ABSTRACT

Japan is a country with a system of monarchy constitutional. However, Japan is also implementing a democratic system in parliament or diet elections which divided into two room; House of Representative and House of Councilor. Based on data from Election Departement of Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications, in House of Councilor election held in 2013, young voter aged 20-24 years old who used their right to vote only 31.18%.

This research aimed to find out how Japanese youth interest towards the elections and factors which most influence. The object which become the sampel are Shizuoka University of Art and Culture's students.

This study uses a quantitative approach. The results of this study are the sample of Shizuoka University of Art and Culture's students still interested in election and the factors which influence them in the election is the opinion of themselves, parent's opinion, and the mass media.

Key words: election, young voter, influence factor

