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JAPANESE IMMIGRATION POLICY IN A COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

Subtitle	Japanese Immigration Policy in a Comparative Perspective		
Lecturer(s)	KASHIWAZAKI, CHIKAKO		
Credit(s)	2		
Academic Year/Semester	2023 Fall		
Day/Period	Tue.5		
Campus	Mita		
Classroom	421		
Class Format	Face-to-face classes (conducted mainly in-person)		
Registration Number	77922		
Faculty/Graduate School	INTERNATIONAL CENTER		
Year Level	2, 3, 4		
Course Description	A course to aim to learn about and better understand the nature of immigration policy and politics in Japan.		
K-Number	<input type="button" value="▼ Detail"/>	CIN-CO-00233-212-08	
Course Administrator	Faculty/Graduate School	CIN INTERNATIONAL CENTER	
	Department/Major	CO	
Main Course Number	Level	0	Faculty-wide
	Major Classification	0	Other Course
	Minor Classification	23	International Center Course (Social Sciences) - Politics, Diplomacy, and International Exchange
	Subject Type	3	Elective subject
Supplemental Course Information	Class Classification	2	Lecture
	Class Format	1	Face-to-face classes (conducted mainly in-person)
	Language of Instruction	2	English
Academic Discipline		08	Sociology and related fields



Course Contents/Objectives/Teaching Method/Intended Learning Outcome

The purpose of this course is to learn about and better understand the nature of immigration policy and politics in Japan. In comparative immigration literature, Japanese policy is characterized as highly restrictive, reflecting a preference for an ethnically homogeneous society. However, large-scale migration flows to and from the Japanese archipelago occurred under the Japanese empire. In addition, immigration of 'newcomers' since the 1980s has increased ethnic and cultural diversity in some local communities. As Japan faces the demographic challenge common to advanced industrial societies of a shrinking labor force, management of immigration and the social integration of foreign residents/ immigrants assumes great importance for public policy. While retaining the comparative perspective, we will discuss immigration in Japan in terms of the legal framework, policy making, public discourse, and views of immigrant communities themselves.

Course Plan

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Method of Evaluation

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Textbooks

Reading materials consist of excerpts from a variety of sources such as books, journal articles and reports. They will be available for download through Canvas (K-LMS).

Lecturer's Comments to Students

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