

<b>Course number</b>	G-AGR06 7FC06 LJ82				
<b>Course title (and course title in English)</b>	生物資源経済学特別講義 IVB Special Lecture on Natural Resources Economics IVB		<b>Instructor's name, job title, and department of affiliation</b>	Part-time Lecturer, NEU , Claudia	
<b>Target year</b>	1st year students or above	<b>Number of credits</b>	1	<b>Year/semesters</b>	2020/Intensive, Second semester
<b>Days and periods</b>	Intensive	<b>Class style</b>	Lecture	<b>Language of instruction</b>	English
<b>[Overview and purpose of the course]</b>					
<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>					
<b>[Course objectives]</b>					
<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>					
<b>[Course schedule and contents]</b>					
Lecture 1) Introduction: Images of Farming, (Rural) Sociology					
Lecture 2) Knowing Your Place: Rural Identity and Cultural Hierarchy					
Lecture 3) Transformation of the Industrialized World : Social and Demographic Change; Migration and Rural Areas					
Lecture 4) Dead End? Future of Rural Areas					
Lecture 5) Inequality in Rural Society: Class, Gender, and Space					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Farmer wants a wife? Women and Agriculture</li> <li>• Rural Infrastructure (Education, Healthcare etc.)</li> <li>• White Trash, Far-Right: Extremism and Rural Areas</li> </ul>					
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Lecture 6) Living in the Countryside : Japan/Germany; Rural Community

Lecture 7) Into the Green: Social Innovation in Rural Areas; Rural Art #8211 Arts for Rural Areas?

Lecture 8) Sociology of Nutrition

### [Course requirements]

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

### [Evaluation methods and policy]

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 "2020 Guide to Degree Programs" for attainment levels of evaluation.

### [Textbooks]

Not used

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

### [References, etc.]

#### ( Reference books )

Archie Russell 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.

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

### [Study outside of class (preparation and review)]

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( Other information (office hours, etc.) )

The instructor of this intensive course is Prof. Dr. Claudia Neu, Professor of Rural Sociology, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Development, University of Göttingen, Germany.

This course is scheduled to be held in January or February 2021, but the exact schedule is yet to be decided. It is also yet to be determined whether the course will be online or in person. Final decisions about course format (online or in person) will be announced later.

For updated information, please check the website of the Division of Natural Resource Economics at:  
<http://www.reseco.kais.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/>

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