

COURSE DETAIL

FIELD METHODS IN GEOGRAPHY

Country

Japan

Host Institution

Keio University

Program(s)

Keio University

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Geography

UCEAP Course Number

50

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

FIELD METHODS IN GEOGRAPHY

UCEAP Transcript Title

FIELD METHODS

UCEAP Quarter Units

3.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.00

Course Description

This course introduces methodologies in geographical research, including research design, data collection and organization, interpretation, and analysis of results. Emphases are placed on how to undertake field surveys and how to analyze geographic information by exploring topics such as urban sustainability and the impact of COVID-19 on the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The course enables students to acquire familiarity with, and practice of, quantitative and qualitative research methods in urban geography. Different ways of presenting and interpreting research results from geographic perspectives will be examined. The course also explores how to draw inferences from maps, graphs, and other sources to seek spatial patterns, relationships, and connections.

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

- (1) Understand the “field” – that is a complex social, environmental, and economic space in which we apprehend the world.
- (2) Understand the “fieldwork” – that is a vital geographical tool for investigating the characteristics of the real world.
- (3) Undertake geographical fieldwork that involves formulating a geographic inquiry question, gathering data, analyzing the results, and reaching conclusions.
- (4) Understand the interconnectedness of human, social, economic, and environmental sustainability through conducting a field-based student term project.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

N/A

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Host Institution Campus

Keio University

Host Institution Faculty**Host Institution Degree****Host Institution Department**

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