

## University Student's Perception of Transgender People in Japan and America

### Research Questions

1. What are college student's perceptions about transgender people and what influences those views?
2. Are transgender people more understood/accepted by American or Japanese college students?

### Literary Review

1. Transgender Definitions; English and Japanese
2. History of Transgenderism; in America and Japan  
(What is the demographic for transgender people in Japan? in America?)
3. Bumps in the Road to Transitioning; factors that allow/do not allow individuals to transition safely i.e. family, religion, education, media
4. Laws regarding Transitioning; in Japan and America
5. Medical Coverage; in Japan and America

### Background Questions

1. How old are you?
2. Where were you born?
3. What is your nationality?
4. What level of college are you in?
5. Do you practice a religion or identify as spiritual?
  - Christianity
  - Judaism
  - Buddhism
  - Islam
  - Hinduism
  - Shinto
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Not sure
  - No
6. What gender do you identify as?
  - Cisgender (identify as the sex you were born as)
    - cismale
    - cisfemale
  - Transgender (identify as the opposite gender)
    - transmale
    - transfemale

- other: \_\_\_\_\_
7. If transgender/other, at what age did you realize this?
- 3-10
  - 11-13
  - 14-19
  - 20-25
  - 26-30
  - 35+
8. Is transitioning (hormones/surgery/therapy) readily available where you are originally from?
- Yes:
    - hormones
    - surgery
    - therapy
  - no:
    - hormones
    - surgery
    - therapy
  - not sure
9. Do you have family members and/or friends who identify as transgender?
- family member/relative
  - friends
  - yourself
  - not sure
  - no
10. (If you identify as transgender) have you made sure to educate your family and/or friends about it?

RQ1 Survey Questions

10. If cisgender, what influenced your opinion of transgender people? (select all that apply)
- family
  - school
  - friends
  - religion
  - media
  - personal experience
  - nothing
11. Where did you first learn about transgender identity?
- Family members
  - Through the media
  - In school
  - From friends
  - Personal experience
  - never
12. Are transgender people seen in a positive or negative light where you are originally from?

- positive
- negative
- in between
- not sure

13. Is Matsuko Deluxe, Mitz Mangrove, and Ai Haruna (select all that apply):

- beautiful/handsome
- gross
- talented
- unnatural
- brave
- ugly
- natural
- against God
- important
- freaks
- smart
- attention seekers
- comical
- liars

14. Is Caitlyn Jenner, Thomas Beatie, Laverne Cox, and Chaz Bono (select all that apply):

- beautiful/handsome
- gross
- talented
- unnatural
- brave
- ugly
- natural
- against God
- important
- freaks
- smart
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### RQ2 Survey Questions

15. Have you ever attended a sex education class that discussed about transgender people?

- Yes
- No

16. If yes, what level of schooling did you attend this class?

- High school
- College freshman
- College sophomore
- College junior

- College senior
- College 5 years +

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