

Course Title 科目名	Japanese Economy A 日本の経済 A			Instructor 担当者	MIYAKE, Shinji 三宅 伸治		
Semester 学期	FALL 2023	Course Level 履修年次	N/A	Credits 単位	2	hrs/wks 時間数/週	2
【Course Objectives: 授業の到達目標】							
The goals of this course are for participants (1) to be familiar with characteristics of the Japanese economy with regard to several topics including demographic change, labor market, education system, public finance, and monetary policy, (2) to become able to see several economic and social problems the Japanese economy has confronted from the perspective of economics, and (3) to understand what the economy of your home country is like in comparison to the Japanese economy.							
【Course Summary: 授業の概要】							
This is an introductory course on the Japanese economy for beginning students. The instructor will provide an outline of each topic from both institutional and empirical viewpoints at the begging of each class and provides enough explanation to understand several crucial problems facing the Japanese economy. In some classes the instructor will show how some basic economic models account for important aspects of Japanese economy. The economic models which will be treated in this class do not require the participants to be well equipped with mathematics. This course provides a lot of verbal descriptions and a wealth of actual economic data of the Japanese economy with the emphasis on demographic change, labor market, monetary policy and fiscal policy. In addition to these findings, you will learn how to obtain economic data and become aware of the differences between your country' economy and Japanese economy.							
【Study Required outside Class (Preparation etc): 事前・事後学習】							
Students need to review the slides used in class and the data available online that will be presented in class in order to develop student's understanding of the Japanese economy. Students are also encouraged to read economic news on a regular basis to find questions about the Japanese economy. At the same time, it is a good practice to note the difference between Japanese economic indicators and those of your country.							
【Class Outline: 授業計画(各回の授業内容)】							
Session 1	Introduction						
Session 2	Income, GDP and Industrial Structure						
Session 3	Cost of Living, Price Index and Inflation						
Session 4	Foreign Exchange Rate and International Trade						
Session 5	Financial System: Banking and Payment System						
Session 6	Demographic Change: Population and Workforce						
Session 7	Labor Market and Unemployment						
Session 8	Public Finance : Tax and Government Debt						
Session 9	Social Insurance System and Aging economy						
Session 10	Accumulated Government Debt						
Session 11	Quantitative Easing and Monetary Policy						
Session 12	Education System						
Session 13	Business Practice in Japan / Change of Industrial Structure						
Session 14	Review						
【Textbooks, Course Materials: 教科書、参考書等】							
No textbook is required for this class.							
【Grading Criteria: 成績評価の方法】							
The instructor will evaluate grades based on the student's understanding of (1) the Japanese economy based on objective data and (2) how it differs from the economy of student's home country. Final examination: 50% Class participation: 50%							
【Note: 履修上の注意】							