

Japan Study Abroad Programs

Aoyama Gakuin University

Program Terms	1 year or 1 semester (fall or spring) exchange		
School Information	a. Located in Omotesando, Tokyo. b. Students join regular university classes. c. Housing option: dorm. (NOTE: It is not uncommon for students to have commutes of approximately one hour to campus.)		
Exchange Information	a. Accepts 1-4 students annually (selected by Japanese Studies). b. Japanese language courses + (Japanese) electives, all for UFGPA credit. c. Must have completed at least 3 years of Japanese by arrival date. d. This exchange is specifically for students who have demonstrated a high degree of proficiency, typically beyond the third year of language study.		
Applying	Apply to UF Japanese Studies. The application procedure is on Page 3. Non-majors or minors are also encouraged to apply, but may have a lower possibility of acceptance.		
	Application Requirements		Deadlines
	- Minimum UF GPA of 3.25 - Currently enrolled in UF's Japanese language program - Letter Grade B or higher in their most recent language class	Spring 2020 - October 1, 2019	Academic year 2020-2021 - Late January 2020 (Exact date TBA)

Kansai Gaidai University

Program Terms	1 year or 1 semester (fall or spring) exchange		
School Information	a. Located in Hirakata City, in close proximity to Osaka, Kyoto and Nagoya. b. Students join the Asian Studies program. c. Housing options: homestay or dorm. (NOTE: It is not uncommon for students to have commutes of approximately one hour to campus.)		
Exchange Information	a. Accepts variable number of students yearly (selected by Japanese Studies). b. Japanese language courses + (English) electives, all for UFGPA credit. c. Must have completed at least 1 year of Japanese by arrival date. d. The Asian Studies program at Kansai Gaidai runs on the American academic calendar.		
Applying	Apply to UF Japanese Studies. The application procedure is on Page 3. Non-majors or minors are also encouraged to apply, but may have a lower possibility of acceptance.		
	Application Requirements		Deadline
	- Minimum UF GPA of 3.0 - Currently enrolled in UF's Japanese language program - Letter Grade B or higher in their most recent language class	Spring 2020 - October 1, 2019	Fall 2020 Academic year 2020-2021 - Late January 2020 (Exact Date TBA)

Nagoya University

Program Terms	1 year or 1 semester (spring) exchange		
School Information	a. Located in Nagoya, Aichi prefecture. b. Students join the Nagoya University Program for Academic Exchange (NUPACE). c. Housing option: dorm.		
Exchange Information	a. Accepts 2 students per semester; option to extend an additional semester. b. Japanese language courses + extensive English elective courses, all for UFGPA credit. c. No Japanese language requirements. d. Spring semester runs April – August; Fall semester runs October – February. e. This exchange will be ideal students in Japanese, International Studies, or STEM majors because NUPACE offers a unique curriculum consisting of Japanese language instruction, Japan area/intercultural studies, and courses in the student's major field of study, taught both in English and Japanese. Nagoya University offers over 800 courses taught in English.		
Applying	Apply directly to UFIC. UFIC Program Information Page: https://ufabroad.internationalcenter.ufl.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgram&Program_ID=12361		
	Application Requirements		Deadline
	- Minimum UF GPA of 3.0	Spring 2020	Academic Year 2020-2021

		- September 16, 2019	- February 2020 (Exact Date TBA)
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Shimane University

Program Terms	1 year or summer (Summer C) exchange							
School Information	a. Located in Matsue, Shimane prefecture. b. Students join the Japanese Studies Program. c. Housing option: International House (single or double room).							
Exchange Information	<u>Summer C exchange option</u> a. This is an option for students who will complete JPN 2231 or a higher-level course by arrival date. Students will go to Shimane right after the UF spring semester ends and catch up with the classes for the Shimane spring semester (April – August).							
	<u>1 year exchange</u> a. Accepts 2 students per semester; option to extend an additional semester. b. Japanese language courses + Japanese electives, all for UFGPA credit. c. Must have completed at least 2 years of Japanese by arrival date. d. Spring semester runs April – August; Fall semester runs October – February. e. This exchange will appeal to students who are able to attend UF summer term in lieu of fall or spring terms, or wish to pursue internships or other opportunities that might not necessarily follow the semester pattern.							
	a. This exchange will be ideal for those who wish to explore an area of rich cultural heritage at some distance from the major urban metropolises of Japan.							
Applying	Apply directly to UFIC. UFIC Program Information Page: https://ufabroad.internationalcenter.ufl.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgram&Program_ID=12162							
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Program by the Department of Economics

Waseda University

Program Terms	1 year, 1 semester (spring) exchange, or summer (Summer A) non-exchange									
Applying	Apply directly to UFIC. UF Exchange @ Waseda Page by the Department of Economics: http://people.clas.ufl.edu/thomasknight/uf-exchange-waseda/ Waseda Summer Session: http://waseda-summer.com/ UFIC Program Information Page: https://ufabroad.internationalcenter.ufl.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgram&Program_ID=12537									
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Other Information

UF Japanese Studies - Major: The Japanese specialization in foreign languages and literatures
 A maximum of 15 non-language course credits can be applied to the major from overseas study
<https://languages.ufl.edu/academics/llc-languages/japanese-studies/>

Study in Japan - American Association of Teachers of Japanese
(Information regarding scholarships and non-UF study abroad options)

<https://www.aatj.org/studyabroad/study-in-japan>

For more information about scholarships visit UFIC scholarship page

<https://internationalcenter.ufl.edu/study-abroad/scholarships>

Non-Exchange Programs through UFIC

UFIC Study Abroad Program Search

<https://ufabroad.internationalcenter.ufl.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.SimpleSearch>

Application Procedure for Aoyama Gakuin University and Kansai Gaidai University

Complete application by the due date. The application must be submitted to Professor Risa Wada, 339 Pugh Hall, by 4:30 PM (no exceptions). Please place your application in the large wooden box outside the office door if the office is closed.

1. The following application materials must be in a sealed manila envelope with your name and email contact address on the outside.

Statement of Purpose	Statement of purpose (7 copies) a. Why do you want to attend this program? b. What are your future plans? c. Please adhere to the following specifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 2-3 pages- Typed- Double-spaced
Transcript	Official transcript (1 original, and 6 xerox copies - please open the envelope of the original transcript and make the copies) a. The transcript must include most recent term.
Recommendation Letters	Two recommendation letters in original sealed envelopes with signatures across the back seal a. One recommendation must be from the student's most recent UF Japanese language professor (the term prior to application) b. Other recommendations from Japan-related content course professors if coursework completed c. Please ask your professors to include 1 original letter and 6 xerox copies in one sealed envelope. All students requesting letters of recommendation must complete and provide a copy to the recommender of the UF Waiver form for letters of recommendation. This form is available at: http://www.registrar.ufl.edu/pdf/ferparelease.pdf

You will be notified of selection via email by the beginning of October for Spring departure and the beginning of February for Fall departure, after which you will be required to attend a post-selection/pre-departure information session with Professor Wada. After attending this meeting, you will be instructed to make an appointment with Dr. Ann Wehmeyer, Undergraduate Coordinator in Japanese, to discuss what coursework you will take in Japan.
Do not contact Dr. Wehmeyer for advisement until you have met with Professor Wada.

**2. If accepted, complete UFIC application by deadline established by UFIC
(Spring 2020: Kansai Gaidai October 15, 2019; Aoyama Gakuin October 31, 2019) (TBA for AY 2020-2021)**

a. Online application b. Academic advising form c. UFIC service charge – listed on the UFIC site (https://www.ufic.ufl.edu/sas/ChargiesFees.html)
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3. Upon completion of UFIC application, complete partner school application:

a. You must attend an information session with a UFIC Japan Study Abroad Advisor to review the application and review deadlines. The date for this session will be announced by UFIC. b. You will be required to submit the paperwork for your host unit to UFIC by the deadline announced by UFIC. <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Specific details forthcoming to accepted students.

- There can be no mistakes, white-out or erasures on the paperwork.
No late applications accepted.

The partner school will provide you with specifics on your visa application once your application has been submitted and approved.

American Academic Year vs Japanese Academic Year

American Academic Year

In the U.S., the academic year begins in late summer or early autumn and ends during the following spring or summer.

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Japanese Academic Year

In Japan, the academic year starts on April 1st and ends March 31st in following year.

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UF Academic Year vs. Academic Year of Aoyama Gakuin, Nagoya University, and Shimane University

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	<u>UF Fall Semester</u> Late Aug. – Mid Dec.		<u>UF Spring Semester</u> Jan. – Early May	<u>UF Summer Semester</u> Mid May. – Early Aug.
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	<u>Aoyama Fall Semester</u> Early Sept. – Early Feb.		<u>Aoyama Spring Semester</u> Apr. – Jul.
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	<u>Kansai Gaidai (Asian Studies) Fall Semester</u> Late Aug. – Late Dec.		<u>Kansai Gaidai (Asian Studies) Spring Semester</u> Late Jan. – Late May
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		<u>Nagoya Fall Semester</u> Oct. – Early Feb.		<u>Nagoya Spring Semester</u> Apr. – Early Aug.
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		<u>Shimane Fall Semester</u> Oct. – Early Feb.		<u>Shimane Spring Semester</u> Apr. – Early Aug.
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