

**CENTRE FOR CANADIAN, US & LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES**  
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**JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY**  
**M.PHIL COURSE**

Course No.	:	AW 652
Course Title	:	The US Policy Towards the Asia-Pacific Region
Teacher	:	Prof. Chintamani Mahapatra
Credit Allotted	:	3
Instructional Method	:	Lectures/Tutorials
Evaluation Method	:	Sessional Work and end Semester Examination
Semester	:	Winter Semester
Course Duration	:	One Semester
Contact Hours	:	3 per week

**The Beginning: Rise of America as a Big Power**

The Inception of American Involvement in Asia:

Spanish-American War of 1898, Colonization of the Philippines, Open Door Policy Towards China, U.S. Response to Russia-Japanese War, The Japanese School Boy Crisis, Disarmament on the Potomac, US-Japan Tension after the Fall of France, Asian Co-prosperity Sphere, Atomic Armageddon and the End of War:

**Post World War II: Emergence of US as a Superpower**

Onset of Cold War:

Korean War and the Aftermath, War in Indo-China, Birth of SEATO, Rising Insurgencies in Southeast Asia, Origin of ASEAN, Sino-American Détente, US Withdrawal from Indochina.

US Role in Post-Vietnam Southeast Asia:

Rise of the Asian Tigers, Cambodian Crisis and Sino-Vietnamese Conflict, Economic Growth of ASEAN, ASEAN Political Activism.

**Shifting Asian power Balance:**

The United States and the Major Asian Powers:  
Japan, China, India, Russia.

US Attitude Towards the Middle Asian Powers:  
Pakistan, South Korea, Indonesia.

**End of Cold War and Primacy of Economy:**

American Role in Asian Regionalism:

ASEAN, ARF, APEC, Clinton's Concept of New Pacific Community, Asian Financial Crisis.

**Old and New Challenges:**

Energy Security, Environment, Drugs Trafficking, Terrorism, Small Arms Proliferation, Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction.