

Asian Studies Summer Program

Kansai Gaidai University

✿ Introduction

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 Asian Studies.



Kansai Gaidai University

- Founded in 1945
- Student Enrollment: 13,000
- International Affiliation:
382 institutions in 54 countries/regions

✿ 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 of Japan.



✿ Program Dates

Arrival (Check-in):	Thursday, June 9
Orientation:	Friday, June 10
Classes begin:	Monday, June 13
Classes end:	Friday, July 22
Farewell Event:	Saturday, July 23
Check-out :	Monday, July 25

Program Content

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

8 credits

Introduction to Asian Studies

3 - 4.5hours/week x 6 weeks

2 credit

Cultural Activities may include, but are not limited to: field trips to historical sites, businesses, 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	Homework & Review	Homework & Review	Homework & Review	Homework & Review	Homework & Review
3:00 - 4:30	Intro. to Asian Studies	Cultural Activities	Intro. to Asian Studies	Cultural Activities	

Class schedule may change without advance notice.

Course Descriptions

Japanese Language (8 credits)

Course Objectives:

1. Learn vocabulary (approx. 350 basic nouns, verbs, adjectives, and expressions).
2. Learn the pronunciation of the Japanese language.
3. Learn most basic grammar including “long forms”, sentence patterns, etc.
4. Learn to function in Japanese in everyday situations like making requests, stating reasons, etc.

Textbooks: *Genki 1 (2nd edition), Japan Times*
Genki 1 Workbook (2nd edition), Japan Times

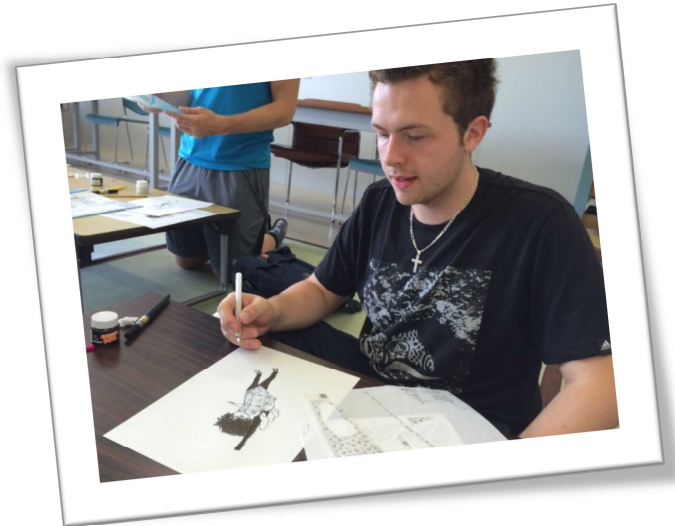
Grading: Attendance & Class Performance 10%
Homework 10%
Vocabulary Quizzes (best 5 out of 6) 10%
Lesson Tests* (2) 40%
Final Exam* 30%

* Final examinations include an oral examination (interviews).

Introduction to Asian Studies (Culture/Manga/International Relations) (2 credit)

This course will cover three topic areas related to Asian Studies. Three Professors will be teaching this course in a team-teaching format. Professor Stephen A. Zurcher will cover Japanese culture in comparison to other cultures. Professor Bon-Won Koo will hold Manga Drawing Workshops. Professor Mark Cogan will teach about International Relations with a focus on Japan.

- 1 Introduction to Culture
- 2 Japanese Culture
- 3 Cross-cultural Interaction
- 4 Japanese Culture: Sports
- 5 Japanese Culture: Business
- 6 Manga Drawing
- 7 Manga Drawing
- 8 Manga Drawing
- 9 Manga Drawing
- 10 Manga Drawing
- 11 Post-World War II Japan
- 12 Reconstructing Asia
- 13 Japan's entry into the United Nations
- 14 Japanese Peacebuilding
- 15 Contemporary Asian Politics



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 30 students

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

Program Fee

JPY305,000

This fee includes pick-up service, tuition, room charge, liability insurance, and some field 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.
- Adequate English proficiency to follow lectures in English.

Application Period: Monday, February 22 – Wednesday, April 28, 2016

(Application period may be closed earlier if a sufficient number of applications are received.)

Notification of Participants: Two weeks after the receipt of application.

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

In the case of 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, showing 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: Download the application form to your desktop.

http://www.kansaigaidai.ac.jp/asp/pdf/home/Summer_APP_2016.pdf

(Please use the latest version of Adobe Acrobat Reader.)

Step 2: Complete the necessary information and save the application form.

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, 2016	JPY2,000
Balance	JPY205,000	May 15, 2016	JPY5,000

If you choose to pay the 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.

Q2. Is there any screening?

All applicants will be screened by a committee. In principle, the applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Q3. 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

Q4. Any other costs in addition to the program fee?

Miscellaneous: JPY50,000 (including transportation)

Q5. Is there a meeting service upon arrival?

Yes. However, please make sure to arrive on June 9 since the pick-up service is available only on this date.

Q6. 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.