



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 2018.

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, social issues such as Prime Minister Shinzo Abe's womenomics policy, and elements of Japanese popular culture such as anime, manga and video gaming.

Days/Times in Lethbridge:

MW 18:00 - 19:45 (Ending October 31)

MW 17:00 - 18:45 (Starting November 1)

Location: B-716, University Hall

Instructors:

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