

Course title	Japanese Legal System I				
Teacher(s)	SAITO Akira		開講区分	単位数	
			2nd semester	2.0	
Numbering Code	J2ML600	Day・Period	Thurs5、Thurs6	Timetable Slot Code	3J280

#### Lesson topic

This course is mainly for international students, and will cover the topics that arise in the main fields of the current Japanese system. The course will be held in English by Japanese faculty members with specialties dealt in the course. The course is aimed at the goal that the participants will be able to appreciate the current Japanese law system in an globalized society.

#### Lesson target

By the end of this course, participants will be able to understand the overview of the various fields of the Japanese law system, and have a perspective to weigh the Japanese law system against the law systems overseas.

#### Syllabus and plan

1. Introduction to Japanese Legal System
2. Transplant of Western Law in Japan (1) (2)
3. Judicial System and Lawyers in Japan (1) (2)
4. Labor Law in Japan (1) (2)
5. Social Welfare: Law and Institutions in Japan (1) (2)
6. Japanese Constitution and International Security (1) (2)
7. Japanese Legal System: Viewpoint from a common law lawyer
8. Public International Law and Japan (1) (2)

#### Evaluation method

Attendance (minimum 5 days) [30%]  
Short Reports after each class (about 700 words) [70%]  
-To be handed in via LMS BEEF  
-By the night of the Sunday just after each class  
-Subject: JLS1 Report, [Month][Date] (Surname)  
-The issue(s) to be discussed in the report is indicated by each lecturer after each class. If there is no indication by the lecturer, please pick up one or two of the issues dealt with in each lecture.

#### Evaluation baseline

With the method stated above, grades will be determined in accordance with the degrees of achievement of the objectives.

#### Notice (include info. on related class)

To be advised in the first day of the course.

#### Review and preparation

To be advised in the first day of the course.  
Kobe University requires 45 hours of study from students to award one credit, including both in-class instructions as well as study outside classes.  
Students are required to prepare for each class and complete the review after each class, depending on the respective class goals.

#### Office hour・Contact information

Contact details will be announced during lectures.

#### Message for student

This course is mainly for overseas students who cannot use Japanese. Most of the lectures are provided by the full time faculty members of the Graduate School of Law.

#### Improvements in Teaching

The legal system of Japan is explained in relation to the social culture of Japan.

Text

All the lectures are delivered with the PowerPoint slides by each lecturer.

Reference Material

To be indicated at the beginning of the course.

Classroom Language

English

Keywords

Japanese Law, Japanese Legal System, Comparative Law, Legal Education