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JCU 211 Japanese Culture and Literature

日本文化と文学

Course Description: *3 hours, 3 credits.* Japanese Literature and Culture. 3 hours, 3 credits. Study in English translation of selected literature and dramatic works explored both as works of art and as manifestations of Japanese culture.

Class Hours: From 6/3 - 6/19 Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:30pm – 9:00pm
Tuesdays from 8:30pm-9:00pm – Virtual Language Tables
Thursdays from 8pm-9pm - Meeting with OMU students

From 6/24 - 7/12 Study Abroad in Osaka, Japan

Location: Online (Zoom link will be posted on Blackboard)

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Office Location: Carman Hall, Room 272

Office Hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays before and after class and by appointment

Textbook: ***NO TEXTBOOK PURCAHSE REQUIRED***
You will be reading materials available online. All reading materials will be posted on our Bright Space course. The reading materials will include:

The Book of Tea: Beauty, Simplicity and the Zen Aesthetic By Okakura Kakuzo
https://cuny.manifoldapp.org/projects/the-book-of-tea

THE WASHOKU WAY: Japan's Nuanced Approach to Food
https://www.maff.go.jp/j/shokusan/gaisyoku/pamphlet/pdf/washoku_english.pdf

Course Goals and Objectives:

Students will learn about the Japanese food culture through readings, multimedia resources and field research. This course is a combination of COIL and study abroad program.

For the first three weeks of the semester, students will learn about the culture and history of Japanese cuisine as well as the impact of Japanese food culture on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Students will plan their research trip with their student partners at Osaka Metropolitan University (OMU) through COIL work.

For the last half of the course, students will travel to Osaka and nearby cities to conduct the field research with their Japanese partners. These research projects and field trips will be shaped by the students and their Japanese counterparts in the process of participating in the course. There will be additional class trips to experience the food culture throughout the stay in Japan.

By the end of the semester, students should be able to:
1. understand and appreciate the characteristics of Japanese cuisine
2. understand the historic background of the Japanese food culture
3. understand the impact of Japanese food culture on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
4. communicate and collaborate with Japanese students to conduct field research
5. present research-based information about Japanese food

For Online Learning

Students will use Zoom (and Blackboard as back up) for classes. Log on to Zoom/Blackboard at least 5 - name added to your Zoom window. **You must turn your camera ON and have a working microphone.** If possible, situate yourself in a place with little or no background noise and disruption. Using a set of headphones/earbuds may offer improved sound quality. Make sure there is adequate lighting so that you can be seen. If you are having technical issues or know you will be late, make sure you notify by email BEFORE class begins. It is your responsibility to have a working device for this course.

Grading Policies:

Grades: A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, C-, D+, D, F

Based on:

1) Attendance and Classroom performance (40%)

Attendance is extremely important as this course is based on collaborative work with the Japanese partners from OMU. Missing classes will result in serious grade reduction.

(2) Homework assignments (20%)

Late assignments will be accepted, but they will be marked down. There will be homework assignment every class – even when I forget to tell you what it is at the end of class! Make sure to check Blackboard to find out what the assignments are if that happens.

(3) Graded assignments, presentations, and the final paper (40%)

There will be a few graded assignments, including two presentations you must do in class while studying in Osaka. The term paper will be due at the end of the trip.

Bright Space and Lehman E-mail

I will also post assignments, quiz and exam schedules, and other useful information on Bright Space. Please check your account as often as possible. You can access Blackboard through the Lehman website at www. Lehman.edu or the CUNY portal at http://www.cuny.edu

You must check your Lehman e-mails. All e-mail messages sent from Blackboard will go to your Lehman account. For additional technical support, please contact Lehman Student Computing Helpdesk at **718-960-1111** or email: **helpdesk@lehman.cuny.edu**

http://www.lehman.edu/itr/blackboard.php

http://www.lehman.edu/itr/

Japanese Program Website and Facebook

Please visit our program website at: http://japanese-lehman.info/

Our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/JapaneseProgramAtLehmanCollege

Accommodating Disabilities

Lehman College: Lehman College is committed to providing access to all programs and curricula to all students. Students with disabilities who may require any special considerations should register with the Office of Student Disability Services in order to submit official paperwork to instructor.

For more information, please contact the Office of Student Disability Services, Shuster Hall, Room 238, 718-960-8441. For detailed information on services and resources visit:

http://www.lehman.edu/student-disability-services/ , or email: disability.services@lehman.cuny.edu.

Academic Integrity and Plagiarism Policy

Do not cheat on your quizzes and exams, and don't copy other students' homework!!!

"Academic dishonesty is prohibited in The City University of New York. Penalties for academic dishonesty include academic sanctions, such as failing or otherwise reduced grades, and/or disciplinary sanctions, including suspension or expulsion." All violations are reported to the Department and college's Academic Integrity Officer.

For detailed information on definitions and examples of Academic Dishonesty, including Cheating, Plagiarism, Obtaining Unfair Advantage and Falsification of Records and Documents, please refer to the student handbook or visit:

http://lehman.smartcatalogiq.com/en/2017-2019/Undergraduate-Bulletin/Academic-Services-and-Policies/Academic-Integrity

Instructional Support Services Program

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Please visit: https://www.lehman.edu/academics/instructional-support-services/index.php
Fill out the online form to request a Japanese tutor.

Student Handbook

Students are strongly encouraged to download and become familiar with the Student Handbook:
http://www.lehman.edu/campus-life/support-services.php

Schedule:

6/3-6/19 New York Time (EST)
6/24-7/12 Japan Time

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
6/2	**6/3** Online class **VLT** **8:30 - 9:00**	**6/4**	**6/5** Online class **OMU:**8:00pm	**6/6**	**6/7**	**6/8**
6/9	**6/10** Online class **VLT** **8:30 - 9:00**	**6/11**	**6/12** Online class **OMU:**8:00pm	**6/13**	**6/14**	**6/15**
6/16	**6/17** Online class **VLT** **8:30 - 9:00**	**6/18**	**6/19** Online class **OMU:**8:00pm	**6/20**	**6/21**	**6/22**

6/23	**6/24**	**6/25 Lehman students Arrival**	**6/26** Meeting (Lehman students only)	**6/27** COIL Class	**6/28** 1st Field Trip (group)	**6/29** 1st Field Trip (group)
6/30 Meeting (Lehman students only)	**7/1** Trip to Nara	**7/2**	**7/3**	**7/4** COIL Class 1st presentation	**7/5** Follow-up Field Trip (group)	**7/6** Wrap-up Field Trip (Everyone)
7/7 Meeting/ Cup Noodle Museum (Lehman students only)	**7/8**	**7/9** Kyoto-Tea ceremony/ Nishiki market	**7/10**	**7/11** COIL Class Final presentation	**7/12** Last day of the program	**7/13**

Planned activities:

6/26(Thur) - Walk around and get to know the neighborhood around the hotel;
go to the train station and get transit cards
Food lecture at the Hankyu department store

6/27 (Fri) - OMU class meeting at 9am. Leaving the hotel@7:45am

6/28 (Sat) & 6/29 (Sun) Field Trip with your partners

6/30 (Mon) - Morning meeting; free after the meeting

7/1 (Tue) - Trip to Nara with Fuse sensei. Visit Nara park, Todai-ji temple, etc.
Kakinoha-zushi making class@3pm

7/4 (Fri) - OMU class meeting at 9am. Leaving the hotel@7:45am

7/5 (Sat) -Field Trip with your partners

7/6 (Sun) - Trip to Kyoto with all OMU students

7/7 (Mon) - Morning meeting; Trip to Ramen Museum

7/9 (Wed) - Trip to Kyoto for Kimono dressing and Tea ceremony

7/11 (Fri) - OMU class meeting at 9am. Leaving the hotel@7:45am

7/12 (Sat) - The Program ends. Check out the hotel by 11am.

TBA - Trip to Kyoto for Tofu Making class

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