COURSE DETAIL

HEIAN NARRATIVES
Country Japan
Host Institution Keio University
Program(s) Keio University
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Japanese
UCEAP Course Number 116
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title HEIAN NARRATIVES
UCEAP Transcript Title HEIAN NARRATIVES
UCEAP Quarter Units 3.00
UCEAP Semester Units 2.00

Course Description

In the Heian period, stories such as "The Tale of Genji" are often set in the harem, deep within the Heian-kyo Imperial Palace, and often feature the empresses and the crown prince who lived there. Knowing the life of the women who lived in the harem is very useful for interpreting Heian period stories.

This course aims to deepen one's understanding of works depicting the harem of the Heian period, such as "The Tale of Utsubo" and "The Tale of Genji," after learning basic knowledge about the harem of the Heian period. This course focuses the life of the princess after entering the palace and compares historical examples found in "The Tale of Eiga" and "Okagami" as well as descriptions of stories mainly in "The Tale of Genji." Furthermore, the course focuses not only on the women but also on the parental affections and political intentions of the aristocratic male fathers who acted as their guardians.

Language(s) of Instruction
Japanese

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N/A

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JAPANESE LITERATURE 5: HEIANCHO NO KISAKIGANE NO HIMEGIMI NO ISSHO

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