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授業科目名<英訳>	Law and Culture in East Asia-E2 Law and Culture in East Asia-E2			担当者所属職名・氏名	法学研究科　准教授　Kuan-Wei Chen		
群	人文・社会科学科目群	分野(分類)	法・政治・経済(基礎)		使用言語	英語	
旧群	A群	単位数	2単位	週コマ数	1コマ	授業形態	講義（対面授業科目）
開講年度・開講期	2026・後期	曜時限	火4	配当学年	2回生以上	対象学生	全学向

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[授業の概要・目的]

This course examines how law and culture interact in East Asian societies, with a focus on democratic settings. While drawing on constitutional principles that echo Western traditions, these societies have developed legal institutions shaped by distinct cultural values, historical experiences, and political trajectories. Students will be introduced to key legal structures and ideas that influence how law is understood and practiced in the region. Through both historical and contemporary examples, we will explore themes such as constitutionalism, human rights, and social change. The course also considers ongoing challenges-including public health, digital technology, and demographic shifts-while encouraging students to reflect on how legal systems relate to broader cultural contexts and evolving social values.

[到達目標]

1. Identify the basic components and institutional structures of legal systems in East Asia.
2. Explore legal practices and concepts in their cultural contexts of East Asian societies.
3. Compare legal approaches across East Asia in addressing shared societal challenges while critically reflecting on regional similarities and national differences.
4. Reflect on how law and culture interact to shape societal responses to contemporary global issues.

[授業計画と内容]

This course is structured in two main parts: the first half focuses on foundational legal institutions in East Asia; the second half turns to contemporary social challenges and how law responds to them. Together, these two dimensions offer students a broad yet contextualised understanding of how law operates within culture-and how culture, in turn, shapes legal meaning and practice.

Each weekly session (Week 2-14) follows a consistent structure: 50 minutes of lecture introducing the topic and key concepts, 20 minutes of group discussion using guided questions and case studies, 15 minutes of sharing and feedback, and 5 minutes for summary.

Throughout the course, students are encouraged to approach the material with openness and curiosity. The aim is not to provide definitive answers, but to explore diversity in legal thinking while learning basic knowledge and engage with the deeper cultural and normative dimensions of law in East Asia.

Course Schedule (15 Weeks):
[Introduction]
1. Law and Culture in East Asia: Introduction and Framework
[Institutions]
2. Legal Foundations in East Asia: Constitutions and Legal Systems
3. Legal Structures in East Asia: Administration and Legislation
4. Legal Institutions in East Asia: The Judiciary and Legal Professions
5. Civil Society and Legal Mobilisation in East Asia

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[Contemporary Challenges]
6. Law and Public Health in East Asia
7. Law and Media/Platform in East Asia
8. Law and Artificial Intelligence in East Asia
9. Law and Environmental Sustainability in East Asia
10. Law and Minority Protection in East Asia
11. Law and Gender in East Asia
12. Law and Family in East Asia
13. Law and Labour in East Asia
14. Law and Demographic Change in East Asia
[Review]
15. Reflection: Final Review and Synthesis

*To support students' learning and in consideration of the actual composition of the class, the instructor reserves the right to make minor adjustments to the weekly schedule as needed.

[履修要件]

Students are expected to have the ability to learn and participate in discussions in English. No prior legal or disciplinary knowledge is required. An open mind and a willingness to engage with diverse perspectives are essential.

[成績評価の方法・観点]

The final grade will be based on class participation (30%) and a final exam (70%).
Class participation will be evaluated through students’ engagement in group discussions and their contributions to in-class sharing activities. There will be no written assignments required outside of class. However, in-class tasks may vary depending on the weekly topic and may include short written responses, group exercises, or thematic reflections.
The final exam will consist of both multiple-choice questions, which assess students’ understanding of foundational course content, and analytical questions, which evaluate the ability to think critically and apply concepts to real-world scenarios based on the knowledge learned.

[教科書]

Rather than following a single textbook, this course will provide handouts and reading materials aligned with the weekly topics. These will include required readings as well as optional supplementary materials for further exploration.

[参考書等]

（参考書）
Christoph Antons『Law and Society in East Asia』（Routledge）（9781351560719、1351560719）
Hiroshi Oda『Japanese Law』（Oxford University Press）（9780198869474、 0198869479）
Jerome A. Cohen, William P. Alford, Chang-fa Lo『Taiwan and International Human Rights A Story of Transformation』（Springer）ISBN:978-981-13-0349-4

[授業外学修（予習・復習）等]

Students are expected to review lecture materials and required readings after each class, and to complete optional supplementary readings according to their time and capacity. These efforts will support their ability to engage with more complex discussions and analytical tasks in the later stages of the course. Students are also encouraged to stay informed about relevant real-world issues, which may serve as material for in-class

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discussions and analysis.

[その他（オフィスアワー等）]

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