

Courses in English

Course Description

Department	13 General and Interdisciplinary Studies
Course title	Manga and Anime. A look at Japan's (pop) culture
Hours per week (SWS)	2
Number of ECTS credits	2
Course objective	At the end of the course, students should gain knowledge on not only this interesting international phenomenon, but also learn about Japan through this medium. In short, students should gain an insight into this wonderful and vast universe of Japanese pop culture.
Prerequisites	
Recommended reading	
Teaching methods	Students are expected to: participate in group discussions. prepare by reading texts in English do presentations write a term paper
Assessment methods	Presentations/term paper
Language of instruction	English
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Course content	<p>Sure you know about Disney's cartoons and all the superheroes such as Superman, Spiderman, and Batman. They are quite ubiquitous these days. But another trend is slowly but surely "looming" on the horizon: ever heard of Japanese Manga and Anime? Not sure if you have? Well, if you have seen the cartoon Heidi or Wicky, then you already have. If you're familiar with Pokemon, Sailormoon, Dragonball, and maybe Neon Genesis Evangelion, then you certainly have.</p> <p>Manga and Anime have spawned a whole new generation of fans worldwide, and it is growing, not just in America, but also in Europe. You might have seen youngsters dressed up as their favourite Manga characters (so-called Cosplay) roaming in the city. It is certainly becoming a cultural phenomenon. The world of Manga and Anime is enormous.</p> <p>In this course we'll look at, among others:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The development of this popular mediaJapanese culture reflected in itIts difference to other comicsSome major Manga artists and their contributions to the industrySome genres more in depthA film analysis of an Anime
Remarks	This is a Cultural Studies class, drawing from approaches in, for example, Media Studies. Literature will be provided at the beginning of class.