**Kanazawa University Short-Stay Program (KU-SSP)**

**Summer 2023**

**Purpose**

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

**Program Period**

September 1 (Fri.) – September 14 (Thu.), 2023 (2 weeks)

**Number of Students**

3 min. -10 max.

**Eligibility**

Applicants must satisfy all of the following requirements.

They must…

1. be currently enrolled in the undergraduate/graduate 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, and

6. be proficient in English (CEFR B2 level) and have studied the Japanese language for more than two years.

**Credits**

2 credits

**Housing**

Dormitory of Kanazawa University

**Participation Fee（students can use the JASSO Scholarship）**

・Dormitory of Kanazawa University

・Program activities

・KU-insurance

(※About JPY50,000)

**Other Fee（students con not use the JASSO Scholarship）**

・International and domestic travel to and from the Kakuma Campus, Kanazawa University

・Travel Insurance (Students must be covered by a travel insurance throughout the program.)

・Meals

※Tuition　14,800 yen per credit (Tuition fees are not collected within the range of the number of students stated in the memorandum of agreement.)

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

Up to 10 participants in the 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-SSP 2023**

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)

 \* Certificate of overseas travel insurance which covers full medical expenses in Japan

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 the application materials to Kanazawa University by the following deadline:

Application materials are available online at the Organization of Global Affairs website (https://kuglobal.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/eg/sie/program/). Note that application individually submitted by students will not be accepted.

**Application Deadline**

Friday, June 30, 2023

**Notification of Acceptance**

Kanazawa University will notify students of their acceptance to the program in July 2023 (for Summer Program) through their home institutions.

**Visa**

Please check the required documents to apply for the Short-Term Stay Visa to enter Japan and contact us if there is any document we should prepare for you.

For information about obtaining a Short-Term Stay 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 have the KU-insurance covering personal liability during the program activities.

**Courses**

This program offers a Japanese language course and a culture course. In the Japanese language course, students will develop the communication skills for everyday life in Japan.

In the culture course, students will learn the Calendar system and Time culture in the history of Japan. This course will be conducted in Japanese, and it has two parts: the on-campus part and the off-campus part. In the former, students will study how the ancient Calendar system was introduced to Japan from China and how it went through changes in the history of Japan. Moreover, they will learn about the changes in Japanese people’s recognition of Time in history.

In the off-campus part of the culture course, students will visit several spots and facilities in Kanazawa, where antique and modern cultures coexist. Through this activity, they will find both the historical Calendar and the Time culture still alive in this city. After these activities, students will select one topic and do research on it based on which they will give a presentation while introducing the recognition of Calendar and Time in their own culture.

Sample topics for the culture course:

1. Visit to cultural heritage and temples

2. Visit to museums and other cultural facilities

3. Research on Kanazawa’s traditional spots

4. Discussions and presentations in class