

Syllabus

for course at first level

Japanese History Before 1868
Japans historia före 1868

**7.5 Higher Education
Credits**
7.5 ECTS credits

Course code:	JKA917
Valid from:	Autumn 2017
Date of approval:	2015-02-25
Changed:	2017-02-22
Department	Department of Asian and Middle Eastern studies
Main field:	Asia:s Languages and Cultures
Specialisation:	G1N - First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

Decision

This syllabus was approved by the Board of the Faculty of Humanities 2015-02-25, and revised by the Board of the Department of Asian- Middle Eastern and Turkish Studies 2017-02-22.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Swedish upper secondary school course English B, or equivalent.

Course structure

Examination code	Name	Higher Education Credits
DK01	Japanese History before 1868	7.5

Course content

This course explores significant social and political progress in pre-modern Japan until 1868, through the lens of arts and material culture. The course focus on the methodological challenges associated to the use of artifacts as sources for history and inquires into the limits of such interpretations. The primary objective of the course is to enable students to discover how the understanding of pre-modern Japanese art and history transforms the ways we perceive and engage with the world we live in now.

Learning outcomes

In order to pass the course, students are expected to be able to:

- account for as well as discuss significant events in the older history of Japan
- recognize and analyze historical events within japanese social and cultural life
- in a critical way, relate to the course material included in the course

Education

Instruction is given in the form of lectures and seminars.

Attendance at all teaching sessions is mandatory.

Course requirements: seminar assignments.

For more detailed information, please refer to the course description.

Forms of examination

- a. The course is examined on the basis of a final written assignment.
- b. Grades will be set according to a seven-point scale related to the learning objectives of the course: A=Excellent, B=Very good, C=Good, D=Satisfactory, E=Adequate, Fx=Inadequate, F=Totally inadequate.
- c. Students will be informed of the written grading criteria when the course starts. The grading criteria are binding.
- d. In order to pass the course, students must receive a grade of E or higher on all examinations, complete all mandatory assignments and meet the attendance requirement of 80%.

Under special circumstances, the examiner may, after consulting with the coordinating teacher, grant the student an exemption from the obligation to participate in certain mandatory course elements or complete mandatory assignments. The student can then be assigned a compensatory assignment.

- e. At least two examination opportunities should be offered for each course. At least one examination opportunity should be offered during a semester when the course is not given. Students who receive the grade E or higher may not retake the examination to attain a higher grade.

Students who receive the grade Fx or F twice by the same examiner are entitled to have another examiner appointed for the next examination, unless there are special reasons to the contrary. Such requests should be made to the department board.

- f. This course does not include any opportunities to complete a supplementary assignment in order to convert the grade Fx into a passing grade.

Interim

When the syllabus is discontinued, students have the right to be examined according to this syllabus once per semester during a transition period of three semesters.

Limitations

This course may not be included in a degree together with a course taken in Sweden or elsewhere, of identical or partially similar content.

Required reading

For up-to-date information about required reading, please refer to the course website at www.su.se/asia.

The current reading list will be made available at least two months before the course starts.