

Subject	History and Institutions of Asia
Study level and course	Master's Degree in International Relations (LM-52) – Curriculum European Studies
Academic year	2025/2026
Total number of credits	9
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Course presentation	The course in History and Institutions of Asia aims to provide students with a basic understanding of the major phases that characterised the evolution of Asian dynamics after 1945. The course will be divided into lectures dedicated to the examination of some of the most significant aspects related to these processes, including contemporary Asia; the history of Japan after 1945; the history of China under Communism; Korean issues; Indian partition and contemporary India; the Vietnam War; and relations between Italy and the People's Republic of China (1949-1976).
Prerequisites	Basic knowledge of Contemporary History and History of International Relations.
Information for Erasmus+ incoming students	Lectures of History and Institutions of Asia are held in Italian (English only under request). Erasmus+ students may however take the oral examination in English. The examination programme, which involves the use of texts available in the university library, must be agreed directly with the Professor through a student reception (online or in person). Erasmus+ students are advised to make contact with the Professor by email before embarking on the study of the subject.