

WASEDA TSA PROGRAM
REGISTRATION INFORMATION
2013 – 2014



LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY
APPLETON, WISCONSIN 54912

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Program Summary

FALL TERM

- ❖ UNIC 110: ESL Freshman Studies (6 units)
- ❖ UNIC 206: ESL – English in the American University (6 units)
- ❖ UNIC 209: ESL – Experiential Language Learning (3 units)
- ❖ UNIC 211: Introduction to American Society (2 units - meets once per week)

WINTER TERM

- ❖ UNIC 208: ESL – Advanced Communicative English (6 units)
- ❖ UNIC 212: Introduction to American Society (1 unit - meets every other week)
- ❖ Core course in area of study (6 units)
- ❖ One Elective (6 units)

SPRING TERM

- ❖ UNIC 213: Introduction to American Society (1 unit - meets every other week)
- ❖ 3 electives (15 - 18 units). May choose from ESL or other elective courses

Some Common Lawrence Abbreviations

CRN - Class Reference Number
MWF - Monday, Wednesday, & Friday
TR - Tuesday & Thursday
Intro - Introduction
ESL - English as a second language
ANTH - Anthropology
EALC - East Asian Languages and Cultures
ECON - Economics
ENG - English
ENST - Environmental Studies
GEST - Gender Studies
GOVT - Government
HIST - History
PSYC - Psychology
UNIC - University Course

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Registration and Course Selection Instructions

Completing Your Course Selection Form

Fall Term

All courses for Waseda TSA students in the fall term are required courses, determined by the program. You do not have any elective courses fall term. You should, however, choose two possible observation courses for UNIC 209. You will be assigned to your first choice whenever possible.

1. **Required courses:**
 - ❖ **UNIC 206 – ESL: English in the American University (6 units)**
 - ❖ **UNIC 209 – ESL: Experiential Language Learning (3 units)**
 - ❖ **UNIC 110 – ESL Freshman Studies (6 units)**
 - ❖ **UNIC 211 – Introduction to American Society (2 units)**

Winter Term

1. **Required courses:**
 - ❖ **UNIC 208 – Advanced Communicative English (6 units)**
 - ❖ **UNIC 212 – Introduction to American Society II (1 unit)**
2. **Choose ONE “core course” (6 units)**
3. **Choose ONE elective course (3 – 6 units)**

Spring Term

1. **Required course:**
 - ❖ **UNIC 212 – Introduction to American Society III (1 unit)**
2. **Choose three electives for between 15 – 18 units**
 - ❖ You may also choose 10 weeks of ESL (6 units) or 5 weeks of ESL (3 units) as one of your electives.
 - ❖ Write the department, course #, CRN, class title, time and days for each elective course spring term section

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Registration Process

You will register for your classes on the Voyager computer system during orientation week at Lawrence. Talk to your advisor prior to registering. This is a good chance to ask questions about the different types of classes available to you over the course of the year.

Bring your registration form to your individual appointment with your advisor.

About Lawrence University Courses

The Lawrence University calendar is based on three terms of study. Each term is ten weeks long. Regular classes meet for 210 – 220 minutes per week for 6 units of credit. Students here usually take 3 classes (18 units) each term for a full schedule. Some Lawrence classes are “part-time” and receive fewer units of credit. For example the Introduction to American Society course meets for 70 minutes/week for 2 units of credit during fall term. Waseda TSA students must take at least 15 units each term to maintain your student visa status. Students may take up to 21 units (3.5 courses) each term.

About Prerequisites

Some of the courses on your course selection sheet list a “prerequisite.” For example, if Economics 285 in Winter Term lists: “prerequisite: Econ 100.” This means that you must take Econ 100 (Introduction to Microeconomics) **before** you can take Econ 285. For Winter Term courses with prerequisites, you may only take the class if you have taken the prerequisite at Waseda. For Spring Term courses, you may take the class if you have taken the prerequisite class at Waseda or at Lawrence during Winter Term. For this reason, if you wish to take a Spring Term course with a prerequisite, you need to plan to take that prerequisite as your Winter Term elective course.

Additional Course Choices

You may notice that the Lawrence University Registrar’s website lists many more classes than are on your course selection form. Many are upper level courses that require prerequisites that you may not have taken. If you are interested in taking any of these classes, you may meet with your academic advisor and the instructor of the class after arriving at Lawrence to discuss your eligibility for taking the class and whether or not it is a good fit for you.

Also, you may be interested in taking a **foreign language** course as a Winter or Spring term elective while at Lawrence University (for example, in Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, or Russian). You may only take a language that you have previously studied at Waseda. In this case, please let Cecile know which language you are interested in taking and she will set up a language placement test for you during orientation week. This test will determine which level course is the best for you Winter/Spring Term.

If you sing or play a musical instrument and are interested in taking **music lessons, music courses or singing in one of the Lawrence choirs** as electives Winter or Spring Terms, please let Cecile know. She will arrange for an orientation with a Conservatory staff member to explain the various music course choices and the procedures for auditioning for them.

For course descriptions, click the department link at: <http://www.lawrence.edu/academics/>

For course on-line course schedules, click the department link at:

<http://www.lawrence.edu/dept/registrar/cs-future.shtml>

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Course Descriptions

FALL TERM

❖ **Freshman Studies – TSA section**

A part of the Lawrence curriculum since 1945, Freshman Studies introduces students to the process of liberal learning through the careful reading and discussion of works in the humanities, arts, natural sciences, and social sciences. This course is required of all new students at Lawrence. TSA students attend a special section of this course with adapted reading and writing assignments designed for English language learners. The TSA section will meet once for each work (book, etc.) with all Lawrence students in the various Freshman Studies sections for a public lecture or performance.

❖ **ESL – English in the American University**

This course is designed to help students build the academic English skills appropriate to study in university courses. Students develop English proficiency in speaking, listening, reading, and writing through the exploration of academic content. In particular, this course is designed as an adjunct to GOVT 110 in order to provide the language support for Waseda students enrolled in Intro to Political Science.

❖ **ESL – Experiential Language Learning**

In the fall term, this course focuses on the development of academic English language through the observation and participation in a regular Lawrence course. Students will attend the observation course, take notes, read texts, and participate in discussions. All coursework, however, will be completed for the ESL class and will focus on improving English language skills.

❖ **Introduction to American Society I**

This course meets once per week first term, and is an introduction to American life. Students explore American values, attitudes, and patterns of behavior through formal study, structured observation, and interviews of Americans.

WINTER TERM

❖ **ESL – Advanced Communicative English**

This course focuses on developing better communication skills in English. Students learn to analyze the language around them to discover the social and cultural rules of English conversation. They use these discoveries to improve their own oral skills in English through practice in discussions, role-plays, and one-on-one conversations.

❖ **Introduction to American Society II**

This course meets once every two weeks in Winter Term. This term, the course focuses more on learning about American culture through the analysis of students' experiences and daily life.

Winter Term Core Course – choose ONE:

Each core course is supported by a study group that meets after every class. The study group is led by a Lawrence student tutor who has taken and excelled in the particular course. It is also supported by an in-class tutor, who is a student with tutoring experience currently enrolled in the course.

❖ **ANTH 110 – Introduction to Cultural Anthropology**

An introduction to the nature of culture, the organization of social relations, and the relationships between values and behavior. Attention to the human use of culture in adapting to environments and to language, technology, kinship, and religion as cultural systems. Case studies of Western and non-Western peoples.

❖ **ECON 100 – Introductory Microeconomics**

A first course in economics focusing on the basic analytical framework used by contemporary economists. The central topics typically include supply and demand, market competition, market power, incomplete markets (e.g., externalities and public goods), trade, and taxation. Classroom experiments are frequently employed to develop economic intuition. Especially appropriate for students who intend to take additional courses in economics.

❖ **FIST 100 – Introduction to Film Studies**

This course provides students with a basic introduction to the vocabulary of film studies and an overview of historical, analytical, and theoretical approaches to film. Students will begin to develop the critical means for engaging with the filmic medium in discussion and writing. These aims will be met through a diverse selection of films rooted in different cultures, times, and ideologies.

❖ **GOVT 110 – Introduction to Political Science**

An introduction to the nature of contemporary politics and government. Topics drawn primarily from American national, state, and local government and politics, with other political systems introduced for comparative purposes. Emphasis on such major concepts as power, legitimacy, political culture, conflict, and rational choice and on an examination of how a political system manages problems related to political change.

❖ **GOVT 140 – Introduction to International Relations**

An introductory study of the cultural, political, and economic interactions among states and nonstate actors in global politics. Special attention is paid to key issues, including international security, foreign policy decision-making, and the role of diplomacy in promoting cooperation. Required for the interdisciplinary area in international studies.

❖ **HIST 165 – Modern East Asian Civilization**

An introductory survey of the modern history of East Asia, examining the efforts of traditional states, particularly China and Japan, to respond to Western intrusion into the region after 1600. Focus on social and cultural problems created by attempts to modernize yet defend tradition and on the differing results of Chinese and Japanese approaches.

❖ **PSCY 100 – Principles of Psychology**

An introduction to the science of mind and behavior with an emphasis on empirical approaches. Includes a survey of the contributions to our understanding of behavior by research and theory

in the various topical areas of psychology and careful consideration of continuities between those topical areas.

❖ **RLST 100 – Introduction to Religious Studies**

An introduction to the academic study of religion exploring cross-culturally some of the fundamental ways in which people experience and understand religion. Questions addressed include: What is religion? What are the basic forms of religious life? What connections exist among self-identity, the sacred, and society? How do those connections help to establish meaning and values in human existence? How is religious knowledge possible? Readings include primary religious texts and critical reflections on religion. Intended primarily for freshmen and sophomores or students with no prior work in the religious studies department.

❖ **THAR 231 – Introduction to Design for Theatre**

A survey covering all aspects of visual design for the theatre. Emphasis on the necessary techniques of drafting, painting, and model making, with attention to aesthetic and practical problems of theatre design.

Winter Term Elective

Choose from a variety of electives in the thematic area (Global Studies) or other areas of interest. **See pages the 2013 – 2014 course list for suggested introductory level courses.**

Note: you are not limited to these courses, but may take any Lawrence class for which you meet the prerequisite requirements.

SPRING TERM

❖ **Introduction to American Society**

A continuation of previous terms, this course meets once every other week in the spring. Students participate in a job shadow and share their experiences with classmates through a formal presentation.

❖ **Optional ESL Course – Speaking and Listening**

Take either 5 or 10 weeks of this course to improve pronunciation and general speaking and listening skills

❖ **Optional ESL Course – Experiential Language Learning**

Design your own language learning experience based on observing another course at Lawrence or volunteering in the community.

❖ **2 – 3 electives in thematic area or other areas of interest.**

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