

Hitotsubashi University Global Education Program

HGP Seminar

Hitotsubashi University Global Education Program (HGP)では、英語に よる公開セミナーを開催します。一橋の学生であれば、誰でも参加できます。 皆様のご参加をお待ちしています。

"The Challenges of Globalization for Japanese Retail Companies"

International visitors often praise Japanese retail shops such as convenience stores which are open 24/7, have everything you need, and sell freshly made products such as rice balls, sandwiches, sweets, and coffee. During the Tokyo Olympics, foreign media introduced Japanese convenience stores as "the true MVP of the game."

However, Japanese retail companies face significant challenges when expanding their business overseas, often having less success in these new markets.

This lecture will analyze and discuss:

- Cultural and communication structures of Japanese retail companies
- Cases in which Japanese companies failed to manage businesses
- Differences between Japanese retailers and global retailers in the U.S.





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*This seminar is open to all HU students and will be conducted in English.

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