

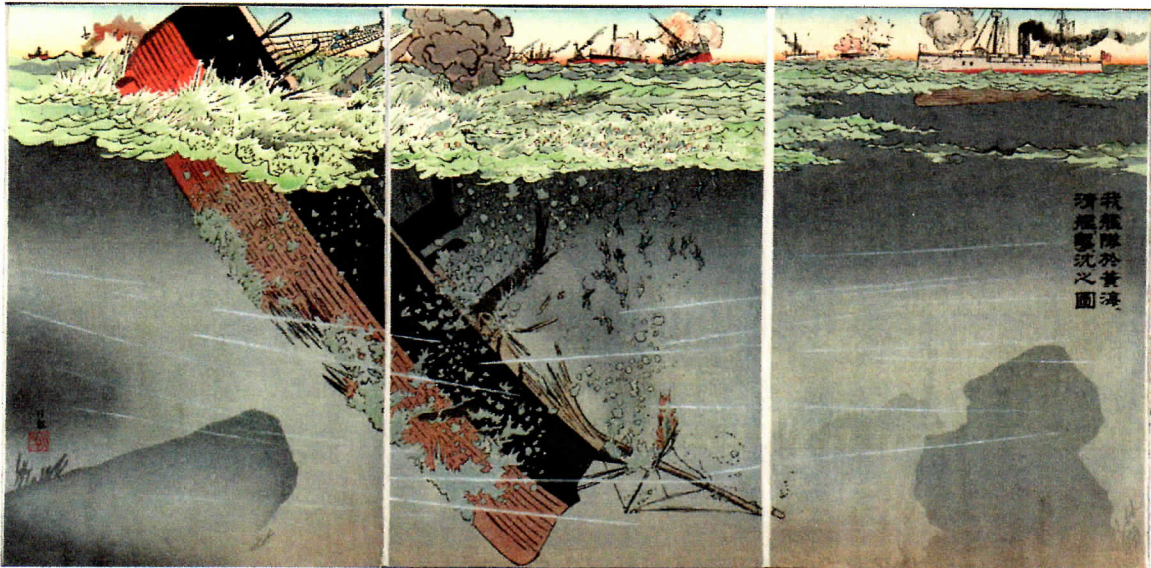
Interpreting Japan's Role In The Period 1890-1910

World History Seminars for Teachers

Tuesday, October 21, 2008

5:30-8 P.M.

4130 Wesley W Posvar Hall, University Of Pittsburgh



"Picture of Our Naval Forces in the Yellow Sea Firing at and Sinking Chinese Warships" Kobayashi Kiyochika, 1894

For the second year in a row, the National Consortium for Teaching about Asia (NCTA), the Asian Studies Center, and the World History Center at the University of Pittsburgh are jointly presenting a series of seminars for school teachers. The general public is also welcome.

Our guest speaker will be Professor SHINGO MINAMIZUKA, Department of Intercultural Communications at Hosei University in Tokyo. His initial research interest was nineteenth century international relations with a special focus on East European history. As he investigated this area he narrowed his focus down to Hungarian history and cultural relations between Eastern Europe and Japan. Most recently has been studying Japan's role within the context of understanding the dynamics of world history. In 2004 Professor Minamizuka established the Research Institute for World History in Japan. Currently, we are honored to have him at Pitt as a Visiting Scholar for the Fall semester.

Following Professor Minamizuka's presentation and the question period, we will divide the teachers in the audience into small groups. Within these groups we will focus on various methods for incorporating the materials and ideas presented into the teachers' classrooms.