreyer. Chapter 5. pp. 104-134.
- (Optional) Fewsmith, Joseph. 2021. *Rethinking Chinese Politics*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 1-3. pp. 24-108.
- (Optional) Pen, Hsiao. 1995. “Separating the Party from the Government,” in Carol Lee Hamrin, Suisheng Zhao, and A. Doak Barnett (eds.), *Decision-Making in Deng’s China*. Routledge.

### **March 28: The Reform Era II: Socioeconomic Reforms**

- Lin, Justin Yifu. 1992. “Rural Reforms and Agricultural Growth in China.” *American Economic Review*, 82(1): 34-51.
- Xu, Chenggang. 2011. “The Fundamental Institutions of China’s Reforms and Development.” *Journal of Economic Literature*, 49(4): 1076-1144.
- (Optional) Lau, Lawrence J., Yingyi Qian, and Gerard Roland. 2000. “Reform without Losers: An Interpretation of China’s Dual-Track Approach to Transition.” *Journal of Political Economy*, 108(1): 120-143.
- (Optional) Ang, Yuen Yuen. 2016. *How China Escaped the Poverty Trap*. Cornell University Press. Intro & Chapter 1. pp. 1-72.
- (Optional) Huang, Yasheng. 1996. “Central-Local Relations in China during the Reform Era: the Economic and Institutional Dimensions.” *World Development* 24(4). pp. 655-672.

### **March 30: The “New Era” under Xi Jinping, 2012–Present**

- Dreyer. Chapter 6. pp. 135-147.
- Zhao, Suisheng. 2016. “Xi Jinping’s Maoist Revival.” *Journal of Democracy* 27(3). pp. 83-97.
- Shirk, Susan. 2018. “China in Xi’s ‘New Era’: The Return to Personalistic Rule”. *Journal of Democracy* 29(2). pp. 22-36.
- (Optional) Fewsmith, Joseph. 2021. *Rethinking Chinese Politics*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 4-6. pp. 109-184.
- (Optional) Li, Cheng. 2016. *Chinese Politics in the Xi Jinping Era: Reassessing Collective Leadership*. Brookings Institution Press.

### **April 4: Midterm II**

#### **Module IV. Contemporary Challenges in Chinese Politics**

### **April 6: Corruption**

- Wedeman, Andrew. 2004. “The Intensification of Corruption in China.” *The China Quarterly*, 180. pp. 895–921.
- Carothers, Chris. 2020. “Taking Authoritarian Anti-Corruption Reform Seriously.” *Perspectives on Politics* 20(1). pp. 69-85.
- Chen, Gang. “Politics of the Anti-Corruption Campaign,” in Zheng and Gore (eds.) Chapter 7. pp. 137-158.



- (Optional) Manion, Melanie. 2004. *Corruption by Design: Building Clean Government in Mainland China and Hong Kong*. Harvard University Press. Chapter 3-5. pp. 84-199.
- (Optional) Chen, Ting, and James Kai-sing Kung. 2019. “Busting the ‘Princelings’: The Campaign Against Corruption in China’s Primary Land Market.” *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* 134(1). pp. 185–226.
- (Optional) Lorentzen, Peter L., and Xi Lu. 2018. “Personal Ties, Meritocracy, and China’s Anti-Corruption Campaign.” SSRN Working Paper.

#### **April 11: Propaganda**

- Brady, Anne-Marie. 2009. *Marketing Dictatorship: Propaganda and Thought Work in Contemporary China*. Rowman & Littlefield. Chapter 1. pp. 1-34.
- Huang, Haifeng. 2015. “Propaganda as Signaling.” *Comparative Politics*, 47(4). pp. 419-444.
- Repnikova, Maria, and Kecheng Fang. “Authoritarian Participatory Persuasion 2.0: Netizens as Thought Work Collaborators in China.” *Journal of Contemporary China* 27(113). pp.763-779.
- (Optional) Zhao, Suisheng. 2016. “The ideological campaign in Xi’s China: Rebuilding regime legitimacy.” *Asian Survey* 56(6) pp. 1168-1193.
- (Optional) Fang, Kecheng, and Maria Repnikova. 2018. “Demystifying ‘Little Pink:’ the Creation and Evolution of a Gendered Label for Nationalistic Activists in China.” *New Media & Society* 20(6). pp. 2162–2185.
- (Options) Wang, Zheng. 2013. *Never Forget National Humiliation: Historical Memory in Chinese Politics and Foreign Relations*. Columbia University Press. Intro-Chapter 2 & Chapter 5. pp. 1-70 & 95-118.

#### **April 13: Censorship**

*Guest Lecturer: Tony Zirui Yang, Washington University in St. Louis*

- Roberts, Margaret E. 2018. *Censored: Distraction and Diversion Inside China’s Great Firewall*. Princeton Press. Chapter 2 & 3. pp. 21-112.
- King, Gary, Jennifer Pan, and Margaret E. Roberts. 2013. “How Censorship in China Allows Government Criticism but Silences Collective Expressions.” *American Political Science Review* 107(2). pp. 326-343.
- Chen, Yuyu, and David Y. Yang. 2019. “The Impact of Media Censorship: 1984 or Brave New World?” *American Economic Review*, 109(6). pp. 2294-2332.
- (Optional) Gallagher, Mary, and Blake Miller. 2021. “Who Not What: The Logic of China’s Information Control Strategy.” *The China Quarterly* 248(1). pp. 1011–36.
- (Optional) King, Gary, Jennifer Pan, and Margaret E. Roberts. 2017. “How the Chinese Government Fabricates Social Media Posts for Strategic Distraction, Not Engaged Argument.” *American Political Science Review* 111(3). pp. 484-501.
- (Optional) Huang, Haifeng, and Yao-Yuan Yeh. 2019. “Information from Abroad: Foreign Media, Selective Exposure and Political Support in China.” *British Journal of Political Science* 49(2). pp. 611-636.

#### **April 18: Economic Challenges**

- Saich. Chapter 9. pp. 244-275.

- Naughton, Barry. 2016. “The Challenges of Economic Growth and Reform,” in Robert S. Ross and Jo Inge Bekkevold (eds.) *China in the Era of Xi Jinping: Domestic and Foreign Policy Challenges*. Georgetown University Press. pp. 66-91.
- (Optional) Naughton, Barry. 2016. “Supply-Side Structural Reform: Policymakers Look for a Way Out.” *China Leadership Monitor* 49(1). pp. 1-13.
- (Optional) Economy, Elizabeth. 2018. *The Third Revolution: Xi Jinping and the New Chinese State*. Oxford University Press. Chapter 4 & 5. pp. 91-151.
- (Optional) Leutert, Wendy. 2018. “Firm Control: Governing the State-owned Economy under Xi Jinping.” *China Perspectives* no. 1-2 (2018). pp. 27-36.

#### **April 20: Political Participation I: Peaceful Means**

- Martinez-Bravo, Monica, Gerard Padro i Miquel, Nancy Qian, and Yang Yao. 2022. “The Rise and Fall of Local Elections in China.” *American Economic Review* 112(9). pp. 2921-58.
- Chen, Jidong, Jennifer Pan, and Yiqing Xu. 2015. “Sources of Authoritarian Responsiveness: A Field Experiment in China.” *American Journal of Political Science* 60(2). pp. 383-400.
- Distelhorst, Greg, and Yue Hou. 2017. “Constituency Service under Nondemocratic Rule: Evidence from China.” *Journal of Politics* 79(3). pp. 1024-1040.
- (Optional) Brown, Junius. 2021. “Development and Citizenship in the Chinese ‘Mayor’s Mailbox’ System” *Asian Survey* 61(3). pp. 443-472.
- (Optional) Jiang, Junyan, Tianguang Meng, and Qing Zhang. 2019. “From Internet to Social Safety Net: The Policy Consequences of Online Participation in China.” *Governance* 32(3). pp. 531-546.

#### **April 25: Political Participation II: Protests, Repression, and Contentious Politics**

- Fewsmith, Joseph. 2016. “The Challenges of Stability and Legitimacy,” in Robert S. Ross and Jo Inge Bekkevold (eds.) *China in the Era of Xi Jinping: Domestic and Foreign Policy Challenges*. Georgetown University Press. pp. 92-116.
- Lorentzen, Peter L. 2013. “Regularizing Rioting: Permitting Public Protest in an Authoritarian Regime,” *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 8(2). pp. 127-158.
- Fu, Diana. 2017. “Disguised Collective Action in China.” *Comparative Political Studies* 50(4). pp. 499-527.
- (Optional) Xu, Xu. 2021. “To Repress or To Co-opt? Authoritarian Control in the Age of Digital Surveillance.” *American Journal of Political Science* 65(2). pp. 309-325.
- (Optional) Fu, Diana. 2017. *Mobilizing without the Masses: Control and Contention in China*. Cambridge University Press. Chapter 1-4. pp. 1-88.
- (Optional) Wang, Yuhua and Carl Minzner. 2015. “The Rise of the Chinese Security State.” *The China Quarterly* 222. pp. 339-59.

#### **April 27: Taiwan**

- Brown, Kerry, and Kally Wu Tzu Hui. 2019. *The Trouble with Taiwan: History, the United States, and a Rising China*. Zed Books. Chapter. 1. 21-64.
- Bush, Richard C. 2017. *A One-China Policy Primer*. Brookings Center for East Asia Policy Studies.

- (Optional) “White Paper: The One-China Principle and the Taiwan Issue.” PRC State Council Information Office, February 21, 2000. (*Official Chinese position on Taiwan*)
- (Optional) “U.S. Relations with Taiwan.” Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, U.S. Department of State. May 28, 2022. (*Official U.S. position on Taiwan*)
- (Optional) Blackwill, Robert D., and Philip Zelikow. 2021. "The United States, China, and Taiwan: A Strategy to Prevent War." Council Special Report No. 90, Council on Foreign Relations, February 2021.

**May 2: Ultimate Challenge: Is Political Reform Still Possible in China?**

- Saich. Chapter 12 (subsection 4). pp. 368-374.
- Fewsmith, Joseph, and Andrew J. Nathan. 2019. “Authoritarian Resilience Revisited: Joseph Fewsmith with Response from Andrew J. Nathan.” *Journal of Contemporary China* 28(116). pp. 167-179.
- Pei, Minxin. 2020. “China’s Coming Upheaval: Competition, the Coronavirus, and the Weakness of Xi Jinping.” *Foreign Affairs* 99. pp. 82-95.

**May 4: Midterm III**