

Kanazawa University Short-Stay Program (KU-SSP)

Purpose

This program provides Japanese language and culture courses, for students from the Institutions that principally have an exchange agreement with Kanazawa University.

Courses

Summer Program (Festival Visit): June 22 – July 10 (3 weeks) 【subject to change】

Winter Program (Japanese New Year): December 27,2020 -January 16, 2021 (3 weeks) 【subject to change】

Spring Program (Touch of Japanese Culture): February 15-24 (10 days) 【subject to change】

Number of Students

20 for each course

Eligibility

Applicants must satisfy all of the following requirements.

They must...

1. be currently enrolled in the undergraduate program at the partner universities of Kanazawa University,
2. be in good academic standing,
3. have a clear purpose for study abroad as well as full intention to devote themselves to academic and other cultural activities,
4. go back to their home institutions and continue their education after finishing the program,
5. be able to obtain appropriate visa status in Japan,
6. be proficient in English (CEFR B2 level) and have possibly studied the Japanese language for more than one semester.

Housing

Students will stay in a hotel (TBA)

Participants in the Winter Program have an opportunity to experience a home-stay with a local family.

Payment for housing is included in the program fee.

Program Fee

JPY 200,000 for the Summer and Winter Programs

JPY 100,000 for the Spring Programs

Program fee includes:

- Tuition (Japanese Language and Cultural Studies)
- Accommodation in Kanazawa (Hotel and/or Home-stay)
- Program activities including an excursion

Program fee DOES NOT include:

- International and domestic travel to and from Kanazawa
- Travel Insurance (Students must be covered by a travel insurance throughout the program.)
- Meals (Students need to pay for daily lunch and dinner while they are staying at the hotel. At the home-stay, all meals will be served by the host family, except when eating out.)

Japan Student Service Organization (JASSO) Scholarship – JPY 80,000

Up to 20 participants in each program belonging to the institutions that have concluded a Memorandum on Student Exchange with Kanazawa University and having the nationality of the countries or regions that have diplomatic relations with Japan will be paid a monthly stipend, if accepted as a JASSO (Japan Student Services Organization) scholarship grantee. (Note: Students from Taiwan and Palestine are also considered eligible. Students who have Japanese citizenship are NOT eligible.)

APPLICATION FOR KU-SSP2020

Step 1: Fill out the application form and prepare additional documents below.

- * Official or unofficial transcript from the applicant's home institution (1 copy, PDF format)
- * ID photo (1 copy, 3cm x 4cm, JPEG or other digital format)
- * Photocopy of the ID page of the applicant's passport (1 copy, PDF format)
- * Proof of Japanese or English Proficiency (or a letter of recommendation issued by a specialist in language education) (1 copy, PDF format)

Step 2: Submit the completed application materials to the international office of the home institution. Note that Kanazawa University only accepts application through the applicant's home institution. Application by an individual student will not be processed.

Step 3: The applicant's home institution will send his/her application materials to Kanazawa University by the following deadline:

Application materials are available online at the School of International Education website (<http://kuglobal.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/eg/sie/>). Note that application individually submitted by students will not be accepted.

Application Deadline

January 31, 2020 for the Summer Program

September 4, 2020 for the Winter Program

October 2, 2020 for the Spring Program

Notification of Acceptance

Kanazawa University will notify students of their acceptance to the program in March 2020 (for Summer Program), October 2020 (for Winter Program) and November 2020 (for Spring Program) through their home institutions.

Note that within a month after they receive a letter of acceptance, students are required to submit a Certificate of Health and Immunization Record to the International Student Section at Kanazawa University.

Visa

Students of some countries might be required to obtain a "Temporary Visit (tourist) Visa" to Japan.

For information about obtaining a visa, please see:

Guide to Japanese VISA

http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/

Japanese embassies, Consulates and, Permanent Missions

https://www.mofa.go.jp/about/emb_cons/over/index.html

KU-insurance

Participants are required to take out KU-insurance covering medical expenses and personal liability. The insurance fee is included in the program fee.

Courses

Japanese Culture and Language (2 transfer credits for the Summer and Winter Programs and 1 transfer credit for the Spring Program)

Every program has two sections, the Japanese language course and the culture course. In the language course, you will review grammar that you have learned at your home institution, and learn more vocabulary and communication skills that you will need for everyday life in Japan, as well as for your culture class. The culture class will introduce the basics of Japanese traditional culture as well as everyday culture.

There are activities with different topics (see below) and they complement the language and culture classes. You will learn the vocabulary related to the culture class.

Sample topics:

1. Sado (Tea Ceremony)
2. Kenrokuen Garden
3. Wagashi (Japanese sweets)
4. Home stay (Winter course)
5. Kinpaku (Gold leaf)
6. Wadaiko (Japanese drums)
7. Shirakawago
8. Budo (Japanese Martial Art)
9. Summer festival