Course Number

Course Title
An Introduction to Japanese Culture II

Credits 2
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Keywords Japanese Culture

Course Description (including Goal and Objectives)
This course utilizes local resources in Yamagata for students to experience aspects of the Japanese culture such as the Kimono, Tea ceremony, Flower arrangement, Making traditional confections (Wagashi) & Kokeshi doll, Folding paper (Origami), Hot spring, Kabuki, Japanese traditional music (bamboo flute) through an environment rich in traditional culture and nature in Yamagata. On occasion, specialists from outside the university are invited as a lecturer.

The aim of this course is to provide international students an opportunity to improve their proficiency in Japanese and to deepen their understanding of the Japanese culture and society. This course is offered in autumn Semester. The class meets once a week.

Course Schedule

1. Introduction
2. Tea ceremony
3. Japanese traditional music: bamboo flute
4. Kimono (practice)
5. Flower arrangement (lecture & practice)
6. Hot spring
7. Making traditional confections (wagashi)
8. Visit Yamatera (temple)
9. Making traditional Kokeshi doll
10. Folding paper (Origami)
11. Learn the Japanese traditional Street Art: Nannkinn Tamasudare
12. Kabuki
13. Attend the Multi-Cultural Concert
14. presentation
15. Textbook(s) Handouts will be provided.


Grading Method

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Message to Students
Because field lecture require more time, we will have fewer classroom lectures.

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