Sendai

With a population of 1 million, Sendai is the largest city in the Tohoku region. It is located around 300 km northeast of Tokyo—only 1.5 hours by “Shinkansen” (bullet train). Combining the convenience of a modern city with abundant natural scenery, Sendai is often called “the City of Trees.”

Tohoku University

Tohoku University, located in Sendai City, was founded in 1907 as Japan’s third national university. It continues to be an innovative university committed to the principles of “Research First” and “Open Doors.” It has long enjoyed a reputation as one of the most progressive universities in the country. For details, please visit: https://www.tohoku.ac.jp/en/

What’s TUJP?

This summer intensive program provides students of our partner institutions with an opportunity to discover Japan through diverse learning experiences in English. The program offers intensive Japanese language classes for both beginners and pre-intermediate learners, topical seminars about Japanese culture and society, various cultural workshops, and field trips including a homestay experience.

Short Program

TOHOKU UNIVERSITY JAPANESE PROGRAM 2020
Program

SCHEDULE
TUJP 1  May 27th (Wed.) to June 23rd (Tue.), 2020 [4 weeks]
TUJP 2  July 1st (Wed.) to July 14th (Tue.), 2020 [2 weeks]
Applying for two consecutive terms (ex. TUJP-1 and TUJP-2) is not allowed.

ELIGIBILITY
- Full-time undergraduate students at partner universities of Tohoku University
- Sufficient English ability (Equivalent to TOEFL® iBT 70. Results from other internationally recognized English exams are also accepted. English language ability certificate is not required for native speakers.)
- Beginners or Pre-intermediate learners of Japanese language

*Students must be enrolled at their home university during this program.* All classes and instructions are provided in English.
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MAXIMUM CAPACITY
- TUJP-1: 20 students
- TUJP-2: 20 students

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All fees need to be paid on time via our online payment system.
*Payment instructions will be sent to those who are accepted. Travel, insurance, meals, and personal daily expenses should be paid individually.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY
Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) scholarship may be awarded to those who meet the requirements below and attend the entire program. Please submit the JASSO scholarship application form when you apply for TUJP.

Minimum requirement for JASSO scholarship:
GPA of 2.30 to 3.00 (out of 3.00)
(by JASSO’s GPA calculation method)

Scholarship amount:
80,000 JPY (to be paid in cash on the first day)

CREDITS
On completing the program successfully, students should be eligible to earn 8 ECTS* (4 week programs) or 4 ECTS* (2 week program) equivalent.

* 1 ECTS is equivalent to 25 hours of work. ECTS credits are the value allocated to course units describing the students’ workload required to complete the program. Please note that those credits are not conferred at Tohoku University, so each participant needs to request them from his/her home institution with the certificate we issue.
Courses

JAPANESE LANGUAGE CLASSES
This course is designed to improve students' communication skills efficiently, focusing on a variety of interesting topics in everyday life. Our qualified teachers offer well-structured classes in a friendly environment.

LECTURES & WORKSHOPS (subject to change)
The program offers a wide variety of lectures and hands-on workshops that explore Japan and its culture.

- Comparative Japanese Studies
- Governmental Policy in Japan
- Education in Japan
- Japanese Art History
- Disaster Risk Prevention
- Japanese Law and Society
- Tea Ceremony (Sado)
- Flower Arrangement (Kado)
- Karate
- Japanese Drum (Wadaiko)
- Other Interactive Sessions etc.

PROJECT WORK
Students will be divided into groups and work on an assigned task together. This is a great opportunity to learn how to collaborate with other international students and develop communication and presentation skills.

HOME STAY
The highlight of the program is an overnight stay at Japanese family. This cultural immersion will lead students to gain deeper understanding about Japanese culture and society.

FIELD TRIP (optional)
Students can choose to join a field trip on an off day. They will visit some local areas and facilities, allowing them to experience Japanese culture and history on a deeper level. The participation fee will be approx. 6,000~7,000 JPY. (*Specific details of the trip will be announced later.)

Student Voice

“I came in expecting to learn the Japanese culture as well as enjoy my stay here, and acquired both.”

“I really enjoyed this program and hope to come to Tohoku possibly for a graduate program.”

“Everyone was nice and the teachers and supporters were there when we needed them.”
Application

» For Students: Contact your international affairs office to apply. Students must be nominated by their home institutions. Nominated students are required to fill in the online application form and upload the required documents no later than the deadline below. Note that the results of an online Japanese test are used to balance the number of students in the appropriate classes.

» For International Office Coordinators: Please select and nominate students from those who are interested in the program, then submit the information of the candidates via our online nomination form. Also forward the link of the online application form only to the nominated students. Applicants are required to submit the online application form and upload the following supporting documents by the deadline below.

Required documents:
1. Transcript from the previous academic year in English
2. Photocopy of passport (page with applicant’s photo)
3. Personal statement on the reasons for applying (300-400 words)
4. Copy of English language ability certificate and scores (if applicable)
5. Result of online Japanese test: “TTBJ/SPOT90”
http://ttbj1.cegloc.tsukuba.ac.jp/apply/agree/
6. Application Form for Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) Scholarship with hand-written signature (if applicable)

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ACCOMMODATIONS
The university-contracted off-campus accommodations (hotel) will be a 20-min. walk from Kawauchi Campus, where most classes and activities will be held during the program. Each student will be assigned a furnished bedroom with a bathroom.

INSURANCE (Medical and Personal liability)
Short program participants are required to buy travel insurance in their own country BEFORE coming to Japan.

VISAS
Any student who needs a visa to enter Japan should indicate that on the application form. Tohoku University will provide an invitation letter to admitted students. Passport holders of certain countries do not need a visa to enter Japan for periods of less than 90 days.

Contact
Tohoku University Global Learning Center/Student Exchange Division
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