### Course title
Manga and Anime: a look at Japanese (pop) culture

### Hours per week (SWS)
2

### Number of ECTS credits
2

### Course objective
The world of Manga and Anime is enormous. In this course we’ll look at the historical development of this popular media, examine some of its genre as well as analyse how Japanese culture is reflected in it. We’ll also consider the reception of Manga and Anime outside of Japan. In short, students should gain an insight into this wonderful and vast universe of Japanese pop culture.

### Prerequisites

### Recommended reading

### Teaching methods
Although the course is in part lecture, all students will be expected to participate in task-group discussions. Out of class reading in English can be expected each week. There is an exam at the end of the semester. The mark will be based primarily on the exam, however class participation will play a role in raising the exam mark to some extent.

### Assessment methods
written examination

### Language of instruction
English

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### Link

### Course content
Sure you know about Disney’s cartoons and all the superheroes such as Superman, Spiderman, and Batman. But another trend is slowly but surely “looming” on the horizon: ever heard of Japanese Manga and Anime? Not sure if you have? Well, if you have seen the cartoon Heidi or Wicky, then you already have. If you’re familiar with Pokemon, Sailormoon, Dragonball, and maybe Neon Genesis Evangelion, then you certainly have. Manga and Anime have spawned a whole new generation of fans worldwide, and it is growing, not just in America, but also in Europe. You might have seen youngsters dressed up as their favourite Manga characters (so-called Cosplay) roaming in the city. It is certainly becoming a cultural phenomenon.