

KOR 614M
Korean Narrative
Spring 2023

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Class Meetings: F 12-2:30 pm (MOORE 394)

Office Hours: R 2-3 pm, F 2:30-3:30 pm (MOORE 386)

Course Description

KOR 614M is a graduate-level introduction to modern Korean fiction that has been designed for MA and PhD students of modern Korean literature. Students will read a range of canonical literary fiction from the early twentieth century to the present day. Course readings will also include relevant literary scholarship from South Korea and the United States. Throughout the semester, students will work toward the development of a multi-part research paper about a single work of modern Korean fiction.

Student Learning Outcomes

By the end of the semester, students will:

1. Be conversant with canonical texts and authors of modern Korea.
2. Have honed their ability to read primary and secondary literature-related texts in Korean.
3. Be able to discuss and critique texts in the context of modern Korea's literary history.
4. Have composed a graduate-level research paper about a work of modern Korean fiction.

Course Materials

All readings will be provided by the instructor on Lulima.

Grade Categories

Final grades will be calculated based on the following categories, according to the subsequent scale. **Students should periodically check their grades on Lulima, where they will be posted shortly after an assignment is submitted.**

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| Participation | 20% |
| Homework | 30% |
| Final Paper | 50% |

Grading Scale

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| A+ | 98-100 |
| A- | 93-97 |
| A- | 90-92 |
| B+ | 87-89 |
| B | 83-86 |
| B- | 80-82 |
| C+ | 77-79 |
| C | 73-76 |
| C- | 70-72 |
| D+ | 67-69 |
| D | 65-66 |
| F | Below 65 |

Participation

Students are expected to devote their full attention to class proceedings and actively participate during discussion. Points will be deducted from a student's Participation Grade if they are unresponsive.

If for some reason you are unable to fulfill the above obligations, please contact the instructor immediately.

Attendance

Students are to arrive on time. Should a student have to miss class due to an illness or other official reason, **the instructor must be contacted in advance of the class meeting in order to be excused.** Exceptions will only be made in emergency circumstances.

Each absence will result in points being deducted from one's Participation Grade. Five absences will result in a zero in this category. **If a student misses eight or more class meetings, they will automatically fail the course.**

Homework

Unless otherwise noted, students are expected to submit a discussion question before each class meeting. This question should be designed to spur further discussion of a topic relevant to the week's reading. In addition to the question itself, the post should include a rationale for the question and any necessary context. When appropriate, students are encouraged to cite specific passages from the reading. Posts should be approximately one paragraph in length.

Note: Students should compose and save their assignments in a program like Microsoft Word before copying and pasting them into Laulima. Due to occasional technological issues, Laulima

can sometimes lose discussion posts. Please check to make sure your post is online after submission.

Every student will also be expected to serve as discussion leader for one class session.

Projects

Students are responsible for composing one research paper, approximately 12-15 double-spaced pages in length. The assignment will be broken up into the following constituent parts with separate due dates for each.

1. Topic Selection
2. Rough Draft (Close Reading Section)
3. Rough Draft (Review of Literature Section)
4. Final Draft

Disability Policy

If a student has a disability that requires accommodation, they should inform the instructor as early as possible. Students may also contact the KOKUA Program, the UH Mānoa office for students with disabilities, at (808) 956-7511.

Academic Dishonesty

Plagiarism and cheating will not be tolerated and at minimum will result in a zero for the assignment in question. Please refer to the Systemwide Student Conduct Code, which is available online, for policies regarding plagiarism and other forms of academic dishonesty.

Late Policy

Assignments must be completed before the deadline. Work submitted after will be automatically dropped one letter grade. The letter grade will be further dropped once for every additional week the assignment is late. No late final papers will be accepted. **Students with extenuating circumstances such as an unexpected illness may avoid late penalties if they provide substantial evidence of their condition to the instructor.** In these cases, a new deadline will be provided.

Basic Needs for UH Students

Basic needs include food and housing, childcare, mental health, financial resources, and transportation, among others. Student basic needs security is critical for ensuring strong academic performance, persistence, graduation, and overall student well-being. If you or someone you know are experiencing basic needs insecurity, please refer to the following website: www.hawaii.edu/student-basic-needs.

Employability and Korean-Language Study

The Department of East Asian Languages & Literatures is committed to providing students with information about the value of the skills and learning they develop in conjunction with Korean language study for future employment. The Department works with the Hawai'i Language Roadmap, a statewide initiative for a multilingual workforce for Hawai'i housed in the College of Arts, Languages and Letters, to provide students with opportunities to learn about marketing their language proficiency to employers (e.g., resume writing, interview training), to meet employers who are hiring for bilingual proficiency, and to credential their language proficiency with the nationally-recognized Global Seal of Bilingual Proficiency, a valued workforce credential. For more information: roadmap@hawaii.edu or visit the Roadmap website at: nflrc.hawaii.edu/languageroadmap.

Schedule

The schedule can be found on the course Lulima page.