

## ASNET Tohoku Study Tour (July 2019)

### 1. Title

Study Tour on the Spiritual Sites and Religious Architectures: Kawakura Jizo-son and Mt. Osore

### 2. Supervisors

Takfumi Ishida (Professor, School of Science)

Toshiaki Kimura (Professor, Tohoku University)

Emi Goto (Project Associate professor, ASNET)

Akiko Itahashi (Assistant professor, Institute for Advanced Studies on Asia)

### 3. Dates

July 20 - July 21, 2019

### 4. Meeting Point

Sendai Station, Miyagi Prefecture

### 5. Capacity

Around 15 students

### 6. Contents of the Tour

- In addition to the Kawakura Jizo-son of Kawakura-sai where approximately 2,000 jizo statues of various sizes are enshrined, we will visit Mt. Osore, where the Taisai Festival is held and mediums who summon the spirits of the dead pass down their messages, as well as other major spiritual places and religious architectures of the Tohoku region. We will be observing customary practices of the present to deepen our understanding and studies of these religious practices.
- Understand the past and present of the religious practices in the Tohoku region through lectures conducted by specialists.
- Observe attending academics to study and review how researchers should continue to associate themselves in their respective fields.

### 8. Itinerary (tentative)

#### ○ Day 1: July 20th (Sat)

8:30 AM: Gather at Sendai Station and head north by bus

→Visit Kawakura Jizo (Goshogawara City, Aomori)

→Stay at hotel in Mutsu City

#### ○ Day 2: July 21st (Sun)

8:30 AM: Leave hotel

→Visit Mt. Osore (Mutsu City, Aomori) and observe the Taisai Festival

→Visit Shoroku Shinto Yamatoyama (Higashi-tsugaru-county, Aomori)

→Visit Gankisan Shrine

6:30 PM: Arrive at Sendai Station

### **9. Fees (to be paid by the participants)**

Transportation fees to and from Sendai Station, accommodation fee for the night of the 20th, travel insurance, other expenses you may need (all out-of-pocket expenses per participants)

\*From Sendai Station we will be taking a bus chartered by ASNET

### **10. How to Apply**

Fill out the Study Tour Application Form (download from below)

and send via email attachment addressed to [asnet@asnet.u-tokyo.ac.jp](mailto:asnet@asnet.u-tokyo.ac.jp)

Study Tour Application

[https://asnet-utokyo.jp/asnet\\_studytour\\_application](https://asnet-utokyo.jp/asnet_studytour_application)

**Deadline: May 31st (Fri)**

※ We may close application earlier if we reach capacity

### **11. Others**

The screening results based on the application forms will be notified within two weeks.

A preliminary briefing is scheduled to be held in June or July.