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**Course Description/Objectives/Teaching Method/Intended Learning Outcome:**

This course is designed to provide both international and Japanese students who are interested in art. The goal of this workshop is to give students a firm grounding in cultural, social, historical, and practical aspects of art in contemporary Japan. Students in this course will engage in diverse activities both in and outside of class within this multicultural student body. The activities include workshops, field trips, and research. It is from comparative culture or intercultural communication perspectives with student-centered learning experience of Japanese art.

**Course Plan:**

- 1 Introduction.  
  
Japanese handicrafts 1  
Traditional technique of Japanese handicraft. Understanding of craftsmanship.
- 2 Japanese handicrafts 2  
Workshop.  
Traditional technique of Japanese handicrafts. Understanding of craftsmanship.  
Experience of traditional handicrafts.
- 3 "Self-portrait" 1  
Studio work.  
Drawing, Painting, Photo, Illustration, Computer Graphics, etc.  
Students will express themselves on a sheet of paper. After accumulating various experiences in Japan, in their own countries and others. Construct it in their own way. Students are encouraged to emphasize originality in their work.  
Presentation after the completion of the work.
- 4 "Self-portrait" 2  
Studio work.  
Students will express themselves on a sheet of paper. After accumulating various experiences in Japan, in their own countries and others. Construct it in their own way. Students are encouraged to emphasize originality in their work.  
Presentation after the completion of the work done.
- 5 Culture in Japan 1  
Small trip to Shitamachi area. Research and sketch/photo shooting.  
Research of townscape. Architecture. Garden. Shop sign/designs. Advertisements. Making a collage and a story with recorded photo images/sketches.
- 6 Culture in Japan 2  
Small trip to Shitamachi area. Research and sketch/photo shooting.  
Research of craft, arts, food and fashion. Visiting artists' studio or exhibition, and discussion with artists. Research on a Japanese fashion style. Making a collage and a story with recorded photo images/sketches.  
Research trip might be held outside of class hours.
- 7 Japanese Traditional Performing Arts 1  
Lecture and workshop.  
Studying about Japanese classical theater art.
- 8 Japanese Traditional Performing Arts 2  
Lecture and workshop.  
Studying about Japanese classical theater art. Might visit to related facilities outside of class hours.
- 9 Architecture, Design and Contemporary Art in Japan 1

- Students study a Japanese architecture and his works. Research and understanding of designs in Japan. Visiting museums in class hours.
- 10 Architecture, Design and Contemporary Art in Japan 2  
Students study a Japanese design and Contemporary Art. Research and understanding of designs in Japan. Visiting museums in class hours.
  - 11 Today's Performing Arts in Japan 1  
Workshop.  
Studying about stage art, costume design, sound design, performance.
  - 12 Hand Lettering, poster designs and typography inspiration.  
Studio work.  
Illustrations, Manga, Character Design. Flier/poster design for student art exhibition.
  - 13 "Student Art Exhibition"  
Curate an Art Show. Presentation of students' art works and Wrap-up. Discussion. Critique.
- Other "Student Art Exhibition"  
Curate an Art Show. Presentation of students' art works and Wrap-up. Discussion. Critique.

**Method of Evaluation:**

平常点：出席状況および授業態度による評価 Attendance & Class Participation  
レポートによる評価 Writing Assignments  
その他 Other：art projects, presentations

**Textbooks:**

There will be no textbook for this class.  
Reading assignments will be given as handouts.

**Reference Books:**

Recommended readings will be provided by the lecture.