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Social and Cultural Perspectives

Quebec is the second largest province in Canada (more than 8 million inhabitants), but with 80% of the people speaking French as their first language, this province is quite different from the "Rest of Canada" (ROC). Ouebec is a "distinct society" in Canada, and indeed unique in North America in terms of its demography, geography, language, culture and politics. Interestingly, the political landscape of Quebec is changing with this year's provincial election, which produced a minority Liberal government for the first time in years.

Although Quebec is such an important actor in Canada's cultural, social, and political life, Japanese knowledge on Quebec is generally limited. Celine Dion, a popular pop singer, is probably the best known Quebecoise, but Japanese university students usually are not interested in Quebec affairs, nor are they given many opportunities to know about Quebec and/or Quebecois.

In this annual Canadian studies seminar series, we will zero in on Ouebec's culture and society, and explore some of the issues facing Quebec and Japan today. We will discuss with distinguished speakers from both Quebec and Japan and learn basic social, cultural and political facts about the province. Specifically we will explore questions such as: What are the main traits of Quebec society and culture? How different are they from ROC and/or Japan? How is Canadian federalism working in Ouebec as well as in Canada? Is Quebec separatism dead? Or is Quebec on its way to becoming independent from Canada? Why are Quebecois hoping for more autonomy, and what can ROC and Canadian federal government do? Are there ways to reinforce the relations between Ouebec and Japan?

After two days of intensive lectures, discussions, communications and actions, we are positive that you will learn a whole lot more about not only Canada, but its distinct province Ouebec, and probably will want to visit the place in the near future!

We would like to thank the Canadian Embassy in Tokyo for cosponsoring the seminar, and the Quebec Government Office in Tokyo for its financial and other support.



2007 Kwansei Gakuin University 18th Annual **Canadian Studies Seminar**

QUEBEC AND JAPAN:

Social and Cultural Perspectives ケベックと日本

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Date: Sat., Dec. 8 – Sun., Dec. 9 Place: Kwansei Gakuin University

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Language: English

Open to students, faculty, and the public

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Schedule

Saturday, December 8

09:00~09:30	Registration			
09:30~09:50	Opening Remarks			
09:50~11:20	Session I: "Social and Cultural Challenges for			
	the Distinct Society of Quebec":			
	Dr. Emmanuel Nikiema visiting professor of			
	Canadian studies from the University of Toronto,			
	Canada			
11:30~12:20	Lunch in Groups			
12:30~14:00	Session II: "Quebec and its Diversity: Land			
	and People":			
	Dr. Taro Oishi, Faculty of Law and Letters,			
	University of the Ryukyus, Japan			
14:00~14:15	Break			
14:15~15:45	Session : "Quebec in the Canadian			
	Federation: The Cultural Source of			
	Uneasiness and Contemporary Solutions":			
	Dr. Eric Montpetit, Department of Political			
	Science, University of Montreal, Canada			
16:00~18:00	Group Discussion			
18:30~20:30	Reception Party			
20:30	Go to KG Sports Center for the night (if staying)			
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Sunday, December 9

08:00~09:00 Breakfast (for participants who stay	ed overnight)
09:00~10:20 Group Discussion / Presentation F	Preparation
10:30~12:30 Group Presentations / Panel Discu	ıssion
12:30 Final Words	

Coordinators

Dr. Daizo Sakurada, is a Professor in the School of Law & Politics at Kwansei Gakuin University. He is concurrently the Canadian Studies Coordinator at the University.

Dr. Hiromi Otaka, is a Professor in the School of Economics and the Graduate School of Language, Culture and Communication at Kwansei Gakuin University. He specializes in phonetics and phonology.

Speakers

Dr. Eric Montpetit is a political science professor from the University of Montreal. He holds a Ph.D. from McMaster University (1999) and was a fellow of the Fulbright programme at Duke University in North Carolina (1997-1998). His work is on biotechnological policy development in North America and Europe. He is the author of *Misplaced Distrust* (UBC Press), winner of the 2006 American Political Science Association's Lynton Keith Caldwell Prize for the best book on environmental politics and policy.

Dr. Emmanuel Nikiema is the visiting professor of Canadian Studies from the University of Toronto. After obtaining his Ph. D. in Linguistics from the University of Québec at Montreal in 1992, he joined the Department of French at the University of Toronto in 1994. Dr. Nikiema has published extensively in many scholarly journals such as *Lingua* and the *Journal of Pidgin and Creole Languages*. He has coauthored a book on French linguistics in 2001, and is currently working on a manuscript on the phonology of Creole languages.

Dr. Taro Oishi is an Assistant Professor of Geography at the Unversity of the Ryukyus. After gaining his Ph. D. in Geography at the Tokyo Metropolitan University in 2004, he persued his academic career as a Post-Doctoral Fellow at the Department of Geography, University of Montreal from 2004 to 2006. From 2006, he joined the Faculty of Law and Letters at the Unversity of the Ryukyus. Dr. Oishi specializes in both human and regional geography and has published in numerous journals including the "Ethnic persistence of the Acadians and its regional characteristics in New Brunswick, Canada", *Geographical Review of Japan*, Vol.74B, pp.117-131, 2001(in English).

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Dec. 8 (Sat.) & 9 (Sun.) at the Kwansei Gakuin University Uegahara Campus

Plan A...¥4,000 (KGU students/staff), ¥5,000 (non-KGU)
Includes: Lectures and Group Discussions, Saturday Lunch,
Saturday Dinner Reception

Plan B...¥6,000 (KGU students/staff), ¥8,000 (non-KGU)
Includes: All Items in Plan A, Overnight Stay at KG Sports
Center,Sunday Breakfast

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Application deadline: Nov 22 (Thurs.)

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Full refunds will be given to those who cancel their application, during office hours, no later than the 4th December (Tues.).

2007年度カナダ研究セミナー

12月8日(土)~12月9日(日)

於:関西学院大学西宮上ケ原キャンパス

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プランC...¥1,000 (学内), ¥1,500 (学外) セミナー(2日間)、昼食(土)

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