Course number		U-LAS70 10002 SE50							
Course title (and course title in English)	ILAS Se	minar-E2 :Dams a 水池) eminar-E2 :Dam	·	uctor's e, job title, department filiation	Disaster Prevention Research Institute Professor,Sameh Kantoush				
Group	Seminars	eminars in Liberal Arts and Sciences Number of				Number of weekly time blocks			1
Class style semi		nar e-to-face course)	Year/sem	esters	2025 • First	semeste	Quota (Freshm	Quota (Freshman)	
Target year Mair		1st year students Eligible students		ents Fo	<b>s</b> For all majors		Days and periods		
Classroom	3B, Yoshida-South Campus Academic Center Bldg. North Wing Language of instruction English								
Keyword	Dams and Reservoirs / Dam technologies / Reservoir sedimentation / River ecosystem / Dam impacts								

## [Overview and purpose of the course]

In Japan, there are more than 3000 dams with one or multiple functions, which become essential for such modern society. Storage reservoirs provide important functions such as disaster prevention, flood mitigation, energy production, and water supply, all of which are vital for humankind. Dam related issues have become more daring, with raising concerns about environment and increase of sedimentation issues in reservoirs. Removing stored sediments is often recommended as a more effective approach to recover reservoir storage capacities than building new dams.

This seminar course introduces students to dam technologies involving river engineering, ecosystem, flood and sediment issues. We will discuss about dam impacts and modern techniques that lead to increase dam service life. During seminar series videos of real dams and reservoirs and actual examples will be discussed. The students get the opportunity to visit dam site and understand the real situation of river ecosystem. Finally, a presentation will be required after the dam visit to demonstrate the learned principles applied in the student's majors.

## [Course objectives]

At the end of this course, the student will be able to understand:

the different types and classifications of dams;

the comprehensive sediment management techniques;

the sediment management techniques;

The importance of dams and how to upgrade.

## [Course schedule and contents)]

- Week 1: Introduction- Main functions and types of dams & reservoirs
- Week 2: Basic and principles of dams and reservoirs
- Week 3: Water supply and climate change
- Week 4: Modern technologies for large dams
- Week 5: Dam impacts
- Week 6: Dam field trip
- Weeks 7-9: Sediment management techniques
- Week 10: Reports and Presentations