

<<2017 YCU Science Summer Program in Liberal Arts & Social Sciences (SSPYCU)>>

Global Dialogue for the Future We Want: Diversity and Harmony in Question

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All around the globe, the issue of diversity is fiercely debated. Conviviality of a human kind among us, and with nature, and with science is seriously in question.

Facing the advent of socio-political phenomena such as Brexit and the Trump administration in the past year, the ideal of multiculturalism has been put on hold. Diversity is not only an issue of migration. For example, in Japan it has been debated in the area of education and society in general. Especially after the March 11 Great Tohoku Earthquake and Nuclear Plant Accident in 2011, more and more people started to seriously reconsider our lifestyle and the future trajectory of local and global societies. Different perspectives and opinions are almost always in conflict and cannot bring about clear-cut single answers.

In this YCU Science Summer Program, we offer students from abroad a learning opportunity to experience current day Japan (with a special reference to Fukushima) and think and discuss together with faculty members and students at Yokohama City University. We invited a special lecturer from Austria, a specialist on the idea of social innovation. Our aim for this Science Summer Program is to conduct it among a diverse mix of students in the academic setting of Yokohama City University and create innovative ideas and visions of the future for the young people in the world to see.

In the final stage of the program, students are expected to make a formal presentation of their ideas to the public audience.

** All programs are conducted in English. YCU is happy to waive the program fee & accommodation fee for your students.*

Venues:

Yokohama City University (Main Kanazawa-hakkei Campus) and Iwaki city area (Fukushima Prefecture)

Invited Lecturer:

Dr. Josef Hochgerner (Sociologist, Founder of the Center for Social Innovation, Vienna)

YCU Faculty Members:

Sachiko Takita (Sociology of Diversity) ★ coordinator
Mioko Tsuboya (Sociology of Migration)
Kyoko Sato (Socio-linguistics, Gender studies) ★ co-coordinator
Kazumi Yamazaki (Iranian Studies, Gender studies)
Tomoko Watarai (Sociology)
Mika Hirai (Psychology, Gender studies)
Kimio Okada (German language)
Hiroto Takahashi (Education)
Tetsuya Yamane (European History)
Takashi Nakatani (American Literature/Literary Criticism)
Tatsuya Shoji (Japanese Modern Literature)
Kazuo Motomiya (History of Economy)
Ikuyo Matsumoto (Japanese Medieval History)
Ryuichi Tsunoda (Contemporary Japanese Sociology/Photography and Films)
Ichiro Kakizaki (Asian History)
Hitoshi Arima (Ethics)
Shinji Mikami (Philosophy)
Tomoko Ootosaka (History)
Toshitugu Ukita (Psychology) and others....

Student Participants (estimate):

- (1) YCU Students: 20
- (2) Exchange Students (admitted from Sept. 2016 to Aug. 2017 at YCU): 10
(China) Shanghai Normal U: 1, (South Korea) Incheon National U: 2,
(France) Lyon 3 Jean Moulin: 2, (Austria) U of Vienna: 3, (Italy) Ca' Foscari: 3
(Vietnam) Foreign Trade University: 2
- (3) Students from abroad: 10
(Spain) 5—University of Navarra: 1, Complutense University of Madrid: 1,
University of Salamanca: 1, University of Santiago de Compostela: 2

(Finland) 1—University of Oulu

(USA) 2—University of California, San Diego

(Mexico) 2—UDLAP (in discussion)

Schedule (subject to minor changes)

Schedule	Venue (Accommodation)	Contents
July 30 (Sun.)	(Flexstay Inn Sakuragicho)	Arrival : <u>NARITA AIRPORT or HANEDA AIRPORT</u> -YCU staff will meet you at the airport -Move to your accommodation with the YCU staff
July 31 (AM) (Mon.) (PM)	YCU (Flexstay Inn Sakuragicho)	-Lectures - 9:30 – <i>Opening Remarks (Prof. Takita)</i> 10:00- <i>“Support for the affected area in Fukushima by Yokohama City Government” (Administrative staff of Yokohama City Government)</i> 13:00- <i>“Fukushima Nuclear Plant and its decommissioning work” (Mr. Akihiko Yoshikawa of AFW)</i> 17:00- <i>Welcome Party (YCU President Yoshinobu Kubota)</i>
Aug 1 (Tue.)	Yokohama- Fukushima--back to Yokohama (Flexstay Inn Sakuragicho)	Fukushima Fieldtrip day* →Move to Iwaki City Area (southern part of Fukushima Prefecture) by chartered bus -Volunteering at The People (organic cotton fields & cotton doll making) in Hisanohama Area of Iwaki. -Iwaki Disaster Prevention Center -Iwaki OtentoSUN Enterprise Cooperative →back to Yokohama

Tentative 2017/05/11

Be assured that we are not going to visit evacuation instruction zones in Fukushima Prefecture.

For more information, please refer to the website below. (See 2017.4.1 status)

<http://www.pref.fukushima.lg.jp/site/portal-english/en03-08.html>