

Social Science Course



Features of the Course

In order to become internationally active, it is important to understand the way society works. To acquire systematic knowledge of the social sciences, the curriculum of this course has been designed as follows:

- 1. First- and second-year students learn a social-scientific way of thinking, and acquire basic knowledge that is needed to develop expertise.**
- 2. Third- and fourth-year students develop from their basic knowledge a logical and practical knowledge of law, economics, and commerce.**
- 3. All students are required to study each area of the social sciences from a variety of perspectives with a critical point of view. In seminar, we aim to cultivate the students' abilities to analyze social phenomenon by themselves, and to foster people who can look at problems from an international perspective.**

• Study of Law

Students can study Constitutional Law or Civil Law depending on their interests, after taking an Introduction to Law class. Subsequently, students can take specialized classes such as Administrative Law or Commercial Law or International Trade Law, assuming they have already gained a basic knowledge of Law.

• Economics

Based on the knowledge gained in Microeconomics and Macroeconomics classes, students can also take classes such as Industrial Organization or Applied Macroeconomics, which are essential to understanding economic trends.

• Commercial Science

Students will learn fundamentals which are essential to understanding corporate activities in Introduction to Business Administration and Introduction to Accounting. Then the students can learn about the management strategies of global companies in Business Administration, Business Accounting, Principles in Accounting, Importing and Exporting in International Commerce, and Business English. This course develops human resources that can use English as an active tool to understand global corporate activities.

General Culture Course

Students who major in the General Culture Course are exposed to a variety of academic fields, which include the cultures and societies of different regions, including Japan, Asia, Europe and the United States. In this course, students will have the opportunity to discuss the relationship between human beings and their environment, or universal social phenomena, which are not restricted to some specific region. Many different kinds of classes are offered, so students can decide which classes they would like to take depending on how they would like to approach the region they are interested in, in addition to what academic approach they would like to take without being limited to the study of a certain region. With such a variety of classes to choose from, students will be able to formulate a course of study that accommodates their own interests.



• Japan/ Asia

In the field of Japanese Linguistics, we have the aim of identifying features of the Japanese language, including its regional variations in sound and grammar.

In the field of Japanese Culture, we focus on its changes brought about by historical factors and regional exchanges, though Japanese "culture" is often seen as being stereotypically fixed.

In the field of Oriental Studies, we have the aim of arriving at a profound understanding of the people who live along the Silk Road of the Southeast Asian continent, through the study of their languages, cultures and histories.

• Europe/ America

Our university provides minors in French and German. After learning these languages in the first and second years, students are offered more advanced courses to study western society and its culture and history in the European and American section of the General Culture Course. In seminar, professors provide various lectures to deepen students' interests in related academic fields and area studies that include among others Britain, France, Germany, and Latin America, while exploring the literature, history, and classical languages and philosophies which underlie the essence of European culture.

• Human and Environment

Students will study the natural and social environments which surround us and the way in which people live in them. Also they will think about the future lifestyles of human beings. Specifically, we aim to foster knowledgeable people by providing classes in pedagogy, psychology, informatics, natural science, and sports culture.