

AY 2020 Spring Semester APU GLAD Program

1. Overview of the APU GLAD Program

The APU GLAD (Global Learning for sustAinable Development) Program is designed to offer 1st - 2nd semester students (domestic and international) an opportunity to understand global issues as global citizens and search for solutions through online lectures by guest speakers and group work. The focal areas of learning in this program are as follows:

- 1) Learn several frameworks for perceiving the world as a global citizen.
- 2) Learn methods to actualize and make contributions to the world, not limited to words.
- 3) Learn what students must learn about on the university campus and through overseas studies.
- 4) Learn effective communication skills in Japanese and English through online group work.

This program was developed to provide opportunities for multicultural collaborative learning utilizing APU's multicultural, multilingual, multinational campus environment even under circumstances where students cannot physically come to campus. Due to the impact of the novel coronavirus, Off-campus Study Programs have been cancelled for the Spring Semester but we hope that students interested in collaborative learning with other students of diverse backgrounds will participate in this program.


2. Program Details

The AY 2020 Spring Semester APU Glad Program will be held as follows:

Course name	Special Lecture (Common Liberal Arts Subject)
Instructor	Professor KONDO Yuichi
Implementation format	Online lectures, group discussions, research activities, group presentation
Semester/Quarter	AY 2020 Spring Semester 2nd Quarter
Course registration	The university will register the course for students as an AY 2020 Spring Semester subject. (automatic registration)
Credits	2 credits (Credit for this course will not be counted toward the maximum credit registration limit for the AY 2020 Spring Semester)
Grade	A+, A, B, C / F
Language	E/J ※Lectures will be conducted in BOTH English and Japanese.
No. Of participants	150 students

3. Application and Screening

Please note that if your application documents are incomplete, you will not be eligible for the screening process.

Eligibility	Students must meet the following conditions to apply: 1. 1st - 2nd semester students (domestic or international) 2. If students are in their 2nd semester at the time of applying, they must have earned 14 credits or more at the end of the 1 st semester.
Application Format	Apply using the Online Application Form, available on the Academic Office Website. *It will also include an essay section (statement of purpose).  URL: https://survey2.apu.ac.jp/limesurvey/index.php/136618?lang=en
Application period	May 20 (Wed.) – June 3 (Wed.), 2020 (16:30)
Screening	Participants will be selected based on the results of the document screening, taking into consideration the balance between domestic and international students. Emphasis is placed on the participant's reason for participation. An interview may be required in some cases.
Announcement of screening results	Announced June 12 (Fri.), 2020 after 17:00 via an Action Required message on Campus Terminal

4. Overview of Course Schedule

Date / Period	Class No.	Content
June 24 (Wed) 5 th ·6 th Period	1	Orientation 1–Introduction to the course, establish personal learning goals
	2	Orientation 2–Divide into groups, ice breaking, establish group learning goals
July 1 (Wed) 5 th ·6 th Period	3	Group Brainstorming: Consider global issues as a global citizen
	4	Consider global issues as a global citizen – Present Project Topic
July 8 (Wed) 5 th ·6 th Period	5	Consider global issues as a global citizen – Guest Speaker lecture and report on group progress report
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July 15 (Wed) 5 th ·6 th Period	7	Consider global issues as a global citizen – Guest Speaker lecture and report on group progress report
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July 22 (Wed) 5 th ·6 th Period	9	Mid-term Assessment - Reflect on learning goals, Mid-term Presentation
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July 29 (Wed) 5 th ·6 th Period	11	Discussion on issues
	12	
August 5 (Wed) 5 th ·6 th Period	13	Final Presentation
	14	Final Reflection, Final Report

※The Meeting ID will be given when screening results are announced.

5. Disclaimers and Notices

(1) Program cancellation, change in program content, and revocation of participation

The program may be cancelled or changed as a result of the impact of the novel coronavirus, the accompanying instructions and requests made by the government or local government, other force majeure circumstances or other situations.

Furthermore, this program requires group work and participant's proactive participation in the class. Depending on their attitude and class participation, some participants may have their participation in the program revoked at the discretion of the university if deemed necessary, even after the official announcement of screening results. In this case, in principle, the grade F (fail) will be given.

(2) Withdrawal after acceptance to the program (after the announcement of screening results)

The university conducts the selection process based on the assumption that students intend to participate in the program at the time of their application. If there is a change in the number of participants after the announcement of screening results, it may come impossible to run the program or it may impact other participants and their participation in the course. For these reasons, withdrawal after acceptance to the program will not be permitted.

6. Other

(1) Handling of personal information

Only information necessary for program preparations and procedures will be provided to third parties (APU faculty and staff, guest speakers). The information provided may include your name, student ID, nationality, place of birth, college, age, language and proficiency.

(2) Attitude

Your own attitude and effort will greatly influence whether you will benefit from the program. This requires you to have the flexibility to accept other cultures and to learn proactively. Please determine your own learning goals for participating in the program. Please also make sure to meet deadlines for submitting documents and other assignments.

(3) Course Plan

No special considerations will be made given even if the program schedule coincides with private or curricular courses, make-up classes, examinations, make-up examinations, course registration periods, or language proficiency tests. Please be sure to check the academic calendar, your own schedule and the program schedule in advance.

Be sure to check that subjects taken and the credits earned in the program will not cause problems with your study plan up to graduation. As no special course considerations will be given even if a problem is discovered after acceptance to the program, please take personal responsibility when applying to the program.

(4) Ratio of Domestic and International Students

Please understand that depending on the results of the applications, some groups may consist of only international or domestic students.

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