
Workshop for Iowa Secondary Teachers Fall 2021

THE NATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR TEACHING ABOUT ASIA AT THE PROGRAM FOR TEACHING EAST ASIA

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER



Teaching Japan through Geographic and Historical Lenses

Japan can provide a case study of broad geographic and historical processes when considering global interconnections in secondary social studies education. This workshop will feature presentations on Japan's geography and early modern Japan's domestic and foreign policies (1543-1868) by Professor Michelle Damian, Monmouth College. These presentations will be accompanied by curriculum demonstrations that will provide participants with ways to incorporate the academic content and skills development into their curriculum. As per the Iowa Social Studies Standards, the skills addressed will include historical thinking, geographic thinking, inquiry, and visual analysis.

Format and Expectations: The workshop will include: 1) academic presentations that provide an overview of the geography of Japan and historical background of early modern Japan (mid-16th to mid-19th centuries); and 2) curriculum demonstration and discussion. The workshop will be held a day prior to the Iowa Council for the Social Studies Conference on Sunday, October 3, 2021 from 9am – 4pm at the Marriott West Des Moines. Workshop participants agree to:

- Participate for the full program and complete a workshop evaluation; and
- Undertake modest (1-2) hour reading prior to the workshop.

Eligibility and Registration: Secondary social studies teachers who teach in Iowa are invited to register. Enrollment is limited to 20 teachers; registrations will be accepted on a rolling admission basis. Registration closes September 24, 2021, or when full.

Program Benefits: Participants receive:

- \$60 stipend for full attendance at the workshop.
- Workshop materials including curriculum resources incorporating primary sources.
- Certificate of completion for 8 professional development contact hours issued by NCTA.
- 1 license renewal credit with participation in Monday, October 4, 2021 Iowa Council for the Social Studies conference (pending approval).
- Engaging discussion and exchange with peers and Japan specialists.

Register online at www.colorado.edu/ptea/IANCTA-reg. For more information, contact NCTA Staff Associate, Catherine Ishida at Catherine.Ishida@colorado.edu or [Catherine Mein](mailto:Catherine.Mein@colorado.edu), Iowa NCTA State Coordinator.

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