

Meiji Gakuin University - LaGuardia Community COIL/Virtual Exchange Project (Fall 2021)



WHAT IS CROSSINGPATHS2021?

Crossing Paths: Coming Together to Increase L2 Fluency and C2 Competency (CrossingPaths2021) Project is an international collaboration project between Meiji Gakuin University (Prof. Jennifer Igawa) in Tokyo and the Japanese Language Program at LaGuardia Community College (Prof. Tomonori Nagano) in New York.

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WHAT ARE REQUIREMENTS?

- Phase 1: Icebreaking meeting**
Synchronous Zoom Meeting at 8pm on Tue, Sept 28
Students from both schools will meet via Zoom and introduce themselves. Those who cannot join will post their introductions in Phase 2.
- Phase 2: Team building**
Post deadline 10/8 & Response deadline 10/15

Students are divided into small groups. Each student will post their self-introduction video and will respond to their group members' self-introduction videos.

- Phase 3: Collaboration**
Post deadline 10/29
Each student group generates a "PechaKucha" (<https://www.pechakucha.com>) presentation with 4 pictures (4 x 15 sec).
- Phase 4: Presentation and Reflection**
Post deadline 11/19
Each student group generates a "PechaKucha" (<https://www.pechakucha.com>) presentation with 15 pictures (15 x 15 sec).

WHERE DOES IT TAKE PLACE?

We will use *ImmerseU* for this pilot collaboration. [More instructions here]

QUESTIONS?

If you have questions about the project, contact Prof. Jennifer Igawa (igawaj@eco.meijigakuin.ac.jp) @ MGU or Tomonori Nagano (tnagano@lagcc.cuny.edu).