

JAPANESE MAJORS AND MINORS

SDSU JAPAN *DIRECT* EXCHANGE PROGRAMS FOR THE 2016-2017 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Office of International Programs, the International Student Center (ISC), and the Department of Linguistics and Asian/Middle Eastern Languages are pleased to announce exchange opportunities for the **2016-2017** academic year with the following universities in Japan: (length of program: S = Semester, Y = Academic Year)

	<u>Japanese Proficiency Required</u> (College Level)
• Aoyama Gakuin University 青山学院大学 (Tokyo) – private – Y	1 year
• Chuo University 中央大学 (Tokyo) – private - S or Y	1 year
• Doshisha University 同志社大学 (Kyoto) – private - Y	1 year
• Gifu University 岐阜大学 (Gifu) – national – Y	2 years
• Gunma University 群馬大学 (Gunma) – national – Y	2 years
• Hirosaki University 弘前大学 (Aomori) – national – S or Y	2 years
• Hokkaido University 北海道大学 (Sapporo) – national – S or Y	1 year
• Hosei University 法政大学 (Tokyo) – private – S or Y	1 year
• Kyoto Sangyo University 京都産業大学 (Kyoto) – private – Y	1 year
• Kyushu University 九州大学 (Fukuoka) (SDSU) – national – S or Y	1 year
• Meiji University 明治大学 (Tokyo) – private – S or Y	1 year
• Nanzan University 南山大学 (Nagoya) (SDSU) - private - S or Y	1 year
• Oita University 大分大学 Oita University) (SDSU) - national - Y	1 year
• Osaka International University 大阪国際大学 (Osaka) – private – Y	1 years
• Osaka University of Arts 大阪芸術大学 (Osaka) – private – Y	3-4 years
• Rikkyo University 立教大学 (Tokyo) – Private - S or Y	1 year
• Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU) 立命館アジア太平洋大学 (Beppu) – Private - Y	1 year
• Ritsumeikan University 立命館大学 (Kyoto) – Private - Y	1 year
• Tokyo University of Foreign Studies 東京外国語大学 (Tokyo) -national – S or Y	1 year
• Toyo Eiwa University 東洋英和学院大学 (Yokohama) – private – Y	4 years
• Yokohama National University 横浜国立大学 (Yokohama) – national – Y	1 year

Application Forms are available at the International Student Center, the Linguistics Department (SHW-214), and outside the office of Professor Higurashi (SWH-219).

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

Requirement for All Applicants:

An applicant must be an **official matriculated SDSU student** at the time of application.

Requirements for Group 1 Students:

1. An applicant must be **enrolled in Japanese** with Letter Grade in both **Fall 2015** and **Spring 2016** and receive **C or above**. If C- or below is received, the Selection Committee will rescind its positive recommendation and notify the universities in Japan.
2. If an applicant misses **25% or more** of a Japanese language class at SDSU, the Selection Committee will rescind its nomination, regardless of his/her course grade. **Three tardies will be counted as one absence**
3. An applicant must maintain the minimum **GPA of 2.75**. He/she is **required to submit the following transcript:** (A) an unofficial copy at the time of application, (B) unofficial copies submitted to Dr. Higurashi at the end of the Fall 2015 and Spring 2016 semesters, and (C) an OFFICIAL paper copy to the Education Abroad Office at the time of submitting your host school's application (the semester prior to the start of your program)
4. An applicant must include letters of reference from two **faculty** members.
5. An applicant must have a favorable interview with the Selection Committee.

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Requirements for Group 2 Students:

1. If not enrolled in Japanese currently, an applicant must have successfully taken at least two semesters of Japanese at SDSU in the past and earned C or above in all Japanese courses.
2. An applicant must maintain the minimum ***GPA of 2.75***. He/she is **required to submit the following transcript:** (A) an unofficial copy at the time of application, (B) unofficial copies submitted to Dr. Higurashi at the end of the Fall 2015 and Spring 2016 semesters, and (C) an OFFICIAL paper copy to the Education Abroad Office at the time of submitting your host school's application.
3. An applicant must include letters of reference from two **faculty** members.
4. An applicant must have a favorable interview with the Selection Committee.

IMPORTANT DATES for SDSU Japan Direct Exchange

Friday, September 11, 2015	INFORMATION SESSION: International Student Center 2:30 p.m.-4:30p.m.
Thursday, October 15, 2015 (3:30 p.m.)	① 1 original set of <i>complete application packet</i> and ② 6 duplicate copies of everything except letters of recommendation ⇒ Dr. Yoshiko Higurashi (SHW-219) or Linguistics Dept. (SHW-214)
Monday, October 19, 2015	Sign-up sheet for interviews will be posted on the door of Dr. Higurashi's Office (Storm Hall West – 219).
Friday, October 30, 2015 TBA	Interview Candidates by the Selection Committee (Storm Hall West - 237) The Selection Committee announces its nominations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

For details on each institution, please visit www.sdsu.edu/educationabroad or google each institution, or contact **Ms. Katie Palumbo** (cpalumbo@mail.sdsu.edu, 594-8851, International Student Center) Education Abroad Advisor, and **Dr. Yoshiko Higurashi** (yhigurashi@mail.sdsu.edu, 594-1005, SHW-219) Director, Japan International Programs and Japanese Language Program.