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Language :	English
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Prerequisites	<i>The prerequisite(s) for this Teaching Unit (Unité d'enseignement – UE) for the programmes/courses that offer this Teaching Unit are specified at the end of this sheet.</i>
Main themes	This course examines major geostrategic and security issues facing selected countries in the Pacific Basin, by emphasising both the challenges to regional peace and stability, and opportunities for cooperation. The Asia-Pacific region, as defined for the purposes of this course, is one of the most dynamic regions in the world. In the post-Cold War era, the region has been undergoing a major shift in the balance of power, while struggling with the legacies of the Cold War. With a rising China, a 'rebalancing' US, a more assertive Japan, a nuclear-armed North Korea and two divided nations - Korea and China, as well as several territorial disputes and newly emerging powers in Southeast Asia, the Asia-Pacific is increasingly important in global military and strategic terms, in addition to its significance in economic ones.
Aims	<i>The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".</i>
Evaluation methods	oral exam.
Teaching methods	Course materials: reader, power point presentations by the professor. A detailed syllabus will be distributed in class.
Content	Introduction to the course and review of the syllabus; Conceptualisation of the Pacific Basin countries and theoretical perspectives; Alliances, major power relations and strategic competition in the Pacific Basin; geostrategic issues of the Taiwan Strait and the Korean Peninsula; strategy and security in Southeast Asia; territorial disputes and maritime security; multilateralism and institution-building.
Bibliography	Support de cours: lectures, présentations power point par l'enseignant. Un syllabus détaillé sera distribué.
Faculty or entity in charge	PSAD

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims
Master [120] in Political Sciences: General	SPOL2M	5		
Master [120] in European Studies	EURO2M	5	LEUSL2012	
Master [120] in Political Sciences: International Relations	SPRI2M	5		
Master [120] in Public Administration	ADPU2M	5		
Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies	HORI2M	5		
Master [60] in Political Sciences: General	SPOL2M1	5		