

THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
ECON 3250
CHINESE ECONOMY: HERITAGE AND CHANGE
中國經濟: 傳承與變革

COURSE OUTLINE
Second Semester 2022-2023

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

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E-TEXTBOOK:

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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.