

Course number		U-LAS06 10018 LE42					
Course title (and course title in English)		Political Science II-E2 Political Science II-E2		Instructor's name, job title, and department of affiliation		Center for Southeast Asian Studies Associate Professor,TANGSEEFA , Decha	
Group	Humanities and Social Sciences		Field(Classification)		Jurisprudence, Politics and Economics(Foundations)		
Language of instruction	English		Old group	Group A		Number of credits	2
Number of weekly time blocks	1	Class style	Lecture (Face-to-face course)		Year/semesters	2024 • Second semester	
Days and periods	Wed.3		Target year	All students		Eligible students	For all majors
[Overview and purpose of the course]							
This course treats politics as a potentially humanizing enterprise. Its foci are: a) Comparative and World Politics; b) Political Judgment and Public Policy; and c) Application to the Japanese Contexts. We will start with an exploration of various forms of governing in a few countries from different parts of the world, based on their different cultures and values. Second, we will examine how ethical judgments in different contexts unfold, through our discussions of war and peace; human rights; economy; and ecological degradation. In the process, we will also explore ways in which those judgments manifest themselves at the policy formation level. Toward the end, we will apply such explorations, conceptualizations and discussions to the Japanese context, hoping to shed some light on Japan ' s multiple phenomena related to “ the political ” .							
[Course objectives]							
This course aims to equip students with a set of abilities to: (1) conceptually think through “ the political ” in different subfields of political science; (2) apply that conceptualization to the Japanese contexts.							
[Course schedule and contents)]							
Week 1: Introduction and Course Queries Part I: Comparative and World Politics Week 2: Key Dilemmas: Political Form, Culture and Value Week 3: Comparative Politics Week 4: International Politics and the Global Community-1 Week 5: International Politics and the Global Community-2 Part II: Political Judgment and Public Policy Week 6: War and Peace in the Modern Age Week 7: The Battle on Behalf of Human Rights Week 8: The Struggle for Economic Well-Being Week 9: The Imperative of Ecological Health Part III: On “ Japanese Politics ” : Writing a Paper Week 10: On “ Japanese Politics ” Week 11: Proposal Presentation Week 12: Writing Workshop -- 1 Week 13: Writing Workshop -- 2							
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Thursday: Final Paper Due
Week 14: Course Summary
Week 15: Examination
Week 16: Feedback Session

[Course requirements]

Students must pass Political Science I.
This course will only accept students who have the TOEFL ITP score of at least 550 (the full score is 677). (For more information on how to convert the score, among others, see:
https://capman.es/sites/default/files/toefl_itp_official_score_report_soloinformativo.pdf)

[Evaluation methods and policy]

Attendance and class participation (30%), team research paper (40%), final exam (30%).

[Textbooks]

Neal Riemer, Douglas W. Simon, Joseph Romance 『The Challenge of Politics: An Introduction to Political Science Fifth edition』 (CQ Press) ISBN:978-1506323473 (2017)

[References, etc.]

(References, etc.)

Bertrand Badie, Dirk Berg-Schlosser, Leonardo A. Morlino (General Editors) 『International Encyclopedia of Political Science』 (SAGE Publications, Inc) ISBN:978-1412959636 (2011)
George Thomas Kurian (Editor in Chief) 『The Encyclopedia of Political Science』 (CQ Press) ISBN:978-1933116440 (2011)

(Related URL)

<https://edge.sagepub.com/riemer5e>

[Study outside of class (preparation and review)]

On the first day of class, each weekly required reading(s) will be assigned. Throughout the semester, students will come to class having read the reading(s) and ready to engage with their peers.

[Other information (office hours, etc.)]

Consultations can be arranged as needed.