

**HIS 220**  
**Premodern Japan**

Satisfies: GLO, SBS [Deck: J]  
Tu/Thu, 11:30am-12:50pm

Professor Janis Mimura

An introductory survey of Japan from antiquity until 1868. The course focuses on the complex processes of political, economic, social, and cultural change in Japan's transformation from emperor-centered aristocratic rule to warrior government. Topics include the role of the emperor, samurai culture, the relationship between religion and politics, and Japan's interaction with the outside world.