

ASIA2850 - Japan, Asia and the World

UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE



ピカチュウ *Pikachu* Nintendo

Based on state-of-the-art videoconferencing technology, Asian Studies 2850 brings together students and profs from Gakushuin Women's College in Tokyo and the University of Lethbridge to engage in interactive lectures and discussion in real time! Why? Because it's 2017.

Dr. Aki Kinjo, a multicultural business executive turned business historian, will be leading half of this course from Gakushuin in Tokyo—a school established to educate members of Japan's imperial family and aristocracy. Dr. Ian MacLachlan, an economic geographer who divides his

time between University of Lethbridge and Peking University Shenzhen Graduate School will handle the other half.

Topics include the emergence of the Japanese nation state, demographic challenges, wartime relations, indigeneity and assimilation, international trade, foreign investment, globalization of Japanese enterprise; environmental calamities, and popular culture in Japan.

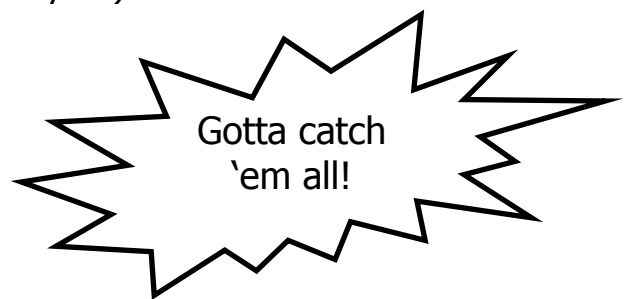
Japan is on the leading edge of new media yet nothing is totally new. *Manga* and *anime* have deep roots in Japanese culture. *Pokemon* would feel right at home with the comic animals drawn by medieval Buddhist monks nearly a millennium ago (no wonder Nintendo resides in the ancient capital of Kyoto)!

Days/Times in Lethbridge:

MW 18:00 - 19:45 (Until November 5)

MW 17:00 - 18:45 (After November 5)

Location: B-716, University Hall



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