

JSP Elective Courses (Fall 2018)

(1) Introduction to Community in Japan (4 credits)

YUNOUE Chiharu

13:10-14:40 & 14:50-16:20 (Tuesday)

What does community/neighborhood mean in Japan? This course will introduce a wide variety of topics on community building efforts and community-based problem solving in Japan. A large number of neighborhoods in Japan have experienced various issues, such as urbanization, aging, depopulation, natural disasters, and so on. In this course, we will explore various strategies employed for overcoming these challenges, and consider what makes neighborhoods vibrant, inclusive, and healthy. The topics also include activities of organizations and community-based elder care in Japan. The course uses a seminar format. Students are expected to participate in class discussions on articles and a variety of visual materials, such as videos and photos, seen in class. No prerequisite.

(2) The Soft Power of Cool Japan (4 credits)

CLOSE Natalie

13:10-14:40 & 14:50-16:20 (Thursday)

In 2010 the Japanese government formally implemented a strategy called Cool Japan, which aims at increasing Japan's influence in the world through a process known as soft power. We will look into the various forms of Cool Japan including anime, manga, gaming, and fashion, as well as some of the less well-known areas such as sport and the arts, from a historical perspective. In addition, we will look at the contemporary status of popular culture both in Japan and globally, critically examine the success of the Cool Japan program, and discuss what the future may hold. Overall, this course will raise students' critical awareness of a variety of cultural and social issues related to modern Japan in the 21st century.

(3) Buddhist Traditions (4 credits)

DROTT Edward

13:10-14:40 & 14:50-16:20 (Friday)

This course will provide students with a thorough introduction to the breadth and depth of the Buddhist tradition, tracing its complex pattern of dissemination throughout Asia. The course will follow Buddhism's growth chronologically, giving a basic outline of pre-Buddhist South Asian religion, the Buddha's biography, basic Buddhist philosophy, the development of the *tripitaka* early practices, the rise of Theravāda, Mahāyāna and Vajrayāna, the development of new sects and movements in Central and East Asia, and "modernist" attempts to rework the tradition from the nineteenth century forward.

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In addition to JSP Electives (previous page), JSP students are eligible to enroll in E-Track courses from other categories, as displayed in the chart below.

★**IMPORTANT:** Please note that for certain E-Track courses, we strongly recommend you have prior knowledge, as per below:

Category	Course	Teacher	Credit	Day / Period	
Liberal Arts	Sustainable Society	Stanislawski	4	Mon/Thu	4 14:50 -16:20
	Principles of Political Science	Yamamoto	4	Mon/Thu	4 14:50 -16:20
	Introduction to Social Psychology	Blackwood	4	Tue/Fri	4 14:50 -16:20
	Introduction to International Relations	Lamont	4	Tue/Fri	4 14:50 -16:20
	Fundamentals of Mathematics	Amponsah	4	Tue/Fri	4 14:50 -16:20
	Introduction to International Relations	Schwak	4	Mon/Thu	5 16:30 -18:00
	Principles of Management	Ishiguro	4	Mon/Thu	5 16:30 -18:00
	Principles of Economics	Handika	4	Tue/Fri	5 16:30 -18:00
Business Economics	Behavioral Economics ★ Knowledge of Microeconomics is preferred	Morimoto	4	Mon/Thu	3 13:10-14:50
	Global Marketing ★ Knowledge of Principles of Marketing is preferred	Tajeddini	4	Tue/Fri	3 13:10-14:50
	International Finance ★ Knowledge of Macroeconomics and Microeconomics is preferred.	Mitra	4	Tue/Fri	3 13:10-14:50
	Mathematics for Business and Economics ★ Knowledge of Fundamentals of Mathematics is preferred	Takeuchi	4	Tue/Fri	3 13:10-14:50

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Business Economics	Macroeconomics ★ Knowledge of Principles of Economics is preferred	Chen	4	Tue/Fri	3 13:10-14:50
	Gender in Business	Ishiguro	4	Mon/Thu	4 14:50 -16:20
	Institutions and Business Transformation	Okada	4	Mon/Thu	4 14:50 -16:20
	Financial Accounting	Handika	4	Tue/Fri	4 14:50 -16:20
	Start-Up Funding and VC Strategies	Tan	4	Tue/Fri	4 14:50 -16:20
	Statistics II ★ Knowledge of Statistics I is preferred	Sharkasi	4	Mon/Thu	5 16:30 -18:00
	International Business ★ Knowledge of Principles of Management is preferred	Okada	4	Mon/Thu	5 16:30 -18:00
	Organizational Behavior ★ Knowledge of Principles of Management is preferred	Tajeddini	4	Tue/Fri	5 16:30 -18:00
	Microeconomics ★ Knowledge of Principles of Economics is preferred	Mitra	4	Tue/Fri	5 16:30 -18:00
Development Economics ★ Knowledge of Macroeconomics and Microeconomics is preferred.	Edmonds	4	Tue/Fri	5 16:30 -18:00	
International Relations	Japanese Popular Culture (JSP/IR)	Greene	4	Mon/Thu	3 13:10-14:50
	Japanese Politics in Comparative Perspective (JSP/IR)	Yamamoto	4	Mon/Thu	3 13:10-14:50
	International Development	Takeishi	4	Mon/Thu	3 13:10-14:50

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<i>International Relations</i>	Comparative Social Institutions	Blackwood	4	Tue/Fri	3 13:10-14:50
	Transitional Justice	Lamont	4	Tue/Fri	3 13:10-14:50
	Public Diplomacy and Image Politics	Schwak	4	Mon/Thu	4 14:50 -16:20
	Political Theory	Munier	4	Tue/Fri	4 14:50 -16:20
	War and Peace in East Asia	Murai	4	Mon/Thu	5 16:30 -18:00
	International Political Economy	Kim	4	Mon/Thu	5 16:30 -18:00
	Gender in International Relations	Blackwood	4	Mon/Thu	5 16:30 -18:00

Course credits

Total Class Time	Credits
90 min / week x 15 weeks	2 credits
180 min/ week x 15 weeks	4 credits

***Note (1):** JSP students usually register between 16 and 20 credits (Intensive Japanese courses are 8 credits).

***Note (2):** The transfer of credits is at the discretion of your home institution. Please contact your university's Academic Registrar's Office to confirm if the courses you wish to take are eligible for credit transfer. As a general reference, 1 TIU credit = 1 USA credit = 2 ECTS credits = 4 UK credits. Different credit systems and/or conversion ratios might apply.