

## COURSE DETAIL

### URBAN STUDIES: TOKYO

**Country**

Japan

**Host Institution**

Waseda University

**Program(s)**

Waseda University

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Urban Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

101

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

URBAN STUDIES: TOKYO

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

URBAN STUDIES:TOKYO

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

## Course Description

This course examines one of the most complex products of society- the city, with the focus on the city of Tokyo. It takes a multidisciplinary approach to study the phenomenology of Tokyo at the meeting point between the built city and the personal urban experience. The course also looks at the creation and recreation of the city's physical texture, architecture, urban landscape, infrastructures and technology while at the same time, observing it as a social product determined by everyday life and habitual practices, the organization of the immediate surroundings, personal rites and the micro-politics of life in the city. In the same manner, the course looks at buildings and neighborhoods per se, as a material construct guided by geometry and legal code, while also recognizing how the pragmatics of this built environment interrelate with cultural systems such as literature and film, and with culture as a whole. The course also looks at how the city is not merely a reflection or expression of politics, but rather an intricate political apparatus in and of itself, influencing relationships and encouraging change.

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

## Host Institution Course Number

ARTV381L

## Host Institution Course Title

SPECIAL TOPICS ON DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE

## Host Institution Course Details

<https://www.wsl.waseda.jp/syllabus/JAA104.php?pKey=210EX44200512024210EX4420021...>

## Host Institution Campus

Waseda University

## Host Institution Faculty

## Host Institution Degree

**Host Institution Department**

SILS

**Course Last Reviewed**

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