JAPANESE LANGUAGE AND CULTURE PROGRAM 2017-2018

SUMMER: JUNE 30 [FRI] - AUGUST 4 [FRI], 2017
APPLICATION PERIOD: JANUARY 10 [TUE] - MARCH 31 [FRI], 2017

WINTER: JANUARY 12 [FRI] - FEBRUARY 16 [FRI], 2018
APPLICATION PERIOD: JULY 4 [TUE] - SEPTEMBER 29 [FRI], 2017
KANAGAWA UNIVERSITY

Kanagawa University is committed to creating a more attractive academic environment in every dimension of campus life, from education and research to social contribution. With its Yokohama and Shonan Hiratsuka Campuses, Kanagawa University is a comprehensive university with seven undergraduate faculties consisting of 20 departments and two programs, and nine graduate schools offering 16 courses. Students can choose to major in any of a large number of disciplines in the humanities and sciences. Yokohama campus is a functional and beautiful campus, in a location with convenient access to the Yokohama station area, Minatomirai area and Shibuya, Tokyo.

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE

Kanagawa University seeks to prepare its students for active involvement in the international arena. This has been an objective ever since the university’s founding in 1928, and is now guided by a fundamental policy on international exchange. Our efforts to further the cause of international exchange involve the conclusion of academic exchange agreements with universities overseas, as well as the expansion of short-term training programs with universities beyond these formal exchange agreements.

OVERVIEW OF YOKOHAMA AND MAJOR SIGHTSEEING SPOTS

Yokohama is located in the center of Japan, along the coastline of the Pacific Ocean, and is one of the 20 Japanese Government-designated cities. The average temperature is 32°C with high humidity in the summers and 5.9°C with low humidity in the winters. The total population is 3.7 million, making the city the second largest after Tokyo’s 23 Wards. A number of foreign enterprises have established their branches in Yokohama to take full advantage of its international trading port. Yokohama citizens are very proud of living here because it is not only very famous as a tourist mecca, but also has every urban function including, but not limited to, business and culture.

INTERNATIONAL CENTER

The International Center provides advice and procedural support to students who wish to study abroad on exchange or on a language course. The center also supports for student life of international students and exchange students. In order to get accustomed to life in Japan, the center provides services including Japanese language study support, everyday life counseling, tutor program for new students, events related to international students and language exchange.

EXPERIENCE JAPAN - NEW AND OLD- IN YOKOHAMA!
Study Japanese Language and Culture in Yokohama!

Program
Focusing on Japanese language study, the program's objective is to improve Japanese proficiency and deepen understanding of both traditional Japanese culture and various aspects of contemporary Japan by taking classes related to Japan, going on fieldtrips and having the opportunity to directly experience the tea ceremony, calligraphy, and so forth. Opportunities to interact with Kanagawa University students have also been incorporated into the program.

Japanese Language Classes
- 5 weeks (Mon-Fri, approx. 74 hrs. in total)
- Improving communication ability through conducting interviews around campus or in the local shopping area to learn real, living Japanese.
- Approx. 10-15 students in a class.
- All students receive a final grade report.

Lectures about Japan
- Lectures about Japan in English
- Japanese Contemporary Culture, History, Economics and Politics etc.
- Class activities may include discussions with Japanese students.

Hands-on Experience of Japanese Culture
- Interactive courses on Japanese culture in English.
- Japanese Tea Ceremony, Calligraphy, Ikebana (Japanese Flower Arrangement), Japanese Architecture and Kabuki (Japanese Traditional Theater) etc.

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C.J. from Konkuk University
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N.V. from Purdue University Northwest
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Field Trips
- Company and School Visits etc.

Weekend Activities
- Offered on weekends with Japanese students.
- The activities may include visits to Kamakura, Hakone, and Tokyo etc.

Buddies
- Kanagawa University students, as volunteer buddies, introduce participants to life on campus as well as provide assistance with daily life in Japan outside of class. The participants can practice everyday conversation and at the same time make friends with them.

Program Schedule

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*When you successfully complete the program, you will earn a certificate from the university.

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**APPLICATION**

**ELIGIBILITY**
- 18 years old and over
- Those who are enrolled in an undergraduate course (Equivalent to Japanese university’s 4-year degree courses) or who have obtained a “Bachelor’s degree.”
- Those whose Japanese levels are approximately elementary - intermediate [N2/Level 2 in Japanese Language Proficiency Test or less]
- However those who have no knowledge of Japanese characters must learn hiragana and katakana before joining the program.
- English capability in order to follow a lecture in English is required (Hands-on Experience of Japanese Culture courses and Lectures about Japan are conducted in English)
- Overseas applicants are responsible for visa arrangement. (We will send you an acceptance letter after you are accepted.)
- Overseas applicants must be insured with traveler’s insurance.

**PROGRAM PLACES**
- 50 students (for each program)

**PROGRAM DURATION**
- Summer: June 30 (Fri) –August 4 (Fri), 2017 (five weeks)
- Winter: January 10 (Fri) –February 16 (Fri), 2018 (five weeks)

**APPLICATION**
- Summer: January 10 (Tue) –March 31 (Fri), 2017
- Winter: July 4 (Tue) –September 29 (Fri), 2017

**APPLICATION DOCUMENTS**
- Please apply online from our program website.
  - Application Form with ID photo
    - (Online)
  - Homestay Application Form or Dormitory Application Form, if homestay or dormitory desired.
  - Certificate of Enrollment or University Diploma
  - Photocopy of Passport
  - Photocopy of Insurance Certificate

- *Submitted documents will not be returned for any reason.
- *Students from partner universities should consult with the international department of their universities.

**PAYMENT**

**HOW TO PAY**
- Application fee (Non refundable) .................................................. JPY 30,000
- Participation fee .............................. JPY 130,000
  (Not including round-trip air fare, meals, housing, living expenses, transportation expenses, insurance fee, medical expenses etc.)

**[Note]**
- You will receive an invoice for application, participation, and accommodation from KU.
- Payment in Japanese yen must be completed by wire transfer to the bank account stated on the invoice by the payment deadline. All bank handling charges, at both sending and receiving ends, must be paid by the sender. Please write name of applicant in the message column on the bank transfer sheet. Credit cards are not accepted.
- Be sure to notify wire transfer details to the International Center as soon as you have completed your bank wire transaction.
- In the case that there are any insufficient funds, we require you to pay them on arrival in Japan.

**CANCELLATION POLICY**
- If applicants wish to cancel their participation in the program after the payment of participation fee, please check the following website. Bank charges for refund will be deducted from the total fee.

**ACCOMMODATION**
- KU helps students arrange homestay and dormitory accommodation. Please fill out the application form if you want to apply for accommodation through KU. Available from June 29 (Thu) - August 6 (Sun) [Summer]
  - January 11 (Thu) -February 18 (Sun) [Winter]

**HOMESTAY**
- You stay in a typical Japanese home and learn firsthand about Japanese culture and everyday customs. 2 meals [breakfast and dinner] will be provided 7 days a week.
- Fee JPY 128,520 [Including placement fee]

**DORMITORY**
- *Limited number of rooms
- **Off-campus Dormitories in Yokohama**
  - Ooka International Residence [Male/ Female]
    - Fee: JPY 91,000 (No meals)
    - Travel time: Approx. 1hr to our university
    - Single rooms are available and each room is furnished with air-conditioner, desk, chair, bed, bed linens and closet including free internet access
  - For further information about dormitories, please inquire to the International Center.

- **Campus Dormitory**
  - International House –Esperar- [Female only]
    - Fee: JPY 38,000 (No meals)
    - Approx. 5min.walk to our university
    - Single rooms are available and each room is furnished with air-conditioner, desk, chair, bed, bed linens and closet and washstand including free internet access [NOT Wi-Fi] For Wi-Fi use, a router is necessary.

**CONTACT**

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Full details and an application form can be found at the website below:
http://www.kanagawa-u.ac.jp/english/admissions/japanese_language.html