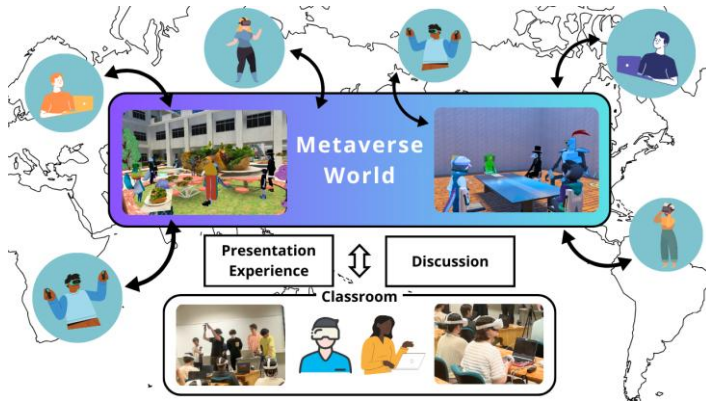
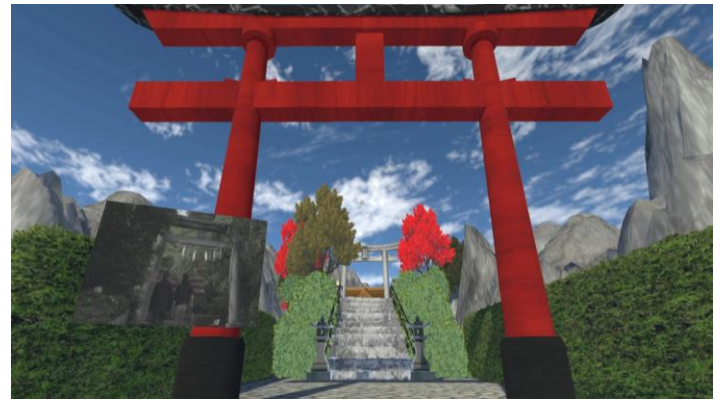


Create virtual worlds with students worldwide



International learning in shared virtual worlds



A shrine world created by an overseas student

Exploring Global Issues through XR (VR/AR) and the Metaverse

New Perspectives on Our World

Fall 2026 Free participation Online international exchange

Course schedule

October 7 - November 25, 2026

Regular Wednesdays: 16:20-18:00

November 18 & 25: 14:40-18:00

Attendance is required on both extended dates.

All times: Japan Standard Time (JST / UTC+9)

Learn with students worldwide

Compare social issues in international teams and create and present a virtual world in VRChat, with support from generative AI. Explore other teams' worlds and discuss different perspectives. Reflect on how your understanding has changed.

An Open Badge for your learning

Overseas students who participate in activities such as presentations and assignments and meet the specified completion requirements will receive an Open Badge. This digital micro-credential records your learning.



Application form

Apply by Monday, September 28, 2026

All students must complete and submit the Google Form themselves. Use an email address that you check regularly.

<https://forms.gle/6cW3TLvhkr8vHkmH8>

Participation and support

Undergraduate and graduate students from all academic fields are welcome. Overseas students join online. Participate in English or Japanese, with bilingual materials and live transcription and translation.

To participate in this course, you will need a **Windows PC** that can run VRChat and a headset or earphones with a microphone. A VR headset (HMD) is not required. Class communication: Discord.

Operating Unity is optional for overseas students. Allow about 30 minutes of preparation per week.

Dates to remember

September 29: reminder and session link by email
Wednesday, **September 30, 16:20-18:00**

Google Meet session. Ask questions before joining.

October 7, 16:20-18:00: mandatory first class

Includes VRChat setup checks and practice.

October 14: second class

If you cannot attend for unavoidable reasons, please contact us in advance.

Course introduction video (English): <https://youtu.be/u3YE4qvUC54>

Instructor: Masako Hayashi, Associate Professor, Tohoku University

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