

# Exam and grading guidelines KIN4340 spring 2021

## Topic Spring 2021: Taiwan

### Exam text

The students were asked to choose one of these questions:

1. Discuss the role of language in Taiwanese films and society based on what you have seen, heard, and read this semester.
2. Discuss the role of globalization in Taiwanese society and politics based on what you have seen, heard, and read this semester.

The paper should be 2500 - 3000 words long plus a list of references (include word count at the end of the paper). The discussion should have a firm basis in the syllabus from the course and the various aspects presented/discussed in classes. In addition, you are of course welcome to include other relevant sources in your discussion. The paper has to have a title and include an introduction, 2 - 4 sections with titles, a conclusion, and, at the end, a consistent list of references.

### Grading guidelines

The evaluation of the papers should consider the following:

- It is a requirement that the question in either 1 or 2 as mentioned above is actually answered. That is, if, for instance, topic 1 is chosen the paper has to discuss the role of language in films and society, not just language in general, or in society. Also their requirement is to discuss so a mere summary is acceptable but should not give a very high grade.
- It is a requirement that the paper is based on readings from the course syllabus; and not just 1-2 articles from the syllabus or articles/sources that the student identifies beyond the course reading. It is fine if students also include other material, but the basis has to be from the course readings. (This request is made to ensure that students actually read the mandatory literature throughout the course and are familiar with it).
- Furthermore, the grading should consider if the discussion is presented in a clear and consistent way (is the structure logical, clear, is there a good basis for conclusions reached, is the language comprehensible, is there a standardized and consistent system of references).
- An ability to demonstrate critical, analytical and independent thinking should be positively evaluated.