Course Title	Intercultural Communication A			Instructor	MIYAHARA, Akira		
科目名	異文化間コミュニケーション A			担当者	宮原 哲		
Semester 学期	FALL 2024	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】

After successfully completing this course, the student will:

- 1) be able to identify basic concepts of human communication in general, and intercultural understanding in particular;
- 2) be equipped with sufficient and necessary attitudes toward becoming a competent intercultural communicator; and 3) acquire specific and practical skills for effective intercultural communication and cross-cultural adaptation.

【Course Summary: 授業の概要】

This course aims to help you become a competent intercultural communicator. We will undoubtedly focus on communication with Japanese. Language, nonverbal signs, mannerism, social norms, and traditions, are overwhelmingly different from what you may be accustomed to in your home culture, and thus you will encounter situations in which misunderstanding, or lack of cross-cultural adaptation may grossly affect your interpersonal interactions. You will re-assess your communication behavior, and construct and develop effective and appropriate social strategies to bridge the cross-cultural gap. It is is important to note that intercultural is not always international. Regional differences within a nation, as well as differences caused by age, sex, religions, occupations, etc. constitude

【Study Required outside Class (Preparation etc): 事前·事後学習】

You would need to complete the readings assigned for each class session. Also your observations based on your first hand experience in intercultural communication in your daily life will serve you as good "teaching material." Take notes of what you experience in your daily intercultural interactions, and attend class prepared to share your observations.

【Class Outline: 授業計画(各回の授業内容)】

Session 1*	Course introduction				
Session 2*	Culture shock and re-entry culture shock as outcomes of symbolic behavior				
Session 3*	Coping with culture shock and re-entry culture shock				
Session 4*	Fundamentals in intercultural communication and cultural dimensions				
Session 5*	Language in intercultural interactions				
Session 6	Nonverbal communication				
Session 7	Perceptual influence on intercultural communication				
Session 8	Stereotypes, prejudices, and ethnocentrism				
Session 9	Mid-term quiz				
Session 10	Interpersonal relationships as intercultural communication				
Session 11	Education as intercultural communication				
Session 12	Medical care as intercultural communication				
Session 13	Media's influence on intercultural communication				
Session 14	Review & final exam				

【Textbooks, Course Materials: 教科書、参考書等】

Ting-Toomey, S. & Dorjee, T. (2019). *Communicating across cultures*. New York, NY: Guilford. (e-book available at the Seinan library)

【Grading Criteria: 成績評価の方法】

Mid-term examination: 30 %, Observation reports & Presentation: 40%, Final examination: 30%

【Note: 履修上の注意】

*Special Note: As the instructor is abroad due to his international study project, the first five class lessons will be conducted online (Zoom or on-demand).