# Korea Textbook and Curriculum Materials Presentation

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# 1. Area of interest: International Relations/Comparative Politics; and Asian Studies

Have taught many courses in these areas at Spelman College

 Comparative Politics - a required course for Political Science major and minor

 Intro to Asian Studies - a required course for Asian Studies minor

# 2. Comparative Politics course covers theoretical context and country case studies

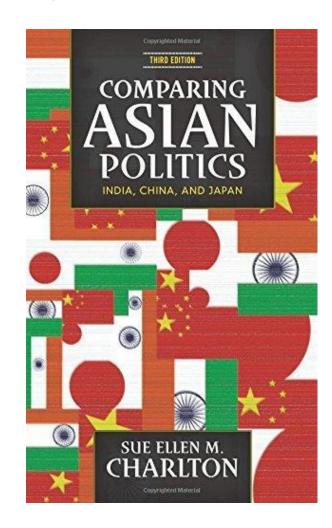
- Country case studies chosen in textbooks reflect a balance of development
  models (developing; developed; newly industrialized; former colonies); regions
  (Europe; Asia; Africa etc.) and political systems (democracy; dictatorship etc.)
- S.Korea could appear under more than one of those overlapping criteria (developed; Asia; democracy), but does not
- China and Japan are the Asian countries invariably selected for case studies –
   China to represent rapidly developing model and Japan to represent established democracy

#### 3. Intro to Asian Studies

- Is a multidisciplinary course, with content from History, Language and Culture and Political Science (currently)
- Could also be taught by faculty in Religion, Econ, etc.
- Needs to reflect the multidisciplinary nature of the Asian Studies program (faculty from diverse departments)
- Difficult to find text book that is truly multidisciplinary
- Have used Sue Charlton's "Comparing Asian Politics" as the course textbook

### 3. Intro to Asian Studies (Continu'd)

- Although Charlton's book primarily focuses on politics, includes sections on history and culture
- Focuses on three countries: India, China and Japan
- Certainly could include S. Korea to reflect the economic dynamism and democratic politics



# 4. Within the realm of Political Science/Asian Studies in general:

- India, Japan and China seem to be the focus of most textbooks dealing with Asia
- There is great scope for S.Korea to be brought in to reflect greater diversity in understanding Asia
- Our challenge: to position Korea as adding unique content in understanding
   Comparative Politics, International Relations and Asian Studies
- In other words: why Korea instead of Japan or China, if only one can be selected



# Stanford Program on International and Cross-Cultural Education

- Program of Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford University (FSI)
- Serve as a bridge between FSI/Stanford and K-12 schools
  - Developing curriculum materials on international issues
  - Offering professional development opportunities for teachers
  - Educating high school students through distance-learning opportunities

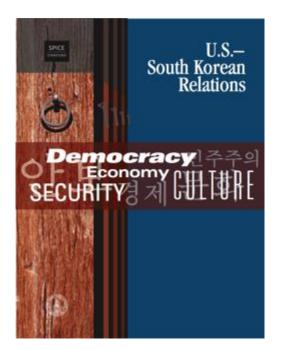
## SPICE Curriculum Development

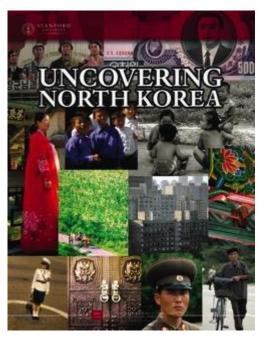


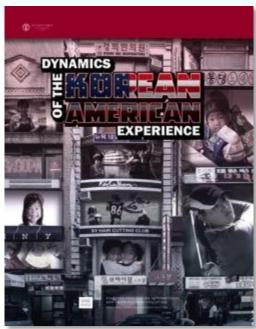
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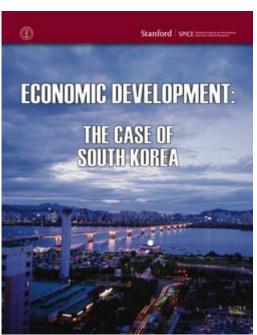
- We work with scholars to create teaching materials for K-12 classrooms.
- Our materials focus on international and cross-cultural topics.
  - Historical/contemporary
  - Regional/thematic
  - Multiple perspectives
- Our materials align with the Common Core standards

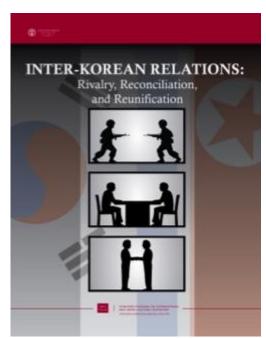


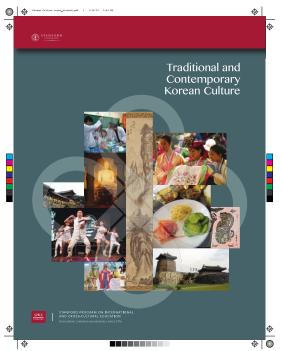












# SPICE Teacher Professional Development

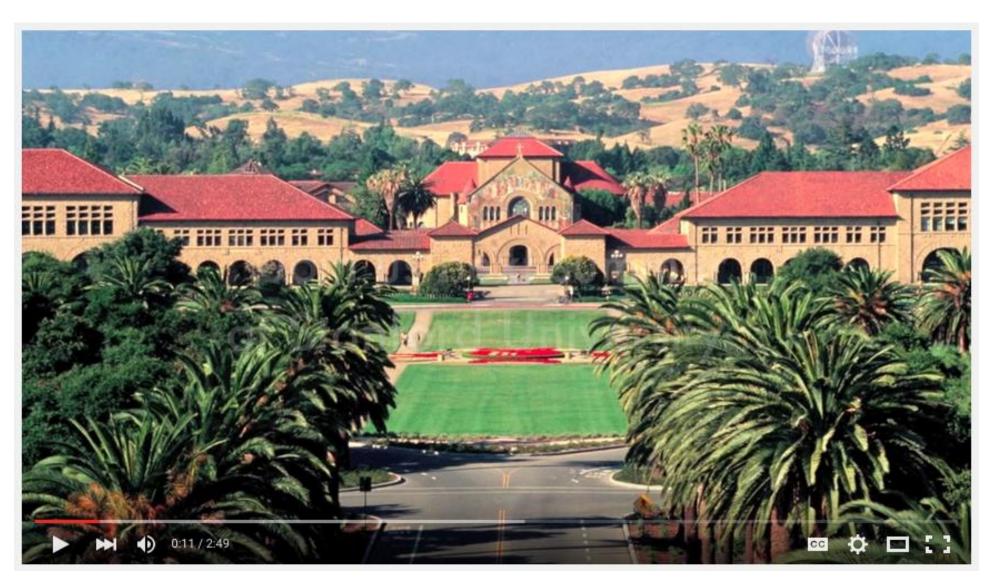


#### Hana-Stanford Conference

- Three-day summer conference on Korea for U.S. secondary school teachers
- For teachers interested in incorporating Korean studies into their curricula to learn and exchange ideas
- Features scholarly lectures and curriculum demonstrations on topics such as
  - Korean history
  - Inter-Korean relations
  - Politics, economics, and culture
  - U.S.-Korean relations



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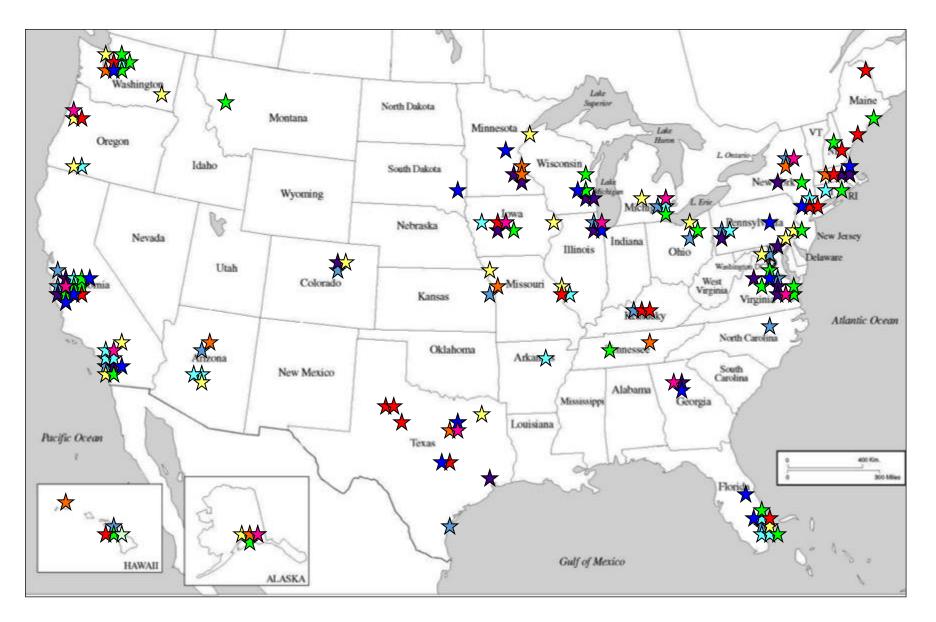
# SPICE Distance-Learning Courses



## Distance-Learning Courses

- SPICE offers online distance learning courses for U.S. high school students
  - SKSP (Sejong Korean Scholars Program)
  - RSP (Reischauer Scholars Program)
- SPICE offers online distance learning courses for high school students in Japan and Korea
  - Stanford e-Japan
  - Stanford e-China
  - Stanford e-Korea?





Students in SPICE's online courses represent 32 different states across the country.



## Sejong Korean Scholars Program



#### Methods of Instruction

- Assigned course readings
- Weekly homework assignments
- Videotaped Internet-accessible lectures
- Interactive discussion forums
- Virtual Classroom sessions
- Research projects / Presentations

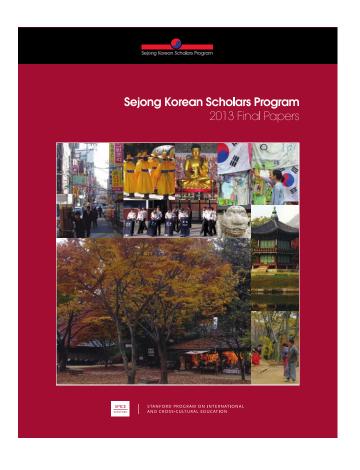
## Online Lecture Topics for SKSP

- Traditional Korea
- Colonial Korea
- Korea's Religions
- Korean War
- South Korean Economic Recovery
- South Korea's Democratization
- North Korea
- Korean Education System
- U.S. South Korea Relations
- "Korean Wave"





## Final Research Paper



- Research paper on a topic related to Korea 50%
- 10–13 pages; MLA format
  - Topic proposal outline
  - Rough Draft
  - 2 Peer Reviews
  - Final Draft

#### Numbers

Hana-Stanford Conference 30 teachers x 5 years = 120 teachers 120 teachers x 120 students = 14,400 students

National Consortium for Teaching About Asia (NCTA) Seminars 15 teachers x 10 years = 150 teachers 150 teachers x 120 students = 18,000 students

> SKSP 20 students x 6 cohorts = 120 students