

Akashi College		Year	2022		Course Title	Japanese History	
Course Information							
Course Code		4302		Course Category		General / Compulsory	
Class Format		Lecture		Credits		School Credit: 2	
Department		Mechanical Engineering		Student Grade		3rd	
Term		Year-round		Classes per Week		2	
Textbook and/or Teaching Materials		笹山晴生他『詳説日本史B』山川出版社、詳説日本史図録編集委員会(編)『山川詳説日本史図録』山川出版社					
Instructor		KUROKUI Yoshimi					
Course Objectives							
To comprehensively examine the development of Japanese history in relation to geographic conditions and world history. Understand that a historical event has been formed and developed over the long term and by various factors. Acquire the ability to objectively consider not only what happened in Japan, but also Japan's position in the international society, the roles that Japan is expected to play, and the roles it has played and the challenges it has faced.							
Rubric							
		Ideal Level		Standard Level		Unacceptable Level	
Achievement 1		Thoroughly understand basic knowledge of Japanese history.		Have basic knowledge of Japanese history.		Do not have sufficient basic knowledge of Japanese history.	
Achievement 2		Be able to objectively consider and explain the historical formation and development processes and mechanisms of various social events.		Understand the historical formation and development processes and mechanisms of various social events.		Do not have sufficient understandings the historical formation and development processes and mechanisms of various social events.	
Achievement 3		Explore and attempt to understand the historical and social situation surrounding individuals and try to shape their own understanding.		Recognize the existence of historical and social situation surrounding individuals and deepen their own understanding.		Cannot recognize the existence of historical and social situation surrounding individuals.	
Assigned Department Objectives							
Teaching Method							
Outline		In this course, we will comprehensively consider the development of Japanese history, focusing on modern and contemporary Japanese history, in relation to geographical conditions and world history. Students will deepen their understanding from a broad perspective that integrates the elements that make up history, including politics, economics, society, culture, and the international environment.					
Style		The course will be taught mainly with lectures, using note-taking, textbooks, pictorial books, and handout.					
Notice		Although memorizing words and events is important, this course goes beyond it and aims to deepen the students' understanding toward the structure, cause, and effect of historical events and help them understand the today's situation and social structure by linking with it. Students who miss 1/3 or more of classes will not be eligible for a passing grade.					
Characteristics of Class / Division in Learning							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Active Learning		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aided by ICT		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicable to Remote Class		<input type="checkbox"/> Instructor Professionally Experienced	
Course Plan							
			Theme		Goals		
1st Semester	1st Quarter	1st	Guidance Dawn of Japanese Culture		Learn about Japanese culture and the Yamato administration, and understand the relationship and influence with the continent in the process of its formation.		
		2nd	Formation of Ritsuryokokka and aristocracy		Understand the characteristics of Ritsuryokokka and the transition of the ancient nation from the Yamato administration to the Heian period.		
		3rd	Establishment of medieval society		Understand the process from the establishment of the Kamakura Shogunate to the decline of the Shogunate due to the Mongol invasion and its factors.		
		4th	Growth of samurai society		Understand the process from the establishment of the Muromachi Shogunate to the entry into the age of provincial wars, along with its social background.		
		5th	Establishment of the shogunate system		Understand the process before and after the establishment of the shogunate system from various angles, along with the transformation of its economic and social structure.		
		6th	Development of the shogunate system		Understand how the stability of the Edo Shogunate was achieved and the economic and social impact it brought about.		
		7th	Turmoil in the shogunate system		Understand how the shogunate attempted to deal with the transformation of domestic and international society.		
		8th	Review of 1stQ		Review of 1stQ		
	2nd Quarter	9th	Opening of the country and turmoil at the end of the Edo period Meiji Restoration and Fukoku Kyohei		Understand the process of Japan's integration into the international society, the fall of the Edo shogunate, and the differences in Japan's response to the West and Asia.		

2nd Semester		10th	Establishment of a constitutional nation and the Sino-Japanese War Russo-Japanese War and International Relations	Understand the process of Japan's transformation into a modern nation and the background of the Sino-Japanese War and Russo-Japanese War in relation to developments in other countries.
		11th	Development of modern industry Development of modern culture	Understand the impact of the Industrial Revolution on Japan and the development of modern culture from the perspectives of politics, economy, and society.
		12th	World War I and Japan The Washington System	Learn about the formation and development of party politics. Understand the changes in Japanese policies and trends in other countries during World War I.
		13th	Transformation of civil life and popular culture The Age of Depression	Understand the impact of the formation of mass society on politics, economy, and society.
		14th	The rise of the military	Understand how the political advance of the military evolved and how it affected Japan's foreign policy.
		15th	World War II	Learn the background and transition of World War II, and understand the behavior of Japan from various angles, focusing on the differences and commonalities with other countries.
		16th	Final exam	Ask about the content from weeks 9-15
	3rd Quarter	1st	Occupation and reform	Understand how Japan was positioned in the postwar international order and what reforms were made for it.
		2nd	The start of the Cold War and peace	Learn what the Cold War is. Understand how the start of the Cold War affected Japan.
		3rd	Japan in the Cold War	Understand what kind of policies Japan has tried to develop in returning to the international society, especially in Asia during the Cold War.
		4th	1955 system	Consider what the "1955 system" is.
		5th	From economic recovery to high growth	Understand the background to the economic recovery and subsequent high economic growth. Consider the impact these have had on society.
		6th	The road to economic superpower	Understand the process and background of Japan's rise as an economic superpower, from both domestic and international perspectives.
		7th	The end of the Cold War and the transformation of Japanese society	Understand the impact of domestic and international changes such as the end of the Cold War, the collapse of the "1955 system", and the bursting of the bubble economy on Japan's politics, economy, and society.
		8th	Review of 3rdQ	Review of 3rdQ
	4th Quarter	9th	Dawn of political reforms	Understand what kind of political reforms were implemented, along with its purpose and results.
		10th	Normalization of coalition politics	Understand the turmoil and transformation of party politics after the collapse of the "1955 system" and how it affected Japan's politics, economy, and society.
		11th	Subsequent transition of coalition government	Learn about the Koizumi Cabinet and the reforms it promoted. Understand the subsequent transition of the LDP administration.
		12th	Change of government (2009)	Learn about the process of the LDP's going out of power and the DPJ's acquisition of government, and understand the rise and fall of the DPJ government.
		13th	Change of government (2012)	Learn from the regaining of power of the LDP to the present day, and consider what has changed with the change of government.
		14th	Japan in the international society 1	Understand how Japan has positioned itself and what role it has played in the modern international society.
		15th	Japan in the international society 2	Understand the position of Japan in the modern international society and the challenges and problems it faces.
		16th	Final exam	Ask about the 2nd Semester.

Evaluation Method and Weight (%)

	Examination	Little Exam	Assignment	Behavior	Portfolio	Other	Total
Subtotal	40	30	20	10	0	0	100
Basic Proficiency	40	30	20	10	0	0	100
Specialized Proficiency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross Area Proficiency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0