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Exploring Japanese Literature

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Department of International Studies

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General Information

Unit convenor and teaching staff

Unit Convenor

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Credit points

10

Prerequisites

80cp at 1000 level or above

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit introduces students to the enjoyment of reading Japanese literary works and enhances their understanding of particular aspects of Japanese literature from psychological and socio-cultural perspectives. The unit focuses on young adult literature, historical novels, detective stories and manga/anime. It also examines the rich intertextuality among Japanese literature, as exemplified by manga works inspired by the Japanese classical masterpiece, The Tale of Genji. The unit is conducted in English, although some Japanese materials are used with English translations or explanations.

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates>

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

ULO1: Demonstrate an insight into Japanese literary works from different genres.

ULO2: Understand the intertextuality of Japanese literature and apply this to your analysis of specific literary work.

ULO3: Generate informed and original analysis of Japanese literature and articulate this in a clear and focused manner in oral and written form.

ULO4: Demonstrate initiative and competence in research, including locating relevant materials and writing in an efficient and timely manner with correct referencing.

Assessment Tasks

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Assessment details are no longer provided here as a result of changes due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Students should consult [iLearn](#) for revised unit information.

[Find out more about the Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) and potential impacts on staff and students](#)

General Assessment Information

Late Assessment Penalty

Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved, (a) a penalty for lateness will apply – two (2) marks out of 100 will be deducted per day for assignments submitted after the due date – and (b) no assignment will be accepted more than seven (7) days (incl. weekends) after the original submission deadline. No late submissions will be accepted for timed assessments – e.g. quizzes, online tests.

Special Consideration

If a student is prevented by serious and unavoidable disruption from completing unit requirements in accordance with their ability, they may apply for support under the Special Consideration Policy. To access this support, students must notify the university via [ask.mq.edu.au](#). Students should refer to the Special Consideration Policy for further information (see the link provided in the 'Policies and procedures' section of this unit guide and <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/my-study-program/special-consideration>).

Delivery and Resources

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Any references to on-campus delivery below may no longer be relevant due to COVID-19.

Please check here for updated delivery information: https://ask.mq.edu.au/account/pub/display/unit_status

Required and recommend texts and/or materials

No textbook is required for this unit.

Unit webpage and technology used and required

The online unit (iLearn) can be accessed at: <https://ilearn.mq.edu.au>. Students must have regular, reliable access to a computer and the internet to complete this unit. Mobile devices alone are not sufficient. Completion of assessment tasks will also require a computer with Japanese fonts enabled. Basic computer skills (e.g., internet browsing) and skills in word

processing in Japanese and English are required.

Is my unit in iLearn?: <http://help.ilearn.mq.edu.au/unitsonline/> to check when your online unit will become available.

For students attending classes on campus we strongly encourage that you bring along your own laptop computer, ready to work with activities in your online unit. The preferred operating system is Windows 10.

Students are required to access the online unit in iLearn by the end of Week 1 and follow any relevant instructions and links for downloads that may be required. If applicable, students are required to download the relevant language package prior to Week 2.

Please contact your course convenor **before** the end of **Week 1** if you do not have a suitable laptop (or tablet) for in-class use.

- **For central technical support go to:** http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/
- **For student quick guides on the use of iLearn go to:** <https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/tools-and-resources/ilearn/ilearn-quick-guides-for-students>

Unit Schedule

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W01	Unit Introduction, Japanese literature and aesthetics
W02	Intertextuality in, and of <i>Genji</i>
W03	Longings for the Unattainable and Love as a Substitute in <i>Genji</i>
W04	Emotional Hurt and Spirit Possession in <i>Genji</i>
W05	Betrayals and Farewell in <i>Genji</i>
W06	Life with the Supernatural
W07	Retold the Tale of Princess Kaguya in Manga/Anime
W08	Formation of Modernity: Language and Quest for 'self'
W09	Modernity, Individualism and Yearning to have a 'self'

W10	Erasing identity to have a 'self'
W11	Seeking for 'My Place' in the World
W12	Narratives about the Nuclear Disaster
W13	Essay Presentation and Conclusion

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central](https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central) (<https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central>). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- [Academic Appeals Policy](#)
- [Academic Integrity Policy](#)
- [Academic Progression Policy](#)
- [Assessment Policy](#)
- [Fitness to Practice Procedure](#)
- [Grade Appeal Policy](#)
- [Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public](#)
- [Special Consideration Policy](#) (**Note:** *The Special Consideration Policy is effective from 4 December 2017 and replaces the Disruption to Studies Policy.*)

Students seeking more policy resources can visit the [Student Policy Gateway](https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway) (<https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway>). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

If you would like to see all the policies relevant to Learning and Teaching visit [Policy Central](https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central) (<https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central>).

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/getting-started/student-conduct>

Results

Results published on platform other than [eStudent](#), (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in [eStudent](#). For more information visit ask.mq.edu.au or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit <http://students.mq.edu.au/support/>

Learning Skills

Learning Skills (mq.edu.au/learningskills) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to help you improve your marks and take control of your study.

- [Getting help with your assignment](#)
- [Workshops](#)
- [StudyWise](#)
- [Academic Integrity Module](#)

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

- [Subject and Research Guides](#)
- [Ask a Librarian](#)

Student Services and Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the [Disability Service](#) who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

Student Enquiries

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at ask.mq.edu.au

If you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the [Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy](#). The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.