



## Meiji Gakuin University & LaGuardia Community College Crossing Path 2022 (COIL) Project in Fall 2022

### WHAT IS CROSSING PATHS 2022?

*Crossing Paths: Coming Together to Increase L2 Fluency and L2 Competency* (CrossingPaths2022) 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.

In this project, a group of students are paired with their partner groups/students in the other college and communicate through various technology tools (such as ImmerseU). The goals of this project is to provide students with opportunities to use the second language (L2) with native speakers, to develop students' fluency and confidence in the L2 oral communication, and to develop students' cultural competency. The project takes place from September 2022 through November 2022.

### WHAT ARE REQUIREMENTS?

- Phase 1: Icebreaking meeting**  
Synchronous Zoom Meeting at 9am on Wed, Sept 28 (JST) and 8pm on Tue, Sept 27 (EDT)  
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 10/10 (JST) & 10/9 (EST) & Response deadline 10/17 (JST) & 10/16 (EDT)  
Students are divided into small groups. Each student will post two short (2-3 min) video presentations and share

them with the group. The suggested topic is your "community" but you are also welcome to come up with your own topic.

- Phase 3: Collaboration I**  
Post deadline 10/31 (JST) & 10/30 (EDT)  
Each student group generates a "PechaKucha" (<https://www.pechakucha.com>) presentation with 4 pictures (4 x 15 sec).
- Phase 4: Collaboration II**  
Post deadline 11/14 (JST) & 11/13 (EST)  
Each student group generates a "PechaKucha" (<https://www.pechakucha.com>) presentation with 15 pictures (15 x 15 sec).
- Phase 5: Reflection**  
Synchronous Zoom Meeting at 11am on Mon, Nov 21(JST) and 9pm on Sun, Nov 20 (EST)  
Students will have another synchronous meeting to reflect on and conclude the Crossing Path collaboration.

### WHERE DOES IT TAKE PLACE?

We will use ImmerseU ([immerseu.class2class.com](https://immerseu.class2class.com)) as our main platform and Line for individual/group communication

### QUESTIONS?

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