



**NEW COURSE OFFERING FOR
FALL 2009**

**VIET 3300
T/TH 1-2:30PM**

**THE GLOBAL VIETNAMESE
DIASPORA: VIETNAMESE COMMUNITIES
AROUND THE GLOBE**

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

THE COURSE WILL EXPLORE AND ATTEMPT TO EXAMINE THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

- **WHAT DEFINES HOME FOR VIETNAMESE IN THE DIASPORA?**
- **WHAT ARE THE EXISTING LINKS AMONG THE VARIOUS VIETNAMESE COMMUNITIES AROUND THE GLOBE?**
- **WHAT ARE THE WAYS IN WHICH VIETNAMESE (RE)CONSTRUCT HOME, FAMILY, COMMUNITY, GENDER ROLES, AND IDENTITY IN THE DIASPORA?**
- **HOW DO PROBLEMS, PRACTICES, VOICES AND VISIONS OF RECLAIMING AND RETURNING COMPARE AND CONTRAST AMONG DIASPORIC POPULATIONS, INCLUDING ETHNIC CHINESE, CHAMS, AND KHMERS FROM VIETNAM, OR AMERASIANS AND ADOPTED VIETNAMESE?**
- **WHAT ARE THE IMPACTS OF THE DIASPORA ON THE HOMELAND AND VICE-VERSA?**
- **WITH THE INCREASING NUMBERS OF VIET KIEU (OVERSEAS VIETNAMESE) VISITING THEIR HOMELAND THROUGH TRAVEL, HOW DO VIETNAMESE PERCEIVE VIET KIEU AND VICE-VERSA?**

STUDENTS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE A GLOBAL VIETNAMESE DIASPORA WIKI THAT INFORMS THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT THE OVERSEAS VIETNAMESE COMMUNITIES IN, BUT NOT LIMITED TO,

UNITED STATES; CANADA; FRANCE; DENMARK; NORWAY; FINLAND; AUSTRALIA; CZECH REPUBLIC; RUSSIA; ISRAEL; JAPAN; CAMBODIA; THAILAND; HONG KONG; AND PHILIPPINES.

THIS COURSE INCLUDES LECTURES, FILMS, AND DISCUSSIONS BASED ON SELECTED THEMATIC THEMES AND TOPICS. KNOWLEDGE OF VIETNAMESE IS NOT REQUIRED.

CREDIT

THIS IS A HUMANITIES CORE COURSE. THIS COURSE CAN ALSO BE PETITIONED TOWARD THE ASIAN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MINOR (BAUER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS) AND THE ASIAN AMERICAN MINOR (COLLEGE OF EDUCATION).

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