Japan, the Great Powers, and East Asia, 1853 – 1993

Professor Matsusaka

Meets Mondays, Thursdays 4:10-5:20

The history of Japan’s international relations from the age of empire through the end of the Cold War. Topics include: imperialism and nationalism in East Asia, diplomacy and military strategy, international economic competition, cultural and “civilizational” conflicts, World War II in East Asia, the U.S.-Japan alliance, and the politics of war memory. Special emphasis on Japan’s relations with the United States, China, Russia, and Korea.

Spring 2015