

The International Student Center of Yamaguchi University will offer an intensive and enjoyable Language and Culture Course for promoting better understanding of Japanese culture and to discover a different Japan outside of major urban centers. You can learn Japanese in a wonderful landscape with a long and prominent history. Your studies will be enhanced by many field trips and various activities. Thanks to joyful encounters with the people, culture and nature of the Yamaguchi area, you will surely attain success.



### Yamaguchi University and Yamaguchi city

The roots of YU go back to 1815, with the founding of a school for the sons of local gentry. In 1949, it was refounded as one of the state universities of Japan. It currently has more than 10,000 enrolled students (undergraduate and graduate) at nine faculties. It is located at the western tip of Honshu in the cities of Yamaguchi and Ube. Surrounded by splendid nature, this region has a long tradition of international relations both with Asia and Europe: well-known are the pottery craftsmen from Korea, who developed the famous Hagi pottery, the missionary Xavier from Spain, who brought the first tidings from the Western world, and the Choshu-Five, five brave young men, who broke the ban on foreign travel in the mid-19th century to study at London University. Today, the ultra-modern Yamaguchi Center for Arts and Media (YCAM) attracts young artists from all over the world. Present-day Yamaguchi offers many opportunities for enjoying both nature and modern or traditional culture.



### Program(A plan) July 7, 2017(Fri.) ~ August 3, 2017(Thurs.)

Date	Day	Morning / Afternoon	Date	Day	Morning / Afternoon
7/6	Thu	Arrival	7/21	Fri	Japanese class / Home stay
7/7	Fri	Orientation / Placement test (Welcome party)	7/22	Sat	Home stay
7/8	Sat	Free day	7/23	Sun	
7/9	Sun		7/24	Mon	Japanese class / Activities outside of the class room
7/10	Mon	Japanese class / Activities outside of the class room	7/25	Tue	Japanese class / Activities outside of the class room
7/11	Tue	Japanese class / City Tour	7/26	Wed	Japanese class / Activities outside of the class room
7/12	Wed	Japanese class / Activities outside of the class room	7/27	Thu	Japanese class / Activities outside of the class room
7/13	Thu	Japanese class / Activities outside of the class room	7/28	Fri	Japanese class / Cultural activities
7/14	Fri	Japanese class / Cultural activities	7/29	Sat	Free day
7/15	Sat	Free day	7/30	Sun	
7/16	Sun		7/31	Mon	Japanese class / Activities outside of the class room
7/17	Mon		8/1	Tue	Japanese class / Test
7/18	Tue	Field trip	8/2	Wed	Study Results Presentation (Farewell Party)
7/19	Wed	Japanese class / Activities outside of the class room	8/3	Thu	Closing Ceremony
7/20	Thu	Japanese class / Activities outside of the class room	8/4	Fri	Departure

※ The contents of the program may be subject to change.

**Japanese Class** There are two levels of Japanese classes, intermediate and advanced.

A short language check will help to find the appropriate course for you.

Japanese students will assist you with preparation for a Japanese class and all kinds of activities.

**Experience Japanese Culture** Learn the fine art of Japanese flower arrangement from an expert.

**Home stay** You will stay with a local family for 3 days. While experiencing Japanese culture, try to use the Japanese you have learned!

**Visiting a Spa** There is a legend that a white fox first found Yuda Spa. There are many Japanese-style hotels about 2 km away from YU. How about taking an open-air bath with a great deal of Japanese atmosphere? You can also take footbaths freely.

**Field Trip** You can see the castle ruins, samurai houses, and merchant homes among the many sites of historical interest from the Edo period. Experience the history and culture of Hagi, the birthplace of famous people such as Yoshida Shouin who worked to modernize Japan. We will plan a tour around cultural asserts in Yamaguchi such as the five-storied pagoda; one of the national treasures.

**Yamaguchi Gion Matsuri** A traditional local summer festival, Yamguchi Gion Matsuri, has continued for 600 years of history since Muromachi era.



### 【Regarding the Application】

**Eligibility** A student who is currently enrolled in our partner universities and has an intermediate or higher level of Japanese proficiency.  
 ※ You must have passed the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) N3 or higher, or obtain the J-CAT (Japanese Computerized Adaptive Test) score of 150 or more.  
 (All programs including administrative procedures will be conducted in Japanese.)

**Number to be accepted** 25 students  
 ※ The program may not be held if the applications are 24 or less.  
 ※ If there are more than 25 applicants, there will be a selection process.

**Expenses** Course fee: 88,800 JPY (including lesson materials, Fee for Cultural activities , Home stay and Field trip)  
**Accommodation fee: 45,000 JPY**  
**Other expenses: 15,000 JPY (including rental fees for bedding set, furniture, and appliances)**

**Application** Please prepare the following documents and apply through the person in charge of your home university. Please send them in Word format or PDF.by E-mail.  
 (1) Application form for the program  
 (2) Copy of your passport (If you do not have a passport yet, please submit the copy later.)  
 (3) Home stay Questionnaire  
 (4) J-CAT Score report or Certificate of JLPT

**【Deadline: April 20, 2017】**

❖ After sending your application, you will receive a “Notice of Receipt” and “How to Pay the Class Fees”. Please pay the class fees by the specified date. In principle, we cannot refund the fees.

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(1) Visa

A visa is unnecessary for students in countries in the Visa Waiver Program.

Students in countries that are not in the Visa Waiver Program should get a "Temporary Visitor Visa." Please prepare a "Certification of Acceptance" and a "Permit to Attend a Class", "Invitation Letter", "Program Schedule" and "Guarantee" which are issued by YU, and also other necessary documents (passport, financial certificate and so on), and then please apply to the Japanese Embassy or the Consulate. It may take a long time to issue a visa, so please remember that and apply as soon as possible. Regarding visa details, an applicant should inquire at the Japanese Embassy or the Consulate by himself/herself.

(2) Travel to Japan

Participants should come to YU by themselves in principle.

Please plan to arrive at YU by 3 p.m. on July 6, 2017.

(3) Insurance and Medical Care |

Before coming to Japan, **you are required to purchase travel insurance** against accident or injury. If you do not purchase travel insurance, you cannot be accepted into the program.

YU will not accept any responsibility at all for any illness or injury during your stay in Japan.

Please get treatment for health issues such as cavities before visiting Japan. If you see a doctor or get a prescription filled in Japan, you must pay a large amount of medical expenses.

(4) Others

- ❖ The voltage of Japan (Yamaguchi) is 100V and 60Hz, and the shape of the plug is type A. Please bring a transformer and a conversion plug if you need them.
- ❖ It is useful if you have a picture of your family or things particular to your country.
- ❖ It is very hot in July in Japan (25~35°C). You are comfortable in short-sleeved clothes. Sandals are useful if you have them.



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