

2013年冬学期（10月開始）6時限（18：30～20：10）  
『現代日本外交』；“Modern Japanese Diplomacy (MJD)”  
講義日程について

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To the prospective students of the “Modern Japanese Diplomacy” course (under different titles for four schools, see below):

法学部 (0112990) 特別講義 現代日本外交 (Japanese Foreign Policy)

法学政治学研究科総合法政専攻 (25-304-38)

現代日本外交 (Japanese Political and Diplomatic History (Special Study))

公共政策学教育部 (5112181) Modern Japanese Diplomacy

学際情報学府 (4971310) Information, Technology, and Society in Asia 131

(Fridays, 6<sup>th</sup> period: 18:30 ~ 20:10, Room 22 Law Faculty)

As for the schedule of the course, I would like to revise the ordering of sessions and topics from what has been set out in the syllabus as follows;

**NB:** I would also urge new **GraSPP International Program** enrollees who are interested in taking the course not to miss the first session in the afternoon of day for the entrance ceremony October 4;

SCHEDULE:

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| #1 (October 4)  | Introduction: How to understand “Modern Japanese Diplomacy”        |
| #2 (October 11) | Modern International Political Structure in Historical Perspective |
| #3 (October 18) | Modern Global Economic Structure in Historical Perspective         |
| #4 (October 25) | <u>Special Lecture on Japan's Asia Diplomacy (first segment):</u>  |

by Ambassador Kunihiko MAKITA, Visiting Professor of Musashi University,  
and former Director-General of Asian Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs .

- #5 (November 1)                        Special Lecture on Japan's Asia Diplomacy (second segment):  
by Ambassador Kunihiko MAKITA, Visiting Professor of Musashi University,  
and former Director-General of Asian Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
  
- #6 (November 8)                        Japan's Strategic Choices:  
    The Opening of Japan and the Second "Opening"
  
- #7 (November 15)                        Major Diplomatic Relations or Issues (from strategic perspectives)
  - (1)        US:
  
  - #8 (November 22)                        (2)        Europe and Russia
  
  - #9 (November 29)                        (3)        Middle East / the Gulf; South Asia;  
    (Africa; Latin America)
  
  - #10 (December 6)                        (4)        Southeast Asia (ASEAN); South Asia; and Oceania
  
  - #11 (December 13)                        to be announced
  
  - #12 (December 20)                        (5)        China and the Korean Peninsula
  
  - (Winter Break)
  
  - #13 (January 10, 2014)                        Predicting the Future:  
    "Clash of Civilizations" or "Power Transition" or what?
  
  - #14 (January 17)                        "The Third Opening" with "? ":    Japan's Next Strategic Choice
  
  - #15 (January 24)                        Overall Review



## OBJECTIVE AND READING MATERIALS

As has been stressed in the syllabus, the objective of this course is to provide some ideas to students for better understanding Japan's strategic choices in the coming decades.

The course will approach this task by learning lessons from history as well as by taking a broad global perspective.

We will see how Japan has responded to major strategic challenges it faced at every turning point in its modern history.

We will also look at situations prevailing in different regions comprising the international system, and the implication of the respective regional situation on Japan's diplomatic strategy. It would thus be more of a "tour d'horizon" of major issues affecting international political structure to which Japan has been and is involved with.

For those students not familiar with the more specific diplomatic issues for Japan in the post-War period, the following is required reading:

- 1) Yutaka Kawashima: *Japanese Foreign Policy at the Crossroads*, Brookings Institution Press
- 2) For those who can read Japanese the following is also useful:  
北岡 伸一 「日本政治史 -- 外交と権力」 (有斐閣)

Required reading materials:

On international political and economic systems;

- 1) G. John Ikenberry: *After Victory: Institutions, Strategic Restraint, and the Rebuilding of Order after Major Wars*, Princeton University Press, 2001
- 2) Daron Acemoglu and James A. Robinson; *Why Nations Fail: The Origins of Power, Prosperity, and Poverty*, Crown Publishers, 2012

Related to predicting the future:

- 3) G. John Ikenberry: *Liberal Order and Imperial Ambition: Essays on American Power and World Politics*, Polity, 2006
- 4) Samuel Huntington: *The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order*, Simon and Schuster
- 5) The National Intelligence Council; *Global Trends 2030: Alternative Worlds*; by the NIC of the

US, December 2012

<http://globaltrends2030.files.wordpress.com/2012/11/global-trends-2030-november2012.pdf>

Other reference materials will be introduced at future occasions.

**TERM PAPER:**

At the end of the term, students must submit a Paper, in which the international political / economic structure at around 2030 will be predicted.

In terms of overall grade, the term paper will have about 80% weight.

Obviously the accuracy of the prediction is not the issue, but how you organize your reasoning for the possible evolution of the global system is the crucial element. In other words, it will have to be an “educated guess” and the result of your self-education is the key.