Osaka Gakuin University 2024 Spring Semester

Japanese Culture and Community

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Course Description:

In this class, students will learn about Japanese culture and society through academic lectures and practical activities (oncampus collaborative learning and off-campus community activities). Classes include tours of local cultural landscapes and buildings, as well as planning a community event.

Resources

Lecturer will prepare materials.

Grade Breakdown

Submitted works in daily lecture:	35 %
Participation in class activities and presentations:	40 %
Assignments:	25 %

Notes:

This class includes off-campus activities which will require students to participate in activities on weekends and holidays. Any changes to the syllabus will be announced in class. Details of the off-campus activities will also be explained in class on the first day.

Course Schedule :

Week 1	Introduction and Preliminaries
Week 2	Annual Events and Festivals in Japan
Week 3	Understanding the current situation
	- Japanese society and local communities
Week 4	Characteristics of Japanese culture(1)
	 Japanese objective culture
Week 5	Characteristics of Japanese culture(2)
	 Japanese subjective culture
Week 6	Forms of communication (1)
	- Interpersonal communication
Week 7	Forms of communication (2)
	- Differences in wording
Week 8	Task study and practical activities(1)
Week 9	Task study and practical activities(2)
Week 10	Task study and practical activities(3)
Week 11	Task study and practical activities(4)
Week 12	Final presentation
Week 13	Course review