COURSE DETAIL

JAPANESE POLITICAL THOUGHT Country

Host Institution

Waseda University

Program(s)

Japan

Waseda University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science

UCEAP Course Number

134

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

JAPANESE POLITICAL THOUGHT

UCEAP Transcript Title

JAPAN POL THOUGHT

UCEAP Quarter Units

3.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.00

Course Description

This course examines the development and transformation of modern Japanese political thought in the Meiji period (1868-1912). Major topics are: the characteristics of Japan's nation building; the formation of imperial nationalism; the development of capitalism and its impact on Japanese society; the structure and transformation of Japanese colonialism; the emergence of pan-Asianism; and war and democracy in modern Japan. The course examines these themes from both empirical and theoretical perspectives. Students are required to give three presentations during the term: a presentation on the lwakura mission (group-work); a field-trip report (group-work); and an individual research presentation based on their termpaper. A basic knowledge of modern Japanese history is recommended, but not required. Assessment: papers, class participation for discussion, and 3 presentations

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

PHLT241L

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JAPANESE POLITICAL THOUGHT

Host Institution Campus

School of Political Science and Economics

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Philosophy & Religion

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