

Searching for Reciprocity in Japan
IDH 4008/ Summer A
Travel to Japan

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COURSE SCHEDULE

Six places we will visit from 5/23 to 6/15

5/23: Osaka

5/24: Koyasan in Wakayama

5/25~5/27: Kyoto

5/28~6/03: Sapporo

6/04~6/05: Biratori, Ainu Village

6/06~6/08: Akan Ainu Village

6/09~6/14: Tokyo, Leave Japan on 6/15 after breakfast

COURSE TEXT BOOKS (Same books that we use in 2022, IDH 4007)

- Chiri, Yukie. *The Song the Owl God Sang: The Collected Ainu Legends of Chiri Yukie*. Trans. Benjamin Peterson. Middletown, BJS Books, 2015.
- Boye Lafayette De Mente, Revised by Geoff Botting. *Etiquette Guide to Japan: Know the rules that make the difference*. Tokyo| Rutland|Vermont|Singapore, Tuttle Publishing, ISBN 978-4-8053-1361-9

CRITICAL REFERENCES

- Cahn, Edgar S. *No More Throw-Away People: The Co-Production Imperative*. Washington, DC, Essential Books, 2014.

Additional readings will be provided by instructor on Canvas Module

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:

This course will examine what it is like to live in a reciprocal society. We will observe Edo's (1603 – 1867) ecological lifestyle by visiting Edo Tokyo Museum and the community salon called Shiba no Ie (the Salon at Shiba- House). In Hokkaido, we will discuss the spiritual interaction between nature and the Ainu people, who lived a reciprocal lifestyle with nature and animals by visiting Sapporo University and Hokkaido University in Sapporo city. Then we will visit Ainu village called Akan Kotan and experience their lives.

COURSE GOALS

This course offers students inimitable experience to learn and share “RECIPROCITY” by visiting six distinguished cities. The focus of the program would be sharing our culture with people in Japan. In each place, carefully designed activities will motivate students to engage in the concept of our trip.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

By the end of this trip, students will be able to:

- Interpret the concepts of Japanese customs, manners and basic greetings.
- Evaluate contemporary issues of Japanese tourism
- Design and apply ideologies of the Anthropology tourism to the cities we will visit
- Compose original projects of the tourism that could exchange with the host organizations.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS & CLASS ASSIGNMENT

Students will learn how to use “Story Map.” Then at each stop write their history, background and then students’ comments with snap shots. At the end of the trip, each student will obtain the valuable Journals with maps and pictures.

DESCRIPTION OF CLASS ASSIGNMENT

- 1. Compose an individual STORY MAP**
- 2. During our trip instructor will examine the process of the assignment**
- 3. As a Midterm project, students will present their Story Map.**
- 4. The final product will be a completion of the Story Map.**

COURSE GRADE DISTRIBUTION

Attendance and Class participation	50 %
Midterm presentation	25%
Completion of the Story Map	25%

GRADING SCALE:

A	95 or above	A-	90-94		
B+	87 - 89	B	83 - 86	B-	80-82
C+	77 - 79	C	70 - 76	D	60 - 69
F 59 or less					

2022, Honors College Study Abroad
~Searching for Reciprocity in Japan~

<Schedule> 24 days and 23 nights.

Instructor: Masako Kubota

Chaperon: Cesar Castillo

Students: 16

Schedule:

Osaka: 5/23 (1 night)

Koyasan: 5/24 (1 night)

Kyoto: 5/25 ~ 5/27 (3 nights)

Sapporo: 5/28 ~ 6/3 (7 nights)

Biratori: 6/4 (1 night)

Akan Kotan: 6/6 ~ 6/08 (3 nights)

Tokyo: 6/9 ~ 6/14 (6 nights)

Leave on 6/15, after breakfast

Date	Day	City	Activities	Accommodations
5/23	Monday	Osaka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:00 – 9:00 PM: Orientation at the Hotel • Free after the orientation 	Hotel Aston Plaza Kansai Airport https://www.aston-kix.com/en <Note> Most of the airplane from the US arrives around 6:00 PM, thus, we will have an orientation at the hotel restaurant at 8:00 – 9:00 PM.
5/24	Tuesday	Koyasan	Leave Hotel around 8:00AM by chartered bus Arrive Koyasan around noon. Visit historical site with English speaking Guide 専用車で移動。 午後は、奥の院散策、座禅など	Koyasan Shukubo Sekishoin https://www.sekishoin.jp/ <Note> Lecture about the history of Koyasan in the bus
5/25	Wednesday	Kyoto	Attend Zazen and hiking around the temple. Leave Koyasan 4:00PM to Kyoto	Kyoto Utano Youth Hostel https://yh-

			午前中、高野山を散策し、午後4時頃、京都に向けて専用車で出発。 Free after arriving Kyoto 到着後、自由行動	kyoto.or.jp/utano_en/
5/26	Thursday	Kyoto	Visit museums and gardens with guided bus. Arashiyama, bamboo forest, Ryoanji, Kinkakuji, etc. 専用車で、嵐山、竹林、化野念仏寺、竜安寺、金閣寺など専用車で観光。	Same as above <Note> Guided tour about the history of Kyoto, and visit many historical temples and shrines.
5/27	Friday	Kyoto	Free sightseeing time グループに分かれて、学生たちはバスで移動。立命館なども訪問。自由見学日	Same as above
5/28	Saturday	Sapporo	Take chartered bus from hotel to Itami Airport. Itami airport (Osaka) to Sapporo, Hokkaido. From Sapporo airport, take chartered bus to the hostel.	Grids Sapporo https://www.gridshostel.com/hostels/sapporo/en/ <Note> Lecture about Hokkaido and Ainu Culture in the chartered bus from Chitose to Grids.
5/29	Sunday	Sapporo	自由行動 Free time	Same as above
5/30	Monday	Sapporo	Visit Sapporo University Urespa Project Lecture by Dr Yûko Honda and Cultural Exchange with Urespa students. Learn Ainu culture https://www.facebook.com/urespaclub	Same as above
5/31	Tuesday	Sapporo	Visit Hokkaido University/ https://www.oia.hokudai.ac.jp/ Lecture By Dr. Jirota Kitahara Center for Ainu and Indigenous Studies http://www.cais.hokudai.ac.jp/	Same as above
6/1	Wednesday	Sapporo	Visit National Ainu Museum at Shiraoi. Take chartered bus. 札幌から白老往復専用車	Same as above
6/2	Thursday	Sapporo	Kimono try on Visit Community Service center at Teine.	Same as above
6/3	Friday	Sapporo	Discussion session, in the morning, at the Hostel.	Same as above

			Afternoon Free	
6/4	Saturday	Nibutani	<p>Leave Sapporo to Ainu village Biratori, Nibutani by Chartered bus</p> <p>Lecture by Mr. Kayano, Ainu activist, and the owner of the guest house</p>	<p>Guest House Nibutani</p> <p>https://nibutani-yanto.com/en/</p>
6/5	Sunday	Akan	<p>After lunch and visting museum / Biratori to Akan by charter bus.</p> <p>Arrive Akan around 4:00 PM</p> <p>Welcome party with Ainu people.</p>	<p>Hotel Hanayuuka</p> <p>https://www.hanayuuka.com/en/</p>
6/6 ~ 6/7	Monday ~ Tuesday	Akan	<p>Canoeing at Akan Lake Visiting Ainu theater</p> <p>Mid-term project presentation will be held at the Hotel Conference room.</p> <p>午前中：カヌー体験 夜：アイヌ劇場観劇／火祭りとロストカムイ</p>	<p>Same as above</p> <p><Note> Mid-term project presentation will be held at the Hotel Conference room</p>
6/8	Wednesday	Akan	<p>Edible plant hunting, hiking with Ainu elders Ainu cooking lesson by Ainu elders.</p>	Same as above
6/9	Thursday	Tokyo	<p>Leave Akan by Chartered bus to Kushiro airport</p> <p>Leave Kushiro for Haneda Tokyo</p> <p>Take chartered bus to the hostel, Grids Ueno.</p>	<p>Grids Ueno</p> <p>https://grids-hostel.com/hostels/ueno/en/</p>
6/10 to 6/14	Friday ~ Tuesday	Tokyo	<p>Visit Waseda University for the cultural exchange.</p> <p>We will visit Kabuki Theater, Edo-Tokyo Museum, NPO/ community lunch service, and community gathering place for elders, etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteer at “House of Shiba” Elder people’s café. http://www.shibanoie.net/about • Meiji-Jingu (Shrine). https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Meiji_Shrine • Harajyuku, http://www.takeshita-street.com/ 	<p>Same as above</p> <p><Note> Study Abroad is over 6/15, after breakfast. Final Project due is 6/14, 11:59PM. Submit the Completion of the Story Map.</p>

**FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
HONORS COLLEGE
2022 STUDY ABROAD RULES**

By [registering to study abroad](#) students commit to making their payments on time, to complying with the requirements on time, and to remaining with the program. Refunds are not awarded, and switching programs is not allowed.

Note: - IDH 4007 is the pre-travel class on campus; IDH 4008 is the class abroad.

- Deadline dates that fall on weekends and/or holidays are **NOT** moved to the next business date.

Documentation:

Before securing their spot, students must (1) complete, initialize, and sign the [Honors Study Abroad Contract](#), (2) apply online at [abroad.fiu.edu](#), and (3) apply online at <https://honors.fiu.edu/studyabroad/applications>. Their documentation will be subject to approval at registration.

Students must upload ALL Office of Education Abroad (OEA) required documentation to [abroad.fiu.edu](#) by **NOVEMBER 19, 2021, 11:59PM**. Students who fail to comply by then will not be allowed to participate in IDH 4007 and/or IDH 4008, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed

The documentation required by OEA includes the Medical Form, copy of valid passport, [Course Registration Form](#), and four questionnaires: 1) personal information form, 2) emergency contact form, 3) special needs form, and 4) financial information form.

The Medical Form is valid for only one year as of the date it is signed by a physician licensed in the United States and cannot expire before the end of the program.

Students are strongly encouraged to review vaccination requirements for countries they plan to visit, including against COVID-19. Failure to abide by vaccination requirements may prevent a student from entering a country and continuing participation in the Study Abroad program, in which case, refunds will NOT be awarded. FIU provides many vaccinations, including against COVID-19, for students on campus.

Passport must remain valid for at least 6 months after the last day of the program.

Should the student not have a valid passport by the deadline mentioned above, they must instead submit proof that the passport application/renewal process has been initiated and must replace it with a copy of their actual passport no later than **APRIL 15, 2022**. Students who fail to comply by then will not be allowed to participate in IDH 4008, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed

ONLY FOR STUDENTS WHO SECURE THEIR SPOT ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 15, 2021:

The deadline to upload the required documentation will be extended until **JANUARY 7, 2022, 11:59pm** (before final DROP date). Students who fail to comply by then will not be allowed to participate in IDH 4008 or travel with the program Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

Students must clear any existing holds by **DECEMBER 1, 2021, 11:59PM** and again by **APRIL 1, 2022**, and are responsible for ensuring that they have no new holds before being enrolled in both IDH 4007* and/or IDH 4008*. Students who fail to comply by the deadlines will not be allowed to participate in the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

*Students with holds on their account cannot be enrolled for classes.

While taking the IDH 4007 class, students will have to complete the online *mandatory* pre-departure orientation on the study abroad application portal. Students must complete the session and associated quizzes, sign the paperwork, and upload it to their application at the [abroad.fiu.edu](#) portal by **APRIL 1, 2022, 11:59pm**.

Physicality:

The faculty leader and/or support staff do not administer medical care or provide medication.

Academics:

In order to participate in an Honors study abroad program, students must *maintain* a minimum cumulative FIU GPA of 3.2. Students who fail to comply will not be allowed to participate in IDH 4007 and/or IDH 4008, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

A minimum grade of C in IDH 4007 is required to be enrolled in IDH 4008, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded if the student cannot be enrolled, and posted charges will not be removed.

Behavior:

Students who have been sanctioned under the FIU Student Conduct and Honor Code (<https://studentaffairs.fiu.edu/get-support/student-conduct-and-academic-integrity/student-conduct-and-honor-code/index.php>), which results in loss of privileges, and/or other sanctions that result in the student not being considered to be in good standing with the University (e.g., conduct probation), are not be eligible to participate in IDH 4008, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

Students found responsible for an Academic Misconduct Violation will be dismissed from the Honors College upon notification of findings and will not be allowed to participate in, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed.

Students studying abroad are expected to represent the Honors College and FIU honorably and maturely. The faculty director and/or staff are authorized to end the program early for students whose behavior becomes disruptive (and/or violates the FIU Student Conduct and Honor Code.)

Payments:

Once students apply online, they must secure their spot with the Honors College with a **blank, non-refundable \$500 cashier's check or money order (ONLY,) and all the required documentation.**

Study abroad payments are *non-refundable* and are made in 3 installments. The OEA will post the charges on the students' accounts approximately 3 weeks before each payment deadline. Once the charges are posted, they cannot be removed. Students who secure their spot *after* charges for an installment(s) have been posted will have the overdue payments added to the next deadline's charges.

Students are responsible to ensure with Student Financials that any payment made towards their study abroad program is indeed applied to that program.

Students who pay their program through a scholarship are still responsible for having the payments made on time and in their entirety. Therefore, it is the student's responsibility to contact Financial Aid to ensure compliance. If any delays are foreseen, it is the student's responsibility to notify the Honors College of the situation. If the scholarship will not cover the full amount due, it is the student's responsibility to pay the remaining balance. Students who fail to comply will not be allowed to participate in, or travel with the program. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges will not be removed. Payments must be made no later than the deadline (December 1, 2021, January 3, 2022, and February 1, 2022) published at <https://honors.fiu.edu/studyabroad/payments>. If students fail to make them on time, the university will apply a \$100.00 late fee to their account. Late fees cannot be removed.

After each payment deadline there is a one-week grace period, an *extended* deadline, when payments are still accepted. However, the **late fee will still be applied, and students may get a hold on their accounts***. If students fail to complete their payment within exactly that *one*-week grace period, and had not notified the Honors College in advance, they will be withdrawn from the program and will not be allowed to participate in IDH 4007 and/or IDH 4008, or travel with the program, depending on the time the payment was missed. Refunds will NOT be awarded. Posted charges **and late fees** will not be removed.

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FIU and the Honors College strongly discourage making big purchases, such as airline tickets, before the programs are confirmed by OEA. If canceled, FIU cannot refund these or any other expenses related to the programs not paid directly to FIU.

Switching, Withdrawals, and Cancellations:

Once students are registered, they are not allowed to switch programs. Students who still want to change programs will have to withdraw from the initial one, first, with no refunds. Then secure their spot in the new program, pay the \$500 deposit again, and complete all the new program's missing payments. Permission to apply for the second program is at the full discretion of the Honors College.

Withdrawal from a program will only be permitted for medical reasons. In order to request a medical withdrawal,

students must provide appropriate medical documentation from a physician licensed in the United States. Otherwise, they will remain responsible for all charges.

Students that are dropped from a program for lack of payment, lack of documentation, or due to FIU Student Conduct and Honor Code sanctions, will still be responsible for the charges already posted to their account. That balance will still be due.

FIU and/or the Honors College reserve the right to cancel study abroad programs—the *only* case in which a refund *will* be made. The refund will cover the program's cost and the \$500 deposit. Late fees will not be refunded or removed. Students will be responsible for fees or losses incurred in cancelling or changing their airfare ticket and any other expenses not covered by the program fee. Consideration to purchase Trip Cancellation insurance coverage is recommended. Refunds for the \$195 OEA fee will be at OEA's discretion.

By signing up to participate in a study abroad program, students are assuming all the above-mentioned responsibilities and are committing to comply with them without further notices.