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 Koreas (preview into session #4)
   D. [G] Government structures for North and South Korea
   E. [G] Policies & International Relations

3. **Culture:**
   A. Social Norms (hierarchal 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)*