












Japanese Studies Program 2027

Sep.24-Dec.17, 2027 In Kyoto, Japan.

Application Period: until April 23rd, 2027

JSP Components

- **Japanese Language Courses**
- **Japanese Culture and Society Courses (in English)**
  - ○Cool Japan
  - ○Representation of Nature in Japanese Culture : from ukiyo-e to anime
  - ○Kyoto Culture and History
  - ○Zen and the Gardens of Kyoto

  ＊These courses are subject to change.
- Field Trips
- Social events such as welcome and farewell parties, club visits and other activities.

Accommodations

Mukaijima Gakusei Center: 96,000 yen 【32,000 yen×3 months】

Single rooms are available in the Kyoto municipal housing for international students. No meals are included in the fee. The dormitory is located 30 minutes by train from the Imadegawa campus and a 15-minute walk from Kintetsu Mukaijima Station.

＊The accommodation is subject to change.

Program fees

Tuition	418,900 yen
Accommodation fee	96,000 yen
Total	514,900 yen

Financial aid

Grants of 200,000 yen are available for participants from affiliated colleges / universities. Recipients will receive 20,000 yen cash on the first orientation day, and the remaining 180,000 yen will automatically be allocated as follows:

96,000 yen for accommodations & 84,000 yen for meals (for 3 months)

L. J. (Saarland University, Germany)



I first felt the desire to study in Japan during my studies of history and culture. At the time, I never imagined that it would give me such a huge boost in my language skills, cultural understanding and my personal life. Kyoto offers so many opportunities to experience lifestyle, culture, and history that you can never have a boring day. In addition to the city's rich history, the classes provide a broad background from many cultural perspectives on Japan. While learning new and interesting aspects of hundreds of years old Japanese traditions with others. It is also exciting that you could go out the next day and just discover these things by yourself. The classes and everyday life in Kyoto feels like the perfect synergy.

The JSP also offers Japanese classes that I found incredibly beneficial. With only a basic knowledge of Japanese at the beginning, I was quite afraid to speak Japanese in everyday life. But as the classes progressed, I became much more confident and could manage many more conversations. The classes' high focus on applicability not only helped during everyday situations but were also a great aid in finding new Japanese friends that I surely will stay in touch with for years to come.

In addition to all of this, the organizational aspects of the application and program are managed by such kind people from the DWCLA International Office that I was never afraid to ask for help and could always be sure to be guided by a helping hand.

K. M. (University of the Philippines Diliman, Philippines)



Immersion. Integration. Independence.

If I could describe my stay at Doshisha Women's College of Liberal Arts (DWCLA), I would use those three words. I didn't realize it at first, but the experiences, friendships, and memories I've made through the Japanese Studies Program (JSP) are ones that I will cherish for a lifetime.

The program is thoughtfully designed to help you immerse yourself in Japanese culture while exploring its rich history, social context, and everyday lifestyle. Immersion happens through language classes with dedicated days for grammar, vocabulary, conversation, and essay writing. Teachers are kind and supportive, even allowing me to study for the JLPT during free time.

Integration comes through extracurricular activities such as field trips and club visits that bring Japanese culture to life. Learning tea ceremony, kimono wearing, ikebana, wagashi making, and taiko drumming from fellow students and specialized teachers made the experience both fun and meaningful.

Finally, independence. The program gave us the freedom to plan conversation partner sessions, join clubs, and explore beyond the classroom. While living in a new country can feel daunting, I never felt alone—the staff kept communication open through regular briefings and LINE support.

Overall, my experience has been holistic and foundational. The JSP program paved the way for incredible friendships, cultural exchange, and personal growth. If you're looking for a sign, this is it! I highly recommend the JSP program for your own unforgettable exchange student moment.

How to Apply & Application Forms

https://www.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp/english/school_life/international_exchange_system/international_exchange_system05/js_program

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