

Course Name	Japanese History (Theory & Practice) I		
Semester, Year	1 学期	Number of Credits	2 credits
Course level	3000	Course Number	027032
Instructor(s) (Institution)	JONATHAN BULL EDWARD (大学院メディア・コミュニケーション研究院)		
Course Objectives	<p>In this course we will read the novel Pachinko by Min Jin Lee (Apollo, 2017) to learn about Japan's colonisation of Korea (1910-1945) and the legacies of that colonial rule in postwar Japanese society (1945-1989). Every week we will read four chapters of the novel. To contextualise these chapters, for each class we will also read and discuss what historians have written about a particular theme that occurs in those four chapters. Pachinko begins in 1910 in a small fishing village in southern Korea and ends in Tokyo in 1989. According to the New York Times: 'Pachinko is about outsiders, minorities and the politically disenfranchised. But it is so much more besides. Each time the novel seems to find its locus ? Japan's colonization of Korea, World War II as experienced in East Asia, Christianity, family, love, the changing role of women ? it becomes something else. It becomes even more than it was.' By giving historical context to the novel, we will think about questions including: How did settler power operate in Korea? What makes human beings commit acts of violence against one another? What is the basis of identity and how does it vary? We will also ask more specific questions about the political and social context of Imperial and Postwar Japan.</p>		
Course Goals	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To develop your historical reading and writing skills 2) To learn about the uses of historical literature 3) To deepen your historical knowledge of Japan's colonisation of Korea and postwar Japanese society 		
Course Schedule	<p>Week 1 - Guidance Week 2 - Overview of Japan's colonisation of Korea Week 3 - Japanese settlers in Korea Week 4 - Korean workers in interwar Japan Week 5 - Forced labour in the Japanese empire Week 6 - Total War and the homefront Week 7 - Japan 1944-45: destruction from the skies Week 8 - Japanese settlers and the end of colonial society in Korea Week 9 - Review week Week 10 - Koreans in Japan and the Occupation Week 11 - The Japanese economy and the 3 Ks Week 12 - Japanese government's 'repatriation' programme for Koreans Week 13 - Middle class life for 'all' Week 14 - Anti-Japan in Postcolonial Asia Week 15 - wrap-up Please note that this is a provisional outline and subject to change when I know the make-up of the class</p>		
Homework	There will be weekly reading assignments.		
Grading System	The grading system will be confirmed after consultation with the students in the first and second week of term.		
Textbooks / Reading List			
Websites			
Website of Laboratory			
Additional Information			