

## 【Course Aim】

To establish a basic and fair understanding of Islam and Muslims.

## 【Contents of Course】

This course will survey some essential parts of Islam as religion. Topics we will cover include (1) Islam; (2) Muhammad; (3) the Qur'an; and (4) Muslims around the Globe

## 【Course Schedule】

- 【第1回】Introduction
  - 【第2回】The Life of Muhammad
  - 【第3回】The Qur'an
  - 【第4回】Film1
  - 【第5回】The Six Beliefs of Islam
  - 【第6回】The Five Pillars of Islam
  - 【第7回】Worship
  - 【第8回】The Shari`a and the Muslim way of Life
  - 【第9回】Men and Women
  - 【第10回】Film 2
  - 【第11回】A Brief History of Islam
  - 【第12回】Differences in Islam
  - 【第13回】Islam and Muslims in Cambodia
  - 【第14回】Islam and Muslims in Japan
  - 【第15回】Summary
- (The topic and the order may change.)

## 【Preparation / Advice】

Students should access to my page of "It's Class" and download the resume, and be prepared to read the assigned readings, which are informed on the resume, each week.

Students should read the reference books mentioned below.

Students have a group discussion based on the assigned reading every week.

## 【Texts】

Malise Ruthven, Islam: A Very Short Introduction, Oxford University Press, 2012.

## 【Reference】

Michael Cook, The Koran: A Very Short Introduction, Oxford University Press, 2000.

Jonathan A. C. Brown, Muhammad: A Very Short Introduction, Oxford University Press, 2011.

Adam J. Silverstein, Islamic History: A Very Short Introduction, Oxford University Press, 2010.

## 【Grading】

Term-end exam(100%)

## 【Related URL】

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