

3. General Foundation Subjects (Common Foundation Subjects etc.)

(1) Multidisciplinary Subjects

Multidisciplinary Subjects I

Course Number	Course Name	Course Type	Credits	Standard Academic Year	Course Offering Term	Weekday and Period	Classroom	Instructor	Course Overview	Remarks
1190212	Freshman Seminar	2	1.0	1	Sum Vac	Intensive		Katsunori Seki	This course is designed to help students become familiar with the educational system and campus life at the University of Tsukuba. Important information regarding living in Japan as a foreign resident and a general introduction on Japanese society will also be provided.	Lectures are conducted in English.
1190222	Freshman Seminar	2	1.0	1	Sum Vac	Intensive	2B411	DeMar Taylor, Louis John Irving, Seung Won Kang, Shigehiro Fujino, Akio Yamashita	This course is designed to help students become familiar with the educational system and campus life at the University of Tsukuba. Important information regarding living in Japan as a foreign resident and a general introduction on living in Tsukuba city will also be provided.	For students in Interdisciplinary Program in Life and Environmental Sciences Lectures are conducted in English.
1190312	Freshman Seminar	2	1.0	1	Fall IAB	Thu2		Saburo Aoki, Maki Tsujimura, JEREMIE GABRIEL MARIUS BRIDE, Naomi Shimpo	Students in Bachelor's Program in Global Issues will obtain various information to live a fruitful life.	Lectures are conducted in English. Lectures are conducted in English.
1390111	Living in Japan as Foreign Students	1	1.0	1	Fall IAB	Fri2	1C210	Edson Ioshiaqui Urano, Yue Fu, Shaney Crawford	This course will provide clear explanations by using specific examples of legal and social rules foreign students must know for their lives in Japan. In particular, lectures will be focused on legal and administrative procedures required for studying, employment and settlement, by illustrating immigration control, the precautions for the limits of the non-academic activities regarding part-time jobs, visa application required for job hunting and job hunting after graduation, visa application required after the employment or in case of unemployment, marriage to a Japanese or a foreigner, and family life.	For students in International Social Studies for the Global 30, JTP and other international students JTP CDP
1390121	Introduction to Life and Environmental Sciences	1	1.0	1	Sum Vac	Intensive	2B309	DeMar Taylor	This course gives a broad overview of current topics and issues in the fields of Life and Environmental Sciences	For students in Interdisciplinary Program in Life and Environmental Sciences

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1A90011	Japanese Issues I (Japanese Nature and Geography)	1	1.0	1, 2	Spr Vac	Intensive	9L202	Chinami Yamamoto	In this course, we will read about and discuss various topics relating to the nature and geography of Japan.	Limited to 30 students. Lectures are conducted in English. JTP Changes will be posted on the bulletin boards etc.
1A90081	Food and Forest	1	1.0	1, 2	Fall AB	Mon2	2B507	Seung Won Kang	This course introduces crop plants, domestic animals and trees and their products in relation to culture, society, economy and environment.	JTP Lectures are conducted in English. JTP
1B90021	Japanese Issues II (Introductory Japanese History)	1	1.0	1, 2					In this course, we will read about and discuss history of Japan starting from the formation of Japan till the end of feudal era.	Limited to 30 students Open in an even number year. Lectures are conducted in English. JTP
1B90031	Japanese Issues III (Japanese Life and Culture)	1	1.0	1, 2	Fall AB	Mon1	9L202	Chinami Yamamoto	In this course, we will read about and discuss various topics relating to the history, traditions, and people of Japan.	Limited to 30 students Open in an odd number year. Lectures are conducted in English.
1B90051	Japanese Issues IV (Japanese Language and Society)	1	1.0	1, 2	Fall C	Fri2	9L202	Vanbaelen Ruth	In this course, we will read about and discuss various topics relating to the Japanese language and its relation to Japanese culture and society.	Limited to 30 students Lectures are conducted in English. This course has a course load similar to 10-week lectures, and is therefore regarded as 1.0 credit.
1B90061	Introduction to Social Sciences	1	1.0	1, 2	Fall AB	Mon2	1C306	Edson Ioshiaqui Urano, Miyasaka Wataru, Masako Ikefuji	This course aims to make students get comprehensive introduction to social sciences from the perspectives of sociology, law, and economics. It addresses the character and contents of each field through practical and real case examples so as to equip students with practical understanding and application in various fields.	JTP
1B90071	Japanese Issues V (Japanese Socio-culture)	1	1.0	1, 2	Spr Vac	Intensive	9L202	Vanbaelen Ruth	In this course, we will read about and discuss various topics on society and culture relating to Japan and the Japanese.	Limited to 30 students Lectures are conducted in English. JTP
1B90081	Japanese Issues VI (Living and Learning among the Japanese)	1	1.0	1, 2	Fall AB	Fri2	9L202	Vanbaelen Ruth	In this course, we will read about and discuss various topics relating to learning Japanese in Japan.	Limited to 30 students Lectures are conducted in English.
1C90011	Japanese Culture	1	1.0	1, 2					In this course, we will read about and discuss various topics relating to minds of Japanese and Japanese culture.	Limited to 30 students. Open in an even number year. Lectures are conducted in English. JTP
1C90031	Career Design I	1	1.0	1, 2	Fall AB	Mon2	9L202	Chinami Yamamoto	In this course, we will read about and discuss various topics related to employment following graduation. Some topics may include: employment in Japan, basic knowledge of Japan, history of politics and economy, work habits, human relationships, etc.	Limited to 30 students. Lectures are conducted in English. JTP Changes will be posted on the bulletin boards etc.
1C90051	Japanese Society	1	1.0	1, 2	Spr AB	Mon1	9L202	Chinami Yamamoto	In this course, we will read about and discuss various topics relating to Japanese society.	Limited to 30 students. Lectures are conducted in English.

1C90071	Career Design II	1	1.0	1, 2	Fall C	Mon1,2	9L202	Chinami Yamamoto	In this course, we will read about and discuss various topics related to current Japanese issues which will be beneficial for employment following graduation.	Limited to 30 students. Lectures are conducted in English.
1C90091	Modern Japanese History	1	1.0	1, 2	SprAB	Mon2	9L202	Chinami Yamamoto	In this course, we will read about and discuss the history of Japan from Meiji period to this current day.	Limited to 30 students. Open in an odd number year. Lectures are conducted in English.
1C90111	Career Design III	1	1.0	1, 2	SprC	Mon1,2	9L202	Chinami Yamamoto	In this course, we will read and discuss about various topics related to some Japanese issues which will be beneficial for employment following graduation. Some topics may include: past, present, and future of many aspects of Japan, etc.	Limited to 30 students. Lectures are conducted in English.

Multidisciplinary Subjects III

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1E90011	Topics in Social Sciences	1	1.0	3, 4	Fall IAB	Wed1	1C306	Abu Girma Moges, Katsunori Seki	This course deals with advanced and contemporary topics in social sciences from the conceptual, practical, and public policy perspectives. The first half of the course will cover topics ranging from economic development, inequality and poverty, inter- and intra national migration, political economics of public policies, sustainable development, and the prospects as well as the challenges of globalization. In the second half of the course, students will read, evaluate, and discuss five published papers in the field of political science. The goal of this exercise is to understand the fundamental goals of social science research: finding and solving interesting puzzles in order to improve our understanding of the world. The topic of these five readings includes labor strikes, party system change, colonialism and development, vote buying, and censorship in dictatorships.	Lectures are conducted in English. JTP
1F90011	Social nature	1	1.0	3, 4	SprC	Intensive		Thomas Parkner	Understanding coupled natural/environmental and human systems is fundamental to the quest for global sustainability. But, what is "nature" or "environment"? In this lecture, nature and environment are discussed as a social construct subject to changing perceptions. To bridge the gap between natural and social students, theories and concepts from both, natural sciences and social sciences, are presented, which are relevant for human-environment interaction research. Societal response options to environmental risks are exemplified for past civilizations. Climate change as a current threat is discussed from the natural science perspective as well as from deeply entrenched worldviews to explore complex environmental problems from a cross-disciplinary perspective.	7/8-10 JTP