

# Japan in Today's World

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## Course Description

The program is designed to show the role of Japan in today's world in terms of her diplomatic activities and her contributions through overseas assistance and to international organizations. The principle that lies behind Japan's activities, as well as the actual extent of her activities, remain relatively little known outside Japan. The program also aims to enhance the students' understandings of Japan's politics and economy, which are bound up within the global system and yet are not so well understood by those outside Japan.

Through its Human Security Program, the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at the University of Tokyo has for some years been engaged in teaching and research on policies aimed at ensuring the security of individual human beings, which cannot be achieved merely by ensuring security at the state level. The College and the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences also have ample experience in teaching and research on Japanese Politics and Japanese company management, the knowledge of which is indispensable for an understanding of Japan's international activities. These resources of the undergraduate college and the graduate school will be utilized in offering this summer program to visiting students from the member universities of IARU, as well as to the students of the University of Tokyo.

The teaching staff of the program will consist not only of faculty members from the College and the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, but also of the present and the former offices of governmental, the international organizations, and the organization responsible for the international cooperation. The classes under this program will be a part of the official curriculum of the College of Arts and Science, and will be open also to the students of the University of Tokyo and the students of the AIKOM (Abroad in Komaba) program.

Students may take this course concurrently with the Nanoscience, Sustainable Urban Management and Introduction to the Japanese Language GSP courses offered by the University of Tokyo.

## Target Audience

Graduate or Undergraduate students

## Delivery Method, Exams & Learning Outcomes

2 classes will be held daily: 1) 1.00 ? 2.30pm and 2) 2.40 ? 4.10pm

The program is composed of 5 clusters:

- 1) Japan and the World: 3 lectures examine the fundamental principles of the Japanese foreign policy. The lectures will be on Japanese contribution to the International organizations, the Official Development Assistance, and the Human security.
- 2) Japan and the United States: 3 lectures will be on the relationship between both nations, and the historical importance of this relationship in Japan's foreign policy. In the lectures, we will discuss the political, economic, and cultural interactions between the two nations.

- 3) Japan and Asia: 3 lectures will be done on the relationships among the various nations in Asia. In the lectures, we will look especially on East Asia, because the relationships with China and Korea are extremely important for our economic, political, and cultural universe.
- 4) The Views of Japan from Outside: We will listen to the comments and insights of the foreign residents in Japan, which can characterize the unique Japanese political, economic, and cultural structures.
- 5) Wrap-Up: The participants are required to present their understandings of Japan acquired through the lectures and the discussions.

The first 3 clusters are composed of 3 lectures and 1 discussion. The fourth cluster consists of 2 lectures and 2 prepared discussions for the wrap-up. Each lecture will be composed of a 1 hour lecture and 30 minutes question-and-answer.

#### Assessment:

3 Short Essays after the end of the Cluster 1 -3 (50%)  
Active Participation for the lectures and the discussion (50%)

### **Where You Will Stay**

Students will be accommodated at a facility located close to the University of Tokyo's Komaba Campus (TBA).

### **Costs**

*Note: Costs may change closer to the course*

**Tuition fee:** JPY 29,600

**Accommodation:** JPY 85,000 (does not include meals and other costs)

**Estimated living expenses:** approximately JPY 3,000 per day

### **Further Information**

For further information about this course, visit

[http://www.adm.u-tokyo.ac.jp/res/stuex/IARU\\_GSP/index.html](http://www.adm.u-tokyo.ac.jp/res/stuex/IARU_GSP/index.html)

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## **THE BASICS:**

#### **Lecturer:**

Prof Hideo Kimura (TOK)

**Tuition:** JPY 29,600

#### **Accommodation:**

JPY 85,000

#### **Target audience:**

Undergraduate or Graduate students in any field are welcome.

#### **About the University of Tokyo:**

Founded in 1877, the University of Tokyo (Todai) is a prestigious leading university that provides a full spectrum of academic activities which allows students to develop intellectual depth while acquiring professional skills. It has been a supportive collaborator in various IARU initiatives such as the Global Security and Sustainable Cities research projects. The spirit of perseverance towards the creation of a global research and education network distinguishes Todai from its peers. With its belief in the value of providing a varied academic environment, Todai brings an inherent richness of culture in its engagement with the Alliance. For more information, visit: [http://www.u-tokyo.ac.jp/index\\_e.html](http://www.u-tokyo.ac.jp/index_e.html)

