## Tamkang University Academic Year 104, 2nd Semester Course Syllabus

Course Title	FUTURES STUDIES IN POLITICS	Instructor	JEANNE HOFFMAN
Course Class	TNURBOD FUTURES STUDIES, 0D	Details	<ul><li>Required</li><li>One Semester</li><li>2 Credits</li></ul>

### Academic Aim of Education

- I. To introduce basic knowledge on futures studies.
- II. To raise awareness and to foster positive attitude towards the future of humanities.
- III. To cultivate critical thinking skills with a foresight perspective.
- IV. To cultivate the ability to explore futures issues with interdisciplinary perspectives.
- V. To develop skills for spotting emerging issues.

#### School wide essential virtues

- A. A global perspective.
- B. Information literacy.
- C. A vision for the future.
- D. Moral integrity.
- E. Independent thinking.
- F. A cheerful attitude and healthy lifestyle.
- G. A spirit of teamwork and dedication.
- H. A sense of aesthetic appreciation.

# Course Introduction

This course provides you with an understanding of futures studies from a political science and social change perspective using Taiwan as a case study. In this class we will explore key futures concepts such as anticipation, dominant images of the future, social change, emerging issues analysis, futures triangle, futures wheels, CLA, integral futures, visioning. You will be challenged with using a range of futures methods to design scenarios for the futures of Taiwan.

## The Relevance among Teaching Objectives, Objective Levels and Schoolwide essential virtue

I.Objective Levels (select applicable ones):

(i) Cognitive Domain : C1-Remembering, C2-Understanding, C3-Applying,

C4-Analyzing, C5-Evaluating, C6-Creating

(ii) Psychomotor Domain: P1-Imitation, P2-Mechanism, P3-Independent Operation,

P4-Linked Operation, P5-Automation, P6-Origination A1-Receiving, A2-Responding, A3-Valuing,

(iii) Affective Domain : Al-Receiving, A2-Responding, A3-Valuing, A4-Organizing, A5-Charaterizing, A6-Implementing

- II. The Relevance among Teaching Objectives, Objective Levels and Schoolwide essential virtues:
- (i) Determine the objective level(s) in any one of the three learning domains (cognitive, psychomotor, and affective) corresponding to the teaching objective. Each objective should correspond to the objective level(s) of ONLY ONE of the three domains.
- (ii) If more than one objective levels are applicable for each learning domain, select the highest one only. (For example, if the objective levels for Cognitive Domain include C3,C5,and C6, select C6 only and fill it in the boxes below. The same rule applies to Psychomotor Domain and Affective Domain.)
- (iii) Determine the Schoolwide essential virtues that correspond to each teaching objective. Each objective may correspond to one or more Schoolwide essential virtues at a time. (For example, if one objective corresponds to three Schoolwide essential virtues: A,AD, and BEF, list all of the three in the box.)

	Teaching Objectives		Relevance	
No.			Schoolwide essential virtues	
1	The power of change versus tradition and continuity	C4	С	
2	•Emerging Issues Analysis of cultural innovation and learning	P5	E	
3	•Social Change theories	C2	А	
4	•Macro historical models of change	A2	С	
5	•Belief systems, paradigms, worldviews and ideologies	P2	E	
6	•Case studies in futures oriented planning	A5	E	
7	This course is designed to present the emerging issue	C1	С	

### Teaching Objectives, Teaching Methods and Assessment

No.	Teaching Objectives	Teaching Methods	Assessment
1	The power of change versus tradition and continuity	Lecture, Appreciation	Participation
2	•Emerging Issues Analysis of cultural innovation and learning	Appreciation	Participation
3	•Social Change theories	Discussion	Practicum
4	•Macro historical models of change	Appreciation	Participation
5	•Belief systems, paradigms, worldviews and ideologies	Appreciation, Simulation, Problem solving	Participation

	•Case studies in futures oriented		Problem solving	Report
	planning			
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	Course Schedule			
Week	Date	Subject/Topics		Note
1	105/02/15 ~ 105/02/21	Introduction – about the class, introductions, assessment items, readings, etc.		
2	105/02/22 ~ 105/02/28	Why futures studies?		
3	105/02/29 ~ 105/03/06	Democratic governance and political systems		
4	105/03/07 ~ 105/03/13	Cultural narratives/Archetypes		
5	105/03/14 ~ 105/03/20	Governance and Social Change		
6	105/03/21 ~ 105/03/27	STEEP and Scenarios		
7	105/03/28 ~ 105/04/03	Case Studies in Futures-oriented policy		
8	105/04/04 ~ 105/04/10	Macrohistory, Macrohistorians		
9	105/04/11 ~ 105/04/17	Causal Layered Analysis		
10	105/04/18 ~ 105/04/24	Midterm Exam Week		
11	105/04/25 ~ 105/05/01	Scenarios		
12	105/05/02 ~ 105/05/08	Towards future-oriented Governance		
13	105/05/09 ~ 105/05/15	Creating Alternatives		
14	105/05/16 ~ 105/05/22	Presentations and reports due		
15	105/05/23 ~ 105/05/29	Presentations and reports due		
16	105/05/30 ~ 105/06/05	Presentations and reports due		
17	105/06/06 ~ 105/06/12	Final class wrap up and reflecti	ons	
18	105/06/13 ~ 105/06/19	Final Exam Week		
Requirement 2.		1.Attendance and participation 20 2.Mid-term essay 30% (Week 9) 3.Final group project 50% (2000wo		

Teaching Facility	(None)	
Textbook(s)		
Reference(s)	Frey Laws of the Future.doc	
Number of Assignment(s)	2 (Filled in by assignment instructor only)	
Grading Policy	<ul> <li>↑ Attendance: 20.0 %</li></ul>	
Note	This syllabus may be uploaded at the website of Course Syllabus Management System at <a href="http://info.ais.tku.edu.tw/csp">http://info.ais.tku.edu.tw/csp</a> or through the link of Course Syllabus Upload posted on the  home page of TKU Office of Academic Affairs at <a href="http://www.acad.tku.edu.tw/CS/main.php">http://www.acad.tku.edu.tw/CS/main.php</a> .   **Unauthorized photocopying is illegal. Using original textbooks is advised. It is a crime to improperly photocopy others' publications.	

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