

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

<https://syllabus.doshisha.ac.jp/html/2023/9003/99003077071.html>

Host Institution Campus

Doshisha University

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Center for Japanese Language and Culture

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