



UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI TORINO

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## Visiting Professor Program Academic year 2022/2023

**TEACHING COMMITMENT:** 54 hours

### COURSE TITLE

**Economy and Society in Contemporary China**

### TEACHING PERIOD

2nd term

### SCIENTIFIC AREA

Sociology

### LANGUAGE USED TO TEACH

English

### COURSE SUMMARY

Through the course "Economy and Society in Contemporary China" students will develop working knowledge on:

- The political development of China from the late Qing dynasty to the late 1980s, and the institutional characteristics of the Chinese Party-State;
- The evolution of Chinese society and economy after 1949;
- The most relevant social and economic indicators for socio-economic analyses and relevant data analysis;
- Key concepts, dynamics and controversies pertaining Chinese politics, society and economy in the current "new era";
- Key narratives and policy-related discourses pertaining China's contemporary politics, society and economy;
- Necessary analytical tools in order to conduct informed and independent research on socio-economic aspects of contemporary China, employing both primary and secondary sources.

## **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

The course "Economy and Society in Contemporary China" integrates other courses and teachings within the China & Global Studies profile offered by the CdLM Scienze Internazionali, with the aim of providing critical disciplinary knowledge and skills for the study of China's socio-political and economic development.

## **TUTORSHIP ACTIVITIES**

N/A

## **LAB ACTIVITIES**

The course "Economy and Society in Contemporary China" is integrated by a rich set of extra-curricular activities developed by the TOChina Centre of the Dept. of Cultures, Politics and Society, including practitioners' seminars and debates on independent documentaries ([www.tochina.it](http://www.tochina.it)).

## **OTHER ACTIVITIES BESIDES THE COURSE**

The scholar selected as Visiting Professor undertakes to convene one seminar in partnership with UniTO-based "OrizzonteCina", the only ANVUR-approved scientific journal in the Italian language covering China in the realm of social sciences. He/she will also deliver one conference for the discussion and dissemination of the results of the ongoing "Future Stakeholders" research project approved by UniTO's Comitato di Bioetica as part of the Italy-China Year of Culture (26/10/2021).

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## **VISITING PROFESSOR PROFILE**

The Visiting Professor should be a tenured Associate or Full professor affiliated with a distinguished university of global reputation. He/she should have a robust scientific background in the social sciences, preferably Sociology and/or Political Science, and should manifest an appreciation for inter-disciplinary research. He/she should have previous experience of international teaching at Master's level, demonstrating the ability to equip UniTO students with the capacity to critically assess the complex interweaving of China's domestic politics, economic transformation and social dynamics within a shifting global context.

## **CONTACT PERSON AT THE DEPARTMENT**

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