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UPNG & JICA to develop Japanese Studies Program

Summary: At 9 am on Friday, February 25th, 2022, the UPNG Vice Chancellor, Japanese Ambassador, and JICA Chief Representative launched the new “JICA Chair program (JICA Program for Japanese Studies)”. Students studying the Japanese modernization course will study from Japanese guest lectures from prestigious Japanese universities.

JICA recently introduced the JICA Chair to expand opportunities for Japanese development studies in various fields at universities in partner countries. In Papua New Guinea and Pacific region, UPNG will be the first recipient of this program.



1. The ceremony opened with Prof. Frank Griffin as UPNG Vice Chancellor, His Excellency Watanabe as Japanese Ambassador and Mr. Koinuma as Chief Representative of JICA PNG office.

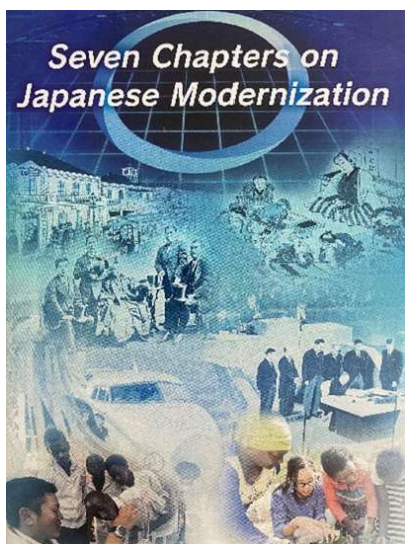
The program will see a range of short intensive lectures delivered at UPNG on the Japanese development experience such as the successes and failures with the process of Japan’s modernization. The lectures are based on seven chapters of Japanese modernization videos provided by JICA. These videos will complement the current course content for Japanese Modernization course at UPNG.

“JICA Chair” is amongst other cooperation activities jointly conducted by UPNG and JICA. One such cooperation activity is the dispatch of JICA Volunteers to teach Japanese classes at UPNG.

UPNG and JICA will trial “the JICA Chair” Program this year and further develop the program in the coming years to continue to suit the growing research needs within UPNG.



2. Students in “Japanese Modernization Course” watching DVDs (Screen: Dr. KITAOKA Shinichi, President, JICA) by JICA



Seven chapters of Japanese modernization videos



I would like to learn about the political history of Japan and how Japan has emerged from its empirical state into a modernized state today.



I am really excited to learn the raise of Japan after World War II from prominent Japanese Professors.

The End.

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