

Japanese Regional Economy I

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1. Course Description

In this course, we'll look back Japanese regional development history down to the Meiji era. It includes (a) massive domestic emigration from Honsyu to Hokkaido which appeared in Meiji era and also the emigration abroad to Hawaii, U.S. main land, Brazil and Asian colonies in the prewar days, (b) impacts of the regional economic depression and poor harvest in Tohoku district in the early Showa period, (c) massive outflow of excess young labor force from rural farming villages to large cities during the high economic growth period, (d) history of urban development in Tokyo, (e) government's land-development policy and strategies after the W.W.II and (f) rapid movement of Tokyo centralization after the 1980s.