

Course number		G-ECON31 6A606 SE44 G-ECON31 6A606 SE38 G-ECON31 6A606 SE43			
Course title (and course title in English)	Business History & Industry Studies Readings A Business History & Industry Studies Readings A		Instructor's name, job title, and department of affiliation	Graduate School of Economics Professor, KUROSAWA TAKAFUMI Graduate School of Economics Professor, WATANABE JUNKO Graduate School of Economics Professor, TANAKA AKIRA Graduate School of Economics Associate Professor, IVINGS, Steven	
Target year	1st year students or above	Number of credits	2	Year/semesters	2023/First semester
Days and periods	Wed.2	Class style	Seminar	Language of instruction	English
[Overview and purpose of the course]					
<p>The “ readings ” course series in the field of economic and business history are designed to provide an opportunity for an intense academic dialogue with both “ classic ” and recent influential works (including books and journal articles) in the field of global- and Japanese economic and business history. The idea is to tackle these works in full in their original form and not just by reference to them in summarized secondary accounts.</p> <p>All students including PhD Programme students who study under the supervision of Tanaka, Watanabe, Kurosawa, and Ivings are strongly encouraged to attend this course, irrespective of their programme, grade, main research language, research topics, and registration/participation history in the past. During the course they will be asked to present on their ongoing research.</p> <p>Other students with some basic knowledge of economic and business history and an interest in this discipline are also welcome to participate.</p>					
[Course objectives]					
<p>The goal of this course is for students to gain a deep knowledge of the works we cover, not only in their content, but also in appreciating the methods used, wider implications, and most of all, the way such comprehensive works are designed, organized and put together. Students will acquire active knowledge of what goes into making a comprehensive and coherent work in economic/business history and will thus be able to apply it to their own research.</p>					
[Course schedule and contents]					
<p>Students will read and discuss designated literature on each theme. There will also be weeks dedicated to presentations based on individual student ’ s research interests. The schedule and contents are as follows;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> [April 12] Introduction jointly provided by Prof. Tanaka, Kurosawa, Ivings [April 19] Presentation Week #1 [April 26] Reading Week (Tanaka) #1 Akamatsu, K. (1962) “ A historical pattern of economic growth in developing countries, ” The Developing Economies, Preliminary Issue, No.1, 3-25. [May 10] Presentation Week #2 [May 17] Reading Week (Tanaka) #2 Gerschenkron, A. (1962) Economic Backwardness in Historical Perspective, Belknap Press of Harvard University Press. [Introduction & Chapter 1] (池田美智子訳 『経済後進性の史的展望』 日本経済評論社 2016年) 					
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6. [May 24] Presentation Week #3
7. [May 31] Reading Week (Tanaka) #3
Vernon, R. (1966) “ International investment and international trade in the product cycle, ” Quarterly Journal of Economics, 80, 190-207.
8. [June 7] Presentation Week #4
9. [June 14] Reading Week (Kurosawa) #1
10. [June 21] Presentation Week #5
11. [June 28] Reading Week (Kurosawa) #2
12. [July 5] Presentation Week #6
13. [July 12] Reading Week (Kurosawa)#3
14. [July 19] Presentation Week #7
15. [July 26/TBD] Feedbacks

[Course requirements]

This course, called "Readings," is an intermediate or advanced course in Economic & Business History. Students who have chosen historical themes, methods, and approaches for their own research are encouraged to take this course. For students who do not have experience studying Economic History we recommend that they first attend the course “ Economic & Business History ” prior to this course.

[Evaluation methods and policy]

Methods: Students will be graded based on their preparation for the discussion each reading week and their contribution to the class discussion (50%), as well as their individual research presentation (50%).
Evaluation criteria: Understanding the basic topics, major debates and basic historiography in economic and business history, and the capability to draw wider implications from that knowledge.

[Textbooks]

See the description above.

[References, etc.]

(Reference books)

Relevant literature will be introduced by each teacher through PandA and in class.

(Related URLs)

http://www.econ.kyoto-u.ac.jp/~a.tanaka/index_e.htm
<http://www.econ.kyoto-u.ac.jp/~kurosawa/>
<http://www.econ.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/faculty-members/professor/watanabejunko/>
<http://www.econ.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/faculty-members/professor/ivingsstevensedward/>

[Study outside of class (preparation and review)]

The most important requirement for this class is to read the textbook and the indicated literature in advance.

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(**Other information (office hours, etc.)**)

Office Hour: by appointment

*Please visit KULASIS to find out about office hours.