COURSE DETAIL

SHINTOISM AND ZEN
Country Japan
Host Institution Doshisha University
Program(s) Japanese in Kyoto
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Religious Studies
UCEAP Course Number 110
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title SHINTOISM AND ZEN
UCEAP Transcript Title SHINTOISM AND ZEN
UCEAP Quarter Units 3.00
UCEAP Semester Units 2.00

Course Description

This course is considered a continuation of the course, "Special Topic in Japanese Culture A" and aims to deepen understanding of Shinto and Zen Buddhist traditional Japanese culture through three cultural experiences. The course provides an overview of Japanese religious culture and consider the religious consciousness of the Japanese people as seen in Oni and Mononoke, etc, in Japanese anime.

The course instructs on the origins of Shinto, as well as Shinto thought; the period of shrine establishment; histories of the shrine maiden; rituals; music; history, and development of Dance in Japan. This section also covers Shintoism and Kotodama (the philosophy of words and spirits) and Kodaimoji (ancient scripts.), as well as the philosophy of Budo (Martial arts). Then, the course provides a general overview of the development of Buddhism in Japan, including the development of Japanese Zen Buddhism and its wide range of cultural influence. It covers the history and thought of Zen Buddhism; its words; the relationship between Zen and Martial arts; Zen painting, as well as a Zazen experience. Through these studies and experiences, students will learn the characteristics of Japanese culture.

Language(s) of Instruction
Japanese

Host Institution Course Number
N/A

Host Institution Course Title
SPECIAL TOPICS IN JAPANESE CULTURE B-71

Host Institution Course Details
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Host Institution Campus
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Host Institution Faculty
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