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# Korean Studies in Western Language Resources

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## Korean Studies in Western Languages Course Outline:

### 1. **Overview of Mini-course:**

- A. Instructor introduction
- B. Survey students about their interests (in Korean Studies)
- C. Review syllabus\*

### 2. **History + Government:**

- A. [H] Struggles with imperialistic powers (broadly, era before 1945)
- B. [H] Korean War (1945 – 1953)
- C. [H] Divided Korea (preview into session #4)
- D. [G] Government structures for North and South Korea
- E. [G] Policies & International Relations
- F. [G] Economy (business etiquette, chaebols, OECD resource).

### 3. **Culture:**

- A. Social Norms (hierarchical culture, mannerisms)
- B. Education (intense competitiveness, hakwons AKA academies, etc).
- C. Food and Cuisine
- D. Religion and Philosophy

### 4. **North Korea & Reunification:**

- A. Brief historical review
- B. Geography (Korean Peninsula)
- C. Nuclear Power

- D. Refugees (Humanitarian Narrative)
- E. Possible reunification talks/negotiations

**5. Art & Literature:**

- A. Prominent Artists/Authors (History)
- B. Newspapers
- C. Arts & Museums
- D. Architecture (statues, buildings, living residences, apartment high-rises)

**6. Hallyu (Korean Wave):**

- A. K-pop
- B. Dramas
- C. Cinema (utilize HanCinema & other 'Korean Online Resources')

**7. Independent Research & Conclusion:**

- A. How to navigate LibGuides
- B. Miryln and Databases (English resources specific to Korean Studies)
- C. \*Present other Korean Studies related courses (google doc excel sheet)