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### Ethnologie régionale : Chinas Today (2ET1129)

Filières concernées	Nombre d'heures	Validation	Crédits ECTS
<b>Pilier B A - ethnologie</b>	<b>Cours: 2 ph</b>	Voir ci-dessous	3
<b>Pilier principal M ScS - anthropologie</b>	<b>Cours: 2 ph</b>	Voir ci-dessous	5
<b>Pilier secondaire M ScS - anthropologie</b>	<b>Cours: 2 ph</b>	Voir ci-dessous	5

ph=période hebdomadaire, pg=période globale, j=jour, dj=demi-jour, h=heure, min=minute

#### Période d'enseignement:

- Semestre Automne

#### Equipe enseignante

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#### Contenu

In this course, we will examine the multiple facets of contemporary Chinese society, and place these realities in their historical and geopolitical contexts. As the Chinese civilisational area is vast (it includes Taiwan, Hong Kong, Singapore, overseas communities in South Asia and the various minority territories dominated by the PRC), the course emphasizes the diversity of forms of sociocultural organization that characterize this region, rather than its mythical unity and longevity. Coursework will combine readings of articles by Chinese anthropologists with works of fiction, which provide a more "relatable" entry into other lifeworlds.

The lectures will be given in English. Readings and course assignments can be in French or English.

#### Forme de l'évaluation

Students will submit two short papers (maximum 5 pages each), the first analyzing an article written by a Chinese anthropologist or sociologist (submission date: Monday November 20th), the second providing a resume and analysis of a work of fiction, placed in historical and social context (submission date: Monday January 22nd). These analyses will draw on the materials presented in class. Grading will be based on the accuracy and clarity of the arguments presented and the care with which the papers are written.

N.B. Please note that you are free to use ChatGPT, but if you do so, you must identify the text produced by the machine (it is easy to detect, do not be fooled!) and comment on its accuracy and political orientation, as well as its relevance to the material presented in class. This will be more difficult than simply writing your own text, especially as you must remain within the page limits, but it might well be more interesting.

#### Modalités de rattrapage

Students who miss one or both of these deadlines will have until Monday April 15th, 2024, to complete both assignments.

#### Documentation

To be provided on the first day of class and via Moodle.

#### Pré-requis

None.

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