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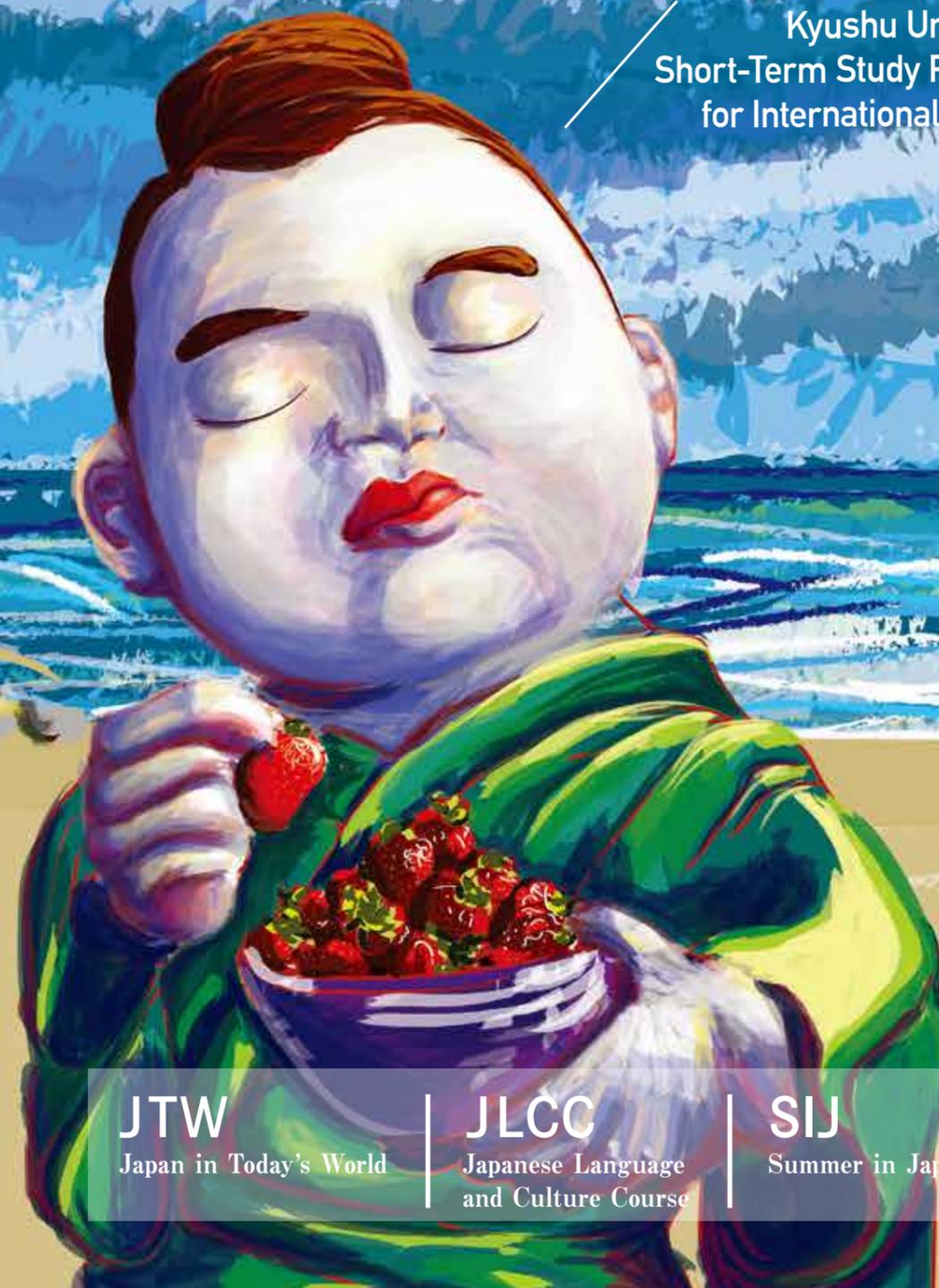


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Kyushu University's
Short-Term Study Programs
for International Students



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Kyushu University is one of Japan's leading, comprehensive universities. It is located in Fukuoka City, which is the hub of education, business and cultural exchange of the country's southwestern Kyushu region and is also widely known as the "Gateway to Asia." Since established in 1911, Kyushu University has been globally recognized for excellence in education and research and is very proud of its strong tradition of international collaboration and exchange. Thanks to special funding from the Japanese government in acknowledgment of its distinctive efforts and promise, the University has built a new campus with world-class facilities while continuing to actively expand its engagements abroad.

The Programs

Japan in Today's World (JTW)

Japan in Today's World is an English-taught, comprehensive living-and-learning program for international students. JTW offers a range of challenging, multidisciplinary undergraduate studies curriculum encompassing Japanese society, culture, economy and languages as well as rich opportunity for immersion experience and cross-cultural exchange. Academic year (recommended) or single semester enrollments for credit are possible.

Japanese Language and Culture Course (JLCC)

Japanese Language and Culture Course is an eleven-month program from October for international students majoring in Japanese studies at their home institution. It is organized for those who wish to gain a deeper understanding of Japanese society and culture with further opportunities to improve Japanese language skills for conducting research in the area of Japanese studies.

Summer in Japan (SIJ)

Summer in Japan is a four-week, summertime, intensive study abroad program that offers for credit to undergraduate students. Using English as the primary medium of instruction, SIJ aims to introduce those with entry-level knowledge about Japan to its language, society and culture by offering in-class academic coursework and a variety of off-campus activities, including study trips, tutors and a home stay for experiential learning.

ASEAN in Today's World (AsTW)

ASEAN in Today's World is a two-week, intensive academic program focusing on ASEAN affairs and languages. Designed for university students from all over the world, and held each year in spring, it is jointly sponsored by a consortium of ASEAN universities who rotate as program host. Led by Kyushu University, AsTW enjoys the strong support of the ASEAN Secretariat and the ASEAN University Network.

Overview

JTW gives you the opportunity to experience life and study at one of the top universities in Japan without requiring proficiency in the Japanese language. It provides an integrated, multidisciplinary program, geared primarily towards undergraduate students, with flexibility of choice across a broad range of academic courses. You can stay for the full year or just one semester, and no matter what your special field of study or level in Japanese language, you may choose a portfolio of study suited to your needs. Classes are conducted in English, except for Japanese languages courses. You will be in a group of about 50 students drawn from leading universities of all over the world – that means, you will be in a culturally diverse environment in which you can meet and exchange ideas with people of your generation not only in Japan but also from around the world. You will also have your own Japanese student partner, who will be on hand to help you settle in and otherwise offer support throughout your stay. JTW plays a key role in Kyushu University's wider efforts to facilitate international education and its primary goal is to help you acquire the communication skills and deep understanding of both opportunities and challenges of contemporary Japan, which are needed to better meet the challenges of living and working in today's rapidly globalized social, economic, cultural and political landscapes.

Study Period Options

Academic year (recommended): October - July
Single semester: October - February or April - July

Eligibility

You are eligible for JTW if you...

- ✓ Are enrolled in an accredited undergraduate degree program outside Japan;
- ✓ Will have completed at least one academic year of college before starting at JTW;
- ✓ Have a strong academic record (successful applicants usually have a GPA of 3.2 or higher);
- ✓ Have the necessary English proficiency—non-native speakers must achieve minimum TOEFL scores of 550 (PBT), 213 (CBT), or 79 (IBT), or a minimum IELTS score of 6.0, indicating skill levels in listening, reading, writing, and speaking required for successful program participation.

Postgraduate students may apply, but should bear in mind that JTW is designed for undergraduates, who are given priority in admission.



Academic Programs

Each semester (Fall/Spring), JTW students take a minimum of six credit-awarding courses, or five or four if combined respectively with an independent study project or advanced laboratory research project.

JTW Core Courses

This core curriculum addresses a wide range of topics in Japanese/Asian studies, including courses on history, literature, popular culture, demography, economics, business, education, law, religion, politics, and environmental issues, among others. All the courses are taught in English by instructors from variety of faculties. If you have the skills, you may opt to use Japanese language materials with your instructor's permission. As electives, this curriculum requires students enroll in at least one core course for credit per semester. While each course is worth 2 credits, students may work toward 3 credits if approved by the instructor. (2 credits/course)

Independent Study Project (ISP)

JTW students have the option to design and conduct a semester-length research project on a topic related to Japanese/Asian studies of their own choosing. Your ISP is supervised by University faculty members who are arranged by the JTW Program, and you are required to present the findings both in written and oral forms. If approved by your supervisor, your ISP may be extended to two consecutive semesters (Fall and Spring). Only one ISP is counted toward fulfilling the six-course enrollment requirement. (2 credit/course)



Advanced Laboratory Research (ALR)

The optional ALR opportunity allows students at advanced levels in engineering, general science, agriculture, or pharmacy to plan and carry out an intensive laboratory research project under the guidance of a faculty specialist in the relevant area. An ALR counts as two courses toward the required six per term. (2 credits/semester)

Faculty Courses

JTW students with the requisite language skills may enroll in regular Kyushu University undergraduate courses taught in Japanese (some also are given in English); with the consent of the course instructor, you may earn credit for your work. Postgraduate courses are not available. Up to three faculty courses may be applied to the six-course requirement. (2 credits/course)

Language Courses - JACs

JACs – Japanese Academic Courses – offers eight levels of comprehensive Japanese language instruction, from beginning to advanced, which are offered for credit. There are also skills-oriented courses that focus on reading, writing (including Kanji-learning), and speaking. Each JACs course consists of two rounds/quarters (7.5-week sessions per round) per semester, and each class is conducted as intensive, small group practical session. Up to three JACs courses each semester may be counted toward the six courses enrollment requirement. (2 credits/course)

Study Trips

Study trips periodically take you off campus and outside Fukuoka to experience fascinating aspects of Japanese life. Destinations for 2019-2020 include a sumo stable, several Shinto shrines, terraced paddy fields which you will help to plant and harvest in spring and fall respectively, the Nagasaki Atomic Bomb museum, a kabuki (traditional performance art) theater, a Buddhist temple for Zen meditation, a local elementary school, and an automobile assembly plant, among others. Faculty lectures are given before each outing to provide background and orientation.

Tuition and Waiver

You may be exempt from paying tuition fees if your home university has an active, university-wide student exchange agreement with Kyushu University that includes a mutual tuition waiver agreement. Otherwise, you will be charged 14,800 yen* (as of 2018) for each registered credit--a total of 177,600 yen (for 12 credits) per semester, payable at the start of your participation in the JTW Program.

*Rate is subject to change.



Scholarships

If your home university has a student exchange agreement with Kyushu University, you may apply for one of a limited number of scholarship funded by the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO). The award includes a monthly stipend disbursed during your period of enrollment. For details, see http://www.jasso.go.jp/index_e.html

Housing

JTW students are required to live in an on campus residence during the program participation. You will live in an air-conditioned, internet-connected, single or shared room in an international or mixed international-Japanese student on campus dormitory. Standard furnishings include a bed with futon blankets and sheets, a writing desk with lamp, chair, wardrobe, and kitchenette with sink, stove top, and refrigerator. Laundry facilities are also available on the premises. Cafeterias and convenience stores are nearby, with larger food markets and shopping malls a short bus or bicycle ride away.

Home Visits

If you are interested, we can introduce you to a Japanese family in the Fukuoka City area, typically with children, who will host you on periodic weekend visits to their home throughout the year as well as take you out to enjoy popular local sites and events. Some JTW students, in fact, through the many Japanese friends they make while on the program, end up developing warm, lasting relationships with more than one host family.

Tutors and Conversation Partners

Both JTW tutors and conversation partners are Japanese students at Kyushu University who provide one-on-one assistance to JTW students. Tutors will befriend and look after you in a variety of ways. They will pick you up from the airport, help you to settle in, explore with you Fukuoka City and its surrounds, accompany you on program outings, arrange informal parties and trips, introduce you to the University club, sports team, or circle of your choice, and otherwise offer their support throughout the year. Of course interacting with tutors will help you improve your Japanese conversation skills, but you have in addition the option of being assigned one or more conversation partners should you wish to have more regular and informal occasions to practice. In the typical arrangement, conversation partners talk with you in Japanese at least one hour every week.



Health Insurance

It is extremely important to have health (injury and sickness) insurance coverage during your participation in the JTW Program, especially given the potentially high costs of medical care in Japan. You of course may take out your own policy before you arrive, but note that whether you are spending the full academic year or a single semester in Kyushu, you are required to sign up for Japanese national health insurance. This costs about 19,000 yen annually, with premium payments comfortably spread out over monthly installments. The program covers 70% of medical bills (hospital fees and related medical expenses). An additional mandatory insurance program, costing only 1,000 yen for the entire year, provides phone-based Japanese-English and Japanese-Chinese interpretation help when receiving medical treatment as well as assistance locating suitable treatment centers anywhere in Japan.

Applying to JTW

To be considered for the JTW program, you must arrange for your application and supporting documents to reach us by February 10, for October enrollment, or by November 10, for April enrollment. The materials to submit include:

- 1) A completed **JTW Application Form**
- 2) An 800-word **essay** on “**Why JTW is for me**”
- 3) An **independent study project proposal**
(if you plan to do a project)
- 4) An **advanced laboratory research proposal**
(if you are choosing this option)
- 5) Two **letters of recommendation**
- 6) Your **official academic transcript(s)**
- 7) A copy of your most recent **TOEFL or IELTS score report**
(if you are not a native speaker of English)

For application instructions and forms, and further program information, see:

<http://www.isc.kyushu-u.ac.jp/jtw/>

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日本語・日本文化研修コース (JLCC: Japanese Language and Culture Course)

概要

日本語・日本文化研修コースは、留学生センターが開設するもので、日本語・日本文化研修留学生(以下「日研生」と略す)が、今後の日本研究に必要となる日本語能力の向上を図るとともに、日本の社会や文化に関する理解を深め、諸外国の将来を担う世代に日本への興味・関心を伝播し、日本の事情に通じた指導者となる人材を育成することを目的としている。

日研生は留学生センターに所属し、同センターで開講する「日本語論」、「日本社会文化論」及び「自主研究」の必修科目と、各自の日本研究に関する専攻分野と日本語能力に応じて、文学部、経済学部、法学部などで開講される日本の社会や文化に関する学部学生向けの授業を選択科目として受講することができる。

さらに、留学生センターで開講する技能別の日本語の授業(総合、漢字、会話、作文)も受講することができる。

■ 受入定員

30名以内(大使館推薦2名程度、大学推薦1名程度、他私費留学生)

■ 受講希望者の資格、条件等

本コースは、日本国以外の大学に在籍し、原則として学部学生(コース参加時1年次生を除く。)で、日本研究を専攻としており、既に基礎的な日本語の学習を終え、本学において日本語で行われる日本の社会や文化に関する授業を受講できる日本語能力(日本語能力試験N1合格程度が望ましい)を有する者。

■ コース期間

2020年10月初旬～2021年8月下旬
(2020年9月下旬にオリエンテーション実施)

■ 科目の概要

① 必修科目と選択必修科目

10月から翌8月までの11ヶ月間に、次表に掲げる必修科目(2単位)、選択必修科目(24単位)と選択科目(4単位以上)を修得する。

	授業科目	第1期(10-3月)	第2期(4-8月)
必修科目	自主研究		2単位(30時間)
選択必修科目	日本語論	12単位(180時間)	
	日本社会文化論	12単位(180時間)	
選択科目	日本の社会や文化に関する学部学生向け授業	4単位(60時間)以上	

	Subjects	Semester 1 (Oct - Mar)	Semester 2 (Apr - Aug)
Compulsory Subject	Independent Study Project (ISP)		2 Credits (30 Hours)
Elective Compulsory Subjects	Japanese Language & Linguistics	12 Credits (180 Hours)	
	Japanese Culture & Society	12 Credits (180 Hours)	
Elective Subjects	subjects regarding Japanese society and culture offered for undergraduate students by various departments	4 Credits (60 Hours) or more	

Course Objective

Japanese Language and Culture Course (JLCC) is organized for those who wish to gain a deeper understanding of Japanese society and culture with further opportunities to improve Japanese language skills for conducting research in the area of Japanese studies by the International Student Center at Kyushu University.

■ **Enrollment** 30 (includes, Monbukagakusho Scholarship recipients and privately-funded students)

■ **Eligibility** Applicants must fulfill all of the following conditions:

▶ in principle, be registered as an undergraduate student and majoring in Japanese studies at their home institution (first year students may not participate).

▶ have completed basic Japanese language courses and be ready to take classes offered in Japanese at Kyushu University.

▶ preferably will have passed the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) N1 or possess the equivalent proficiency in Japanese language.

■ **Program Period** early October 2020 to August 2021

(Orientation will be held in the late September 2020)

■ **Overview of Curriculum** (Program completion requirements)

JLCC students are required to complete the following requirements:

① **Compulsory subject:** Independent Study Project (ISP, 2 credits)

② **Elective compulsory subjects:**

▶ Japanese Language & Linguistics (12 credits)

▶ Japanese Culture & Society (12 credits)

③ **Elective subjects:** at least 4 credits

② 選択科目

本学の学部学生を対象に基幹教育科目または専門教育科目として開講されている授業科目の中から、本コースのコーディネーターの指導のもとに、各自の日本研究に関する専攻分野と日本語能力に応じて選択の上受講する。

③ その他の講義、見学、地域交流等の参加型科目

教育活動の一環として、コース期間中に福岡近郊や九州地域などを巡る見学旅行を実施し、日本の文化や歴史、自然に触れる機会を提供する。また報道関係者、日本文化研究者をゲストティーチャーに招き、講演会を行う。自治体や学校、国際交流団体などが実施する様々なイベントに参加することにより、地域との交流を促進し研修の効果を上げる。

指導体制

日研生には、留学生センターの教員がコース・コーディネーターとして各自の学業面等について個別指導にあたる。さらに、生活面や異文化適応に関しては、留学生指導に関する専門の教員が適宜対応する。加えて、学生レベルでのサポート体制として、日本人学生によるチューターを1名ずつ配置し、日常生活や修学上のサポートを行うとともに、日本人学生との交流が図れるような環境を整えている。

成績証明書、修了証書の発行

履修した科目は、履修認定のうえ成績証明書が発行され、所定の要件を満たした日研生には、修了証書を授与する。

Note: Elective subjects include the subjects offered by the Faculty of Arts & Science and the specialized subjects offered by the Undergraduate Schools of Letters, Economics and Law. Students need to select at least two subjects (4 credits) related to their major and Japanese level with their coordinator's advice.

Moreover, students can take different level's Japanese courses offered by the International Student Center.

Study Trips and Other Activities

Study trips and other activities are provided to visit Japanese cultural sites and to have close contact with Japanese culture, history and nature.

Guest Lectures

To better meet the students' needs, we also invite scholars, journalists to come to campus to give a series of guest-lectures on selected topics. We are planning to invite business administrators and those who are actively involved in various fields in Fukuoka in the future.

Support System for Students

As the JLCC coordinator, a teaching staff from the International Student Center will be assigned to JLCC students for their overall support. In addition, teaching staff from the International Student Center and Japanese students (tutors) are also assigned to JLCC students so that he/she can discuss matters concerning their daily life or study and communication.

Grade Transcript & Certificate

Grade Transcript with all registered credits will be issued. The students who have completed all necessary classes will be granted a certificate.

**宿舎**

日研生は、コース期間中、伊都キャンパスの留学生用宿舎に入居できる。宿舎は、バス・トイレのほか、机、書棚、ベッド、衣料ダンス、冷蔵庫、エアコン、インターネット接続完備。

修了生へのフォローアップ

九州大学日本語・日本文化研修コースは、本学の英語による短期留学プログラムであるJTW (Japan in Today's World) とともに、日本語による短期留学プログラムとして国内外で高い評価を得ている。また、本コース修了者の満足度は高く、その多くが在籍大学卒業後、再び本学や日本の他の大学院に進学したり日本企業に就職する等している。

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九州大学ホームページ <http://www.kyushu-u.ac.jp/>

Housing

University's dormitories at Ito campus are available for those participating in the JLCC, while they are enrolled. The dormitories offers fully furnished rooms equipped with a bathroom, a toilet, a desk, a bookshelf, a bed, a closet, a refrigerator, internet connectivity and air-conditioning.

Follow-up for Alumni

Japanese Language and Culture Course (JLCC) at Kyushu University has been highly-praised as a short-term program taught in Japanese both at home and abroad as well as another short-term program, Japan in Today's World (JTW), which offers courses in English. JLCC has enjoyed high satisfaction rates from participants and as a result, many of them have chosen to further their studies at Kyushu University graduate schools and/or at other academic institutions in Japan. Also, some have obtained jobs at Japanese companies.

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Overview of the Program

Summer in Japan (SIJ) is a 4 week, summer time, intensive study abroad program that Kyushu University offers for credit to students from around the world. Using English as the primary medium of instruction, SIJ aims to introduce, in an intensive and effective manner, those with entry-level knowledge about Japan to its contemporary society and culture by offering in-class academic coursework and a variety of off-campus activities, including study trips and a homestay for experiential learning.

Program Duration and Period

- 4 weeks in summer term
- The program starts around the end of June or the beginning of July.

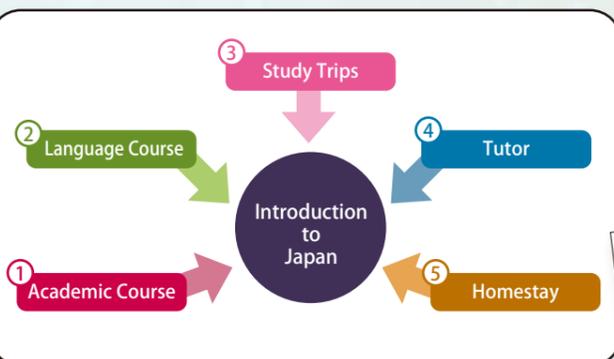
Eligibility for Admission

To be considered for participation in SIJ, applicants are required to meet all of the following four criteria:

- 1 Be undergraduate students who are currently enrolled in degree programs at accredited higher education institutions outside Japan
- 2 Hold a grade point average of 3.2 or higher on a 4.0 scale at the time of application
- 3 Hold a TOEFL iBT score of 79 or higher (or the equivalent), if a non-native English speaker, by the time of application
- 4 Plan to continue their degree programs at their home universities following completion of SIJ.

Five Components of SIJ Program

SIJ is based on the five components of resources for participants' academic and experiential learning of contemporary Japanese society and culture. Each factor also contributes to supplementing the effectiveness of the other factors.



1. Academic Course – Introduction to Contemporary Japan (ICJ) (2 credits)

As a quality, theme-based course taught in a classroom setting, the ICJ course challenges participants to acquire, or further develop, their knowledge of key issues and perspectives on contemporary society, culture, economy and the environment of Japan (and other countries in Asia relevant to the themes).

The ICJ course is co-taught, in a relay manner, mainly by a group of faculty members at Kyushu University's International Student Center, who are experts in providing international education to exchange students from all around the world.

2. Language Course – Japanese Language Course (JLC) (1 credit)

The main objective of the Japanese Language Course (JLC) course is to help participants develop their Japanese language skills as a pivotal cultural skillset that is essential to effectively enhancing their immersion experience into Japanese society and culture through their daily social interactions and communication.

Participants are required to take a placement test to determine the level of JLC course in which they should enroll, based on the level of their Japanese proficiency at the time of participating in SIJ.

3. Study Trips – Off-Campus Experiential Learning

SIJ conducts various study trips in and around Fukuoka City. These activities aim to provide participants with valuable opportunities to substantiate and deepen the knowledge they have gained from the ICJ course through direct observation and experience with diverse aspects of Japanese culture and society beyond the classroom and off campus.

In past years, SIJ organized some of the following study trips: *Hakata Gion Yamakasa* – the most famous festival parade in downtown Fukuoka, *Kushida Shinto Shrine* – the patron Shinto shrine of Hakata Area, *Cha no Yu* – Japanese tea ceremony, *Hakata Traditional Handicraft Making* – taught by masters of Hakata doll and traditional toys, *Fukuoka City Museum* – to know the history of Fukuoka and its encounter with the world, etc.



4. Tutor – One-on-One Interaction and Friendship

SIJ assigns Japanese tutors to all participants: one tutor for each participant. Those tutors are fulltime local students at Kyushu University, mostly at the undergraduate level, who are enthusiastic about helping and are seeking opportunities to interact with international students on campus. These tutors aim to assist participants in smooth adjustment into campus and social lives as well as helping you develop your circle of friends.

5. Homestay Experience – Immersion Experience in Community Settings

SIJ arranges homestay opportunities for all participants: one host family for each participant. Daily interactions with host families in community settings help facilitate participants' immersion experience into Japanese social life and daily-life communication, which further enhances their learning outcomes of the ICJ course. These homestay experiences also aim to help substantiate and deepen knowledge that participants gain mainly from their respective JLC courses.

To complete the SIJ program, students must enroll in the two courses for three Kyushu University credits and participate in all official events. Students who meet all SIJ requirements will be awarded a certificate issued by Kyushu University

Program fee

The program fee is around 170,000 JPY -200,000JPY (Fee is subject to change). The fee includes the tuition fee for two courses, study trips, accommodation and airport transfer, but excludes the cost of international airfare, meals, local transportation and personal expenses (souvenirs, laundry, etc.)

Scholarships

The SIJ program does not hold financial resources to support prospective participants. Nonetheless, Kyushu University may possibly allocate university-level resources to offer scholarships, which may cover some of the program fee (mentioned above), only for those applicants who meet following criteria:

- ◆ Those with academic records that an SIJ selection committee evaluates as particularly strong.

Please also note that availability of scholarships is fully contingent upon the University's budgetary conditions, and that the availability is scheduled to be determined in April.

Housing

First two weeks: University dormitory
 Latter two weeks: Homestay with local host family

Overseas Insurance

The participants are required to purchase their own travel insurance for the whole period of the program. A copy of the insurance policy should be submitted to Kyushu University before traveling to attend the SIJ program.

Application

Students must submit the following documents via email:

- 1) A completed SIJ Application Form
- 2) A letter of recommendation from the supervisor or the equivalent figure
- 3) A short essay
- 4) A copy of an official English test score report
- 5) An official academic transcript

For your reference, please access:
<http://www.isc.kyushu-u.ac.jp/sij/>



Overview of the Program

ASEAN in Today's World (AsTW) is a two-week international study program focusing on ASEAN and East Asian affairs. It is designed for university students from around the world. The medium of instruction is English. The program features a special lecture by an official of the ASEAN secretariat.

AsTW was launched in March 2009 in Thailand. From 2009 to 2011, AsTW was co-organized by Kyushu University in Japan and Mahidol University in Thailand. From 2012 to 2014, Kyushu University worked together with Ateneo de Manila University to host AsTW in the Philippines. From 2015 to 2017, AsTW was held in Vietnam, and jointly organized with Vietnam National University, Hanoi (VNU). From 2018, Kyushu University has been organizing the AsTW with the University of Malaya in Malaysia.

Program Dates

Spring term: The start of the program period varies from end of February to early March.

Eligibility for Admission

- To be considered for admission to AsTW, applicants must be:
- ◆ currently enrolled in a degree program at an accredited university or college outside Japan;
 - ◆ in good academic standing (with a grade point average of 3.0 out of 4.0 or higher);
 - ◆ proficient in English for academic purposes (if a non-native speaker, able to demonstrate TOEFL-PBT 530 / TOEFL-iBT 68 / TOEFL-CBT 190 / IELTS-5.5 or the equivalent); and
 - ◆ planning to continue university study following AsTW.

Curriculum

The AsTW curriculum consists of ASEAN Studies Courses (ASC) and Asian Languages & Cultures Courses (ALC), supplemented by co-curricular Study Trips, providing students with rich and unique learning experiences. To complete the AsTW program, students must enroll two courses (one each from ALC and ASC offerings) for two Kyushu University credits and participate in all official events. Students who meet all requirements will be awarded a certificate issued jointly by Kyushu University and the partner university.

*The courses below are subject to change.

ASC: ASEAN Studies Courses

- 2 credits (30 credit hours) per course
- ▶ Current Affairs of ASEAN and East Asia
 - ▶ Food and Environmental Issues in Asia
 - ▶ Multi-Culturalism in Asia

ALC: Asian Languages & Cultures

- 2 credits (30 credit hours) per course
- ▶ Basic Japanese Language & Culture
 - ▶ Basic Malaysian Language & Culture
 - ▶ English as a Communication Tool in the ASEAN Context



Program fee

The Program fee is 159,200JPY. This fee includes the tuition fee for two 2-credit courses, study trips, accommodation, some meals and airport transfer; but exclude the cost of international airfare, other meals not included in the program, local transport and personal expenses.

Scholarships

Kyushu University offers a limited number of scholarships (which cover the AsTW program fee) to ASEAN students who present a strong academic record. Recipients are selected by Kyushu University.

Housing

All participants will stay in the accommodation provided by the host university.

Overseas Insurance

The participants are required to purchase their own travel insurance for the whole period of the program. A copy of the insurance policy should be submitted to the host university before the date of travel.



Application

Students must submit the AsTW application form and the following supporting documents:

- 1) A completed **AsTW application form** ;
- 2) An 800-word **essay** on "Why I want to join AsTW";
- 3) Official academic transcripts of all undergraduate study ;
- 4) A university or college diploma copy (for graduates only) ;
- 5) A letter of recommendation (from a teacher other than a language instructor) ;
- 6) An official document, which shows proof of enrollment, issued by the home university ;
- 7) Certificate of Health ; and
- 8) A copy of a recent official TOEFL, IELTS, or other English assessment score report (for non-native English speakers only).

For application instructions and forms, please visit:

<http://www.isc.kyushu-u.ac.jp/astw/>

*Applications sent by email are also acceptable.



Living in Fukuoka

The City

A pleasant coastal city of 1.5 million people and the largest metropolis on the island of Kyushu, Fukuoka is Japan's gateway to continental Asia. China and Korea are both close by—the city lies midway between Tokyo, Shanghai, and Seoul—and life here still reflects an ancient heritage of cultural exchange. At the same time the city enjoys a growing reputation as a modern, vibrant regional trade and production center. Most recently MSNBC-Newsweek declared Fukuoka a “city of substance,” ranking it among the “ten most dynamic cities” in the world!

The signs of prosperity and energy are everywhere. Fukuoka boasts impressive new levels of investment in building and manufacturing, one of the country's busiest domestic and international airports, a thriving port and shipping industry, excellent public transportation, a compelling skyline mixing traditional and modern architecture, the Yahuoku! Dome (Japan's biggest entertainment and sports venue), numerous

upscale shopping malls and boutiques, and a rich variety of amusements, including galleries, theaters, museums, and clubs, all set against a backdrop of thickly forested hills overlooking the superb natural harbor of Hakata Bay.

Host to national and prefectural government offices, and to the regional headquarters of many major companies, Fukuoka is Kyushu's most active, and largest, business center. China, Korea, and the United States have established consulates in the city, too. An increasingly popular tourist destination, Fukuoka lures millions each year, many from abroad, who come to experience its colorful Dontaku and Yamakasa festivals, visit its famous shrines and temples, wander through outstanding museums, or simply explore its lively markets and colorful streets. And Fukuoka's many attractive, well-maintained parks and beaches appeal to Japanese and foreigners alike.

With eleven major universities and 77,000 students, Fukuoka is

noted as a city of youthful verve and fashion. All parts of the urban area are easily accessible by subway, bus, or bicycle, and Fukuoka's 24,000 foreign residents, most of them from China and Korea, find the bustling downtown district of Tenjin well-stocked with imported foods and foreign language books. The renowned nightlife quarter of Nakasu also offers a wide variety of restaurants with all kinds of traditional fare and international cuisine. The fresh seafood of Fukuoka is famous throughout Japan!

The best seasons here are the spring and fall when clear blue skies make a perfect backdrop for the abundant cherry blossoms and vivid red maple leaves. While generally mild in winter (with temperatures seldom falling below -3°C), it can be quite humid in summer (though temperatures rarely rise above 33°C), particularly during the short rainy season.

down on local travel costs. You will need between 100,000 and 115,000 yen a month to get by depending on your dormitory room choice and habitual use of water and electricity, which varies greatly between individuals.

Kyushu

A land of mountains, hot springs, and historic treasures, Kyushu has always been at the center of Japan's cultural contacts with the world outside. You can take advantage of winter and spring breaks to explore the island or other parts of Japan, while Korea and China are just a short trip away by hydrofoil or plane. It's a great way to deepen your understanding of this fascinating part of Asia.



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Estimated Expenses

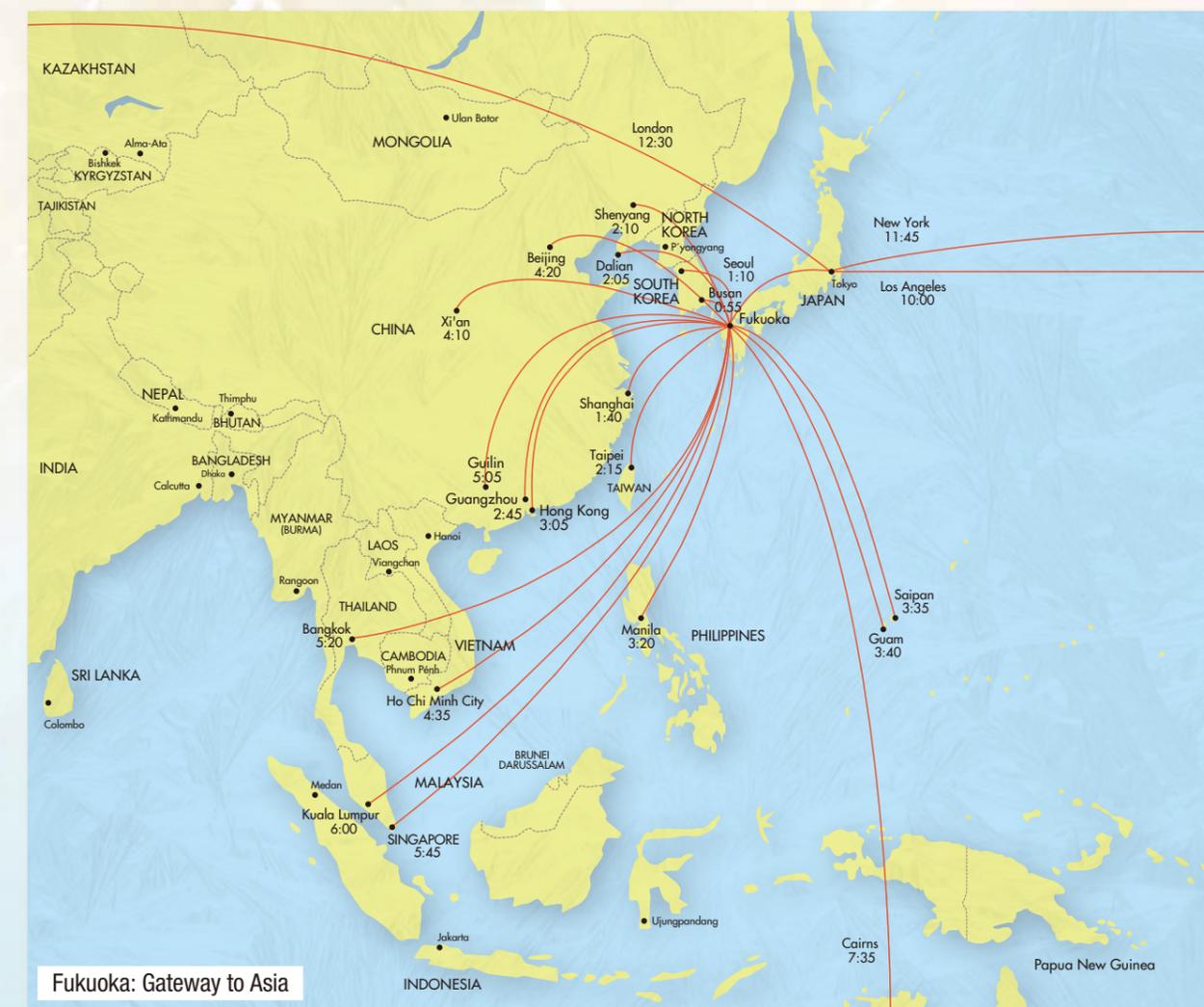
Living costs are significantly lower in Fukuoka than in Tokyo, Kyoto, or Osaka, not least because residing on campus cuts



① Fukuoka City (Fukuoka)



② Yutokuinari Shrine (Saga)



Fukuoka: Gateway to Asia