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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



Phillip Lipsky

Director, Centre for the Study of Global Japan

Chair in Japanese Politics and Global Affairs

Professor, Munk School of Global Affairs & Public Policy

Professor, Department of Political Science

I hope this letter finds you well. 2024-2025 was a period of major political transitions. In October 2024, Shigeru Ishiba became prime minister of Japan, but his Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) suffered significant losses in lower house elections in the same month, reducing his government to minority status. In November, Donald Trump became the first US president since Grover Cleveland to win a nonconsecutive term to office. Trump's rhetoric and policies became a major issue in the April 2025 Canadian federal election, which saw Mark Carney turn around his party's fortunes and secure a victory, albeit with a minor

ity government.

Reflecting this backdrop, the Centre for the Study of Global Japan hosted many events this academic year that sought to bring clarity to unfolding political and diplomatic developments. In October, our Centre had the pleasure of hosting His Excellency Kanji Yamanouchi, Ambassador of Japan to Canada, to offer his views on the present and future of Canada-Japan relations. The bilateral relationship is at a major turning point, reinvigorated by shared values, geopolitical developments and common interests across a range of

domains. In the spring, we hosted Hideki Makihara, former Minister of Justice of Japan, who discussed how Japan is responding to the new geoeconomic realities created by the Trump administration's unconventional policies. If you would like to learn more about these excellent and thought-provoking events, please see the detailed summaries below. Full recordings of the events are also available on our Centre website.

Our Centre has proactively sought opportunities for collaboration with external partners since the COVID-19 pandemic. This year, we hosted two joint webinars with the University of British Columbia on the Japanese lower house election and the geoeconomics of the Trump Presidency. These events featured leading scholars and policy practitioners, who generously shared their views about current events. The Japanese Politics Online Seminar Series, our online collaboration with colleagues at Dartmouth, Harvard, New York University, University of Pennsylvania, and University of Southern California, is now in its fifth year and still going strong.

The Initiative for Education Policy



Ambassador Kanji Yamanouchi of the Embassy of Japan in Canada

and Innovation (IEPI), directed by Rie Kijima, remains an integral part of our activities. This year, IEPI hosted two events in collaboration with the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education. In Japan, IEPI has been actively promoting STEM/STEAM programs for the next generation of student leaders. We are deeply grateful to Richard and Satoko Ingram of the Newton Foundation for their generosity and vision in supporting this initiative. You can read more about IEPI's activities below.

CSGJ is such a vibrant community thanks to the contributions of our many affiliates. This year, the Centre supported two associates – Ryo Kiridori and Jiajia Zhou – who have contributed their thoughtful reflections below. We recognized



Student Affiliates attending Kenneth McEwain's lecture on February 28, 2025.

Rayn Lakhani, Jackie Pang, and Sarah Padwal as recipients of the CSGJ Student Excellence Award. Congratulations! The daily activities of our Centre are supported by Sophie Bourret-Klein, our Events and Program Coordinator, and Rie Aiyama and Sakura Armstrong, our work study students. Please join me in thanking them for all that they do to make CSGJ such a supportive and intellectually stimulating community.

Our Centre has a spectacular group of enthusiastic student affiliates who contribute actively to our events, programming, and social media. We have highlighted several of their reflections in this newslett-

er below. If you are a UofT student interested in Japan, please consider joining us by reaching out to Sophie Bourret-Klein (csgj.munk@utoronto.ca). We would love to have you join our community!

We look forward to seeing you at our events in the coming academic year and many more to come.

The Politics of Non-Politics in Post 1960s Japan



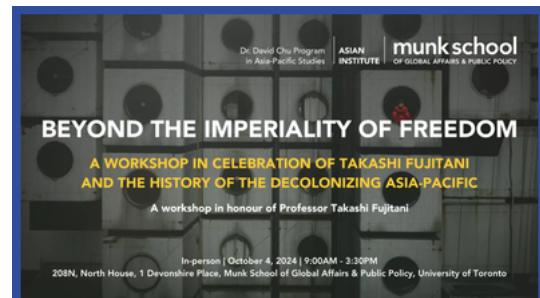
In the first event of the year, Professor Nick Kapur (Rutgers University-Camden) delivered a presentation on the emergence of the non-political movement, or non-pori, in late 1960s Japan. Professor Kapur examined growing dissatisfaction in the 1970s as uprisings of the 1960s failed to achieve conclusive results. Non-pori groups achieved

significant success by focusing on particular goals and demanding reforms, all while maintaining their distance from specific ideologies. While some criticized this approach for failing to challenge Japan's fundamental political orientation, Kapur stressed that the politics of non-pori have yielded substantial results in Japan.

Beyond the Imperiality of Freedom

This workshop took place in celebration of Professor Takashi Fujitani and the history of the decolonizing Asia-Pacific. The event began with opening remarks by Tong Lam (University of Toronto) and Adrian De Leon (New York University) and included four panels. The first p

anel featured Adrian De Leon, Sidney Lu (Rice University), Melanie Ng (University of Toronto), and Michael Roellinghoff (University of Hong Kong). The second panel included Tomoyuki Sasaki (College of William and Mary), Su Yun Kim (Hong Kong University), Ji Hee Jung (Seoul National University), and Kate McDonald (University of California, Santa Barbara). The third panel featured Aaron Peters (Ambrose University), Jiaying Shen (University of Toronto), Yehji Jeong (University of Toronto), and Sinhyeok Jung (Seoul National University). The final panel featured two speakers: Soomin Kim (University of Toronto) and Ryan Moran (University of Utah). The event was organized and co-sponsored by the Asian Institute and the Dr. David Chu Program in Asia-Pacific Studies.



A New Chapter in Canada-Japan Relations: A Giant Leap Forward in Light of Geopolitical Realities and Global Challenges



The Centre for the Study of Global Japan hosted Ambassador Kanji Yamanouchi (The Embassy of Japan in Canada) for a presentation on contemporary Japan-Canada relations. Ambassador Yamanouchi observed that Japan-Canada relations are stronger than ever before and compared these growing ties to previous historical eras.

He focused on five elements: geopolitics, global governance, climate change, technology, and global health. He also discussed how Canada and Japan are becoming more valuable to each other, particularly through their developing Indo-Pacific strategies. The event was moderated by Phillip Lipsky, director of CSGJ.

Japanese Politics at a Crucial Transition Point: From Kishida to Ishiba: Where is Japan Heading?



This online panel jointly hosted with the University of British Columbia's Centre for Japanese Research (CJR) brought together a distinguished panel of experts to reflect on the Kishida administration, examine the implications of Prime Minister Ishiba's election, and explore the 2024 lower house election as a pivotal moment for Japanese politics. The webinar began with Kenneth McElwain (University of Tokyo) and was followed by Rieko Kage (University of Tokyo), Harutaka Takenaka (National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies), Kay Shimizu (University of Pittsburgh) and Phillip Lipsky (University of Toronto). The event was moderated by Yves Tiberghien (University of British Columbia).

Japan's Quiet Leadership: Reshaping the Indo-Pacific

The Centre for the Study of Global Japan hosted Mireya Solis, Director of the Center for Asia Policy Studies (CAPS), Philip Knight Chair in Japan Studies, and Senior Fellow in the Foreign Policy program at Brookings. She discussed her book Japan's Quiet Leadership, which explores how Japan has become a key player in the Indo-Pacific despite past economic stagnation. She argued that rising geopolitical tensions and global economic nationalism have pushed Japan to adopt a more proactive foreign policy, positioning itself as a reliable U.S. ally and a leader in trade liberalization. She concluded by highlighting the challenges Japan faces in balancing relations with both the U.S. and China amid growing global fragmentation.



Japan's Grand Strategy in the International Relations of Space



In the final in-person event of 2024, CSGJ hosted Saadia Pekkanen (University of Washington), who delivered a presentation on Japan's role in the international relations of space. Professor Pekkanen emphasized the strategic use of space for social, economic, and military purposes amid growing global tensions, especially between the U.S. and China. She highlighted the need for international relations perspectives in a field often dominated by legal frameworks and argued that Japan's space policy reflects a grand strategy balancing technological advancement, pacifism, and global engagement. The talk concluded with discussion of Japan's domestic politics, dual-use technologies, and the impact of emerging tools like AI on space strategy.

Japan-South Korea Relations: Partnership or Discord?



The Centre for the Study of Global Japan co-hosted the webinar “Japan–South Korea Relations: Partnership or Discord?” jointly with the Asian Institute’s East Asia Seminar Series. The event featured Andrew Yeo (Brookings Institution’s Center for Asia Policy Studies) and Jennifer M. Lind (Dartmouth College). The panelists discussed the prospects and challenges of Japan–South Korea cooperation amid historical tensions, differing threat perceptions, and shared interests in security, technology, and regional stability. The webinar was moderated by Diana Fu (University of Toronto) and Phillip Lipsky (University of Toronto).

The Digital Transformation and Japan's Political Economy

In the first event of the winter semester, the Centre for the Study of Global Japan hosted Kay Shimizu (University of Pittsburgh), who discussed her book, The Digital Transformation and Japan's Political Economy, co-authored with Ulrike Schaede (UCSD), examining how digital shifts intersect with Japan's economic challenges. She argued that despite perceptions of decline, Japan has unique opportunities to leverage digital transformation—particularly AI and LLMs—to address labor shortages and adapt its economy. Shimizu emphasized the need for reskilling, innovation in public policy, and support for SMEs to ensure that digital transformation benefits a broader segment of Japan's workforce and society.



The Geoeconomics of the Second Trump Presidency

In this webinar, the Centre for the Study of Global Japan collaborated with the Centre for Japan Research at the University of British Columbia to host an online panel discussing the geoeconomic effects of the second Trump presidency. The panel featured former US trade



official Michael Beeman, Jonathan Berkshire Miller (Macdonald-Laurier Institute), Professor Kristin Vekasi (University of Maine), and Professor Yves Tiberghien (University of British Columbia). Panelists discussed the potential impact on US relations with Canada and Japan, highlighting trade tensions, strategic continuity, and rising protectionism, as well as broader global uncertainties stemming from weakened US leadership in areas like green technology. The event was moderated by Phillip Lipsky (Director, Centre for the Study of Global Japan, Munk School).



What Do Japanese People Want From Their Constitution?

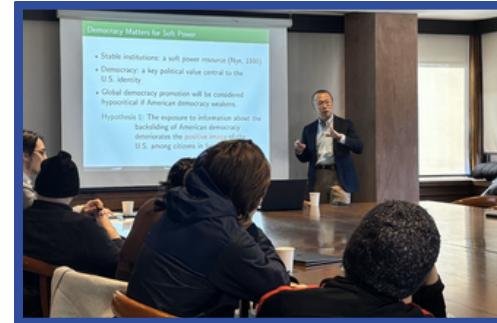


In this lecture, Kenneth McElwain (University of Tokyo) discussed the enduring yet unamended Japanese Constitution, exploring how its longevity stems from a strong rights framework and reliance on ordinary legislation for institutional details. He discussed the tensions between democracy and constitutionalism,

emphasizing that legitimacy, both procedural and substantive, is key to the constitution's endurance, especially amid informal reinterpretations and partisan reform debates. Survey data showed public support for additions of specific rights but division over contentious issues like Article 9. McElwain noted that depoliticizing constitutional reform was important to maintain legitimacy.

Democratic Backsliding Damages Favorable U.S. Image Among the Global Public: Implications for the Asia-Pacific Region

The Centre for the Study of Global Japan hosted Yusaku Horiuchi (Dartmouth), who presented research on how democratic backsliding in the U.S. - highlighted by events like the January 6 Capitol riot - diminishes U.S.



soft power and international standing among close allies. Using survey experiments across countries like Japan, the UK, and Canada, Horiuchi discussed how foreign public opinion becomes less favorable when exposed to information about U.S. democratic decline, while economic decline alone has no such effect. However, despite this drop in favorability, the research found little impact on support for U.S. foreign policy goals, suggesting that strategic alliances remain resilient.

Changing Geoeconomics in the Age of Trump: An Insider View from Japan



In the final event of the 2024-2025 academic year, the Centre for the Study of Global Japan was joined by former Minister of Justice of Japan, legal expert and founder of Dream Platform Co., Hideki Makihara, who discussed Japan's evolving political and strategic landscape. Makihara outlined three main concerns: Japan's weakened political leadership and party instability, growing uncertainty around U.S. foreign policy under Trump's second term, and increasing regional security threats from neighboring powers like China and North Korea. He emphasized the need for stronger economic and defense measures particularly in the wake of US unpredictability. The event was moderated by Phillip Lipsky (University of Toronto).

2024-2025 JPOSS WEBINARS

The Japanese Politics Online Seminar Series (JPOSS) is a virtual forum to present and discuss research in progress on questions related to Japanese politics, broadly defined. We intend to build a community of students and scholars who seek to foster collaboration and scholarship on Japanese politics. The organizers of JPOSS are Amy Catalinac (New York University), Christina L. Davis (Harvard University), Yusaku Horiuchi (Dartmouth College), Saori Katada (University of Southern California), Phillip Y. Lipsky (University of Toronto), and Daniel M. Smith (University of Pennsylvania). Administrative support is provided by the staff of Harvard University's Program on U.S.-Japan Relations, and Jiajia Zhou (University of Toronto) writes the event summaries.

Welcome to JPOSS!

Disclosing Invisible Attributes is Subject to Discrimination: Conjoint Analysis

Kai Zhou, Dartmouth College, Class of 2024
Yusaku Horiuchi, Dartmouth College
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INITIATIVE FOR EDUCATION POLICY AND INNOVATION

Launched in July 2022 with a generous gift from The Newton Foundation, IEPI is committed to driving education reform in Japan and beyond through evidence-based policy initiatives with global impact.

IEPI's mission is to accelerate:

- Research on education reform;
- Understanding the role of education in sustainable human development, equity, and inclusion globally;
- Intellectual exchange to advance innovative solutions to contemporary policy challenges, with a particular focus on Japan.

This year, the Initiative for Education Policy and Innovation (IEPI) proudly hosted two impactful events in collaboration with OISE/CIDEC, bringing together thought leaders to explore critical global issues.

Teachers in the Global Cultural Dynamic: Regionality and Regional Models

In this engaging talk, Professor Gerald LeTendre invited the audience to reconsider the pivotal role teachers play within the global cultural dynamic and nation-state development. Drawing on a multi-year comparative study spanning eight countries—from the Nordic region

(Denmark, Finland, Norway, Sweden) to East Asia (Japan, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan)—he illuminated how teachers not only influence educational practices but also shape broader responses to global governance. Professor LeTendre shared his research group's theory of global cultural dynamics, highlighting the complex relationship between teachers and the state and how these interactions inform national strategies in an interconnected world. His presentation encouraged us to reflect on education's deep-rooted impact on both regional identities and global processes, challenging us to view teachers as central actors in shaping societal futures.



Dr. Gerald LeTendre, Harry L. Batschelet Chair of Educational Administration, Pennsylvania State University

Toward Transnational & Trans-Disciplinary Possibilities of Socio-Environmental Justices

In this thought-provoking presentation, Miwa Takeuchi Aoki (University of Calgary) invited the audience to collectively imagine new, transnational and trans-disciplinary ways of addressing the most pressing socio-environmental justice issues. She shared her groundbreaking research, which centers the voices of young learners and their families—particularly those who have faced forced displacement across borders. Miwa emphasized the importance of dismantling the siloed boundaries of academic disciplines and embracing collaborative, community-driven solutions. Her talk challenged us to think beyond the conventional, encouraging us to rekindle our human relationships with each other and with the more-than-human world.



Group photo at "Toward Transnational & Trans-Disciplinary Possibilities of Socio-Environmental Justices"

A NEW CHAPTER IN CANADA-JAPAN RELATIONS: A GIANT LEAP FORWARD IN LIGHT OF GEOPOLITICAL REALITIES AND GLOBAL CHALLENGES

BY SAKURA ARMSTRONG

On October 8th, the Centre for the Study of Global Japan hosted Ambassador Kanji Yamanouchi from the Embassy of Japan in Canada for a presentation on contemporary Japan-Canada relations.

The event began with opening remarks by CSGJ Director Phillip Lipsky, who introduced Ambassador Yamanouchi and highlighted current geopolitical challenges, particularly military conflicts and political transitions occurring around the globe.

Ambassador Yamanouchi then provided an optimistic perspective, asserting that Japan-Canada relations are stronger than ever before and that these growing ties are not coincidental. He compared the contemporary political landscape to that of a decade ago through five defining elements: geopolitics, global governance, climate change, technology, and global health. As the world becomes increasingly complex and uncertain, the question of which



Director Phillip Lipsky (on the left) and Ambassador Yamanouchi (on the right)

countries can be trusted has become paramount in diplomacy. Ambassador Yamanouchi emphasized the importance of countries like Japan building strong relationships with other like-minded nations, particularly Canada and Australia. He highlighted the need for Japan to actively engage in the international order and the value of cultivating friendships and alliances worldwide.

The ambassador further discussed how Canada and Japan are becoming more valuable to each other, particularly

through their developing Indo-Pacific strategies. Although Canada has traditionally been associated with European nations, there has been a concerted effort to strengthen relationships across the Pacific. One crucial way Japan and Canada have been enhancing their ties is through technology and trade. Ambassador Yamanouchi stressed the importance of the Paris Agreement's goals for achieving net-zero carbon emissions by 2050. To reach this target, countries like Japan and Canada must explore ways to reduce carbon emissions from transportation and promote the use of electric vehicles.



Ambassador Yamanouchi

Ambassador Yamanouchi noted that powerful lithium batteries are essential for creating long-lasting electric vehicles and emphasized Canada's potential as a reliable source for lithium resources. He highlighted the value of Canada being a trustworthy nation capable of producing electric vehicles from start to finish.

In this context, Japanese company Honda has invested \$15 billion in Ontario to create a comprehensive electric vehicle supply chain, marking the largest such investment ever made in Canada. He pointed out that the COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated how easily global supply chains can be disrupted, and that establishing a comprehensive supply chain in one location could help companies mitigate future disruptions.

The Ambassador also discussed the significance of Canadian resources, particularly critical minerals that can be traded with Japan. This has led to collaborations between Japanese and Canadian companies focused on nuclear power and the production of computer chips. He highlighted other examples of cooperation between the two countries, including joint military training between the Japanese Self-Defense Forces and Canadian forces, academic partnerships, and the close relationships among the leaders of each nation.

Following Ambassador Yamanouchi's presentation, there was a lively Q&A session. Attendees posed questions about career advice for students, Canada's role in the Quad, and innovative approaches to Pacific security. We would like to thank Ambassador Yamanouchi for his insightful discussion. If you missed the event and would like to watch it, the recording can be found [here](#). *

CHANGING GEOECONOMICS IN THE AGE OF TRUMP

BY SAKURA ARMSTRONG

On March 19th, 2025, the Centre for the Study of Global Japan was joined by Hideki Makihara, Japanese politician, legal expert, and founder of Dream Platform Co, who served as the Minister of Justice in the first Ishiba Cabinet in 2024. The event began with opening remarks from Phillip Lipsky, Director of the Centre for the Study of Global Japan, who introduced Mr. Makihara to the audience.

The presentation began with a video of a speech delivered by former Prime Minister of Japan, Shinzo Abe, on April 29th, 2015, in which Abe emphasized the importance of US-Japan relations in front of the US Congress. With this, Mr. Makihara emphasized how Abe's passing left a significant void in both Japanese politics and global diplomacy. He stated that three main points would structure his presentation in discussing how Japan is navigating current shifts in the global order. Firstly, there has been a noticeable weakening of Japan's political decision-making



Former Minister of Justice Hideki Makihara

capabilities since Abe's death. He analyzed the results of the last general election, where even with its coalition partner, the LDP failed to secure a majority, resulting in a minority government. This can be attributed in part to internal party struggles triggered by financial scandals and Ishiba's attempts to address the fallout. Makihara concluded that Japan's political environment is becoming increasingly unstable and unpredictable compared to before Abe's death.

Secondly, Makihara delved into the possible implications of the second

Trump presidency. He expressed concern over the U.S. dismantling the postwar international order, noting how the treatment of organizations like the World Trade Organization and World Health Organization illustrate how unpredictable the current administration is, leading to a climate of uncertainty and fear. He pointed out that Japan has refrained from preparing countermeasures, relying instead on diplomatic appeals to the U.S. not to impose tariffs. While Japan hopes Trump appreciates the bilateral friendship, Makihara warned that Japan would need to respond firmly in regards to the automobile and related sectors, which are vital to the Japanese economy.

Makihara's third point addressed Japan's regional security concerns. He noted how Japan is located in a highly unstable area, surrounded by China, North Korea, and Russia, and emphasized Taiwan's strategic importance, as most of Japan's energy imports pass through the Taiwan Strait. Unlike in the past, the public response to increased defense spending and legislation has not led to much backlash, reflecting how the public is becoming increasingly aware of gl-

obal threats. Makihara also discussed Japan's efforts to strengthen economic security, referencing the COVID-19 pandemic and current Diet discussions on active cyber defense and emphasizing the importance of technological collaboration.

Following Mr. Makihara's presentation, an active Q&A session took place. Questions were asked regarding Japan's role in regional politics, US and Japan relations with Russia, as well as on the social and political stability of Japanese society.

We would like to thank Mr. Makihara for his insightful presentation as well as the audience for their energetic participation. If you missed the event and would like to watch it, the recording can be found [here](#). All CSGJ event recordings can be found on our Recorded Events [page](#). *

Reflections from Our Affiliates

LOOKING BACK ON PRESENTING RESEARCH IN 2024



Jiajia Zhou

Associate, Centre for the Study of Global Japan

Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Political Science

In 2024, CSGJ supported my travel to present my dissertation research at four conferences. Fighting two bouts of jet lag in diametrically opposite hemispheres made me briefly question my decisions. Hours of preparation, scooting between airports and conference halls, and traversing continents—all for ten-minute presentations. Why? Because academic training involves more than producing research. It requires learning to speak to scholars who work on different frontiers of the discipline. Especially for researchers working on Japan today, it seems like we speak to a shrinking audience if we speak only to this community. Early

in my PhD, I was told by my adviser, don't speak only to the scholars who work on populism. Produce work that speaks to the broader discipline. It did not occur to me how important this was at first. But these words started to weigh on me as I began presenting my work, realizing that the content was not resonating with anyone. When your hours of work seem to culminate in nothing, the thought of the research finding its home in a pile of zero-citation publications can feel soul-crushing.

But who is the "broader discipline"? I have learnt that in-



ACADEMIC TRAINING INVOLVES MORE THAN PRODUCING RESEARCH. IT REQUIRES LEARNING TO SPEAK TO SCHOLARS WHO WORK ON DIFFERENT FRONTIERS OF THE DISCIPLINE.

tellectual affinity can come in many ways. Some scholars may study the same issue. Others may be building similar concepts on different problems. Some share your methodological approaches. And yet others work on the same country cases. To connect with them, you need to speak their language—or at least understand it.

These conferences have provided especially valuable lessons. First, I learnt to better convey my research. PhD training gave me a lot of time to think alone. But after spending extended time constructing complex mind maps in one's head, it can be challenging to translate them into compelling narratives. Observing how others narrate their work can be instructive. And clarity helps with dialogue: enga-

ging with scholars who ask new questions about your research, who help you see what matters and why.

Second, conferences help me think laterally. Large academic gatherings can feel almost like the Shibuya Crossing, where people share the same space, but everyone is headed in a different direction. But by slowing down to watch, listen, and engage, I started to recognize patterns. How certain scholars cluster around emerging themes. How concepts travel across subfields. These lateral thought exercises made me think about how my own work might speak to adjacent conversations.

Lastly, conferences build networks, but they also build friendships. Academia is large but its composition does not change the way firms do. Unlike



Jiajia Zhou presenting at the The Japanese Society for Quantitative Political Science (JSQPS) Summer Meeting in Kochi City, Japan, July 7, 2024.

sectors where professional networks are frequently reshaped by job changes, academic trajectories are often more stable. Many individuals encountered at conferences will remain in the field over time, and a relationship that begins as a professional acquaintance can evolve into one that makes the space feel familiar. The crowd is

intimidating at first, but with every additional conference, I begin to see faces who lighten my heart.

I am very grateful to CSGJ and my adviser, Professor Phillip Lipsky, for supporting my research and professional development. *

Reflections from Our Affiliates

UKRAINE & THE PACIFIC



Ryo Kiridori

Associate, Centre for the Study of Global Japan

Ph.D. Student, Department of Political Science

In the academic year 2024-2025, I joined a book project of the National Institute for Defense Studies in Tokyo, Japan. The project, co-authored by six military analysts of NIDS, was intended to apply military lessons of the Ukraine War to Taiwan security, and I wrote a chapter focusing on America's indirect military support for Ukraine and examining its implications for the defense of Taiwan. More specifically, my part asked two questions: to what extent, if any, US military aid to Ukraine has had negative impacts on the US and its allies' deterrence posture in the Western Pacific; and whether

the Ukraine model of indirect military interventions would work in a potential Taiwan contingency.

Two reasons motivated me to work on this issue. First, there appeared to be growing skepticism and fatigue with supporting Ukraine, especially among the US public as the presidential election campaign was getting intense. Some prominent security experts publicly raised concerns that US strategic resources were being spent for Ukraine's war in Europe at the expense of those for strategic competition with



THE INDIRECT INTERVENTION MODEL THAT THE US HAS WELL PERFORMED IN UKRAINE MAY NOT BE FEASIBLE IN A MILITARY CONFLICT OVER TAIWAN

China in the Indo-Pacific region, which the US government has prioritized over the last decade. Second, although a large volume of literature tackled issues of America's direct military intervention in an armed conflict between China and Taiwan, the discussion on indirect intervention is far less matured. Given the lower-cost nature of an indirect approach as well as its positive record of helping Ukraine deny Russia's military objectives, indirect military support rather than direct military engagement in a Taiwan contingency could be an attractive option for US decision makers.

My findings are as follows. Regarding the impact of US aid in Europe on the Pacific, no negative effect was observed. Pre-war trends in defense budget, acquisition programs,

and operational concept building in the Indo-Pacific, either continued or accelerated even after the outbreak of the Ukraine War in 2022. A clear, positive impact was found in the realm of defense industry. Prior to the war, the weapon production capacity in the US had been shrinking, and the country's defense and military agencies struggled but failed to reverse this course. However, as the US government responded to Russia's invasion to Ukraine by supporting the latter's defense efforts, the defense industrial capacity immediately began to expand dramatically.

Another finding is that the indirect intervention model that the US has adopted in Ukraine may not be feasible in a military conflict over Taiwan. Being surrounded by water, Taiwan's geographic environment is



『「新たなる戦争」の諸相-ウクライナ戦争の教訓と米中対峙の行方-』 - "Aspects of the "New War" - Lessons from the Ukraine War and the Future of the US-China Confrontation"

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Written by: Moriteru Aida, Takayuki Igarashi, Yuji Maeda, and Ryo Kiridori

games, a Taiwan conflict tends to be quick to escalate due to operational incentives for both sides to strike first. It would be difficult for the US to stay out of direct military engagement. Furthermore, US naval fleets conducting resupplying missions to Taiwan will be extremely vulnerable to Chinese anti-ship capabilities. Unless China is benign enough to let US transport vessels pass, the US cannot deliver supplies to the island.

This book has been published in Japanese in March and will be translated and published in English by August. Hopefully this work partially contributes to our understanding of US approaches to Taiwan defense and global security. *

fundamentally different from that of Ukraine, which has a long land border including that with friendly neighbors. This fact makes China's blockade operations easier. Also, escalation dynamics matter. As demonstrated in several war-

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HACHIOJI HIGASHI AND UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO SCHOOLS (UTS) HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT MENTORSHIP

On March 17th, 2025, the Centre for the Study of Global Japan (CSGJ) and University of Toronto Schools (UTS) jointly hosted visiting students from Hachioji Higashi High School in Tokyo, Japan for their annual exchange and mentorship workshop. A team of volunteer CSGJ Student Affiliates participated as mentors to facilitate cross-cultural dialogue and engage with the students. The workshop was held at University Toronto Schools (UTS).

The day's activities began with a guided tour around the University of Toronto St. George campus, visiting key buildings such as the Munk School of Global Affairs & Public Policy, University College, and Robarts Library. The visiting students enjoyed taking photos and learning about the university's rich history while exploring the vibrant campus. Following the tour, Hachioji Higashi



Hachioji Higashi Students presenting about Japan.

students, UTS student volunteers, and CSGJ Student Affiliates gathered at the UTS campus for the workshop. Attendees were welcomed with refreshments and an exquisitely prepared charcuterie board as they spent time getting to know one another. The event officially began with opening remarks by UTS and Hachioji Higashi representatives. This was followed by a lively and engaging presentation by a group of Hachioji Higashi students, who



Hachioji Higashi Students, UTS volunteers, and CSGJ student affiliates

shared insight into their school life in Japan including their school's history, extracurricular activities, and daily routines.

After the presentation, students broke into small table groups or more personal conversations. Discussions covered a wide range of topics, including cultural differences between Canada and Japan, high school lifestyles, and shared hobbies and interests.

The Hachioji Higashi students also shared a series of research questions they had prepared for their cultural exchange research projects, touching on subjects such

as architecture, climate, and sports. These discussions fostered meaningful connections and mutual learning opportunities among all the participating students.

To conclude the workshop, UTS volunteers took CSGJ mentors and Hachioji Higashi students on a guided tour around their school facilities, including the auditorium, library, gymnasium and robotics room. Students then gathered to exchange contact information, take group photos, and share parting gifts. Students from UTS and CSGJ presented Hachioji Higashi students with small souve-



Hachioji Higashi Students, UTS volunteers, and CSGJ student affiliates

nirs to commemorate their experience in Toronto, while Hachioji Higashi students gifted the volunteers' various Japanese snacks and a self-published English newspaper that they had written about Japanese culture.

The exchange and mentorship workshop was a meaningful cross-cultural experience that offered a unique opportunity for students to build connections and broaden their cultural perspectives. We

would like to extend our gratitude to Hachioji Higashi High School for their participation, University of Toronto Schools for hosting the event, and our volunteer CSGJ Student Affiliates for their support in making the event a success yet again! *

STUDENT AFFILIATE SPOTLIGHT



Rie Aiyama

B.A. '27. Contemporary Asian Studies and International Relations

Why did you join the Student Affiliate Program?

My interest in Japan stems from my identity as a third-culture kid, being fully Japanese by nationality but having never lived there in my life. As a CSGJ Student Affiliate, I hope to expand my existing understanding of Japanese culture, history, and its contemporary politics, while providing a regional focus for my academic pursuits in international relations.

Fun Fact About Me:

I've lived in Bangkok my entire life!

My first year as a Student Affiliate and Program Assistant at the Centre for the Study of Global Japan has proven to be a truly rewarding experience. As an undergraduate majoring in International Relations and Contemporary Asian Studies with a strong interest in Japan, this opportunity could not have been more perfect for my career aspirations, allowing me to connect with Japan scholars and fellow enthusiasts while gaining firsthand experience in event coordination and outreach. Under the guidance of Professor Phillip Lipsky and Program Coordinator Sophie Bourret-Klein, I supported the Centre by organising and executing events, creating the Centre's newsletter and social media content, and contributing event reports for the website.

A key focus for me this year was fostering student engagement within the Affiliate program, which I did by managing the monthly newsletter, moderating the community discord and facilitating social events. In particular, having Consul Masahiro Matsui as a guest speaker from the Consulate of Japan in Toronto was a great success, who in his seminar,

shared his career experiences in foreign affairs and international development. Many of the topics resonated with the undergraduates present, including myself, culminating in a lively and inquisitive Q&A session. Another highlight was the Hachioji Higashi High School mentorship workshop, a unique volunteer opportunity for affiliates to be mentors for a younger group of students. The event demonstrated the affiliates' enthusiasm and commitment to cross-cultural exchange and was a personal reminder of the value of engagement opportunities beyond the classroom. As Program Assistant, I hope to continue cultivating this diverse and passionate community in the next academic year.

One of the most memorable events of this year was the "Japan Conference: University of Toronto", which brought together leading Japan scholars from institutions around the world. From learning about the future of Japan Studies in academia, to political scandals and innovative tax systems in Japan, I left with the impression that the two-day conference represented the interdisciplinary breadth of the Centre. Sitting in the front row of



Rie Aiyama, Hachioji Higashi Students, and UTS volunteers enjoying the mentorship workshop.

such enriching discussions was a rare and invaluable opportunity for me as I undertake my own research endeavors.

I am incredibly grateful to have spent the year working at the Centre for the Study of Global Japan, which has opened new doors and provided new insights about contemporary Japan. The Centre has given me a place and community to grow—professionally, academically, and personally. I'm looking forward to another year of collaboration, learning, and engagement with my fellow Student Affiliates. *

STUDENT AFFILIATE SPOTLIGHT

In the beginning of my second year, I was freshly accepted into the international relations program at UofT and hunting for any way to get involved with the Munk School. I had always been interested in Japan as I have lived there on and off throughout my life and wished that there was a way to study Japan through an IR lens. Lo and behold, I discovered CSGJ through their website and was immediately interested in being involved. I'd never cold emailed anyone before but I sent off an awkwardly worded email inquiring about the student affiliate program and that was where my involvement began.

I have always appreciated the range within the topics that our events cover, from history to politics to science, and the ability of scholars to condense their years of research into concise and fascinating presentations. One of the most memorable events to me from this past year was getting to hear from Professor Nick Kapur on the politics of non-politics in the first event of our academic year. He



Sakura Armstrong

B.A. '26. International Relations and Book & Media Studies

Why did you join the Student Affiliate Program?

I've always been interested in Japan since I lived there until I was 6 and moved back when I was 16. As I got older, I found myself wanting to learn more about the history and politics of Japan and finding the Centre has helped me further those interests!

Fun Fact About Me:

I've moved nine times in my life and lived in four different countries so far.

discussed the power of non-political protest in Japan in demanding change from the national government. As a student of international relations, getting to learn how communities band together and fight for reform is something I am deeply interested in. In times of great tumult, I think that there can be much to learn from looking back at protests from our past.

I also always love our student affiliate events as well. Not only because of the fun catered lunches and snacks—although that is a massive perk in my opinion—but because of the experiences offered to actually speak with members of UofT’s faculty and other students interested in Japan. Often at such a large university it’s easy to feel lost or invisible, but the small size of our student affiliate cohort and faculty affiliate community has created a kind and consistent group that I feel comfortable with. Personally, the most memorable event from this past year was getting to hear from Consul Masahiro Matsui of the Consulate General of Japan to Canada. He discussed his career journey, specifically from his transition from the private to public sector and his work supporting

Palestinian refugees in the West Bank prior to moving to Toronto. As someone potentially interested in working in the public or humanitarian sector, I found hearing his experiences to be particularly fascinating. I think that one of the most important parts of my university career has been getting to know the various life paths that can be taken with a degree and trying to understand what direction I want my own to go in.

I hope to continue being involved with the Centre for the rest of my time at the University of Toronto. Getting to know fellow like-minded students as well as the fascinating scholars who have come to speak at the Centre has changed how I approach academia and learning. These past two years working at the Centre as well as participating as a student affiliate have been incredibly transformative and one of the biggest highlights of my time in university.✿

STUDENT AFFILIATE SPOTLIGHT



Rayn Lakhani

B.A. '28. Munk One and Contemporary Asian Studies

Why did you join the Student Affiliate Program?

Japan's influence on the global stage stems from its unique blend of cultural traditions, economic power, and technological advancements. I want to explore how Japan's historical trajectory, from its rapid modernization and how this has shaped its contemporary global standing. Examining Japan offers a rich case study for understanding how a nation can balance deep-rooted traditions with globalized modernization, and I believe studying this balance can provide insights into sustainable development, international relations, and cultural exchange in a globalized world.

Fun Fact About Me:

I'm a published author!

Over the course of my first year, I have had the wonderful opportunity to participate in the Centre for the Study of Global Japan's Student Affiliate Program. Through this experience, I had the chance to attend lectures, participate in discussions, meet professionals from different academic backgrounds, and get involved with networking opportunities with students from Japan. In all these experiences, I have had the chance to fulfill my initial goal: to explore Japan through an interdisciplinary focus. Topics I explored ranged from the modern space race to the cultural importance of the sakura. Each of the different issues explored through the various topics and seminars I attended was extensive and focused on Japan and how Japan can connect its policies and resources globally.

One of the opportunities that stood out most for me was the seminar and discussion held in November with Consul Masahiro Matsui of the Consulate-General of Japan in Toronto. In this seminar, Consul Matsui discussed his career working in foreign policy while connecting it to Japan's role in global peace



CSGJ Student Affiliates listening to speaker Consul Masahiro Matsui of the Consulate General of Japan to Canada.

endeavors. He also talked about how Japan and Canada intertwine innovation strategies in sectors such as transportation, and it was very impactful to hear what is next for the future of Japanese-Canadian relations, especially amidst tumultuous global challenges. These findings were then especially valuable in shaping one of our group projects this semester, wherein we looked at the role of Japanese-Canadian innovation strategies in tackling the demographic crisis.

Throughout my first year in the Student Affiliate Program, I have

received nothing but support in my curiosity to explore topics from all disciplines regarding contemporary Japan. I am very grateful to the center for providing such a rich depth of opportunities, and I am excited to see what lies ahead for upcoming events. *

STUDENT AFFILIATE SPOTLIGHT

Four years ago, I walked into my first Japanese language class, an elective I had selected to fill the extra space in my timetable, feeling both daunted, at the prospect of having to learn three different writing systems, and excited, that I would finally be able to read the labels of my favorite Japanese snacks. Unbeknownst to me at the time, this would mark the beginning of my passion for Japanese language and culture.

This passion would follow me into the summer after graduating high school, when I worked for a company facilitating language exchanges between Japan and Canada, and into my first year at UofT, when I took another Japanese language course (that made my high school class seem like a walk in the park!). The most significant moment in my journey, however, has to be the all the experiences I gained as a CSGJ Student Affiliate over the past year. From learning about current issues in Japanese politics at events with Ambassador Yamanouchi and former Minister of Justice Mr Makihara, to trying a centuries-old rice cracker



Sarah Padwal
B.A '27 International Relations, Peace Conflict and Justice, and Minor in Contemporary Asian Studies

Why did you join the Student Affiliate Program?
Since I was a kid, I have always been fascinated by Japanese culture. After taking a Japanese language course in high school and working for a cultural exchange company, I became even more interested in Japan. As a student affiliate, I hope to expand my knowledge about Japan through events and conversations with academic scholars, and I look forward to meeting other students who share my interests!

Fun Fact About Me:
I am an only child!



CSGJ Faculty and Student Affiliates at the End of Year Social Featuring guest speaker Yuki Tokunaga (in the center).

recipe at a cultural workshop for Study of Global Japan's guided by Mr Tokunaga, my year with CSGJ has been both intellectually stimulating and culturally enriching. Besides these academic events, I also found a warm community of like-minded peers with a shared passion for Japanese culture through the social events, which I always left with a light heart and a plate full of leftover mochi.

Student Excellence Award, a wonderful way to celebrate all the memories and knowledge I accumulated throughout my time as a Student Affiliate thus far. My time with CSGJ has just begun, and I look forward to continuing my journey here as a student, a global citizen and eventually, an alumnus, in the coming years. *

I am extremely grateful to CSGJ for these opportunities to connect with community, culture and language over the past year. Additionally, I am honored to be this year's recipient of the Centre

2024-2025 CSGJ

STUDENT EXCELLENCE

AWARD



From left to right, Rayn Lakhani (B.A. '28. Munk One and Contemporary Asian Studies), Jackie Pang (B.A. '25 Political Science and East Asian Studies), and Sarah Padwal (International Relations, Peace Conflict and Justice, and Minor in Contemporary Asian Studies).

The Centre for the Study of Global Japan (CSGJ) is thrilled to announce Rayn Lakhani, Jackie Pang, and Sarah Padwal as the recipients of the 2024-2025 Student Excellence Award. Launched in the fall of 2023, this award was created to recognize students who go above and beyond in their involvement with the CSGJ Student Affiliate program. Winners were chosen based on their active engagement with Centre activities, including attendance at events, community-building, and involvement in volunteer activities. Student affiliates are integral members of the CSGJ community, and the award recognizes particularly proactive students for their contributions during the academic year.

Congratulations to Rayn, Jackie, and Sarah for the well-deserved award! We look forward to seeing our student affiliate community continue to grow and foster life-long engagement with Japan.

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- Commit to attending at least two CSGJ events per academic year
- Demonstrated interest or experience related to Japan (this can be through Japan-related coursework, time spent in Japan, or a brief written statement explaining plans to engage with Japan)

BENEFITS:

- Attend Invitation-Only Events
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- Lead future student initiatives related to the Centre
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