

# HIS216 : History of Japan

The course is an historical study of Japan's history and culture from ancient times to the present. Students will examine the historical, economic, and social factors that developed Japanese civilization. The remarkable transformation of Japan from a feudal society led by an aristocratic class of samurai to a modern republic similar to modern 19th century Western nations will be closely analyzed. The course will also include close scrutiny of the events pushing Japan into WW II as well as Japan's dynamic post-WW II recovery, to include a significant economic boom. The course will provide a foundation for the continued study of Japan as well as a broad range of Asian topics.

**Credits** 3

**Prerequisites**

[ENL101](#): English Composition I and a 100-level history course

**Semester Offered**

Varies

**Notes**

Satisfies a Behavioral and Social Sciences general education requirement.