

Course Title 科目名	Language & Society in Japan B			Instructor 担当者	IWAZAKI, Maiko 岩崎 舞子		
Semester 学期	SPRING 2027	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】							
By the end of this course, students will be able to 1. explain the various ways in which language and society interact in Japan. 2. develop a critical understanding of how Japanese language, society, culture, and history continuously shape one another.							
【Course Summary: 授業の概要】							
This course provides an overview of the interaction and relationship between language and society in Japan. The topics we will cover are: politeness in Japan; regional/social dialects; slang and recent Oshi culture; gender and language; loanwords including Katakana Eigo and Wasei Eigo; history and the current situation of foreign language education in Japan.							
【Study Required outside Class (Preparation etc): 事前・事後学習】							
Students are required to read assigned material and prepare for group/in-class discussions. Submit periodic mini-reports and/or complete worksheets based on the discussion topics.							
【Class Outline: 授業計画(各回の授業内容)】							
Session 1	Orientation; Course Overview						
Session 2	Historical Foundations of Japan/ Language Contact in Japan						
Session 3	Politeness and Polite Language in Japan						
Session 4	Regional Dialect and Identity in Japan						
Session 5	Dialect Cosplay						
Session 6	Gendered Language in Japan						
Session 7	Stratification and Class Perceptions in Japan						
Session 8	Social Dialect						
Session 9	Socio-Cultural Background of Japanese Slang / Recent Oshi Culture						
Session 10	Education in Japan						
Session 11	English in Japan						
Session 12	Loanwords/ Katakana Eigo/ Wasei Eigo in Japan						
Session 13	Review of the Course						
Session 14	Final Exam: In-Class Essay (The above may be subject to change.)						
【Textbooks, Course Materials: 教科書、参考書等】							
The instructor will upload reading assignments on the internet server. Students are responsible for each and every reading assigned in class.							
【Grading Criteria: 成績評価の方法】							
Discussions (Class participation): 30% Short Reports (or worksheets): 30% Final Essay: 40%							
【Note: 履修上の注意】							