

Minnesota State University Moorhead

PSCI 385: Hiroshima Peace Studies Tour

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: Goal 08 - Global Perspective

Students will explore the history of nuclear weapons, and discuss the roles of Hiroshima and Nagasaki today. Students will travel to Hiroshima, and will keep a journal, using this and other research done prior to the trip to develop a course project. Structured activities in Hiroshima will include visiting the Peace Park and Peace Museum, talks by scholars from Hiroshima University on peace studies topics, visits to historical and cultural sites, such as Hiroshima Castle, and the island of Miyajima. Same as HON 385. MnTC Goal 8.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 09/01/2018 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. History of atomic bomb
2. Overview of nuclear weapons and their capabilities
3. Basics of the Japanese language
4. Japanese society and customs

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Understand the various effects of nuclear weapons.
2. Demonstrate the ability to reflect on the complex ethical, moral, and political issues encountered throughout the course by keeping a journal during the Hiroshima trip.
3. Demonstrate correct use of a few Japanese phrases and cultural norms when in Japan.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

Goal 08 - Global Perspective

1. Describe and analyze political, economic, and cultural elements which influence relations of states and societies in their historical and contemporary dimensions.
2. Demonstrate knowledge of cultural, social, religious and linguistic differences.
3. Analyze specific international problems, illustrating the cultural, economic, and political differences that affect their solution.
4. Understand the role of a world citizen and the responsibility world citizens share for their common global future.

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted