

Course Number	Course Title Japanese pastimes – History and their effect on society	Credits 2	Instructor (s) Douglas Gloag
Keywords	Gaming, Gambling, History, Pastime		
Course Description (including Goal and Objectives)	A comparative look at some interests Japanese follow after they finish their 9-5. The course will cover the histories of various pastimes popular in Japan, paying special attention to the gaming and gambling side of Japanese entertainment. There will be a hands-on approach to the final part of each week and classes will be made as interactive as possible.		
Course Schedule	1	General overview	
	2	Karuta	
	3	Igo	
	4	Shogi	
	5	Presentations – Your favorite pastimes	
	6	Hanafuda	
	7	Dice	
	8	Card games	
	9	Sumo / Yakyu / Legal / Illegal gambling / Pachinko	
	10	Mah Jong 1	
	11	Mah Jong 2	
	12	Japanese board gaming – History	
	13	Japanese board gaming – Modern examples	
	14	Japanese board gaming – Presentation	
	15	Final discussion and practical demonstrations	
Textbook (s)	N/A. All course materials will be provided.		
Reference (s)	Various including a Japanese language resource called, “Mangajin”.		
Grading Method	<input type="checkbox"/> Final Exam	or	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Report
	Presentation		25%
	Active Participation		25%
			50%
Message to Students	This is a very practical, hands-on learning course so weekly participation is expected. Exchange of viewpoints is positively encouraged.		
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