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COURSE DISCIPLINE: ETH S

COURSE NUMBER: 124

COURSE TITLE (FULL): Japanese Experience in America

COURSE TITLE (SHORT): Japanese Exper in America

**ACADEMIC SENATE DISIPLINE: Ethnic Studies** 

#### **CATALOG DESCRIPTION**

ETH S 124 is an in-depth survey of the history of Japanese immigrants and their descendants in America from the 19th century to the present. Topics such as mass incarceration of Japanese Americans during the 1940s and the long-range effects of internment will illustrate the unique experience often marginalized by American History. The course is designed to meet the needs of students who wish to more fully understand the experience of Japanese immigrants and their descendants in America.

Total Lecture Units:3.00

Total Laboratory Units: 0.00

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Total Lecture Hours:54.00

Total Laboratory Hours: 0.00

Total Laboratory Hours To Be Arranged: 0.00

**Total Contact Hours: 54.00** 

**Total Out-of-Class Hours: 108.00** 

Recommended Preparation: ENGL 100 or ESL 151.



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# **ENTRY STANDARDS**

|    | Subject | Number | Title                        | Description   | Include |
|----|---------|--------|------------------------------|---|---------|
| 1  | ENGL    | 100    | Writing Workshop             | Read, analyze, and evaluate contemporary articles and stories to identify topic, thesis, support, transitions, conclusion, audience, and tone;  | Yes     |
| 2  | ENGL    | 100    | Writing Workshop             | read, analyze, and evaluate contemporary<br>articles and stories for the comprehension of<br>difficult content and the identification of main<br>ideas and (topic-based) evidence;                              | Yes     |
| 3  | ENGL    | 100    | Writing Workshop             | read, analyze, and evaluate student compositions<br>for unity, development, use of evidence,<br>interpretation, coherence, and variety of sentence<br>form;   | Yes     |
| 4  | ENGL    | 100    | Writing Workshop             | write a summary of a contemporary article or story with correct citation techniques;  | Yes     |
| 5  | ENGL    | 100    | Writing Workshop             | write an argumentative essay that has an introduction, body paragraphs, and a conclusion, demonstrating a basic understanding of essay organization;  | Yes     |
| 6  | ENGL    | 100    | Writing Workshop             | write an argumentative essay that addresses the topic, is directed by a thesis statement, uses appropriate textual evidence, develops logical interpretations, and concludes with some compelling observations; | Yes     |
| 7  | ENGL    | 100    | Writing Workshop             | write an argumentative essay that integrates the ideas of others (i.e., authors) through paraphrasing, summarizing, and quoting with correct citation techniques;   | Yes     |
| 8  | ENGL    | 100    | Writing Workshop             | write an argumentative essay that generates novel ideas (those that add to the conversation rather than repeating the author's ideas) related to the topic and the readings;                                    | Yes     |
| 9  | ENGL    | 100    | Writing Workshop             | write compositions (e.g., summaries and argumentative essays) that are easy to read and follow, though some errors in grammar, mechanics, spelling, or diction may exist;                                       | Yes     |
| 10 | ENGL    | 100    | Writing Workshop             | proofread and edit essays for content, language, citation, and formatting problems.   | Yes     |
| 11 | ESL     | 151    | Reading and Composition V    | Read and critically analyze various academic readings;  | Yes     |
| 12 | ESL     | 151    | Reading and<br>Composition V | summarize readings;   | Yes     |
| 13 | ESL     | 151    | Reading and<br>Composition V | organize fully-developed essays in both expository and argumentative modes;   | Yes     |



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| 14 | ESL | 151 | Reading and<br>Composition V | compose a 500 to 550-word essay which: summarizes and cites appropriately a reading passage; includes a clear thesis statement; uses evidence to support the thesis; shows clear organization into an introduction, body, and conclusion; | Yes |
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| 15 | ESL | 151 | Reading and Composition V    | revise writing to eliminate errors in syntax, and grammatical constructions;  | Yes |
| 16 | ESL | 151 | Reading and Composition V    | employ basic library research techniques;   | Yes |
| 17 | ESL | 151 | Reading and Composition V    | compose one research paper (1,000 words) or two short research papers (500-700  | Yes |

words each) with citations.

#### **EXIT STANDARDS**

- Demonstrate the importance of the Japanese and Japanese American experiences in America;
- 2 compare and contrast the Japanese experience in America with that of mainstream immigrants inAmerica;
- 3 assess the World War II camp experience of Japanese and Japanese Americans;
- 4 assess the importance of contributions made by Japanese Americans to the United States.

#### STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1 recognize US history from a Japanese American perspective
- 2 construct an argument using supportive and appropriate sources
- 3 identify and critique various political, economic, and social forces that have been key to the Japanese American community and its development within the United States

# **COURSE CONTENT WITH INSTRUCTIONAL HOURS**

| Description  | Lecture | Lab | Total Hours |
|--|---------|-----|-------------|
| General Introduction to Japanese Experience in America | 10      | 0   | 10          |



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| Early Japanese Experience in America (19th Century 1924) 10 hours  • 19th Century Japan and U.S. penetration  • Early immigration—origins and causes  • Japanese immigrants to Hawaii  • Japanese immigrants to the mainland  • Japanese in railway and mining  • Japanese in agriculture  • Japanese immigrants and the American labor movement  • Japanese immigrant women  • Termination of Japanese immigration | to 12    | 0 | 12 |
| Japanese Experience during the 1930's  • Japanese immigrant society  • Japanese immigrant institutions  • The second generation  • Japanese American Citizens League  | 12       | 0 | 12 |
| Japanese Experience during World War II  Japanese in Hawaii  Social, economic and political background of evacua  Evacuation Internment and camp experience Military experience of second generation  | ition 10 | 0 | 10 |
| Japanese Experience from Post World War II 10 hour  • The second generation  • Media and the Japanese American  • Education and the Japanese American  • The third generation  • Reparations, political activism  • Japanese American community today  • Contemporary issues  | s<br>10  | 0 | 10 |
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#### **OUT OF CLASS ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1 short essays (e.g., analyze the Japanese American experience during World War II);
- discussion boards on a campus-approved LMS (e.g., reflect on the legacy of the Korematsu decision).

# **METHODS OF EVALUATION**

- 1 class participation demonstrating course exit standards;
- class presentations (e.g. using themes discussed in class and primary sources, create a presentation that effectively demonstrates either the struggles or the autonomy of the Japanese American community);
- 3 three to five examinations;
- 4 final examination to demonstrate course exit standards.



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# **METHODS OF INSTRUCTION**

| ✓ Lecture                |
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| Laboratory               |
| Studio                   |
| ✓ Discussion             |
| Multimedia               |
| Tutorial                 |
| Independent Study        |
| Collaboratory Learning   |
| Demonstration            |
| Field Activities (Trips) |
| ✓ Guest Speakers         |
| ✓ Presentations          |

# **TEXTBOOKS**

| Title  | Туре     | Publisher                                     | Edition | Medium | Author                     | IBSN                   | Date |
|--|----------|---|---------|--------|----------------------------|------------------------|------|
| Japanese Americans:<br>The Formation and<br>Transformation of an<br>Ethnic Group | Required | New Brunswick:<br>Rutgers<br>University Press |         |        | Spickard, Paul             | 978-<br>081354433<br>5 | 2009 |
| Midnight in Broad Daylight: A Japanese American Family Caught Between Two Worlds | Required | Harper<br>Perennial                           | 1       | Print  | Sakamoto,<br>Pamela Rotner | 006235194<br>X         | 2017 |