

Numbering code		G-AGR06 7FC06 LJ82			
Course title <English>	生物資源経済学特別講義 IVB Special Lecture on Natural Resources Economics IVB		Affiliated department, Job title,Name	Part-time Lecturer,NEU , Claudia	
Target year	1st year students or above	Number of credits	1	Course offered year/period	2019/Intensive, Second semester
Day/period	Intensive	Class style	Lecture	Language	English
[Outline and Purpose of the Course]					
<p>【 This intensive course, themed “ Rural Sociology: Transformation in postindustrial societies, ” will be taught by Dr. Claudia Neu, Professor of Rural Sociology at Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Development, University of Göttingen, Germany. 】</p> <p>*****</p> <p>One of the primary objectives of this course is to introduce students to the principles of sociology in general and key concepts of rural sociology in particular. In addition, we want to provide the analytical tools for understanding the processes inherent to these concepts. Beyond that, the course aims at enhancing students ’ ability to identify different research perspectives and to critically discuss and analyze research strategies and methods.</p> <p>The approach will generally be a sociological analysis of the transformation of postmodern societies. This development is forced by demographic, economic and social change. Nowadays we observe a differentiation and polarization of rural wellbeing and lifestyle in Europe, the US and Japan. Therefore the theoretical and empirical focus lies on transformation theories, social inequality in general and territorial inequality in special.</p>					
[Course Goals]					
<p>As an introduction to rural sociology, this course is designed to give an overview of the sociological concepts of “ rurality ” , “ demographic change ” , “ socioeconomic developments and social problems in rural areas ” ; “ repeasantization ” (deprivation, rural poverty). We will discuss gender inequality, the future of rural landscape and societies. Lectures outline each of these issues and position them within the context of sociology. We will use seminars to debate key questions raised during lectures and to discuss selected issues based on academic publications.</p>					
[Course Schedule and Contents]					
<p>This lecture course will be held in mid-to-late February 2020- most likely in the week of February 17-21. The exact schedule and venue for this course will be announced later.</p> <p>Please check the website of the Division of Natural Resource Economics for updated information: http://www.reseco.kais.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/news/</p> <p>*Note for students who are scheduled to complete their Master's degree program in March 2020: You can earn one credit by successfully completing this intensive course. However, this one credit cannot be counted towards the minimum 30 credits required for completion of Master's degree program because of the timing of this course (this course will be held in February 2020 after Master's theses are submitted and evaluated).</p> <p>*****</p> <p>Lecture 1) Why Rural Sociology? Global Transformation and Rural Areas</p>					
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Lecture 2) Designing Landscape - Rurality, Urbanity, Rurbanity

Lecture 3) Images of Farming -; Between Idyll and Hard Work

Lecture 4) Farmer wants a wife? Gender and Rural Globalization

Lecture 5) The New Peasantries -; The Theory of Re-Peasantization

Lecture 6) Pain and Politic at the Heart of America -; Rural Infrastructure (Education, Healthcare etc.) ;
Living in the Countryside - Japan/Germany

Lecture 7) “ We ’ re still here ” -; Rural Conservatism or Anarchism?

Lecture 8) Dead End? Future of Rural Areas

[Class requirement]

English proficiency suitable for understanding the lectures and contributing to the discussions.

[Method, Point of view, and Attainment levels of Evaluation]

Grading will be done on the basis of class participation and discussion (50%), homework assignments regarding readings, and a brief assigned presentation by each student (50%). More than three absences without official excuse receives a fail.

Refer to "2019 Guide to Degree Programs" for attainment levels of evaluation.

[Textbook]

Not used

No textbook. Only several short readings associated with the lectures.

[Reference books, etc.]

(Reference books)

Arlie Russel Hochschild: Strangers in Their Own Land. Anger and Mourning on the American Right: A Journey to the Heart of Our Political Divide. New York, 2016.

David L. Brown; Kai A. Schafft: Rural People and Communities in the 21st Century. Resilience and Transformation, 2018.

Georg Packard: The Unwinding: An Inner History of the New America, New York, 2013.

J.D.Vance: Hillbilly Elegy. A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis, New York, 2016.

Stephanie Assmann: Sustainability in Contemporary Rural Japan, Oxfordshire; 2016.

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Tsuneichi Myiamoto; Jeffrey Irish: The Forgotten Japanese: Encounters with Rural Life and Folklore, Berkley; 1962.

Jan Douwe van der Ploeg: The New Peasantries, 2nd Ed., London, 2018.

Jennifer M. Silva: We're Still Here: Pain and Politics in the Heart of America, New York 2019.

[Regarding studies out of class (preparation and review)]

(Others (office hour, etc.))

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