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Group Humanities and Social Sciences Field(C							ication)	Philo	hilosophy(Foundations)			
Language of instruction	sh				Old group Gr			Number of credits 2		2		
Number of weekly time blocks	1		Class style		ecture Face-to-	face cou	ırse)	Ye	ar/semesters	2024 • First semester		
Days and periods	Wed.2			Target y		All students		Eli	Eligible students		For liberal arts students	

[Overview and purpose of the course]

This course is designed as an introduction to the history of eastern philosophical and religious thought. We will begin with a reading of early Indian Vedic literature and then turn our focus to Zoroastrianism and early and later forms of Buddhism.

[Course objectives]

By the end of this course, students will have gained a basic understanding of eastern philosophical and religious thought by learning how to respond to readings in this field in a critical manner.

[Course schedule and contents)]

The course is divided into the following three sections, each with a different theme. We will spend about five weeks on each section. You will be asked to do readings, in-class presentations, and discussion to help you assimilate the material.

- 1. The Vedas and Upanishads
- 2. Zoroastrianism
- 3. Buddhism

[Course requirements]

None

[Evaluation methods and policy]

Grades are based on attendance (20%), class participation (30%), and assignments/exams (50%). Important: If you miss four or more classes, you will not be given credit for the course.

[Textbooks]

Relevant materials will be provided in class.

[Study outside of class (preparation and review)]

Readings will be assigned on a weekly basis, and you will be expected to prepare sufficiently before each class.

[Other information (office hours, etc.)]

Office hours to be specified (check KULASIS). For questions about the course or to set up a meeting, email me at catt.adam.7c@kyoto-u.ac.jp. Please include "Eastern Thought I" in the mail header and your full name and student number in the email. Important: Make sure that you search for answers to questions yourself before contacting me by email.