

Course Syllabus

1. **Program of Study** Bachelor of Arts Program
Bachelor of Science Program
Bachelor of Business Administration Program
Bachelor of Nursing Science Program
- Faculty/Institute/College** Mahidol University International College
2. **Course Code** ICSS 213
- Course Title** Southeast Asian Political Systems
3. **Number of Credits** 4 (4-0-8) (Lecture/Lab/Self-Study)
4. **Prerequisite (s)** none
5. **Type of Course** General Education
6. **Session** Second trimester/Every academic year
7. **Conditions** -

8. Course Description

Historical and current situation of political systems throughout Southeast Asia, development of different systems in different nations, political areas of cooperation throughout the area.

9. Course Objective (s)

After successful completion of this course, students should be able to understand

- 9.1 the political processes that led to the formation of Southeast Asian nation-states
- 9.2 The evolution of civil societies in a Southeast Asian context
- 9.3 contemporary political issues and concerns in the region and
- 9.4 The complexity of Southeast Asian political life

10. Course Outline

Week	Topic	Hour			Instructor
		Lecture	Lab	Self-Study	
1	Course and subject overviews/ Southeast Asian political traditions in the pre-colonial period	4	0	8	Matthew Copeland
2	Impact of colonialism: colonial rule and anti-colonial movements	4	0	8	

3	WW II, independence struggles and new state formation	4	0	8
4	Economic development in a Cold War context	4	0	8
5	Malaysia/Singapore	4	0	8
6	Review; Midterm exam	4	0	8
7	Indonesia/Brunei	4	0	8
8	Thailand/ Philippines	4	0	8
9	Vietnam/Laos/Cambodia	4	0	8
10	Burma/ the emergence of regional politics	4	0	8
11	Summary and review	4	0	8
12	Final exam	4	0	8
	Total	48	0	96

11. Teaching Method (s)

11.1 Lecture, discussions, student term papers, independent study projects

11. Teaching Media

12.1 Text materials, handouts, and film resources

13. Measurement and evaluation of student achievement

Student achievement is measured and evaluated by

13.1 the ability to understand the political processes that led to the formation of Southeast Asian nation-states

13.2 the ability to understand the evolution of civil societies in a Southeast Asian context

13.3 the ability to understand contemporary political issues and concerns in the region and

13.4 the ability to understand the complexity of Southeast Asian political life

Student's achievement will be graded according to the faculty and university standard using the symbols: A, B+, B, C+,C,D+, D, and F.

Students must have attended at least 80% of the total class hours of this course.

Ratio of mark

in-class examinations and a 7-page term paper with each component accounting for 30% of the total grade.

An additional 10% of the grade will come from student participation in classroom lectures and discussions.

Comparative and comprehensive assessment of student knowledge of Southeast Asian political systems and student skill in analyzing complex socio-political problems such so that individual educational accomplishment can be appropriately ranked using bell curve pinpointing in conjunction with a traditional alphabetical grading scheme.

14. Course evaluation

14.1 Students' achievement as indicated in number 13 above.

14.2 Students' satisfaction toward teaching and learning of the course using questionnaires.

15. Reference (s)

N. Tarling (ed), *Cambridge History of Southeast Asia*, Volume Two, Part Two, Cambridge; Cambridge University Press, 1999.

Clive Christie, *A Modern History of Southeast Asia*, London: Taurus, 1996.

16. Instructor (s)

Dr. Matthew Copeland

17. Course Coordinator

Dr. Matthew Copeland