

COURSE DETAIL

JAPANESE SENRYU AND BELIEF

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

150

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

JAPANESE SENRYU AND BELIEF

UCEAP Transcript Title

JPN SENRYU & BELIEF

UCEAP Quarter Units

3.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.00

Course Description

This course is taught by two instructors - one instructor connects *Senryu* with Japanese culture. *Senryu* is a short form of poetry based on the same 5-7-5 syllable structure as the *haiku*, and has been widely enjoyed in Japan since the Edo period. This course introduces Edo-period *senryu*, explaining its differences from haiku, and then explores modern *senryu*. Many of the everyday vocabulary, colloquial expressions, slang, and company jargon found in *senryu* are not found in Japanese textbooks.

The second instructor clarifies the characteristics of *kami* worship (so-called Shinto), Buddhism, the Emperor, festivals, and traditional culture (tea ceremony, flower arrangement, etc.) through history. The course can include field trips to temples, shrines, and festivals to allow the class to experience Japanese culture firsthand and further their understanding.

Language(s) of Instruction

Japanese

Host Institution Course Number

N/A

Host Institution Course Title

JAPANESE CULTURE 1-51

Host Institution Course Details

<https://syllabus.doshisha.ac.jp/html/2026/9203/99203071051.html>

Host Institution Campus

Doshisha University

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Japanese Language and Culture Module, Center for Global Education and Japanese Studies

Course Last Reviewed

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