

**Outline of Proposal for SDGs Online Cross-Registration:  
Online Exchange Program (OEP) focusing on SDGs**

<b>General Information</b>	<b>Name of University/ Institution</b>		Niigata University	
	<b>Brief Introduction of the University/Institution</b>		Niigata University has a long history as an institution, with origins going back some 150 years. Since our inauguration as a national university in 1949 under the new university system, the University has played an important role in higher education and research in Japan. Over the years, we have grown into a large, comprehensive university offering programs in a wide range of disciplines spanning the humanities and social sciences, natural sciences as well as medical and dental sciences. At Niigata University, our overarching mission is to contribute to the peace and development of humankind through education, research, and social philanthropy, while thinking globally as well as locally.	
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<b>Program Information</b>	<b>Name of Program</b>		Cross Cultural Learning B	
	<b>Name of Faculty</b>		Center for International Education	
	<b>Name of Department</b>		Institute of Education and Student Affairs	
	<b>Subject (Code name, if any)</b>		Cross Cultural Learning B 213G3724	
	<b>Program Description &amp; syllabus</b>		<p>This is a "co-curricular" course in which students of different nationalities, native languages, and cultural backgrounds study together. While reading newspaper articles, critiques, essays, papers, etc., students will think about Japanese society and international society, think about yourselves and the people who live in those societies, and deepen your thoughts and understand each other through dialogue.</p> <p>In addition to native Japanese speakers and non-native Japanese speakers (international students, etc.) at Niigata university, students of the Japanese language department at the University of Brawijaya in Indonesia are scheduled to participate in this class online.</p> <p>The goal is to acquire knowledge and skills (how to read, write, speak, listen, and think) as "tools" for dialogue with others. Since most of the classes will be conducted in a workshop format, all participants will create a place where you can proactively participate in discussions, experience, and mutually stimulate and learn from each other.</p> <p>The aim of this lecture is to provide an opportunity for each participant to think about how to build and maintain relationships with peers who have different cultural backgrounds from your own.</p> <p>Specific learning objectives include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-To be able to express one's own opinions about various events in Japanese, based on original evidence, in a way that is easily understood by others.</li> <li>-Do not flinch when interacting with others, especially those with different opinions and values.</li> <li>-Recognize the importance of adjusting the "compromise" between claims and values.</li> <li>-For native speakers of Japanese, it will be an opportunity to acquire strategies for communicating with non-native speakers of Japanese, including "easy Japanese," other languages, gestures, facial expressions, etc., and with people from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds, which will be increasingly necessary in the future society.</li> <li>-In the case of non-native speakers of Japanese, you will be able to use Japanese with a stable awareness and confidence by repeatedly communicating in Japanese to understand others and express your own opinions.</li> </ul> <p>Grading Criteria: No grade will be given unless 90% of the students attend. Assignments 30%; Contribution to the class 30%; End of semester report 40%.</p>	
	<b>Program URL</b>		Not available	
	<b>Degree Level and/or Grade</b>		Undergraduate students who are enrolled in a degree-seeking program in a UMAP member university out of Japan (This subject is not open to students enrolled in Japanese universities)	
	<b>Language of Instruction</b>		Mainly Japanese; students should have an ability to pass N2 level or above in Japanese Language Proficiency Test	
	<b>Requirements (Language Proficiency, etc.)</b>		Non-native speakers of Japanese language should already have acquired an ability to pass N2 level in Japanese Language Proficiency Test. Certificate is not required. See the following website to check your level: <a href="https://www.jlpt.jp/e/about/levelsummary.html">https://www.jlpt.jp/e/about/levelsummary.html</a>	
	<b>Number of Credits to Transfer (Timing of credit issuance)</b>		University Credits	UCTS
	<b>Means of Transmission (e.g. via Zoom, etc.)</b>		Via Zoom	
	<b>Number of Lectures</b>		8	
	<b>Total Teaching Hours</b>		12 hours (1 lecture is 90 minutes long)	
	<b>Independent Study Hours</b>		12 hours (time needed for preparation for each lecture varies depending on assignments)	
<b>Student's Total Workload</b>		Approx. 24 hours		
<b>Program Fee</b>		None		
<b>Requirement</b>	<b>Language Proficiency</b>		Intermediate to advanced Japanese language proficiency is required. Students should have an ability equivalent of N2 level or above in Japanese Language Proficiency Test. Certificate will not be required. See the following website to check your level: <a href="https://www.jlpt.jp/e/about/levelsummary.html">https://www.jlpt.jp/e/about/levelsummary.html</a>	
	We accept native English speakers and/or a certificate issued by the home institution if English is used as the medium of instruction.		English is not used as the main medium of instruction, but native English speaker is acceptable.	
	<b>GPA</b>		No requirement	
<b>Others (if any)</b>				
<b>Program Schedule</b>	<b>Length</b>		October 5 to November 30, 2021	
	<b>From</b>		5-Oct-21	
	<b>To</b>		30-Nov-21	
	<b>Day of week</b>		Every Tuesday from 16:25 to 17:55 (Japan Local Time)	
<b>Participants</b>	<b>Maximum Number of Participants</b>		30 (Up to 2 students from UMAP)	
	<b>Minimum Number of Participants</b>		Not specified	
<b>Application Period</b>	<b>From</b>		24-Aug-21	
	<b>Until (Deadline)</b>		10-Sep-21	
<b>Others</b>	If there are any other facts to inform, please specify.			