

Center for Global Education and Japanese Studies

The Center for Global Education and Japanese Studies aims to develop the ability to promote reciprocal international understanding in students, and in so doing, offers two education programs to both domestic undergraduate and graduate students and international students with different backgrounds and status. The Global Education Module provides liberal arts subjects (International Liberal Arts Subjects) in English, while the Japanese Language and Culture Module offers courses for improving Japanese language proficiency and deepening the understanding of Japanese culture.

Curriculum Policy of the Global Education Module

【Policy on Designing and Conducting the Global Education Module】

The Global Education Module will develop its curriculum in accordance with the following principles.

【Principles for Designing the Global Education Module】

As a part of the General and Liberal Arts subjects (International Liberal Arts Subjects), the module aims to cultivate students with international and interdisciplinary knowledge and perspectives. This is achieved by exploring a variety of issues facing Japan and the world from diverse disciplinary perspectives, crossing faculty boundaries.

【Study Content and Methods】

• **Classes conducted in English** (for developing English proficiency that is necessary to study and to work on the global stage (Knowledge and skills))

• **A variety of courses in humanities, social sciences, natural and human sciences** (for acquiring a global perspective on various issues and a wide range of knowledge (Knowledge and skills))

• **An environment where students from different countries and regions with diverse backgrounds study together** (for cultivating the ability to interact with others beyond language and cultural differences (Independence, diversity and cooperativeness))

• **Small-sized interactive classes** (for developing the ability to think independently in an environment with diverse opinions and perspectives, while being still respectful of others; for developing the ability to actively express one's opinion by completing reports and presentations and conducting discussions in English. (Thinking ability, judgment and self-expression / Independence, diversity and cooperativeness))

• **Opportunities for overseas training** (for improving understanding of global affairs and Japan's changing position in the world, overseas fieldwork programs, the Freshman "Go Global" Program and the Mid-college "Be Strong" Program expose students to the languages, religions, and customs of people in other countries (Knowledge and skills / Independence, diversity and cooperativeness))

【Evaluation Methods】

Methods such as examinations, assignments, presentations and reports are used to evaluate the students' achievement in line with the study goals described in the syllabi.

Curriculum Policy of the Japanese Language and Culture Module

【Policy on Designing and Conducting the Japanese Language and Culture Module】

The Japanese Language and Culture Module will develop its curriculum in accordance with the following principles.

【Principles for Designing Japanese Language and Culture Module】

With the aim of improving international students' Japanese language proficiency, deepening their understanding of Japanese culture and developing them as people who contribute to the promotion of reciprocal international understanding, the program offers a curriculum that caters for students with different Japanese proficiency levels and reasons for studying in Japan.

【Study Content and Methods】

・ **Japanese Language Courses** are offered at nine levels (elementary, upper elementary, pre-intermediate, intermediate, upper intermediate, pre-advanced, advanced, upper advanced, and high advanced) to cater to students with different learning levels and reasons for study. (Knowledge and skills / Thinking ability, judgment and self-expression)

・ **Japanese Language Seminars** are offered to complement and enhance the content taught in the above courses. (Knowledge and skills / Thinking ability, judgment and self-expression)

・ **Lecture Courses in Japanese Studies** and **Lecture Courses in International Studies** are offered to deepen students' understanding of international cultures and society through lectures and seminars. Some of these courses are designed for both domestic and international students to study together with the aim of promoting Japanese culture overseas and facilitating international mutual understanding. (Knowledge and skills / Thinking ability, judgment and self-expression / Independence, diversity and cooperativeness)

【Evaluation Methods】

Methods of grading such as examinations, assignments, presentations and reports are used to evaluate the degree to which each student has achieved the study goals described in the syllabus.