



SUMMER PROGRAM 2026

Discover Japan
June 6- July 2, 2026





Summer Program at Saitama University

Summer Program participants study Japanese language intensively for three weeks and work on assignments with Saitama University students. There is also the option to attend lectures that all of those are offered in English and experience extracurricular activities. This is a very beneficial opportunity for students interested in studying in Japan and at Saitama University.

PROGRAM OUTLINE

【1】 Program period

June 6 (Sat) – July 2 (Thu), 2026

All students must stay for the whole duration.



【2】 Content

This program consists of Japanese language courses, specialized courses and group work & presentation.

Students will be awarded **2 credits** for taking these courses, **regardless of the number of classes you take.**

● Japanese language course

Several classes are available for first-time learners and those who have studied Japanese before. The level of the class you belong to will be determined by a placement test. **The total number of classes varies depending on the level.**

● Specialized course

Lectures will be given by experts in various fields, and the content will include Japanese history, traditional culture, the current state of the university system, and issues and so on. **This course will consist of 10 classes in total.**

● Group work & Presentation

Students will work on their assignments in small groups with SU students and make a presentation on the last day of the program. The assignment will be announced at the orientation.

【3】 The number to be accepted

20 students

PROGRAM FEE

◆ Registration and tuition fees

Registration*	JPY38,000
Tuition*	JPY 14,800 per 1 credit

Tuition waiver eligibility

Those who belong to a university which has an agreement of student exchange with SU are exempted. Number of student exchange depends on each university.

If your university does not have a student exchange agreement with SU or its exchange quota has been exceeded (students currently studying at SU are included.), you will need to pay registration and tuition fees.

※ If you would like to know which case below applies to you, please feel free to contact us.

	Student Exchange Agreement	Tuition-free exchange quota	Registration	Tuition
Case1	Yes	Within the quota	Exempt	Exempt
Case2		Exceed the quota	Exempt	NOT exempt
Case3	No		NOT exempt	NOT exempt

As of December 2025, students from the following partner universities will be charged the tuition fees above.

Region	Country	University
Asia	Cina	University of Jinan
		Guangdong University of Foreign Studies
	Taiwan	National Chung Hsing University
	Viet Nam	Hanoi University of Civil Engineering
Oceania	Australia	University of Technology Sydney
North America	America	University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Europe	Germany	Esslingen University of Applied Sciences
		Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences
	Hungary	Budapest University of Technology and Economics
	Italia	University of Turin
	Netherlands	HZ University of Applied Sciences
	Spain	University of Malaga
	Ukraine	Ivan Franko National University of Lviv Administratio
		Poltava V. G. Korolenko National Pedagogical University
	Uzbekistan	University of World Economy and Diplomacy

*Students from the following partner universities will be also charge tuition fees depending on the situation.

- Chung-Ang University
- Universidad de La Sabana

◆ At student's own expense

- ① Insurance: Please obtain full insurance coverage for yourself.
It should cover "Third-party liability" and "Tenant liability for accommodation."
 - ② Domestic travel expenses:
 - Transportation between airport and SU (one-way is about JPY 3,000 to 4,000)
 - Commuting cost between SU and your accommodation.
 - ③ Airfare and living expenses includes homestay fee
 - ④ Extracurricular activities fee
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LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

TOEFL PBT 533, TOEFL iBT 72, or IELTS 5.5

(Non-native speakers of English only)

An official score of above tests must be submitted with your application. If the above test scores are not available, score from another official test or proof of English proficiency from your university will be accepted.

ACCOMMODATION

◆ Homestay

As a general, participants in Summer program are required to use a homestay.

If you are unable to stay with a homestay due to circumstances such as your constitution, or if the host determines that it is difficult to accept you, you will have to make your own arrangements.

If there are a large number of applicants, you may be assigned to a shared house.



◆ Homestay fee

Arrangement fee is **JPY33,000** + Homestay fee of **JPY5,060** per night +Bank transfer fee (JPY 5,000) or Credit card charge (3%)

e.g., 28 nights (Check-in June 5 and check check-out July 3) & Credit card payment:

JPY174,680

- Around 60-minute commute by public transportation to JR Kita Kita-Urawa station or JR Minami Minami-Yono station (the nearest station from SU)
- Includes 2 meals (breakfast and dinner) per day

SELECTION PROCESS

(1) Application

You must fill out the application form.

[Saitama University Summer Program 2026 Application Form](#)

The following data files must be sent to "kokusai@gr.saitama-u.ac.jp".

- ✓ Passport copy
- ✓ Color photo (jpg. format)
- ✓ Student ID card copy
- ✓ Certificate of enrollment
- ✓ Official transcript of your home institution
- ✓ English Score Certificate (Non-native speakers of English only)
- ✓ Reason for study abroad (Format is optional)

Please apply for homestay and submit the agreement form via the following URL.

- ✓ [Homestay application form](#)

*If you are unsure at this time, please enter a provisional answer.

- ✓ [Homestay agreement form](#)

Application Deadline: February 22nd at 0:00(JST)

If there are too many applicants, participants will be selected.

Selection results will be sent to the e-mail address entered in the application form by early March .

*Because student exchange programs with Russian universities are currently suspended, students affiliated with universities in Russia will not be able to participate in this program.

(2) 【Mid-March】 Issuance of admission certificate and visa documents

If you are selected, we require you to pay the homestay fee within one week.

After the transfer is confirmed, an acceptance letter and visa documents will be sent.

(3) 【Early April】 Placement test and selection of courses

The syllabus of courses for the summer program will be released in early April. You will be asked to apply for the courses you wish to take. If you want to take Japanese language courses, you will also need to take a placement test.

(4) 【Early April】

Payment of admission and tuition fees



ORIENTATION & FAREWELL PARTY

2026/6/6 Orientation① & Science workshop with SU students

2026/6/7 Excursion to Shimizu Park for BBQ with SU students

2026/6/8 Orientation②

2026/7/2 Group work presentation & Farewell party

ACTIVITY

We will offer various activities to help you discover Japan and Saitama you never knew before.



◆ Language Exchange

You will be paired or placed in small groups with Japanese students and enjoy casual interactions while teaching each other their languages. In addition to practicing Japanese, talking about English or one's native language will lead to natural conversations and provide an opportunity to share cultures and ways of thinking. This event makes it easy to make friends even during a short stay and is an opportunity to enrich your life and studies in Japan.

◆ Kawagoe Yukata Strolling

At the Yukata Stroll Event in Kawagoe, you can enjoy the Japanese culture while wearing a traditional Japanese yukata and walking through the streets of Little Edo. After being dressed by specialized staff, you can freely stroll through the warehouse-lined streets and confectionery alleys, enjoying photography and sampling delicious food. Walking around in a yukata will allow you to experience Japan from a different perspective than usual.



◆ Tate(活陣) Experience

You can try your hand at "Tate," a form of Japanese stage art, and experience Japanese culture firsthand. First, you'll learn the basics, such as how to bow and how to maintain your posture, and then you'll try your hand at simple movements and forms using a replica sword. There will also be a demonstration by a working actor, allowing you to experience the beauty of the powerful movements up close.

ACCESS

Access To Saitama University

From Narita Airport

Narita Airport	Nippori	Kita-Urawa	Saitama Univ.
Keisei Line	JR Line	Bus	
40min.(skyliner)	28min.	15min.	

Narita Airport	Omiya	Saitama Univ.
Bus	Taxi	
100min.	25min.	

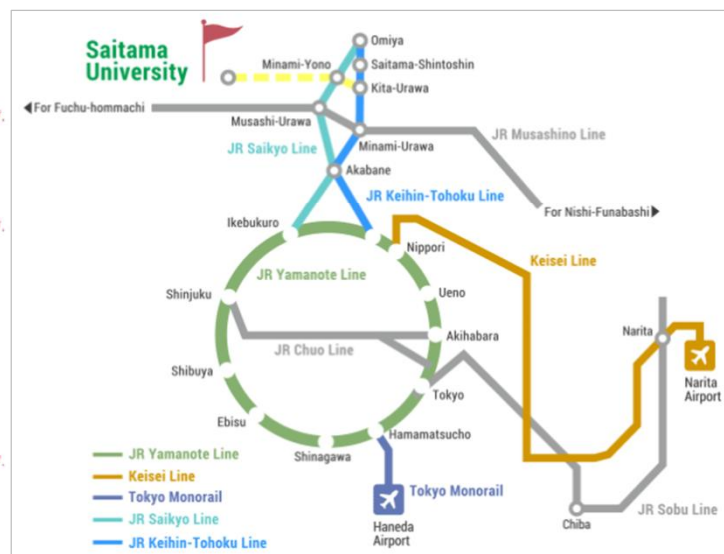
From Haneda Airport

Haneda Airport	Hamamatsucho	Kita-Urawa	Saitama Univ.
Tokyo Monorail	JR Line	Bus	
23min.	47min.	15min.	

Haneda Airport	Omiya	Saitama Univ.
Bus	Taxi	
80min.	25min.	

From Tokyo

Tokyo	Kita-Urawa	Saitama Univ.
JR Line	Bus	
40min.	15min.	



ABOUT SAITAMA UNIVERSITY

- ◆ Established in 1949
- ◆ National university with 9,000 students low teacher-student ratio
- ◆ About 170 partner universities/institutions from around 50 countries
- ◆ Located in Saitama City with easy access to the Tokyo Metropolitan Area



We are looking forward to meeting you in Saitama!

SU Official Mascot
"Merin-chan"

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