

IEE2106-02 GLOBAL KOREAN MUSIC AND CULTURE: FROM ARIRANG TO K-POP

COURSE TITLE	GLOBAL KOREAN MUSIC AND CULTURE:	COURSE CODE-	IEE2106-02
	FROM ARIRANG TO K-POP	SECTION	
CREDIT	3	CLASS PERIOD	P2 (11:00~12:40)
OFFICE	TBA	OFFICE HOURS	By Appointment
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[COURSE INFORMATION]

COURSE
DESCRIPTION &
BRIEF
INTRODUCTION
OF THE COURSE

"What is the sound of Korea?" Student will explore Korean diasporic music and sound from Korean traditional folk songs (*minyo*) to BTS (K-Pop). In this interdisciplinary course, students will take critical and diverse perspectives on Korean music, sound and culture through historical, political, and cultural lenses, exploring them as visual and sonic narratives without boundaries. This class will provide fresh perspectives by utilizing performances, music videos, archives, urtext music scores, and bilingual text (Korean and English). Furthermore, students will engage broadly not only with music and sound but also with Korean visual arts, philosophies, film, and literature.

COURSE GOALS

- 1. Develop a fresh insight into Korean music and sound, spanning from local to global perspectives
- 2. A general understanding of modern Korea and its culture

GROUP DISCUSSION

- 3. Knowledge of the Korean music and sound across various genres, including K-Pop, K-Drama music, K-Film, K-Art Song, K-Classic, *tongyo* (Korean children's song)
- 4. Analyze musical narratives through textual and various content perspectives.

COURSE
METHODS
(100% TOTAL)
GRADING
POLICY
(100% TOTAL)

LECTURE

80%	20%				
GROUP	FINAL	GROUP		ATTENDANC	E
PROJECT &	PAPER	DISCUSS	ION	& PROFESSION	ONALISM
PRESENTATION					
200/	400/	200/		1.00/	

GRADING POLICY

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Participation & Professionalism (10%): Participation is significant part of your grade for this lecture course. In calculating your final grade, 10 points will come from your display of professionalism in my class. This evaluation will be based upon the following:

- Class attendance
- Evidence of preparedness by responding to class questions
- Courteous consideration of classmates
- Respecting classmates by not distracting others with your laptop, etc.
- Turning off all cellphones
- Contributing to the learning environment of the classroom

Group Discussion (20%): There will be a group discussion during every class. After a group discussion of the given subjects, you will share your ideas and conclusions with the entire class.

Group Project & Presentation (30%): Music Video/Multimedia Project & Presentation



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6-WEEK PROGRA	M
	Final Paper (40%): You will write a final paper on a topic we learned in class. You will explore Korean music culture with a research paper 6 pages with strong academic bibliography (approximately 10 academic entries). The topic of your research paper must be approved by instructor. I will ask your proposal with topic, research methods, purpose and references. All references must be properly cited using either MLA (Modern Language Association) Style (http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/)or Chicago Manual Style (http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/home.html) depending on your general familiarity.
COURSE REQUIREMENTS	 Electronic Devices: Laptops, iPads, Cell phones and all mobile devices must be turned off and put away during class unless the instructor allows to use them for academic tasks and activities. Plagiarism: Plagiarism will not be tolerated. Ideas that are not your own must be accompanied by a citation with the source and page number. Direct quotation must be in quotation marks and must also be accompanied by a citation. Paraphrasing is plagiarism. Copying another student or another author's work is cheating and is a violation of YISS policy. Students who cheat will be brought before a university disciplinary panel. If you have questions about citing source materials, feel free to ask me.
TEXTS& REFERENCES	 Zur, Dafna, and Susan Hwang. "Introduction to the Special Section Music That Moves: Sonic Narratives in Modern Korea." <i>Korean Studies 46, no. 1 (2022)</i>: 1-7. Willoughby, Heather. "The sound of han: P'ansori, timbre and a Korean ethos of pain and suffering." <i>Yearbook for Traditional Music 32 (2000)</i>: 17-30. Finchum-Sung, Hilary Vanessa. "Visual Excess: The Visuality of Traditional Music Performance in South Korea." <i>Ethnomusicology</i>56, no. 3 (2012): 396–425. Chang, Hyun Kyong Hannah. "A Fugitive Christian Public: Singing, Sentiment, and Socialization in Colonial Korea." <i>Journal of Korean Studies 25, no. 2 (2020)</i>: 291-323. Hwang, Yoon Joo, and Dafna Zur. "When Songs Don't Work: Western Tonalities and Korean Breath in Children's Songs of the Colonial Period." <i>Korean Studies 46, no. 1 (2022)</i>: 8-42.

- no. 1 (2022): 8-42. 6. Park, Hye-Jung. "Musical Entanglements: Ely Haimowitz and Orchestral Music
- under the US Army Military Government in Korea, 1945–1948." Journal of the Society for American Music 15, no. 1 (2021): 1-29.
- 7. Maliangkay, Roald. "Koreans performing for foreign troops: The Occidentalism of the CMC and KPK." East Asian History 37, (2011): 59-72.
- 8. Yates-Lu, Anna. "When K-Pop and Kugak meet: popularising P'ansori in Modern Korea." Yearbook for traditional music 51 (2019): 49-71.
- 9. Kim, Jinwon, and Meebae Lee. "Nation branding or marketization?: K-Classic and Korean classical musicians in an era of globalization." International Journal of Cultural Policy 24, no. 6 (2018): 756-772.
- 10. Lie, John. "What is the K in K-pop?: South Korean Popular Music, the Culture Industry, and National Identity," Korea Observer 43 (3): 339-363.
- 11. Lie, John. "BTS, the highest stage of K-pop." The Soft Power of the Korean Wave: Parasite, BTS and Drama (2021): 118-128



Dr. Yoon Joo Hwang, Associate Professor of Music at the University of Central Florida, has taught and performed throughout the U.S., Asia and Europe. Her multicultural education and performance backgrounds facilitated a hybrid of teaching, research, and creative work,

nationally and internationally. She has lectured and performed at numerous venues 1. including Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, University of Michigan, University of Southern California, Columbia University, UC Berkeley, UCLA, UC Irvine, UC Santa Barbara, El Sistema in Venezuela, Seoul National University and Central Conservatory of Music in Beijing. Dr. Hwang has developed an extensive and diverse research portfolio as well as developing and conducting interdisciplinary research. She has been invited to present scholarly research papers at meetings of the Association for Asian Studies, the Society of Ethnomusicology, the College Music Society, and the Asia-Pacific Symposium for Music Education Research (Tokyo, Japan). Recently, Dr. Hwang completed the North Korea Program at George Washington University to expand her research into music in Cold War Korea. She was invited to serve as a Visiting Scholar at Seoul National University, Korea University and Korean National University of the Arts; the latter position offered an unparalleled opportunity to advance her research into the influence of Western classical music on the modern contemporary era in Korea.

[WEEKLY SCHEDULE]

WEEK	DAILY TOPIC & CONTENTS	REFERENCE
WEEK1	Class 1: Introduction	Zur, Dafna, and Susan Hwang.
(June 30 to July 3, 2025)	Class 2: A Brief History of Korean Music	"Introduction to the Special
	(from Korean Folk Song Minyo to BTS)	Section Music That Moves: Sonic
	Class 3: Korean Traditional Music, kukak	Narratives in Modern Korea."
	Class 4: Hybridity of <i>Kukak</i> & K-Pop	Korean Studies 46, no. 1 (2022): 1-7.
WEEK 2	Class 1: Transpacific East Asia: The	Hwang, Yoon Joo, and Dafna Zur.
(July 7 to July 10, 2025)	Adoption of Western Music and Culture	"When Songs Don't Work:
	Class 2: Korean Emotional Characters in	Western Tonalities and Korean
	Music	Breath in Children's Songs of the
	Class 3: Korean Art Song, gagok	Colonial Period." Korean Studies
	Class 4: Korean Breath, tongyo (Korean children's song)	46, no. 1 (2022): 8-42.
WEEK3	Class 1: Music of Gyeongseong:	Chang, Hyun Kyong Hannah. "A
(July 14 to July 17, 2025)	Modernization and Globalization	Fugitive Christian Public: Singing,
	Class 2: Music in the Post-Liberation Era	Sentiment, and Socialization in
	(Haebang Gonggan)	Colonial Korea." Journal of
	Class 3: Connecting Musical Dots of Cold	Korean
	War Korea	Studies 25, no. 2 (2020): 291-323.
	Class 4: Musical Memories of the Korean	Park, Hye-Jung. "Musical
	War (1950-1953)	
		Entanglements: Ely Haimowitz and
		Orchestral Music under the US
		Army Military Government in
		Korea, 1945–1948." Journal of the
		Society for American Music 15, no. 1 (2021):1-29

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WEEK4 (July 21 to July 23, 2025)	Class 1: Korean Film Music Class 2: Korean Drama Music Class 3: An Overview of K-Pop Class 4: K-Pop Entertainment Companies and K-Idols	Maliangkay, Roald. "Koreans performing for foreign troops: The Occidentalism of the CMC and KPK." <i>East Asian History 37</i> (2011): 59-72. Lie, John. "What is the K in Kpop? South Korean Popular Music, the Culture Industry, and National Identity." <i>Korea Observer</i>	
WEEK5 (July 28 to July 31, 2025)	Class 1: Globalization of K-Pop (from local to global)	Kim, Jinwon, and Meebae Lee. "Nation branding or	
	Class 2: Musical Narratives and Voice in K- Pop Music Videos Class 2: K. Pop Fondom	marketization?: K-Classic and Korean classical musicians in an era of globalization." <i>International</i>	
	Class 3: K-Pop Fandom Class 4: Korea's Classical Music & Globalization	Journal of Cultural Policy 24, no. 6 (2018):756-772.	
WEEK6	Class 1: Wrap Up & Discussion		
(August 4 to August 6,	Group Presentation I		
2025)	Class 2: Group Presentation II		
	Class 3: Group Presentation III		
	Class 4: Final Paper Submission		