

Course Number	Course Title Seminar on cross-cultural understanding	Credits 2	Instructor(s) Pro. Yu Ming Hwang (Freddy, Yu) Facebook name: Freddy Yu																														
Subject code number		Time, Online Account	Tuesday: 14:40pm-16:10pm Zoom: ID: 666 841 9646 password: 12345																														
Course Description (including Goal and Objectives)	This course will give a lecture about the background to many multi-cultural problem foreigners face in Japan..Since the depopulation, aging and birthrate decline of this society is a serious concern in Japan., Japan tries to accept more officially legal workers and international students. On the other hand, foreigners could face the cultural conflict which they didn't expect. Multi-cultural understanding is more and more important in Japan. Field work and discussion are required to take this course.																																
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Textbook(s)	<p>Yu Ming Hwang "A Journal of Yamagata-Encountering a Multicultural Society Through Yu's Experiences in Yamagata, Japan and the World" Jillion Publishing Co.2019 https://www.amazon.co.jp/Journal-Yamagata-Encountering-Multicultural-Experiences-Yamagata-ebook/dp/B087Z5WHW9/ref=sr_1_1?__mk_ja_JP=%E3%82%AB%E3%82%BF%E3%82%AB%E3%83%8A&crd=11FT95HAV8ZI1&keywords=a+journal+of+Yamagata&qid=1643406066&sprefix=a+journal+of+yamagata%2Caps%2C235&sr=8-1</p>																																
Final papers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.Pick up a topic about foreigner issue as your final paper. at least 3 pages. 2.Write a reading impressions essay about 「A Journey of Yamagata」 at least 2 pages. 3. A report after join the Meetup culture exchange. 																																
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	Presentation	20%																															
	Class participation	20%																															
	Final paper:	30%																															
	Culture exchange with Japanese by join the meetup at least 3 times.	10%																															