

How to apply

Check your eligibility

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(1) Currently an undergraduate or graduate student.	☐
(2) Able to communicate in English or in basic Japanese.	☐
(3) Willing to learn Hiragana and Katakana before the program starts.	☐

Prepare documents

	Check
(4) Have your official Enrollment and Transcript ready.	☐
(5) Have a photo copy of your passport.	☐
(6) Have 2 color photos.	☐
(7) Have a Medical Form from your doctor.*	☐

* You can find the form on our web site.

Apply!

	Check
(8) Visit www.rsjprwj.com and register your information.	☐
(9) Fill out our paper application form.	☐
(10) Send (4)(5)(6)(7)(9) to our office in Japan.	☐

Certificate / Credit Transfer

Students willing to transfer their credits earned during the exchange program at Ritsumeikan University must consult with their academic advisor or International Office of their home university beforehand in order to avoid trouble in transferring the credits. Accreditation is generally regulated under the regulations of the home university.



International Travel Insurance

It is mandatory to buy international travel insurance to participate in RSJP/RWJP.

Buddy

Ritsumeikan students play a great part in this program through their roles as volunteer buddies. Buddies will introduce participants to life on campus as well as provide assistance with daily life in Japan outside of class. They will also join participants on most field excursions for Japan Studies classes and also participating in the Japanese language classes as teaching assistants. By spending time with the buddies, participants can practice everyday conversation and at the same time make friends, both of which are highlights of the program.

Visa Support

Participants are responsible for contacting the Japanese embassy or consulate in their home country directly to determine if they are required to apply for a visa in advance. If it is determined that you need to obtain a visa, please notify the International Center.

Medical Service Center

The Medical Service Center offers medical assistance to students with health concerns. Consultations are available in English during certain times of the day.

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Accommodation



Students participating in RSJP/RWJP stay at our dormitory. Find new and lifetime friends!

Room	Quad(Bunk bed x 2)
Charge	JPY 60,900 per student

Library

Over 2.3 million books in Japanese, Chinese, English, Korean and other languages are housed in the Ritsumeikan library. Each participant will be given a library card and will be able to borrow books during the program period.

International Center

The International Center handles all incoming and outgoing student exchanges at Ritsumeikan. We offer RSJP and RWJP participants' assistance with all aspects of academic and student life, as well as providing comprehensive support on everything from initial application procedures to sending out the final transcript at the end of the program. We hope that studying abroad with the RSJP and RWJP will help you immerse yourself further in Japanese culture and strengthen your language skills while in Japan!

Internet Access

Participants will be given a login ID and password, giving them access to the Internet. The university also provides a campus-wide wireless network.

Co-op / Cafeteria

The University Cooperative (Co-op) offers everything from food, books, stationaries, and even a travel service.

A wide variety of food is available at the cafeteria at reasonable price. Halal is also available.

Come study with us !



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SUMMER & WINTER JAPANESE PROGRAM 2016-2017



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Welcome to the **R**itsumeikan **S**ummer / **W**inter **J**apanese **P**rogram

RSJP/RWJP

5 Weeks Intensive, Non Degree seeking

【Overview】

The Ritsumeikan Summer Japanese Program (RSJP) and Ritsumeikan Winter Japanese Program (RWJP) are designed for undergraduate or graduate students with minimal knowledge of the Japanese language, providing a comprehensive introduction to Japanese language and culture.

RSJP and RWJP programs consist of two major components. Participants are enrolled in an intensive Japanese language class which provides them with a through introduction to the language. Students also participate in Japanese Studies classes to learn about Japanese culture and take part in fieldwork excursions.

【Japanese Language】 **Maximum 15 students / class**

Japanese Language classes are conducted for three hours every weekday morning, maintaining a general balance between conversation, reading, and writing, with the goal of improving overall communication skills. Lectures in class will focus on topics such as business, history, society and traditional culture to gain an understanding of the finer aspects of Japanese culture. Program participants will create a strong foundation for their future studies of Japanese through these lessons.

【Japan Studies / Culture】

Japan Studies classes are held two to three times a week. In addition to the lectures on Japanese culture held in the Japanese language classes, participants are given the opportunity to take part in various fieldwork excursions and receive special lectures on Japanese culture from masters who are well respected in their field in order to reinforce what they have learnt.



Important Dates

* "Introductory" class is available in RSJP2 and RWJP.

Schedule	2016 RSJP1	2016 RSJP2 *	2017 RWJP *
Application Period Begins	Feb.18, 2016	Apr.05, 2016	Sep.27, 2016
Application Deadline	Mar.16, 2016	May06, 2016	Oct.28, 2016
Payment Due	Apr.08, 2016	May18, 2016	Nov.16, 2016
Arrival Date	May16, 2016	Jul.04, 2016	Jan.09, 2017
Program Starts	May17, 2016	Jul.05, 2016	Jan.10, 2017
Program Ends	Jun.17, 2016	Aug.05, 2016	Feb.10, 2017

RSJP/RWJP

Term	5 weeks
Japanese Language	3,450 min
Japan Studies	990 min
Total Hours	4,440 min
Capacity	48 Students
Text Book	Included
Visa Support	Yes
Credit/Dgree	No
Certificate	Yes
Transcript	Yes
Wi-Fi	Yes
Library	Yes

Campus Lives

Program Fee	JPY 200,000
Housing Fee	JPY 60,900
Service Fee	JPY 5,000
Total	JPY 265,900
Orientation	Yes
Buddy	Yes
Campus Tour	Yes
Airport Pick Up	No
Meal	No
Bus Pass	No
Travel Insurance	Mandatory
Completion Ceremony	Yes

Even in cases in which a student requests a class change in order to meet the requirements of their home university's credit transfer policy, students may not move up or down in level without the teacher's permission. To ensure that students can study in an environment that maximizes their learning, they must take classes that are appropriate to their level.
Class offering is a subject to a sufficient number of participants with similar level of Japanese Language proficiency.

【Placement Test】

Participants will be placed into classes depending on the information given in their application and essay written in Japanese. On the first day of Japanese Language Class, they will take a placement test in the class.

【Daily Schedule】

	Subject to change
Japanese Language Class	(1)09:10-10:00 (2)10:10-11:00 (3)11:10-12:00
Lunch Time	12:00-13:00
Japan Studies	14:00-15:30



Japanese Language Class Level Description

Introductory*	- No previous study - Able to read Hiragana and Katakana before arrival in Japan * The Introductory class will be available for only RSJP2 and RWJP, not for RSJP1. * Minimum number of participants for this class is 10. When a minimum number of participant is not achieved, the Introductory class will not be offered.
Beginner I	- About 150 hours of previous study - Able to read and write Hiragana, and carry out conversation using simple sentences and words - Completed Genki L1-L5, NAKAMA I Ch.1-7, Minna no Nihongo L1-12
Beginner II	- About 250 hours of previous study - Able to carry out conversations using simple sentences and words. Has studied Kanji. - Completed Genki L6-L12, NAKAMA I Ch.8- NAKAMA II Ch.4, Minna no Nihongo L13-L25
Beginner III	- About 300 hours of previous study - Knowledge of 200 kanji. Able to read sentences containing Kanji. - Completed Genki L13~L23, NAKAMA II Ch.5~10, Minna no Nihongo L26~L50
Intermediate I	- About 450 hours of previous study - Completed beginner level textbook such as Genki, Minna no Nihongo, etc.
Intermediate II	- About 550 hours of previous study - Have started studying with intermediate level textbook such as Intermediate Japanese, Tobira: Gateway to Advanced Japanese, etc.
Advanced	- More than 750 hours of previous study - In process of or have complicated intermediate level Japanese, Tobira: Gateway to Advanced Japanese, Shin Nihongo no Chukyu etc.

【Attendance & Transcript】

Each student will be required to attend more than 2/3 of the classes to receive a transcript. After successful completion of the program, Ritsumeikan University will post a certified academic transcript to your home address in your country one month after the last day of the program. If the transcript needs to be sent directly to your home university, you will need to make a request beforehand.

【Assessment Criteria】

			Grades for Japanese language classes are assessed according to a combination of class participation, quizzes, presentation, final examination, assignments, and attendance. Japan Studies classes are assessed solely on attendance.
Pass	A ⁺	100-90	
	A	89-80	
	B	79-70	
	C	69-60	
Fail	F	59-0	

Program Sample Schedule

Japanese Language 50 min x 3 x 23 days
Japan Studies 90 min x 11 days

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
1st week	Arrival Day	Orientation Campus Tour	Japanese Class(Placement Test) Welcome Party	Japanese Class Japan Studies	Japanese Class Japan Studies	Off	Off
2nd week	Japanese Class Japan Studies	Japanese Class PM Free	Japanese Class Japan Studies	Japanese Class PM Free	Japanese Class Japan Studies	Off	Off
3rd week	Japanese Class PM Free	Japanese Class Japan Studies	Japanese Class PM Free	Japanese Class Japan Studies	Japanese Class PM Free	Off	Off
4th week	Japanese Class Japan Studies	Japanese Class PM Free	Japanese Class Japan Studies	Japanese Class PM Free	Japanese Class Japan Studies	Off	Off
5th week	Japanese Class PM Free	Japanese Class PM Free	Japanese Class Japan Studies	Japanese Class PM Free	Japanese Class Completion Ceremony Farewell Party	Bye!	