

PAAS397: Field School in Pacific and Asian Studies 2016 May-June Advanced Communication in Japanese (3 units)

Instructor: Hiroko Noro



Kinosaki International Arts Center



Kinosaki Onsen Machi (Kinosaki Spa Town)

This course offers an intensive 15-day program (5 days at the University of Victoria, 10 days in Kinosaki International Arts Center,) of training in Japanese language and culture. The main objective is to advance sociolinguistic and communicative skills in Japanese, through authentic communicative activities with the local people in Kinosaki. The activities for the course may include: 1) pre-departure language and culture classes on campus; 2) classes to enhance communicative skills in Kinosaki; 3) practicum to use the Japanese language in work settings; 4) projects; and 5) visits to local schools and families.

[Field School Site in Japan]

Kinosaki International Arts Center (KIAC), Kinosaki , Toyooka City, Hyogo Prefecture.

KIAC is located in Kinosaki, famous spa town in Hyogo Prefecture. Kinosaki earned two stars in the 2012 Michelin Green Guide Japan. The town is renowned for its hot springs, beautiful scenery, as well as abundance of tasty and fresh food, such as Kobe beef and fresh seafood. KIAC's mandate is to promote internationalization through creative cooperation and collaboration between local people and international partners like UVic.

[Kinosaki International Arts Center](#)

[Prerequisite]

Minimum grade of B+ from PAAS 338

[Schedule]

May 11(Mon.)-May 15(Fri.)-Pre-departure orientation session (Japanese language review, Cultural orientation, Project planning), on campus

May 25 (Arrive in Kinosaki Art Center) –June 5 (Depart Kinosaki Art Center) , Kinosaki Onsen Machi, Class in Kinosaki Onsen starts on May 26 and ends on June 4

Please contact H. Noro for more information (hnoro@uvic.ca).

Tentative Course Syllabus

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Advanced Communication in Japanese

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The course modules include:

- 1) Advanced Spoken Japanese: Reviews and consolidates basic and intermediate Japanese skills essential for further advancement.
- 2) Formal Expressions for Japanese Interaction: Develops skills needed in coping with situations where students talk with people at different social levels.
- 3) Applied Japanese Skills: Develops skills in expressing and understanding Japanese in social context, by through skit creation and presentation.
- 4) Project Work: Enhances all four language skills by using them in pursuit of a small project on a topic of the student's own choosing. Investigation involves using Japanese for interviews, polls, or other methods of inquiry. A project is usually undertaken by groups of two to three students working in consultation with their instructor.
- 5) Proficiency Tests/Oral Interviews
Proficiency tests and oral interviews are given at the beginning and the end of the course. By comparing the results, the instructor obtains a fairly reliable measure of student progress and program effectiveness.
- 6) Final Skit Presentation (happyo) in Japanese

At the end of the program, the students were expected to present their skits. Students select their own topics.
- 7) Final Self-Reflection Essay in Japanese

PAAS 397:FIELD SCHOOL IN PACIFIC STUDIES APPLICATION Advanced Communication in Japanese (May-June, 2016) Instructor: H. Noro		
PERSONAL INFORMATION		
Legal Last Name:	Legal First Name:	Initial:
Date of birth:	Student #:	Social Insurance #:
How long did you study Japanese?:		
Year:	Major:	Minor:
Gender:	Citizenship (s):	Are you a permanent resident of Canada? Yes No
PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION		
Current address:		
City:		Province:
Home phone:	Alternative(Cell) Phone:	Postal Code:
UVic Email:		Alternative Email:
EMERGENCY CONTACT		
Name of a relative not residing with you:		
Address:		Phone: E-mai:
City:	State/Province:	Postal Code:
Relationship:		
YOUR HEALTH CONDITIONS THAT WE SHOULD BE AWARE OF (DIABETES, ALLERGY, ETC.):		
SIGNATURES		
I authorize the verification of the information provided on this form.		
Signature of applicant:		Date:

If you have any question, please contact Hiroko Noro at hnoro@uvic.ca

APPLICATION DEADLINE: DEC. 4, 2015

Documents to be submitted along with the application form to the General Office of the Department of Pacific and Asian Studies (CleC205):

- ☐ Copy of administrative transcript
- ☐ Personal Statement in English (500 words)
- ☐ Personal Statement in Japanese (600 letters)

Your personal statement (both in English and Japanese) should include:

- a. Your reasons for interest in the field school;
- b. How the field school will help you meet your academic, career, and personal goals;
- c. A description of your character and your ability to adapt to and benefit from this international experience;
- d. Any special circumstances and/or achievement that you would think to strengthen your application (For example, previous international experiences.)

- ☐ Two written references 1 academic (normally by a Japanese language instructor), 1 character

NOTE: Referees may not be family members or friends.

NOTE: Upon being selected to participate in the field school, please hand in a cheque (\$350) payable to University of Victoria to the General Office of the Department of Pacific and Asian Studies by Jan. 10, 2016.

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