



Japanese Studies Program 2024

Sep.25-Dec.18, 2024 In Kyoto, Japan.

Application Period: until April 26th, 2024

JSP Components

- Japanese Language Courses
- Japanese Culture and Society Courses (in English)

- Intercultural Skills for Living in Japan
- Representation of Nature in Japanese Culture : from ukiyo-e to anime
- Kyoto Culture and History
- Zen and the Gardens of Kyoto
- Field Trips
- Social events such as welcome and farewell parties, club visits and other activities.

* These courses are subject to change.

Accommodations

1. Homestay: [60,000 yen/month]

Live with the family of a DWCLA or Doshisha University student or graduate.
The fee includes two meals per day.

2. Mukaijima Gakusei Center: [45,866 yen × 1 month, 32,000 yen × 2 months]

Single rooms are available in the Kyoto municipal housing for international students.
No meals are included in the fee. The dormitory is located 30 minutes by train from the Imadegawa campus and a 15-minute walk from Kintetsu Mukaijima Station.

* Decisions on accommodation will be made based on availability and each participant's request.
If the above accommodations are not available, participants may be assigned to other dormitories.

Program fees

Tuition	394,600 yen	
Accommodation fees	Home stay 180,000 yen	Mukaijima Gakusei Center 109,866 yen
Total	574,600 yen	504,466 yen

Financial aid

Grants of 200,000 yen are available for participants from affiliated colleges / universities.
Recipients will receive 20,000 yen cash on the first orientation day, and the remaining 180,000 yen will automatically be allocated as follows:

- Homestay: 60,000 yen × 3 months
- Mukaijima Gakusei Center: 109,866 yen for accommodations & 70,134 yen for meals (for 3 months)

Students' Comment

G. I. (Youngstown State University, U. S. A.), 2022 participant

Doshisha Women's College's JSP program was an experience better than I could have hoped for. The university is located away from the city center, so I had a quiet space to live, but it is not so far that it was inconvenient.

The intensive Japanese language and culture courses combined with the beauty and serenity of Kyoto and cultural field trips made for a wonderful experience. The depth of the program was, for a seemingly short course, impressive. We took multiple field trips to Zen temples, Tokyo Museums, the quiet Kofun in the mountains of Arashiyama, and the Takarazuka Revue. Additionally, the level of Japanese taught in the immersive classes is tailored specifically to the students for each year. I found that the courses I participated in were sufficiently challenging for my level of Japanese. All of the professors and language teachers were passionate about their work and I feel like I bonded well with every one of them.

Outside of classes, I had the opportunity to join a club and I have made many wonderful friendships that will remain with me for life. Entering the JSP was one of the best decisions of my life.



L. N. (Hochschule Düsseldorf, Germany), 2022 participant

The Japanese Studies Program provided me with the opportunity to finally achieve my dream of coming to Japan and diving deep into its culture.

Learning about Kyoto's history, along with its art and culture in the English taught classes as well as Japanese language classes, allowed me to understand the city a little bit more every day. The classes covered various topics and facets, which made for a wonderful and interesting exchange.

Alongside regular classes, numerous field trips in and out of Kyoto – from Kyoto's core temples to Tokyo – and visits to traditional Japanese Arts clubs are offered. This allowed us to tackle different aspects of what we understand as Japanese Culture, just as much as shedding light on what we did not know of yet.

Japanese and foreign friends both come together in this program, sharing their insights and connecting with other cultures. This resulted in not only understanding Japan, but other cultures and one's own alike.

In my time here, I acquired a profound understanding of a culture I thought I already knew, as well as gained new impressions and friends to share memories with. I therefore recommend everyone interested in Japan, or those just looking for taking a deep dive into another world, to see it for themselves and join.



How to Apply & Application Forms

https://www.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp/english/school_life/international_exchange_system/international_exchange_system05/js_program

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