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**Goal is Getting a Visa and Job in another Country**  
**Identifying Steps to Reach that Goal**  
**Trying to Achieve the Goal**



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USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, the Netherlands and the UK

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Japan Visa

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Japan  
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## **Topics of Discussion (90 min)**

### **Japan**

- 1. Working Visa in Japan**
- 2. Switching visas in Japan**
- 3. Waiting and working until qualifying for PR in 5 years**
- 4. Japanese interviews**
- 5. Practicing through failing interviews. Using multiple recruiters**

Getting internships

What job you wouldn't do

Work Experience

Japanese level : Planning the move from JPLT 4 to JPLT 2 or JPLT 1

Using Linked in or Japanese job portals

Daily Schedule of sending out resumes - some days 20 and other days just 1

Pros and Cons of Different Recruiters: Recruit Agent, Robert Walters, CG Board (for Computer Graphics), Careercross,

## **US**



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Most countries offer two paths, an immigration path and a work path to getting a visa  
US has a lot of government data which is open data, so you can check who gets green cards for their employees. Can point you to which companies to apply for

H1-B is the main vehicle for work visas in the US for mid-career professionals

Oversubscribed by 4 to 1, not sure if you apply you will get one. It's a lottery

There is also the green card lottery

If you have a family visa, there is an opportunity to apply to immigrate

EU

### **Canada**

Working in Canada

Preferences for French-speaking immigrants

Federal and Provincial programs for immigration assistance

### **Australia**

Australia has a points-based system for immigration

There are Migration agents who assist migrants with the Australian immigration system

There can be incentives for moving to rural areas of Australia

### **Singapore**

Recruiters open to hiring people off of Tourist visas

Japanese-speaking applicants have a leg up for jobs with Japanese companies

Work pass program in Singapore is very efficient for processing applicants

### **Gaming and Animation**

The West Coast is a center for gaming production and animation with many US studios' headquarters located there.

Computer Entertainment Supplier's Association (Japan) [https://www.cesa.or.jp/index\\_e.html](https://www.cesa.or.jp/index_e.html)

Entertainment Software Association <https://www.theesa.com/>

Other list of Animation companies and entertainment companies

<http://www.coda-cj.jp/link/link1.html>