**COSM01: Introduction to Asian Studies**

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The course is a 6-credit mandatory component of the Asian studies master programme.

Course literature is 712 pages but an additional 100 pages of optional reading may be added to keep up with current events and trends in the field.

One of the seminars is a case study on the Rohingya so while there are 14 papers related to this case, students will be broken into groups with each group responsible for comparing and contrasting two papers, so instead of 250-300 pages of reading, each group is only doing 40-60 pages. Thus, all the optional Rohingya-related papers are marked with an \* to show that they are not mandatory but rather students will be assigned two from this list by seminar group.

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