



The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

RESEARCH METHODS IN POLIT. & SOC. IN MOD. JAPAN - 46858

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HU Credits: 2

Degree/Cycle: 2nd degree (Master)

Responsible Department: East Asian Studies

Academic year: 1

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:

The purpose of the seminar is to introduce advanced research methods in the study of Japanese politics and society.

Course/Module aims:

Assist the advanced students develop their own methodological and theoretical research.

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

know the research methods available in the field and advance in their own research.

Attendance requirements(%):

100%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Lectures, reading assignments

Course/Module Content:

Japan's modern politics, economy and society

Required Reading:

Curtis, L. Gerald. *The Logic of Japanese Politics* (New York: Columbia University Press, 1999), pp. 1-23.

Reed, R. Steven. *Making Common Sense of Japan*. Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 1993, pp. 3-76.

Johnson, Chalmers. *Japan: Who Governs? The Rise of the Developmental State*. N.Y.: W.W. Norton & Company, 1995, pp. 115-140.

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Vogel, K. Steven. *Japan Remodeled: How Government and Industry are Reforming Japanese Capitalism*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2006, pp. 22-77.

Pempel, T.J., "Between Pork and Productivity: The Collapse of the Liberal Democratic Party," *Journal of Japanese Studies*, Vol. 36, No. 2 (2010), pp. 227-254.

Tomaney, John, "A New Paradigm of Work Organization and Technology?," in *Post-*

Fordism: A Reader, edited by Ash Amin. Bodmin: Blackwell, 1994, pp. 157-194.

Castells, Manuel. "Materials for an Exploratory Theory of the Network Society," *British Journal of Sociology*, Vol. 51, No. 1 (2000), pp. 5-24.

Larimer, Tim, "Japan, Nissan and the Ghosn Revolution," *Chzen Web Journal of International Business*, Columbial Business School, Spring 2003.

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Lambert, A. Priscilla, "The Political Economy of Postwar Family Policy in Japan: Economic Imperatives and Electoral Incentives," *Journal of Japanese Studies*, Vo. 33, No. 1 (2007), pp. 1- 28.

Hirata, Keiko. "Beached Whales: Examining Japan's Rejection of an International Norm," *Social Science Japan Journal*, Vol. 7, No. 2 (2004), pp. 177-197.

Flowers, R. Petrice. "Failure to Protect Refugees? Domestic Institutions, International Organizations, and Civil Society in Japan," *Journal of Japanese Studies*, Vol. 34, No. 2 (2008), pp. 333-361.

Feldman, Offer. *The Japanese Political Personality*. (Hampshire and London: Macmillan Press LTD, 2000), chapter 2, 7.

Johnson, Chalmers. "Tanaka Kakuei, Structural Corruption, and the Advent of Machine Politics in Japan," in C. Johnson, *Japan: Who Governs?* (New York: Norton, 1995), chapter 9.

Garon, Sheldon, "From Meiji to Heisei: The State and Civil Society in Japan," in *The State of Civil Society in Japan*, edited by Frank J. Schwartz and Susan J. Pharr. New York, Cambridge University Press, 2003, pp. 42-62.

Shipper, Apichai. *Fighting for Foreigners: Immigration and its Impact on Japanese Democracy*. Ithaca: Cornell University press, 2008, pp. 25-58.

Berger, U. Thomas. *Culture of Antimilitarism: National Security in Germany and Japan*. Baltimore: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1998, pp. 193-211.

Suginohara, Masako. "The Politics of Economic Nationalism in Japan: Backlash against Inward Foreign Direct Investment?," *Asian Survey*, Vol. 28, No. 5 (2008), pp. 839-859.

Atanassova-Corneillis, Elana. "The Redefinition of Japan's National Security Policy: Security Threats, Domestic Interests and a Realist-Liberal Approach," *Asia Pacific Perspectives*, Vol. 8, No. 1 (2008), pp. 17-29.

Sabina, Fruhstuck and Ben Ari, Eyal, "'Now We Show It All!' Normalization and the Management of Violence in Japan's Armed Forces," *Journal of Japanese Studies*, Vol. 28, No. 1 (2002), pp. 1-39.

Samuels, Richard J, "Securing Japan: The Current Discourse," *Journal of Japanese Studies*, Vol. 33, No. 1 (2007), pp. 125-152.

Pyle, Kenneth B. *Japan Rising: The Resurgence of Japanese Power and Purpose*. Cambridge: Public Affairs, 2007, pp. 340-374.

Gilpin, Robert. *Global Political Economy: Understanding the International Economic Order*. Woodstock: Princeton University Press, 2001, pp. 341-361.

Hettne, Björn, "Beyond 'New' Regionalism," *New Political Economy*, Vol. 10, No. 4 (2005), pp. 543-571.

Katzenstein, J. Peter. *A World of Regions: Asia and Europe in the American*

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Frost, L. Ellen. *Asia's New Regionalism*. Boulder: Lynne Rienner Publishers, Inc., 2008, pp. 1-37.
Acharya, Amitav, "Imagined Proximities: The Making and Unmaking of Southeast Asia as a Region," *Southeast Asian Journal of Social Science*, Vol. 27, No. 1 (1999), pp. 55-76.
Jones, M. David and Smith L.R. Michael, "Constructing Communities: the Curious Case of East Asian Regionalism," *Review of International Studies*, Vol. 33 (2007), pp. 165-186.
Otmazgin, Nissim, "Cultural Commodities and Regionalism in East Asia", *Contemporary Southeast Asia*, Vol. 27, No. 3 (2005), pp. 499-523.
Frost, L. Ellen. "Individuals as Spontaneous Integrators," Chapter 5 in *Frost, L. Ellen Asia's New Regionalism*. Boulder: Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2008.

Additional Reading Material:

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 0 %
Presentation 0 %
Participation in Tutorials 20 %
Project work 0 %
Assignments 20 %
Reports 0 %
Research project 60 %
Quizzes 0 %
Other 0 %

Additional information: