

Research Areas

1. Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences

Master's Program for Language and Culture

Division of Japanese Language and Culture

Research Staff	Research Area	Research Topics
*Yano, Jun e-mail: yano@fwu.ac.jp	Japanese linguistics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sociolinguistic study (esp. polite expressions) • Phonology and morphology in Japanese • Language in the Edo period
Imai, Akira	Japanese medieval literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prose and verse in Japanese medieval literature
Tsukino, Fumiko	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Japanese ancient literature • Chinese classic literature • Comparative literature (ancient Japanese and Chinese) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Manyoshu, Kojiki, Kaifuso</i> • Chinese classic literature (esp. Chinese poetry) • Comparative study of ancient Japanese and Chinese
Sakamoto, Koichi	Japanese linguistics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diachronic study of Japanese • Japanese lexicology • Regional and social dialect
Ohkubo, Junko	Japanese early modern literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study of 'Kana Zoshi' and early modern tale • Study of Saikaku's 'Ukiyo Zoshi' • Reception of classic literature in modern times
Hashimoto, Naoyuki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching Japanese as a second language(TJSL) • Japanese linguistics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lexical and grammatical study for TJSL • Japanese language acquisition • Corpus-based study in lexicon and grammar
Watanabe, Suguru	Japanese medieval history	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History of medieval criminal law in Japan • Formative history of military (samurai) government • Religion and society
Sakaguchi, Shu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Japanese modern literature • Japanese contemporary literature 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study of literature and criticism in 20th century • Cultural theory in the post-cold war era

Division of English Language and Culture (in English speaking regions)

Pugh, Scot	American literature and culture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American fiction studies • Film studies • Cultural studies and literary theory
Mukai, Tsuyoshi	Medieval English language and literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arthurian literature studies • Bibliographical studies of early English books • Language studies
*Tokunaga, Kimiko e-mail: k-tokunaga@fwu.ac.jp	Contemporary American literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American literature since 1950s (esp. women writers) • Native-American literature • American children's literature
Warren, Nicholas	English lexicology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Etymology • Lexical borrowing (esp. from Japanese into English) • Neologisms in English and Japanese • Slang and colloquial vocabulary
Holst, Sven	Comparative culture (culture and society in the modern era)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Festivals • Dramas in 19th century • Sightseeing and Leisure
Miyakawa, Misako	English literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modern and postmodern literature • Pre-modernism novels
Muraosa, Shoko	English philology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Syntax of Old English Prose • Philological study of Medieval English
Lawrence, Shizuka	Linguistics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Language acquisition
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