

Experience Japan in Summer

Asian Studies Program
Kansai Gaidai University

✿ Introduction

The Experience Japan in Summer is a 6-week program offered by the Asian Studies Program at Kansai Gaidai University. It offers invaluable experiences to those students who are interested in learning Japanese language and selected topics in Japanese history and pop-cultures.

✿ Location

The university is located in Hirakata City, which is located midway between Kyoto, the ancient capital of Japan, and Osaka, the second-largest business hub in Japan. The location of the program offers an excellent starting point for your exploration in Japan.

✿ Program Dates

Arrival (Check-in): Thursday, June 11
Orientation: Friday, June 12
Classes begin: Monday, June 13
Classes end: Friday, July 24
Farewell Event: Saturday, July 25
Check-out : Monday, July 26

✿ Program Contents

The combination of an introductory Japanese language course with lectures in history will lay a foundation for understanding about Japan and its people. Field trips and student organized activities will add an interesting hands-on experience to your learning.

Introductory Japanese Language

This is an introductory course for students without prior study in Japanese language.

15 hours/week x 6 weeks 6 credits

Japanese History 3 hours/week x 6 weeks 1 credit

Cultural Activities may include, but are not limited to: field trips to historical sites, business sectors, etc.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
9:00 – 10:30	Japanese	Japanese	Japanese	Japanese	Japanese
10:45 – 12:15	Japanese	Japanese	Japanese	Japanese	Japanese
1:15 – 2:45	Cultural Activities	Japanese History	Cultural Activities	Japanese History	

Class schedule may change without advance notice.

✿ Accommodations

Summer program participants will be accommodated in our designated international student dormitory (i.e., Seminar House) with a roommate.

Seminar House: http://www.kansaigaidai.ac.jp/asp/04_campus_life/03/02.html

✿ Number of Participants

Maximum 20 students

If the number of participants does not reach 10 students, the program will be cancelled.

✿ Program Fee

JPY305,000

This fee includes a pick-up service, tuition, room charge, liability insurance, and some filed trips.

✿ Application

Eligibility:

- Applicants should be 18 years old or above and currently enrolled as degree-seeking students in a college or university, and have an interest in Japan.
- English capability to follow lectures in English.

Application Period: Monday, January 26 – Friday, March 20, 2015

(Application Period may be closed earlier when the sufficient number of applications is received.)

Notification of Participants: Friday, April 10

(In principle, applications are accepted on a first-come first-served basis.

If/when there are reasons for non-approval, applicants are notified as early as possible.)

Application Procedures

- Documents required:
- 1) Application Form (attached)
 - 2) Transcript (scanned)
 - 3) A copy of your passport (scanned)
 - 4) passport-type identification photo data
(3.5cm x 4.5cm or 1.4 inches x 1.8 inches) with full face and neutral background, shown the whole face and head features)
 - in JPEG or TIFF format
 - at least 390 pixels by 520 pixels
 - between 50 KB and 1 MB in file size
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- 5) Proof of Medical Insurance must be submitted upon arrival.

Step 1: Type-in necessary information on attached Application Form.
(Please use the latest version of Adobe Acrobat Reader.)

Step 2: Save the application form on your desktop.

Step 3: Return the completed application form together with other necessary documents to kgsummer@kansaigaidai.ac.jp. If you cannot save the typed application form, please scan the form and send it to us via e-mail attachment.

Deadline for Payment

	Amount	Deadline	Handling charge for credit card payment
Down Payment	JPY100,000	April 20, 2015	JPY2,000
Balance	JPY205,000	May 15, 2015	JPY5,000

If you choose to pay in full amount before April 20, the handling charge is JPY7,000.

Payment Method: payments can be made by credit card. Details of payment methods will be sent along with notification of acceptance.

Cancellation Policy

Date notice is received	Cancellation Fee
Before April 10	0
April 11 – May 14	JPY100,000
After May 15	JPY305,000

For further inquiries, please contact:

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FAQ

- Q1. Will I be required to acquire a visa to participate in this program?
Depends on your nationality. Please contact the Japanese consulate/embassy directly.
2. Is there any screening?
In principle, the applications are accepted on a first-come-first-served basis.
3. How about meal arrangements?
Kitchen facilities are available in our student dormitory. You are expected to cook your own meals. Supermarkets are available within walking distance.
Meal estimate for 6 weeks: JPY80,000
4. Any other costs in addition to the program fee?
Miscellaneous: JPY50,000 (including transportation)
6. Is there a meeting service upon arrival?
Yes. However, please make sure to adjust your arrival date on June 11 since the pick-up service is available only on this date.
7. Will I get to meet/interact with Japanese local students?
Yes. Each student is paired with a local Speaking Partner student, who will also act as a student guide. There will be additional events organized by local students.