

Osaka Gakuin University
JSC/English Bridge Course 2019-20 Fall Semester

Media in Japan

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Course Description:

This course will look into the past and current topics of Media in Japan. These include various distribution methods of media, journalism, censorship, and entertainment. There will be an emphasis on digital media but we will also explore other interesting aspects and processes. There will be various group activities and discussion.

Resources

Various newspaper and articles.

Note: Other necessary hand-outs will be provided for each class

Evaluation

- Class Attendance/ Multiple Assignments **(15%)**
- An Individual or Group Presentation(s) **(35%)**
- Final examination **(50%)**

Note: Evaluation method may change at the instructor's discretion depending on the class size and other factors.

Course Schedule:

Class 1: Introduction

Class 2: NHK, the Powerhouse & other Media Companies

Class 3: Japan Newspapers and Bias

Class 4: The Rise of Youtube and Vloggers

Class 5: The Manga & Anime Industry

Class 6: Brief History of Japanese Cinema

Class 7: Social Media in Japan

Class 8: Term paper discussion

Class 9: Japanese Media Consumption (Why is there still Tower Records here?)

Class 10: Streaming Services

Class 11: Photographers & Artists

Class 12: Japan Manzai Comedy

Class 13: Japan Through the Eyes of Foreign Media

Class 14: Japanese commercials

Class 15: Term paper submission and class feedback

Note: Course contents and schedule are subject to change depending on the class size and the discretion of the teacher.