COURSE DETAIL

IMAGES OF JAPANESE CULTURE
Country Japan
Host Institution Doshisha University
Program(s) Japanese in Kyoto
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Asian Studies
UCEAP Course Number 110
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title IMAGES OF JAPANESE CULTURE
UCEAP Transcript Title IMAGES JAPAN CULTR
UCEAP Quarter Units 3.00
UCEAP Semester Units 2.00

Course Description

Our conceptions of Japan are, like those of any country, shaped not only by our firsthand experiences but also by the images we see in the media, talk about with our friends, and hold in our thoughts. This course focuses on common images of Japanese culture and society—including artistic tropes, pervasive ideologies, and stereotypes—from the Meiji Period until contemporary times. Through contextual analysis of historical and contemporary media representations of Japanese culture or society (for example, advertisements and works of art), the course aims to build students' critical engagement with the images they encounter in their daily lives. Each course positions these images in the context of global exchange, focusing on the interactions between understandings of Japan domestically and abroad. Students will be encouraged to apply the ideas discussed in class to familiar cultural texts, culminating in the production of a video or photo essay that examines a common idea about Japan today.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
N/A

Host Institution Course Title
INTRODUCTION TO JAPANESE CULTURE IN THE GLOBAL CONTEXT-51

Host Institution Course Details
https://syllabus.doshisha.ac.jp/html/2024/9200/99200001051.html

Host Institution Campus
Doshisha University

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Global Education Module, Center for Global Education and Japanese Studies

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