

From Shogun to Showdown: Japan, 1853-1941

Module Information

2022.01, Approved

Summary Information

Module Code	5111HIST
Formal Module Title	From Shogun to Showdown: Japan, 1853-1941
Owning School	Humanities and Social Science
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 5
Grading Schema	40

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Humanities and Social Science

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	17
Workshop	17

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
JAN-MTP	MTP	January	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	1. To examine and develop students' knowledge and understanding of the themes of nation, state & power, globalism, culture, locale and identity and technology, economy & society in the context of a non-European, late-developing country: Japan since the Meiji Restoration. 2. To examine the overarching theme of 'continuity and change' in the context of Japan's modernisation 3. To explain the emergence of Japan as a major economic and military competitor of the western powers by the 1930s.
------	---

After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Articulate key knowledge of the course of Japan's modern history.
MLO2	2	Analyse the degree and nature of environmental, economic, social and/or political change in Japan between 1853 and 1941.
MLO3	3	Evaluate a variety of historiographical approaches to Japan's modern history.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	Japan's historical geography The Fall of the Shogunate and the Meiji Restoration Economic Development, 1868-1914 Economic Development, 1914-1941 The nature of Japanese Society, 1868-1941 The role of women, 1868-1941 Politics, 1868-1918 Politics, 1918-41 Imperialism, 1870s to 1910s Japan and the Origins of WWII in Asia and the Pacific
Module Overview	
Additional Information	Between 1853 and the Second World War, Japan was transformed from an isolated feudal country to a great power capable of challenging the great powers of the West. This module explains this 'emergence' by examining the interactions between the natural environment, politics, culture, society and economic development.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Essay	Essay	50	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3
Centralised Exam	Unseen Exam	50	2	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Nick White	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings