

## COURSE DETAIL

### INFORMATION SYSTEM AND SOCIETY

**Country**

Japan

**Host Institution**

Hitotsubashi University

**Program(s)**

Hitotsubashi University

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Sociology

**UCEAP Course Number**

118

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

INFORMATION SYSTEM AND SOCIETY

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

INFO SYST & SOCIETY

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

3.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

2.00

## Course Description

We often hear that we live in an “information society” or are preparing to work in a “knowledge economy”. Drawing on classic and cutting-edge research on the system of information creation and provision, this course provides conceptual foundations for historical, political-economic, and policy analysis of information institutions, technologies, and infrastructures. This course examines the historical and contemporary transformation of information as a social and political economic process, by focusing on how and why social development came to be centered around information. What role has been played in this transition by the historical role of information in times of revolution, imperial domination, utopian movements, and innovations in information and communications technologies (ICTs)? What challenges does this informationally dominated society pose to contemporary life and social stability? Assessment: class participation, class presentation and leading discussion, 4 one-page mini-papers.

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

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## Host Institution Campus

Hitotsubashi University

## Host Institution Faculty

## Host Institution Degree

## Host Institution Department

Global Education Program

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