

授業科目名： 現代日本特論 Contemporary Japan			担当教員名： 信田智人 Tomohito Shinoda
選択必修： 選択 Elective	単位数： 2	セメスター： 前（隔年） Spring	開講言語： English

ディプロマポリシーとの関連

国際社会の知識	政策分析能力	英語コミュニケーション能力
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○授業の到達目標及びテーマ

This course aims to instruct the basic knowledge of Japanese politics and economy, and have them acquire the capability to further research the topics in the field.

○授業の概要

This course covers the basics to applied topics on Japanese politics and economy. This course is designed mainly for foreign students, and introduces and analyzes the general institutions, process and policies on Japanese politics and economy.

Part I will be on the historical background which would examine the political and economic institutions introduced in the Meiji period, and see how they transformed during the wartime period. In the Occupation period, while most of political institutions were renewed, the government-led economic institutions were revived in order to promote economic recovery.

Part II will be actor-based analysis. Week 7-10 will cover the executive branch, especially the role of the bureaucracy. We will examine the role of the Ministries of Finance and International Trade and Industry. Week 11-12 will look into the role of the politicians, including the Cabinet, the Diet and the Political Parties. Week 13-14 will analyze the role of the private sector, including the interest groups and individual corporations and their corporate governance. The last week is for student presentations.

○授業の方法

- 1) This course is offered in English.
- 2) Students are expected to read course materials (see below) and actively participate in Q & A and class discussion.
- 3) Students are required to write final paper (3000 words) and to make an oral presentation.

○授業計画

WEEK 1 & 2

Course Introduction and the Historical Review

A brief review of the historical development of the political and economic system from the beginning of the Feudal System (12th Century) through Edo and Meiji Period, to the end of WWII with emphasis on the prewar problems in the development of democracy and the controlled economy.

Required: Hayes, 11-28; Reischauer, 113-217.

WEEK 3 & 4

Historical and Social Origins of Japan's Political Economy from Meiji era to the Occupation

This week we will look into the transition of Japan's political economy from the early stage of free-market capitalism to the wartime controlled economy.

Required: Okazaki and Okuno-Fujiwara, ed., Chap. 1; and Johnson, Chaps. 3-5.

WEEK 5 & 6

Occupation, Constitution and Political Institutions

This week we will examine the occupation reforms, including the enactment of the current Constitution, which established the structure of the government and institutionalized democracy.

Required: Government Section, SCAP, 82-144; Hayes, 29-44.

Suggested: Schaller, all.

WEEK 7 & 8

Bureaucracy, and Industrial Policy

One of the major characteristics of Japanese politics is the strong bureaucracy. We will look at the role of civil servants in postwar Japan and the current arguments in administrative reform.

Students are assigned to report on an individual ministry or agency of the central government.

Required: Shinoda, 14-18; Woronoff, 106-149; Jain and Inoguchi, 92-107; Vogel, Chap. 4; Okimoto, Chap.1; and Johnson, Chap. 7.

WEEK 9 & 10

Bureaucracy and Financial Policy

The most powerful ministry was the Ministry of Finance (MOF). We look into the role of the MOF and the development of the Japanese Economy

Required: Okazaki and Okuno-Fujiwara, Chap. 2; Johnson, Chap. 6; Calder (1993), Chaps. 1-4.

Suggested: Frances Rosenbluth, *Financial Politics in Contemporary Japan* (Cornell U., 1989).

WEEK 11 & 12

The Cabinet, the Diet, and the Political Parties

This week we look into the role of the political actors. The political institutions surrounding the Cabinet and the prime minister, the Diet or national parliament, the politicians and their political parties.

Required: Shinoda, 18-42, and Chap.4; Gaunter, 14-35, 48- 114; Hayes, 67-100; and Calder (1988), Chaps. 1, 2 and 4; and Katz, Chap.5.

WEEK 13 & 14

Interest Groups and Corporative Governance

We examine the role of the private sector. We look into the business community (zaikai), the industrial associations and other organizations as interest groups. We also discuss the industrial organizations such as keiretsu and the corporate governance of Japanese companies.

Required: Okazaki and Okuno-Fujiwara, Chaps. 3; Calder (1993), Chaps. 5-6; Charkham, Chaps. 3; and Vogel, Chap. 6.

WEEK 15

Presentation by students

○テキスト

Shinoda, Tomohito. *Contemporary Japanese Politics: Institutional Changes and Power Shift*, Columbia University Press, 2013.

Okazaki, Tetsuji and Masahiro Okuno-Fujiwara, ed., *The Japanese Economic System And Its Historical Origins* (Oxford Univ. Press, 1999).

○参考書・参考資料等

Calder, Kent. *Crisis and Compensation*. Princeton: Princeton U. Press, 1989.

Calder, Kent. *Strategic Capitalism* (Princeton U., 1993).

Charkham, Jonathan P. *Keeping Good Company* (Clarendon Press, 1994).

Gaunter, Alisa, ed. *The Routledge Handbook of Japanese Politics*, London: Routledge, 2011.

Government Section, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers. *Political Reorientation of Japan*. Washington, D.C.: GPO, 1949.

Hayes, Louis D. *Introduction to Japanese Politics*. 5th ed. New York: M.E. Sharpe, 2009.

Jain, Punendra and Takashi Inoguchi, eds. *Japanese Politics Today: Beyond Karaoke Democracy?* New York: St. Martins Press, 1997.

Johnson, Chalmers. *MITI and the Japanese Miracle*. Stanford: Stanford U. Press, 1982.

Katz, Richard. *Japan: The System that Soured* (M.E. Sharpe, 1998).

Okimoto, Daniel, *Between MITI and the Market* (Stanford U., 1989).

Reischauer, Edwin O. *Japan: The Story of a Nation*. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1974.

Vogel, Ezra, *Japan as No.1* (Harvard U., 1979).

Woronoff, Jon. *Politics the Japanese Way*. Houndmills: MacMillian Press, 1986.

○学生に対する評価

1) Participation: 20%

2) Oral Presentation: 20%

3) 3000 words, Final paper in English: 60%

○オンライン授業に切り替えた場合の授業形態

Class format: Online class (Real-time delivery)

Location of class materials, notices, and correspondence information: Please check with your lecturer