

Course Title 科目名	Comparative Religions B			Instructor 担当者	YUKAWA, Hirohisa 湯川 洋久		
Semester 学期	SPRING 2026	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】							
To grasp the basic knowledge regarding the characteristics and uniqueness of Japanese religions (Buddhism, Shintoism, and Christianity).							
【Course Summary: 授業の概要】							
In addition to theoretical instruction through lectures, this courses emphasize collaboration between Japanese and international students through activities such as group work and discussions. The primary language of instruction will be English.							
【Study Required outside Class (Preparation etc): 事前・事後学習】							
Preparation of the Class is a must.							
【Class Outline: 授業計画(各回の授業内容)】							
Session 1	To decide who will make a presentation, and other miscellaneous matters.						
Session 2	Are Japanese Not Religious?						
Session 3	A Mixture of Shintoism and Buddhism, then Joudo-kyo (Pure Land Buddhism)						
Session 4	Folk Religion in Japan						
Session 5	New Religions						
Session 6	Religion as Gense-Rieki (Receiving benefits gained in this world)						
Session 7	Contemporary Japanese Religions						
Session 8	Japanese Christianity						
Session 9	Breakdown of Religion						
Session 10	Power Spot, etc.						
Session 11	New Age Spiritual Culture						
Session 12	Emperor's national Shinto system						
Session 13	Contemporary Roles of Buddhism						
Session 14	Religion in a Secularity Society						
【Textbooks, Course Materials: 教科書、参考書等】							
TBA							
【Grading Criteria: 成績評価の方法】							
presentation 60%, Class participation 40%							
【Note: 履修上の注意】							