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**Intensive Japanese Language Program**

This program is designed for undergraduate and graduate students who are currently studying outside Japan and wish to improve their Japanese language skills. Besides studying in classes, students also have chances to immerse themselves in language experiences through off-campus activities interacting with Japanese students. The students are required to have studied basic Japanese (JLPT N3 level or CEFR A2 level recommended) to be enrolled in the program. There is also an internship option following the program for students who want to extend their stay.

**About SWU**

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**Courses**

Students are required to take 5 mandatory Japanese language courses worth 8 credits. Students may also take up to 2 liberal arts courses of their choice, either in English or Japanese, depending on their language level.

**Sample of courses conducted in English**

Global Liberal Arts, Business across Culture, Japanese Modern and Contemporary History, Japan as Viewed from the World, and many others.

**Sample Schedule**

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**PROGRAM FEE AND ACCOMMODATION**

Program Fee  **JPY 300,000 /semester**  
* Special scholarships are offered for students from SWU partner institutions. Please contact your international education office for more details.

Accommodation  **Approx. JPY45,000 ~ 60,000 / month**  
SWU offers 3 types of accommodation choices for international students. Students are to submit a request after application to the program.

**Text Book**  **Approx. JPY 10,000/semester**

**INTERACTION WITH JAPANESE STUDENTS**

Each international student is assigned a “Host Sister” and a “Host Family”.
A “Host Sister” supports students with school life in general including necessary registration at ward offices and airport pick up upon arrival.
A “Host Family” spends time with the student on weekends to give her a chance to experience typical Japanese lifestyle.

Students may join various seasonal events with Japanese students  
SWU offers variety of activities and events to the international students in order to experience Japanese cultures and customs with Japanese students such as; Welcome party, cherry-blossom viewing, Visits to temples, overnight Camping event and student club activities, etc.

**OPTIONAL PROGRAM**

Short-term Internship for Intensive Japanese Language Program  
SWU offers possible internship programs to those who are interested in work experience in a Japanese firm.  
(Maximum 1 month)  
* Please note that internship may not be accessible to all students depending on the condition.

SWU Academic Program  
Students who have qualified Japanese proficiency by the end of Intensive Japanese Language Program are eligible to register the “SWU Academic Program” in the following Fall Semester (Oct-Feb)

**PARTICIPANTS**

Female undergraduate or graduate university students

**APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

1. Submit scanned application documents attached to an email by the application deadline.  
* Please refer to SWU website for documents required : http://cie.swu.ac.jp/english/prospective/

2. Submit original documents sent by mail.

3. After receiving the letter of acceptance from SWU, proceed to VISA application process in your home country.

An “exchange student” has to be a student at one of SWU partner institutions and to be nominated for the program by their home institution.

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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