Term Information

Effective Term

Spring 2022

General Information

Course Bulletin Listing/Subject Area	International Studies
Fiscal Unit/Academic Org	UG International Studies Prog - D0709
College/Academic Group	Arts and Sciences
Level/Career	Graduate, Undergraduate
Course Number/Catalog	5020
Course Title	Oligarchs, Penthouses, and Yachts: The Global Lives and Times of Eurasian Elites
Transcript Abbreviation	Oligarchs
Course Description	Who are the rich and powerful people in Russia, China, Middle East, and Central Asia? How do these Eurasian elites live? What enables them to accumulate so much wealth and influence, and what kinds of business and pleasure do they pursue in global arenas? Unlike many courses that study governments, this course focuses on the privileged classes of Russia, China, and the Muslim-majority world.
Semester Credit Hours/Units	Fixed: 3

Offering Information

Length Of Course	14 Week, 12 Week, 8 Week
Flexibly Scheduled Course	Never
Does any section of this course have a distance education component?	No
Grading Basis	Letter Grade
Repeatable	No
Course Components	Lecture
Grade Roster Component	Lecture
Credit Available by Exam	No
Admission Condition Course	No
Off Campus	Never
Campus of Offering	Columbus

Prerequisites and Exclusions

Prerequisites/Corequisites	
Exclusions	Not open to students with credit for NELC 5020 or SLAVIC 5020
Electronically Enforced	No

Cross-Listings

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Cross-listed in NELC and SLAVIC

Subject/CIP Code

Subject/CIP Code Subsidy Level Intended Rank 16.1199 Doctoral Course Junior, Senior, Masters, Doctoral

Requirement/Elective Designation

The course is an elective (for this or other units) or is a service course for other units

Course Details

Course goals or learning objectives/outcomes	• Know the broad political and economic contexts of post-Soviet Russia, post-Mao China, Persian Gulf petroleum
	states and independent Central Asia.
	• Analyze the meanings of wealth, status, prestige, and distinction of elite material culture and lifestyle.
	• Recognize the transnational connections of elite lives and activities, including the use of western laws and financial
	instruments to accumulate and hide wealth.
	• Conduct an informed discussion about the ethical and security implications of global elite activity.
Content Topic List	• Elite lifestyles
	• Politics
	• Finance
	• Russia
	China
	Persian Gulf
	Central Asia today
	Social theory
	• Class
	• Consumption
	• Transnationalism
Sought Concurrence	No
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	(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Meltz,Richard Lee)
	• 4.1 MES MAP.docx: Curriculum Map-MES Track
	(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Meltz,Richard Lee)
	• 7.1 EAS MAP.docx: Curriculum Map-EAS Track
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	• 9.1 DVS MAP.docx: Curriculum Map-DVS Track
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	• 8.1 WEB MAP.docx: Curriculum Map-WEB Track
	(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Meltz,Richard Lee)

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Oligarchs, Penthouses, and Yachts: The Global Lives and Times of Eurasian Elites

Near Eastern Languages & Cultures (NELC), International Studies, Slavic Languages & Literatures 5020

The Ohio State University, Columbus

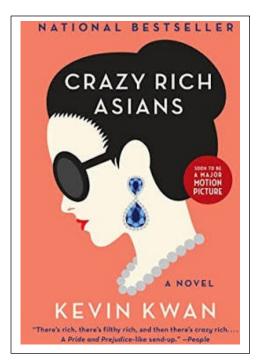
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Course description

Who are the rich and powerful people in Russia, China, Middle East, and Central Asia? How do these "Eurasian elites" live? What enables them to accumulate so much wealth and influence, and what kinds of business and pleasure do they pursue in global arenas?



Unlike many courses that study governments, this course focuses on the *privileged classes* of Russia, China, and the Muslim-majority world. Looking at what the most influential and resourced people are doing offers closer views of what is going on in these societies. It



also reveals what an interconnected world we live in, because many interesting financial and cultural connections are happening at the personal level across the world. Eurasian elites constantly travel, vacation, shop, and invest globally. We follow these people from their business bases in Moscow, Tashkent, or Shanghai, to penthouses in London, yachts in Malta, shell companies in the British Virgin Islands, shopping sprees in Paris, students at Harvard, bank accounts in Cyprus, vacations in Turkey, museum fundraisers in New York, sports teams they own in England, etc.

We approach elite lives "from within," understanding their socio-cultural worlds, where distinctive tastes and sensibilities are cultivated through exclusive activities. We also approach them considering the political economy of their contexts, as they navigate the national politics and laws of their own countries, internationalize their business activities, shop globally for jurisdictions in/through which to park their wealth, and incorporate themselves into elite institutions worldwide. We will include consideration of recent social theories of elites, class, consumption, cosmopolitans, and transnationalism (principally from anthropology, sociology, and geography), and the application of such theories to the Eurasian cases



being examined. We ask if there are distinctive qualities to elites and political power in the "Eurasian" space, as they are rooted in their cultures of origin but also operate around the globe.

Course materials consist of ethnographic, journalistic, fictional, and filmic representations of the lives and activities of elites from post-Soviet Russia, post-Mao China, the Persian Gulf, and Central Asia, Students also work for much of the semester on a project of their choosing relevant to course themes, and present results to class, whose topics will be integrated into the main course themes. **Class formats** include lectures, discussions, debates, film viewing, and student presentations.

Issues we discuss include: what political conditions and legal regimes have allowed unprecedented accumulation of wealth, its concealment, its ostentatious display, and its global reach? How are

the publics responding to them, and how do the politics of anti-elitism and populism operate? What does the emergence of the ultra-rich mean for the future of economic inequality and the stability of particular nation-states? How do we understand the

consequences of these trends for the future of finance-dominated capitalism, governance, security, and justice?

Readings, Film, Video

All readings and audiovisual sources will be posted on Carmen as PDFs or links to streaming video. All of these course materials are in English



(or with English subtitles) and available free to OSU students.

Course Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course, students should successfully be able to:

- Know the broad political and economic contexts of post-Soviet Russia, post-Mao China, Persian Gulf petroleum states, and independent Central Asia.
- Analyze the meanings of wealth, status, prestige, and distinction in elite material culture and lifestyle.
- Recognize the transnational connections of elite lives and activities, including the use of western laws and financial instruments to accumulate and hide wealth.
- Conduct an informed discussion about the ethical and security implications of global elite activity.

Grades

Assignment or category	Percent of Grade
Individual Reponses (IR)	20 %
Class Reflections (CR)	10 %
Course Project: Preliminary Presentation	05 %
Course Project: Final Presentation	10 %
Course Project: Preliminary Essay	15 %
Course Project: Final Essay	35 %
TOTAL	100 %

Grading Scale

A (94-100) A- (90-93) B+ (87-89) B (83-86) B- (80-82) C+ (77-79) C (73-76) C- (70-72) D+ (67-69) D (60-66) E (below 60)

Assignments

How to do well in this course:

- Check **Class Schedule** *before each Class* to know the homework and what to expect in Class, on Carmen>Syllabus.
 - Pace yourself between our class meetings. Don't do last minute homework.

- *Do the assigned readings, films, websites* of the homework and think about them. I cannot overstress the importance of this.
- Use the tricks in PDF "How to Read an Academic Book or Article" on Carmen>Syllabus
- All homework (readings, films, websites) are posted under Carmen>Assignments>Class #, where "#" is whatever Class number, according to the Class Schedule document.

Individual Response (IR): happens at home

- IRs are exercises you do during your homework reading, film, or website. It's a short document with a couple of basic questions.
- Most Classes have an IR associated with that homework. Turn in the IR before that Class.
- All homework (readings, films, websites, and the specific IR) are posted under Carmen>Assignments>Class #, where "#" is whatever Class number, according to the Class Schedule document. You post your completed IR at the same webpage.
- IRs are graded with a score (0-100) based on conscientious and thoughtful engagement with the reading film, or website.
- > I will post your IR score and some comments for improving on the same website.

Class Reflection (CR): happens near end of some classes

- Take 6 minutes near the end of class to write a brief Class Reflection on a summarizing question that I give. For example, "what are the key take-aways you got today?" or "what is still confusing?" Or a question tied to the day's discussion.
- Post your answers on Carmen>Discussions>CR-Class# before leaving class.
- CRs are graded with a score (0-100) based on conscientious and thoughtful engagement with the reading film, or website.
- > I will post your CR score and some comments for improving on the same website.

Course Project, happens in class and at home

- A Course Project is an independent research project that happens over the entire semester. Students select their own topic related to course themes. Talk to me about your topic ideas.
 - The topic has to be do-able with resources available to you and within the term.
 - Option 1: *Make an original argument* about the ideas from the class readings on the Theme. Get prior approval about the question you will tackle.
 - Option 2: *Investigate a case or event* related to the Theme that our course does not cover. Look for library books, online articles, websites. Be careful of the quality and reliability of your sources. Get prior approval about your topic and suggestions on resources.
- > I need to approve your topic verbally. Talk to me during class or outside.

- Then write a one-page Project Proposal for this topic and email to me by the deadline (see Class Schedule). I need to approve the Project Proposal by email. It should include:
 - Statement of topic, the problem/question to investigate
 - Explanation of *motivation*: why is this topic important or interesting?
 - Sources you may use (must include some book excerpts or articles)
 - Argument: what do you hope to claim about this topic?
- > Your Course Project will have 5 stages over the semester (see Class Schedule):
 - **Project Proposal** at beginning of term, see above. Not graded.
 - Preliminary Presentation near beginning of term
 - Preliminary Essay about 2/3 in term
 - Final Presentation near end of term
 - Final Essay at end of term
 - At each stage you get feedback from me and the other students, so that you can revise your Course Essay. Pace yourself and consult with me as needed.

Course Project: Preliminary Presentation: *happens in class*

- Prepare a 5-minute oral presentation to the class about your chosen topic, with or without Powerpoint.
- Talk about why this topic is important in some way, and how it connects with the materials in our course. What materials will you use? How will you analyze them?
- Get feedback from me and the class. Use those suggestions to improve your Preliminary Essay (next).

Course Project: Preliminary Essay: happens at home

- During the time you are researching your topic and preparing the oral presentations, you will also be writing your Essay on the same topic. Pace yourself in writing throughout the term.
- The Essay is a 4-5 pp essay, turned in to Carmen>Assignment>PreliminaryEssay-Class# after all the Preliminary Presentations (see Class Schedule).
- Essays are graded with a score (0-100) based on conscientious engagement with the material and other students, quality of reasoning, depth of reflection, and consideration of different viewpoints.
- > I will post your Essay score and some comments on the same part of the website.

Course Project: Final Presentation: *happens in class*

- Prepare a 15-minute oral presentation to the class about your chosen topic, with Powerpoint.
- Talk about why this topic is important in some way, and how it connects with the materials in our course. Do your findings confirm or complicate our discussions? Critical evaluations, comparisons, and reflections on the course materials through your investigations will be rewarded especially in the grading.
- The point of the Presentation is for YOU to get the feedback you need to improve your Final Essay. Make sure you ask the class or me if you are unsure about your evidence or argument for the paper. The Presentation is your chance to work out your thoughts with us.

Prepare 2-3 questions for class discussion on your topic. Conduct a 10-minute class discussion after your Presentation. Ask the class to discuss the wider issues behind what you are presenting about, and discuss what is at stake with this topic.

Course Project: Final Essay: happens at home

- The Final Essay should be 8-10 pp, turned in to: Carmen>Assignment>FinalEssay-Class# after all the Final Presentations.
- Essays are graded with a score (0-100) based on conscientious engagement with the material and other students, quality of reasoning, depth of reflection, and consideration of different viewpoints.
- > I will post your Essay score and some comments on the same part of the website.

Other Policies

Late assignments: No late work will be accepted without consent from me. Make sure you are keeping up with readings and other assignments. Do assignments in advance, save your work frequently and in multiple locations, know where the nearest computer lab is in case of technical problems.

Absences: you are allowed 2 absences to class without penalty. This is meant to cover illness, family situations, job interviews, etc. Beyond that, absences will negatively affect your overall grade, up to 5% per unexcused. This is a lot! Just one absence beyond the 2 allowed can make an A- into a B+, for example. You can fail just by missing a few classes!

For absences after the 2nd one, email me (ahead of time if possible) with your reasons. Email me even if you tell me verbally in class, because I need a record. I will use my discretion to decide how much grade penalty (up to the 5% per incident) applies, but some penalty will apply.

If an unusual, lasting situation arises, you are responsible to let me know as soon as possible (or have someone else contact me). Disappearing (even with good reason) without telling me does not look good for you in terms of getting a reduced penalty. Don't just disappear!

Also, let me know now about expected absences from religious holidays ahead of time. These are excused without counting to the no-penalty limit of 2.

Lateness: repeated lateness (every 3 or 4 instances) will be counted as absence. Leaving class early (without telling me ahead verbally) is treated as lateness. Doing inappropriate activities during class is treated the same (see below on class conduct).

Incompletes: I don't like to give incompletes. But if feel you need one, you must request this *before* the Second Exam, and give good reasons. I have discretion about whether to grant this. If granted, it would come with a late penalty on any missed Exams or other work that is lacking at the end of the term.

In-class conduct: I expect your full, thoughtful attention. We will all treat each other with respect.

- **NO DIGITAL DEVICES permitted in class**, not even for note taking. *No texting during class*. If it's a true emergency, step outside, just like at the movies.
- Digital devices ARE encouraged only during your in-class writing for the DD (Deep Discussion) see above about those.
- The GA and I may check what you are doing and confiscate devices that violate this for the remainder of the class. WE CAN TELL IF YOU ARE LOOKING AT YOUR PHONES, whether or not we tell you to stop, and are keeping track throughout the semester. If you persist, YOU WILL SUFFER A GRADE DEDUCTION FOR BOTH PARTICIPATION AND PENALTY FOR ABSENCE for that class.
- No newspapers, non-course books, email, websites, etc. during class.
- I reserve the right to ask students whom I judge is disrupting the classroom environment (or repeatedly texting) to leave, resulting in an instant absence deduction of 5% of total grade.
- <u>Why so strict?</u> I need your full engagement during the class time. That goes toward your Participation grade, and you'll get more out of the class. I realize some take notes on their computers, but I'll have to ask you to go with paper for this course. (You can transcribe it later to computer).

Cheating & Plagiarism: I take very seriously plagiarism and cheating on any coursework. Substantiated cases of cheating would mean a failing grade in this course, and possibly expulsion, according to university rules, below.

I use new anti-plagiarism software to check for undocumented source material. Plagiarism is the representation of another's works or ideas as one's own. It includes the unacknowledged word for word use and/or paraphrasing of another person's work and/or the inappropriate unacknowledged use of another person's ideas.

<u>Collaboration and sharing ideas from others, however, is a good thing</u>. We learn by building on each other's ideas. **Just make sure you acknowledge your sources** with footnotes in your writings, or orally in class. (Also do something with the ideas of others: evaluate them, relate them to other ideas, argue for or against them, give your own examples illustrating them, etc. Don't just cite them.)

<u>Ohio State's academic integrity policy</u>: It is the responsibility of the Committee on Academic Misconduct to investigate or establish procedures for the investigation of all reported cases of student academic misconduct. The term "academic misconduct" includes all forms of student academic misconduct wherever committed; illustrated by, but not limited to, cases of plagiarism and dishonest practices in connection with examinations. Instructors shall report all instances of alleged academic misconduct to the committee (Faculty Rule 3335-5-487). For additional information, see the Code of Student Conduct <u>http://studentlife.osu.edu/csc/</u>.

<u>Copyright disclaimer</u>: The materials used in connection with this course may be subject to copyright protection and are only for the use of students officially enrolled in the course for the educational purposes associated with the course. Copyright law must be considered before copying, retaining, or disseminating materials outside of the course.

Accessibility accommodations for students with disabilities:

The University strives to make all learning experiences as accessible as possible. If you anticipate or experience academic barriers based on a disability (including mental health, chronic or temporary medical conditions), please let me know immediately so that we can privately discuss options. To establish reasonable accommodations, I may request that you register with Student Life Disability Services. After registration, make arrangements with me as soon as possible to discuss your accommodations so that they may be implemented in a timely fashion. SLDS contact information: slds@osu.edu; 614-292-3307; slds.osu.edu; 098 Baker Hall, 113 W. 12th Avenue.

Accessibility of course technology: This course requires use of Carmen (Ohio State's learning management system) and other online communication and multimedia tools. If you need additional services to use these technologies, please request accommodations with your instructor. <u>Carmen (Canvas) accessibility</u>

Resources for Success and Well-Being

Talk to me: My approach to teaching is to facilitate student learning and success. I am not interested in penalizing students who are making a good-faith effort to produce high-quality work. If, due to personal circumstances or academic scheduling issues (e.g., three things due the same day), you anticipate or find yourself struggling with the course policies, please consult me *as soon as possible*. We can make a plan for ensuring you can meet course requirements.

<u>Academic well-being</u>: There are many resources available at OSU for students who would like academic support, including the Writing Center, Dennis Learning Center, and other services. If you find yourself in circumstances that pose a serious challenge to your ability to keep up academically (e.g. ongoing family crisis, chronic illness, hospitalization, financial crisis, or being a victim of violence), Student Advocacy is available to help you manage the situation.

- Writing Center: <u>http://cstw.osu.edu</u>
- Dennis Learning Center: <u>http://dennislearningcenter.osu.edu</u>
- Student Advocacy: <u>http://advocacy.osu.edu</u>
- An overview of student academic services and other direct links can be found here: <u>http://advising.osu.edu/welcome.shtml</u>

Personal well-being: OSU also has resources to help with emotional and bodily health. Counseling and Consultation Services (http://ccs.osu.edu, 614-292-5766), located in the Younkin Center on Neil Avenue and in Lincoln Tower, provides mental health care, referrals, counseling groups, wellness workshops, and substance abuse resources. They can help with feeling down, anxiety, difficulty concentrating, lack of motivation, interpersonal relationship problems, and substance abuse. CCS has an after-hours crisis line that can be reached at their main number, 614-292-5766 (ext. 2) outside of office hours. During work days, emergency consultations are also available. Outside resources include the **National Suicide Prevention Hotline (1-800-273-TALK)** and the **Crisis Text Line**, which can help you talk through any kind of crisis, including self-harm, domestic abuse, depression, sexual assault, family and friend problems, substance abuse, grief, and other situations **(text START to 741-741)**. An overview of student well-being services can be found here: http://ssc.osu.edu.

<u>Healthcare</u> is available for all students at the Wilce Student Health Center on campus and accepts many insurance plans; it is mostly free for those on OSU student health insurance. If you are ill, they can give you an absence excuse as well as treatment. Same-day weekday appointments are available. After hours and on weekends, there are OSU urgent care facilities near campus that accept insurance; see https://shs.osu.edu/emergencies/after-hours-care/.

<u>Food security</u>: Increasing numbers of students are finding themselves without adequate food. The Buckeye Food Alliance (<u>https://www.buckeyefoodalliance.org</u>, 614-285-4067) runs a free food pantry for OSU students in Lincoln Tower, Suite 150, that is open four days a week.

<u>Sexual assault</u> crisis services are available to people of all genders and orientations through the local SARNCO hotline (614-267-7020) and area hospitals. Ongoing support is available through Counseling and Consultation and Wilce Student Health. OSU Hospital, CCS, and SARNCO are confidential. You can also find support and ways to report sexual assault or harassment through the University's Title IX office (<u>http://titleix.osu.edu</u>), which does not guarantee confidentiality. Be aware that many other OSU academic and coaching staff are mandatory reporters (required to convey reports of assault to the University) and also cannot guarantee confidentiality. (To be clear, I absolutely will help you get assistance, but you have a right to be aware of OSU's reporting policies.) Choose the support system that is right for you. Being a victim/survivor of sexual assault is never your fault, and you have the right to compassionate help.

Please reach out if you want to talk and need help finding assistance.

Disclaimer

I have intentionally chosen readings & films that offer a range of different interpretations and viewpoints, some of which argue against each other. *The points of view expressed in the course material do not necessarily reflect my views* or those of the University.

This course is *not* trying to advocate any particular political or religious point of view, nor to evaluate the rightness of official policy. Rather, we are trying to understand the world and its people, whom we will listen to, but not necessarily agree with.

Our common task is to evaluate everything thoughtfully, because an opinion you disagree with is instructive to all of us. You are NOT required to agree with ideas or interpretations that you read or hear (including from me). You ARE required to give every idea careful consideration and respect for those expressing them.

You are welcome to argue for your own point of view in a constructive manner. You will be graded **NOT for which side you take, but how well you argue for it** (using well-documented facts, materials from our course, methodical reasoning, etc.). This applies for what you say in class and what you write.

Course Calendar

This schedule is subject to change with notice from the instructor. Schedule is organized below by Week #.

Part I: Quick Start on Course's Central Issues

1. Rise of the Superrich in the Modern World

- 1.1. Video in Class: Chrystia Freeland 2013, "The Rise of the New Global Super Rich" (15 min), on the political and financial drivers of global crony capitalism.
- 1.2. Reading Homework, excerpt from David Brooks 2000, *Bobos in Paradise : The New Upper Class and How They Got There*, Chapter 1, shifts in origins and culture of American upper class in late 20th century.
- 1.3. Reading Homework, excerpt from Pierre Bourdieu 1984, *Distinction: A Social Critique of the Judgement of Taste*, on class distinctions and social capital.

2. Elite Lifestyles and Thinking about Consumption & Status

- 2.1. Video Homework: BBC 2014, "The Men Who Made Us Spend" (50 min), on consumerism.
- 2.2. Video in Class, Videofashion 2005, "All that Glitters" (24 min), on how prestige jewelry designers craft distinction.
- 2.3. Reading Homework, excerpt from Wednesday Martin 2015, *Primates of Park Avenue : A Memoir*, on the elite world of New York City's Upper East Side women.
- 2.4. Reading Homework, excerpt from Thomas Veblen 2007, *The Theory of the Leisure Class*, classic statement on "conspicuous consumption".

Part II: China's New Rich

3. Social Consequences of China's Economic Rise

- 3.1. Video Homework: BBC 2016, "How to Get Rich: Secrets of China" (52 min), on Guangzhou's wealth boom, lives of the superrich there, and the bigger picture of China's economic rise.
- 3.2. Video Excerpt in Class, 2014, "Inside China: Rich & Poor" (3 min), how China's richest are in real estate.
- 3.3. Video Excerpt in Class, 2014, "Vertical City" (3 min), architectural concept of superskyscraper for Shanghai's elites.
- 3.4. Reading Homework, excerpt from Kevin Kwan. 2013. *Crazy Rich Asians*. Everyday rituals of power within an elite Chinese family.

4. How Economics is Intertwined with Politics in China

4.1. Film Excerpt in Class: 2018, *Crazy Rich Asians*, appreciating the transnational, cosmopolitan lives and obscessions of a Chinese "old money" family.

4.2. Reading Homework, excerpt from John Osburg 2013, *Anxious Wealth: Money and Morality among China's New Rich*, Introduction, on the political economy of post-Mao China, the changing rules of how entrepreneurs succeed in China's climate.

5. Money, Morality, Corruption & the Bo Xilai Case



5.1. Video Homework: 2014, "China, the Corrupt Republic" (53 min), on the political economy of China's corruption, and the infamous case of Bo Xilai as part of President Xi's anti-corruption campaign.

5.2. Reading Homework, excerpt from John Osburg 2013, *Anxious Wealth: Money and Morality among China's New Rich*, Chapter 4, ethnography of young new rich families in Chengdu, Sichuan Province.

5.3. Reading Homework, excerpt from Yuen Yuen Ang 2020, *China's Gilded Age: The Paradox of Economic Boom and Vast Corruption*, political science study on graft in China, inlcuding case study on Bo Xilai.

Part III: Global Elites from Small Places

6. Who Owns the Penthouses in London & New York?

- 6.1. Reading Homework, Louise Story and Stephanie Saul 2015. "Hidden Wealth Flows to Elite New York Condos." *The New York Times*, on the international arena of plunder and money laundering, seen through a single luxury condo in Manhattan.
- 6.2. Film Viewing in Class: 2016, "London's Domestic Slaves" (6 min), on South East Asian women working in London for the elite from the Persian Gulf.
- 6.3. Film Viewing in Class: Jason Sharman, "Global Shell Games" (15 min), on how elites worldwide use global financial systems to hide their pludered wealth in shell companies in grand corruption-friendly jurisdictions arund the world.
- 6.4. Reading Homework, excerpt from Mark Hollingsworth and Stewart Lansley. 2010. *Londongrad : From Russia with Cash : The inside Story of the Oligarchs*, Chapter 1, on why Russian elite set up in London for real estate, schools, and shopping.
- 6.5. Reading Homework, excerpt from Alexander Cooley and John Heathershaw. 2017. *Dictators without Borders : Power and Money in Central Asia*, one case study on Central Asian elites' global lives and dealings.
- 7. What Enables the Global Lives of Central Asian Elites?

- 7.1. Film Excerpts Viewing in Class: Aktan Arym Kubat 2010, *The Light Thief*, (76 min), on local Kyrgyz elite boss courting Chinese investors to rural Kyrgyzstan.
- 7.2. Reading Homework, excerpt from Jason Sharman 2017. *The Despot's Guide to Wealth Management* excepts on the Arab Spring, former Soviet Union, and role of rea estate.
- 7.3. Reading Homework, excerpt from Alexander Cooley and John Heathershaw. 2017. *Dictators without Borders : Power and Money in Central Asia*, 2nd case study on Central Asian elites' global lives and dealings.

Part IV: Russian Oligarchs & Elites Under Putin

8. "Wild Capitalism" of the 1990s

- 8.1. Video Excerpt in Class, ABC News 2000, "Russian Revolutions: The Heavy Hand of Corruption" (6 min), Section 7, look at Russian oligarchs in 1990s, focus on Boris Berezovsky, start of Putin era.
- 8.2. Video Excerpt in Class, CBS News 2001, "Russia's New Czars, the Oligarch" (13 min), interviews with Boris Berezovsky at his French Rivera palace, with some context of his activities.
- 8.3. Reading Homework, excerpt from Elisabeth Schimpfössl 2018. *Rich Russians : From Oligarchs to Bourgeoisie*, only recent scholarly study of Russia's oligarchs. Excerpt 1.

9. Vladimir Putin, the Game Changer

- 9.1. Video Excerpt in Class, CNBC News 2008, "Russian Gamble: Risky Business in the Land of Putin" (5 min), transition of Yeltsin to Putin eras for oligarchs, including Roman Abromovich, Oleg Deripaska, Andre Bavalov, showing relation between the Russian state and oligarchs.
- 9.2. Video Homework: Frontline 2015, "Putin's Way" (56 min), on President Vladimir Putin's method of ruling Russia, including how he changed the role of the oligarchs.
- 9.3. Reading Homework, excerpt from Robert W Orttung. 2017. *Putin's Olympics : The Sochi Games and the Evolution of Twenty-First Century Russia*, Chapter 2, on the 2014 Winter Games in Sochi, Russia as part of Putin's method of crony rule that enriches his elites.
- 9.4. Reading Homework, excerpt from Karen Dawisha 2014. *Putin's Kleptocracy : Who Owns Russia*, on the extractive patronage system under Putin.

10. Putin's New Rules: The Mikhail Khodorkovsky Case

10.1. Video Homework: Cyril Tuschi 2012, "Khodorkovsky : how the richest man in Russia became its most famous political prisoner" (122 min), story of the economic rise and

political fall of the richest man in Russia, Mikhail Khodorkovsky.

10.2. Reading Homework, excerpt from Mark Hollingsworth and Stewart Lansley. 2010. Londongrad : From Russia with Cash : The inside Story of the Oligarchs, Chapter 8, on the political fall of the richest man in Russia, Mikhail Khodorkovsky.



10.3. Reading Homework, excerpt from Elisabeth Schimpfössl 2018. *Rich Russians : From Oligarchs to Bourgeoisie*, only recent scholarly study of Russia's oligarchs. Excerpt 2.

11. Assessing Russia's Brand of Governance and Economic Development

- 11.1. Reading Homework, excerpt from Peter Rutland 2010. "The Oligarchs and Economic Development." In *After Putin's Russia : Past Imperfect, Future Uncertain*, edited by Stephen K. Wegren and Dale R. Herspring, on the economic effects on Russia of oligarch status and power.
- 11.2. Reading Homework, excerpt from Elisabeth Schimpfössl 2018. *Rich Russians : From Oligarchs to Bourgeoisie*, only recent scholarly study of Russia's oligarchs. Excerpt 3.

Part V: Global Elites and Modern Capitalism

12. Student Project Presentations: What have you discovered with your own independent research?

12.1. Student oral presentations of own project, Term paper due before orals, student discussions of each project.

13. Student Project Presentations: What have you discovered with your own independent research?

14. Lessons about Wealth, Structural Injustice, and Morality

14.1. Big Picture Lectures, Discussions, and Debates in Class.

Slavic & East European Studies Specialization MAP	LEARNING GOALS					
		Pro	gram		Specia	lization
	Α	В	С	D	E	F
	Key: 1	=Beg. 2=Int.				
Required Pre-Major Courses: 6-18 hours	1.009. 1		3 /(41).			
Economics 2001.01 or 2001.02		1	1	1	1	1
History 2251		1	1	1	1	1
Completion of 1103	1	1	1	1	1	
1. REQUIRED FOUNDATIONS: 12 hours	1	1		1		
International Studies 2252		1	1	1	1	1
Geography 3754		2	2	2	2	-
History 3269		2	2	2	2	2
Political Science 4216		3	3	3	3	3
2. CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES: 12 hours			5	5	5	
Economics 4508		3	3	3	3	3
History 3282		2	2	2	2	2
History 4280	+	3	3	3	3	2
International Studies 4250		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 4250	+	3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 4703	+	3	3	3	5	3
International Studies 4703		3	3	3	3	3
Political Science 4218		3	3	3	3	3
Political Science 4326		3	3	3	3	3
Russian 3550		2	2	2	2	2
Russian 5597		3	3	3	3	3
Slavic and East Euro./INTSTDS 5450		3	3	3	3	3
Sociology 5503		3	3	3	3	3
3. ELECTIVES: 6 hours		3	5	3	3	5
History 3268		2	2	2	2	
History 3280		2	2	2	2	
History 3281		2	2	2	2	
History 3283		2	2	2	2	
History of Art 4040		3	2	3	3	
History of Art 5605		3		3	3	
International Studies 3400		2		2	3	
		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 4998 International Studies 4999	+	3	3		3	3
International Studies 5191		3	3	3	3	5
International Studies 5191	+	-		3	-	2
International Studies 5195		3	3	3	3	3
	+		3			3
Polish 5630 Russian 3360	+	3		3	3	
Russian 36044	+				2	
	+	2		2 3		
Russian 4520 Russian 4522	+	3	3	3	3	
Russian 5566		3	3	3	3	
	+	2	2	2	2	
Slavic 3251 Slavic 3360	+	2	2	2	2	
	+	3				
Slavic 4520 Slavic 5680		3	3	3	3	
		3		3	3	
	+	+				
4. COMPLETION OF A FOREIGN LANGUAGE MINOR.	3	3		3		

Curriculum map, indicating how program goals are accomplished via specific courses

PROGRAM LEARNING GOALS:

- A. Students are competent in a foreign language.
- B. Students complete a rigorous liberal arts education that is international in focus and prepares them for a range of careers.
- C. Students understand the diversity of influences-historical, economic, political, social and cultural-that shape domestic and international processes and outcomes.
- D. Students master critical reasoning and cross-cultural communications skills.

SPECIALIZATION LEARNING GOALS:

- E. Students develop an interdisciplinary understanding of the region's cultures, history, and economic and political trajectories.
- F. Students analyze the dynamic interplay of economic, political and social systems in Russia and Eastern Europe.

Middle East Studies Specialization MAP			LEARNIN	G GOALS		
MAI		Pro	gram		Special	ization
	Α	В	С	D	Ē	F
	Key: 1	=Beg. 2=Int.	3=Adv.			
Required Pre-Major Courses: 6-18 hours	- /					
Economics 2001.01 or 2001.02		1	1	1		
History 2353		1	1	1	1	1
Completion of 1103	1	1		1		
1. REQUIRED FOUNDATIONS: 12 hours						
International Studies 2200		1	1	1	1	1
International Studies 4537		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 5645		3	3	3	3	3
Political Science 4327		3	3	3	3	3
2. CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES: 12 hours					0	
Anthropology 3451		2	2	2	2	
Arabic 5701		3		3	3	
History 3350		2	2	2	2	
History 3351		2	2	2	2	2
History 3505		2	2	2	2	2
History 4350		3	3	3	3	2
History 4450		3	3	3	3	
International Studies/NELC/SLAVIC 5020		3	3	3	3	3
NELC 3405		2	2	2	2	2
NELC 3501		2	2	2	2	2
						2
NELC 5404		3	3	3	3	3
NELC 5675		3	3	3	3	3
NELC 5678		3	3	3	3	3
3. ELECTIVES: 6 hours				2		
Arabic 3657		2		2	2	
Arabic 5702		3		3	3	
Hebrew 3345		2		2	2	
Hebrew 3370		2		2	2	
Hebrew 3371		2		2	2	
Hebrew 3372		2		2	2	
History 3360		2	2	2	2	
History 3365		2	2	2	2	2
History 3450		2	2	2	2	2
History 3470		2		2	2	
International Studies 3400		2		2		
International Studies 4200		3	3	3	3	
International Studies 4252		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 4253		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 4998		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 4999		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 5195		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 5191		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 5797		3	3	3	3	3
NELC 3600		2		2	2	2
NELC 3700		2		2	2	
NELC 3702		2	2	2	2	
4.COMPLETION OF A FOREIGN						
LANGUAGE MINOR.	3	3		3		

Curriculum map, indicating how program goals are accomplished via specific courses

PROGRAM LEARNING GOALS:				
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- D. Students master critical reasoning and cross-cultural communications skills.

SPECIALIZATION LEARNING GOALS:

- E. Students develop an interdisciplinary understanding of the region's cultures, history, and economic and political trajectories.
- F. Students analyze the dynamic interplay of economic, political and social systems in the Middle East.

East Asian Studies Specialization MAP	LEARNING GOALS					
		Pro	gram		Specialization	
	Α	В	С	D	Ē	F
	Key:	1=Beg. 2=Int	. 3=Adv.	1		
Required Pre-Major Courses: 6-18 hours						
Economics 2001.01 or 2001.02		1	1	1		
History 2402		1	1	1	1	1
Completion of 1103 of an approved						
language.	1	1		1		
1. REQUIRED FOUNDATIONS: 12 hours				1		
International Studies 2050		1	1	1	1	
International Studies 4534		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 5050		3	3	3	3	3
History 3426		2	2	2	2	
2. CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES: 12 hours	1		1			
Anthropology 3417	1	2	1	2	2	
EALL 3241	1	2	1	2	2	
History 3425	1	2	2	2	2	
History 3715		2	2	2	2	2
History 4400	1	3	3	3	3	
History 4425		3	3	3	3	
International Studies 4250		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 5051		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies/NELC/SLAVIC 5020		3	3	3	3	3
Political Sciences 4230		3	3	3	3	-
Political Science 4231		3	3	3	3	
3. ELECTIVES: 6 hours						
Chinese 4401		3		3	3	
Chinese 4402		3		3	3	
Chinese 4403		3		3	3	
Chinese 4405		3		3	3	
Chinese 4406		3		3	3	
EALL 3223		2		2	2	
EALL 4407		3		3	3	
History 3401		2	2	2	2	
History 3402		2	2	2	2	
History 3403		2	2	2	2	
History 3404		2	2	2	2	
History 3405		2	2	2	2	2
History 3410		2	2	2	2	_
History of Art 4810	1	3	+ -	3	3	
History of Art 4815		3	1	3	3	
History of Art 4820	1	3	1	3	3	
International Studies 3400		2	1	2		
International Studies 4998	1	3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 4999	1	3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 5191		3	3	3	3	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
International Studies 5195	1	3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 5797		3	3	3	3	3
Japanese 4400		3	† Ť	3	3	
Japanese 4401		3	1	3	3	
Korean 5256		3	3	3	3	
4.COMPLETION OF A FOREIGN		3	† Ť	Ť	5	

Curriculum map, indicating how program goals are accomplished via specific courses

LANGUA	GE MINOR.	3			3		
PROGR	AM LEARNING GOALS:						
Α.	Students are competent in a	a foreign lan	nguage.				
В.	Students complete a rigorouthem for a range of careers		ts education	that is inter	national in f	ocus and pr	repares
С.	Students understand the dir cultural-that shape domesti	•			•	al, social ar	nd
D.	Students master critical rea	soning and o	cross-cultura	I communic	ations skills.		
	LIZATION LEARNING GOALS Students develop an interdi	-	nderstandin	g of the regi	on's cultures	s. history. a	nd
	economic and political traje			50		, - ,, -	

F. Students analyze the dynamic interplay of economic, political and social systems in East Asia.

World Economy & Business Specialization MAP	LEARNING GOALS					
		Program				ization
	Α	В	С	D	Ē	F
	Key: 1	=Beg. 2=Int	. 3=Adv.	1	11	
Required Pre-Major Courses: 6-18 hours						
Economics 2001.01 or 2001.02		1	1	1		
Economics 2002.01 or 2002.02		1	1	1		
Completion of 1103	1	1		1		
1. REQUIRED FOUNDATIONS: 12 hours		_		_		
International Studies 4540		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 3400		2	2	2		
International Studies 4560		3	3	3	3	3
Economics 4700		3	3	3	3	
2. CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES: 12 hours		5	3	5	3	
Economics 4508		3	3	3		3
Economics 4600		3	3	3	3	3
Geography 5401		3	3	3	3	5
History 3705		2	2	2	2	2
International Studies 4320		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 4320		3	3	3	3	5
International Studies 4850		3	3	3	3	3
Political Science 4280		3	3	3	5	3
Political Science 4380		3	3	3	3	3
Political Science 4381		3	3	3	3	3
Political Science 4910		3	3	3	5	3
Sociology 3464		2	2	2	2	5
3. ELECTIVES: 6 hours		2	2	2	2	
		2	2	2		2
Geography 5300		3	3	3	2	3
Economics 4150		3	3	3	3	3
Economics 4160		3	3	3	3	3
Economics 4200		3	3	3	3	
Economics 4300		3	3	3	3	
Economics 4310		3	3	3	3	
Economics 4320		3	3	3	3	
Economics 4547		3	3	3	3	3
Economics 4553		3	3	3	3	3
Economics 4800		3	3	3		3
History 4650		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 4534		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 4535		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 4537		3	3	3		3
International Studies 4998		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 4999		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 5191		3	3	3	3	
International Studies 5195		3	3	3	3	3
International Studies 5700		3	3	3		3
International Studies 5797		3	3	3	3	3
4. COMPLETION OF A FOREIGN						
LANGUAGE MINOR.	3	3		3		

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- D. Students master critical reasoning and cross-cultural communications skills.

SPECIALIZATION LEARNING GOALS:

- E. Students develop an interdisciplinary understanding of stability and change in contemporary international economic and financial relationships.
- F. Students explore how these relationships increasingly shape the economies and societies of states.

Development Studies	LEARNING GOALS							
Specialization MAP								
Specialization mai		Pro	Specialization					
	Α					F		
		1=Beg. 2=Int.				-		
Required Pre-Major Courses: 6-18 hours								
Economics 2001.01 or 2001.02		1	1	1	1			
Earth Sciences 1151		1	1			1		
Completion of 1103 of an approved								
language.	1	1		1				
1. REQUIRED FOUNDATIONS: 12 hours								
International Studies 2500		1	1	1	1	1		
International Studies 4535		3	3	3	3	3		
Geography 5700		3	3	3	3	3		
Political Science 3220		2	3	2		2		
2. CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES: 12 hours								
AAAS 4570		3	3	3	3	3		
Agricultural Communication 5150	1	3	3	3		3		
Geography 3900		2	2	2		2		
Geography 3901H		2	2	2		2		
International Studies 4320		3	3	3		3		
International Studies 4532		3	3	3		3		
International Studies 4534		3	3	3	3	3		
International Studies 4537		3	3	3	3	3		
International Studies/NELC/SLAVIC 5020		3	3	3	3	3		
International Studies 5801		3	3	3	_	3		
Political Science 4335		3	3	3		3		
Political Science 4940		3	3	3		3		
Sociology 5563		3	3	3	3	3		
3. ELECTIVES: 6 hours								
Anthropology 4597.01		3	3	3		3		
Anthropology 4597.02		3	3	3	3	3		
Anthropology 5602		3	3	3		3		
Earth Sciences 3411		2	2	2		2		
Earth Science 4425		3	3	3		3		
Geography 3800		2	2	2		2		
Geography 3881		2	2	2		2		
Geography 5801		3	3	3		3		
Geography 5802		3	3	3		3		
History 3100		2	2	2				
History 3302		2	2	2		2		
History 3311		2	2	2	2	2		
International Studies 3400		2	2	2				
International Studies 4597.01		3	3	3	3	3		
International Studies 4597.02		3	3	3				
International Studies 4998		3	3	3	3	3		
International Studies 4999		3	3	3	3	3		
International Studies 5191		3		3				
International Studies 5195		3	3	3	3	3		
International Studies 5616		3	3	3		3		
International Studies 5700		3	3	3		3		
International Studies 5797		3	3	3		3		
Rural Sociology 3580		2	2	2		2		

Curriculum map, indicating how program goals are accomplished via specific courses

Sociology 3306		2	2	2	2	2
Sociology 3460		2	2	2		2
4.COMPLETION OF A FOREIGN						
LANGUAGE MINOR.	3	3		3		

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- D. Students master critical reasoning and cross-cultural communications skills.

SPECIALIZATION LEARNING GOALS:

- E. Students develop an interdisciplinary understanding of the history and theory of development in the poorer regions of the world.
- F. Students examine the major challenges in the way of these countries' economic, political, and social advancement.