

THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
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CHINESE ECONOMY: HERITAGE AND CHANGE
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COURSE OUTLINE
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Assessment Method: Term Paper: 40%; Final Exam (Open Book): 60%

TOPICS

- 1st – 2nd Weeks Overview of Chinese history and the debate over when China fell economically and technologically behind the West
- 2nd – 3rd Weeks Ming-Qing China's foreign trade policies and comparison with the West
- 4th – 5th Weeks The status and role of merchants in dynastic China and the West
- 5th – 6th Weeks Market freedoms and rise of capitalism in dynastic China and the West
- 7th Week Population control and literacy rates in dynastic China and the West. Discovery of the New World and its economic significances
- 8th – 9th Weeks The scientific and industrial revolutions and their economic significances
- 10th – 11th Weeks Rule of Law, property rights, democracy and their relevance to economic development in dynastic China and the West
- 12th – 13th Weeks Why China slept and implications for today

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E-TEXTBOOK:

Patrick Leung. *New Perspectives on China's Late Imperial Period: Why China Slept*. Peter Lang Publishing, 2020.

BOOKS ON RESERVE

Mark Elvin, *The Pattern of the Chinese Past*, Stanford University Press, 1973.

Kenneth Pomeranz, *The Great Divergence*, Princeton University Press, 2000.

李伯重，江南的早期工業化（1550-1850年），社會科學文獻出版社，2000

梁柏力，被誤解的中國：看明清時代和今天，中信出版社／花千樹出版社，2010/2011.