

China Wired: Culture & Politics of New Media in China

Overview

This course will examine the impact and role of the Internet on contemporary politics and society in the People's Republic of China. The course will engage with the assumptions and realities of censorship and control of the Chinese Internet, while critically examining the different ways in which the Internet is altering quotidian politics in the PRC. Specific issues of contemporary concern in China, including ethnic relations, environment, foreign policy and political legitimacy will be discussed in order to assess the nexus between Internet architecture, culture and political power in contemporary China. At the end of the course, students are expected to acquire a sophisticated understanding of how the Internet is produced and consumed in China, and how state censorship and citizen activism are fashioning a uniquely Chinese version of the global Internet.

Dates for the Course	6 -10 February, 2017
Host Institute	IIT Madras, Chennai
No. of Credits	1
Maximum No. of Participants	50
You Should Attend If...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ You are a student interested in China's rise and place in the world, as well as new media in China ▪ You are a social scientist interested in media, communication and ICT-mediated cultures and politics. ▪ You are a student or faculty member from an academic institution that is interested in learning how to do research on the Chinese Internet.
Course Registration Fees	<p>The participation fees for taking the course is as follows: Student Participants: Rs.1000 Faculty Participants: Rs.1500 Government Research Organization Participants: Rs.3000 Industry Participants: Rs.3500</p> <p>The above fee is towards participation in the course, the course material, computer use for tutorials and assignments, and laboratory equipment usage charges.</p> <p>Mode of payment: Demand draft in favour of "Registrar, IIT Madras" payable at Chennai The demand draft is to be sent to the Course Coordinator at the address given below.</p>
Accommodation	<p>The participants may be provided with hostel accommodation, depending on the availability, on payment basis. Request for hostel accommodation may be submitted through the link: http://hosteldine.iitm.ac.in/iitmhostel</p>

Course Faculty



Associate Prof. James Leibold is a faculty member of La Trobe University in Melbourne, Australia. His research interests include the politics of ethnicity, race and national identity in modern Chinese history and society; citizen activism and state censorship on the Chinese Internet; and ethnic policies and conflict in contemporary China with a particular focus on Xinjiang and its Uyghur Muslim minority.



Associate Prof. Sonika Gupta is a faculty at the China Studies Centre & Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Madras. Her research interests are in Chinese foreign policy, political change in China, Minority issues in China and Internet and Censorship in China.

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