

# Contemporary Issues of ASEAN: CLMV Focus (S/2017)



EE551/EE561



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# Course Description

- An active and problem based learning course regarding contemporary issues of ASEAN, especially those of Cambodia, the Lao PDR, Myanmar and Vietnam. Various aspects of overall ASEAN or each country economy, trade, investment, development, environment, public policy, etc. will be covered in the course. In this course, students can learn both from lectures (by invited professors and expertise in each topic) in the classroom and field trips visiting public and/or private organization(s) in Thailand and another ASEAN member country (this academic year is going to central Laos and Vietnam).

# Course Objectives

- To focus on student understanding of ASEAN economy integration and issues related to CLMV countries. As the course includes many guest lectures and discussions, students have to be able to ask questions, express their opinions, and reflect on each seminar/special lecture. Moreover, the course is a project base evaluation. Students are expected to work as a group, be professional in presentation, and solve any problem related to their project.

# Class schedule

## Week 1

<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Topics</b>	<b>Lecturers</b>
<b>June 20</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Course introduction ASEAN's origin, evolution, and economy	Ajarn Chayanee
<b>June 21</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Talk from Cambodia Discussion	Mrs. Lay Chanrasmey, Cambodia, Diplomatic Relation with Thailand Ajarn Kiriya *dress politely

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## Week 2

Date and time	Topics	Lecturers
<b>June 24</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	International Trade and FDI Marketing & branding strategies in CLMV	Ajarn Nessara Sukpanich Ajarn Suwalaya (BBA)
<b>June 25</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Logistics and Supply Chain in ASEAN Logistics and Supply Chain in ASEAN	Dr. Suthep Nimsai Dr. Suthep Nimsai
<b>June 26</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Project guideline and brainstorming Getting to know 'Lao PDR'	Ajarn Anin Ajarn Nessara Sukpanich
<b>June 27</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Natural resource and environmental issues & stories from Myanmar Economic development & Vietnam	Ajarn Anin Ajarn Chayanee
<b>June 28</b> 10.00 – 12.00 Afternoon	Industrialization and economic development *Prepare your group project proposal	Ajarn Peera Charoenporn

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## Week 3

Date and time	Topics	Lecturers
<b>July 1</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	CLMV and ASEAN Cooperation in 2019: Thailand's chairmanship Discussion on 2019 CLMVT cooperation	Pulpilas Ruangwisut, Bank of Thailand (BOT) Ajarn Kiriya *dress politely
<b>July 2</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Project proposal presentation Project proposal presentation	All ajarns All ajarns
<b>July 3</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Sustainable development goals (SDGs) SDGs: Discussion	Ajarn Chol Bunnag Ajarn Chol & Ajarn Anin
<b>July 4</b> *9:00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Workshop for Laos & Vietnam trip (required) Workshop for Laos & Vietnam trip (required)	Ajarn Anin & ERTC Ajarn Anin & ERTC *dress politely
<b>July 5</b> 7:00 – 18.00	*Field trip to Chonburi	

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## Week 4 **July 8-14 Laos-Vietnam Trip Highlights (R9 route - EWC)**

<https://greatermekong.org/content/economic-corridors-in-the-greater-mekong-subregion>

July 8 (Mon): Fly to Sakonnakhon – Mukdaharn – Savannakhet (Thai consulate)

July 9: Savannakhet (SEZ) – Lao Bao – Dong Ha

July 10: Dong Ha – Hue (visit CP Vietnam)

July 11: Hue – Da Nang

July 12: Company and university visits in Da Nang

July 13: Hoi An

July 14 (Sun): Ba Na Hil (Da Nang) - Bangkok (DMK)



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Week 5	Date and time	Topics	Lecturers
	<b>July 15</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Trip discussion China's economy and ASEAN	Ajarn Chayanee K. Wan (BE Alumni)
	<b>July 16 - 17</b>	No class - Official holiday	
	<b>July 18</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Doing business in ASEAN (Vietnam) Discussion	Mr. Chanchai Ochapong Country Manager Vietnam, Siam Gas Ajarn Kiriya <i>*dress politely</i>
	<b>July 19</b> 10.00 – 15.30	Visit World Bank and ADB, Thailand (waiting to be confirmed)	Ajarn Kiriya  <i>*dress uniform*</i>

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## Week 6

Date and time	Topics	Lecturers
<b>July 22</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	CLMVT Strategy Discussion	K. Prewprae Chumrum, Ministry of Commerce Ajarn Kiriya <i>*dress politely</i>
<b>July 23</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Myanmar's socio-economic and political issues Discussion	Dr. Pinitbhad Paribatra, Pol. Sci. Dr. Pinitbhad & Aj. Anin
<b>July 24</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Project progress presentation Project progress presentation	All ajarns All ajarns
<b>July 25</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	ASEAN integration & Border trade Discussion	K. Pariwat Kanithasen, BOT Ajarn Chayanee <i>*dress politely</i>
<b>July 26</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Urbanization in ASEAN/CLMV Discussion	Dr. Januar Hakim, ADB Ajarn Chayanee

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## Week 7

<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Topics</b>	<b>Lecturers</b>
<b>July 29</b>	No class - Official holiday	
<b>July 30</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Course wrap-up Final project preparation	Ajarn Chayanee Ajarn Chayanee
<b>July 31</b> 10.00 – 12.00 13.00 – 15.00	Final project presentation Final project presentation	All ajarns
<b>Aug 1</b>	No class - preparing for your final exam	
<b>Aug 2</b> 9.00-12.00	Final exam	

# Evaluation

- Individual Assignments  
(e.g. reaction papers, trip assignments) 20%
- Class participation and class attendance 10%
- Group project and group assignments 40%
- Final exam 30%

Final Examination: Friday Aug 2, 2019: 9.00-12.00

Final report deadline: Friday Aug 9, 2019 by midnight (BKK time)

# Class rules

- Please be on time
  - late than 15 minutes on guest lecture will be considered as absent
- Check attendance & class participation
  - sign when you answer or ask questions during the guest's session (at the end of the class)
- Be respect to our guest lecturer. You are BE representative!
- No cellphone calling, sound effects, obviously typing the phone during the class
- Dress politely, especially on the days we have an outside guest lecturer
  - No shorts, no sandals/flip-flops
- Daily essay handed in each week
  - Late submission will get a score deduction

# Daily reaction essay

- Write a reaction essay about each day's lecture(s).
- Combine each day's essay and submit on each week's deadline at the beginning of the next Monday class.
- The reaction essay should be 1-2 pages double-spaced with 12 point Time New Roman font.
- They should be well-organized and carefully written.
- The reaction essay will be graded according to how seriously you engage a lecture and the rigor and clarification of your argument.
- Around half of the reaction essay should summarize the speaker's main point.
- The rest of the essay should be dedicated to your reaction to the lecture.

# Daily reaction essay: Some questions you may want to consider

- Did you agree/disagree with the speaker?
- Did you find any flaws in the speaker's reasoning?
- What was the most interesting part of the lecture for you?
- Did the speaker make you rethink your opinion on the issue?
- How does the lecture compare with others lectures/readings you had in another class?
- Useful clip on how to write a reaction paper:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1gZsmNGScH8>

Important things to note:

- Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated. If you are caught cheating or plagiarizing, you will get an F and appropriate university conduct code sanctions will be taken against you.

# Daily reaction essay submission deadlines

- Please submit your essay on Moodle (.docx or .pdf)
- Week 1: due on Monday June 24
- Week 2: due on Monday July 1
- Week 3: due on Sunday July 7 (\*midnight)
- Week 4: \*Trip essay due on Wednesday July 18
- Week 5: due on Monday July 22
- Week 6: due on Tuesday July 30

# Group Project

- A group of 5-6 people, across years
  - (2 groups with 5 people, 2 groups with UC students)
- Any research question regarding CLMV countries (pick one issue to focus)
  - Why this question/topic is importance?
  - What have been done (literature review)?
  - Use data and academic reference to analyze and support your research findings
  - What should be policy recommendation?