Osaka Gakuin University 2025-2026 Fall Semester

Economy, Business, and Sustainability in Japan

Instructor :

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Course Description:

This course aims to provide fundamental ideas of business, economy, and sustainability in the Japanese context. We conduct an international comparison and take a global perspective. We discuss diverse topics in business study, economics, and sustainability science. After a lecture, students will have opportunities to conduct some workshops and group projects. This course takes a participation approach. Thus, making class contributions is significant.

Resources

Relevant literature, data and handouts will be provided through the university electric system.

Evaluation

Class contributions including scores of quizzes and presentations account for 80% of the total mark.

An online final exam (on 10th December) accounts for 20% of the total mark.

Notes:

Course Schedule:

Course starts from the week of 10th September

- Week 1: Fundamental Framework of Economic Thinking
- Week 2: Knowledge Creating Company
- Week 3: Innovation Management Workshop
- Week 4: Human Capital Firm (Human Resource Management in Japanese Companies)
- Week 5: Group Project for Career Development 1
- Week 6: Group Project for Career Development 2 (Presentation)
- Week 7: Sustainability
- Week 8: Urban Sustainability Workshop 1 (Megacities in Japan)
- Week 9: Urban Sustainability Workshop 2 (Megacities in Japan)
- Week 10: SDGs in Profit-seeking Companies

Week 11: Group Project on SDGs in Profit-seeking Companies 1 Week 12: Group Project on SDGs in Profit-seeking Companies 2 Week 13: Online Exam