

- Japanese Text Initiative (Web texts of classical Japanese literature in Japanese characters.)
- Bibliography of Asian Studies (BAS) Online (English. Off-campus access is available to Pitt-affiliated users only)

Useful Internet Resources

To help you locate Japanese information on the web, the JIC has been collecting useful web sites, evaluating them, and linking them to our web site. Just take a look at it. You may find information necessary for your research.

<http://www.library.pitt.edu/libraries/eal/JIP-Links.htm>

Japanese collection in the East Asian Library

In addition to the above resources, the JIC's services are backed up by the Japanese collection of the East Asian Library and the Hillman library of the University of Pittsburgh. Currently, The Japanese Studies collection consists of 116,800 volumes in Japanese language, 10,701 volumes in western languages, covering a variety of subject areas

In addition, the library subscribes to over 300 journals and two major daily newspapers, *Asahi Shinbun* and *Nikkei Shinbun*. The library also subscribes to the cumulative volumes of these

newspapers as well as Japan Times, a daily English newspaper published in Japan.

Mitsui Collection

Donated by the Institute for Financial and Economic Research of the former Mitsui Bank, the collection contains over 64,000 volumes of books and journals including 33,498 of Japanese books, 10,701 of Western languages books, and 20,000 Japanese and Western languages journals, with subject focus on history, philosophy, social sciences, business, economics, and company histories.

Open Hours:

Monday to Friday:
10 am – 12 pm, 1 – 4 pm
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**Are you looking for
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JAPAN INFORMATION CENTER
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information on Japan to help
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Having tough time finding information about and from Japan?

It is sometimes difficult to locate information you need, especially when it is regarding a foreign country where a different language is spoken and you are not quite sure how their system operates. If you do not know where to begin, The Japan Information Center (JIC) may be able to help you.

Who can use its services?

The center's services are not limited to the University of Pittsburgh community. Its services are available to anyone who needs information regarding Japan. However, the priority is given to students, faculty and staff of the University of Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh community at large.

What questions does JIC answer?

For example, we could answer these kinds of questions:

▣ *Are there any books about shinsengumi written in English?*

▣ *What is the crime rate of Tokyo compared with New York City?*

▣ *"yoku mireba Nazuna hana saku kakine kana." When was this haiku written by Basho?*

▣ *What is the population of Iwate prefecture, according to the last census?*

How can I ask questions?

Just come in and ask your question. Door is always open. Japan information specialist and graduate student assistants are waiting for your questions.

You can also ask questions by email, telephone, fax, and online request form at our website.

The JIC's service does not include translation services, but we can introduce translation services in Pittsburgh community.

JIC reference Collection

The JIC has its own reference collection on site at the University of Pittsburgh. Listed below are some of our collections.

Printed materials

- EHS Law Bulletin Series
- Directories of organizations, corporations, and research institutions, as well as directories of special corporations affiliated with certain Japanese ministries
- Dictionaries including *Kō jien*, *Gogen jiten*, Japanese- English character dictionary, dialect dictionary as well as many subject dictionaries
- Almanacs such as *Kōtsū nenkan*, *Nihon handōtai nenkan*

- Statistical yearbooks
- Biographic dictionaries
- White papers
- Books of Japanese paintings and more...

Electronic resources

The JIC has access to the **Nikkei Telecom 21** which consists of the Nikkei Corporate Profiles, The Nikkei Who's Who, various business and economic information, and the full text database of the four Nikkei Newspapers: The Nihon Keizai Shimbun, The Nikkei Business Daily, The Nikkei Financial Daily and The Nikkei Marketing Journal.

In addition, the East Asian Library subscribe to the following electronic databases (available through ULS web site.<http://search3.webfeat.org/UPittSearch.asp>)

- GiNii (Japanese Academic Databases Portal in Humanities, Social Sciences, and Natural Sciences), which includes,
 - CiNii (Search for full text and citation of Japanese academic journals and magazines)
 - WebCatPlus (Search for books, magazines, etc. in Japan)
 - Kaken (Search for research projects in Japan)
 - NII-DBR (Search for specialized academic information such as Doctorial Dissertation Database)