## Faculty of Literature Department of History

### Asian History Course



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In the course of your university life, try pondering the question of just what kind of person or existence you are. Hints to the answer to that question just may be hidden in historical studies. In this discipline, connections to related fields are indispensable. I hope that you will live your life at this university while regularly maintaining an awareness of issues.

#### Specialization

Ancient Chinese history

### Brief explanation regarding specialization

In my research on ancient Chinese history, I particularly focus on power structures in the Spring and Autumn period and in the Warring States period. I seek to revisit the international relations in which conflict and alliances unfolded among various countries from the angles of military affairs, diplomacy, and the political thinking that underpinned the centralization of power, and to define new points of view on the formation of the Qin-Han Empire.



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Historical studies is a discipline in which all human activity is the subject of study. I hope you will take an interest in various aspects of human activity in addition to the issues that you will tackle in your studies. Such a posture will surely continue to be of benefit to you even after you graduate from college.

### Specialization

Early-modern Chinese history

### Brief explanation regarding specialization

Placing a particular focus on the Qing Dynasty era (between the 17th and 20th centuries), I follow the characteristics of traditional China and shifts from the 19th up through the 20th century through analyzing various production activities in Chinese communities. I also tackle the issues of how the natural environment changes due to progress in production activities and what kind of measures people take to accommodate those changes.

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## Atsushi SHINDO

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When I first set foot into this field, a teacher told me: "Starting today, your world will change." You as students may be the next to confirm the answer to the question of whether the world has actually changed after that. Then, it may be my turn to guide you.

### Specialization

Inland Asian history

### Brief explanation regarding specialization

I research the early-modern history of inland Asia. In particular, I make observations on the relationships between the Manchu people who formed the Qing dynasty (which ruled over China from the 17th century up through the 20th century), the Mongolians who bore the successor group to the Mongol empire, and the Tibetans who established the Dalai Lama administration. I pursue discoveries that cannot be identified without the perspective of those three parties.