

Konan University Summer Intensive Japanese Program

The Summer Intensive Japanese Program is a 6-week intensive Japanese language program offered at Konan University located in Kobe, Japan. The main purpose of this program is to offer international students intensive Japanese language classes while they simultaneously explore life and culture with a Japanese host family. The program is designed to immerse students in a comprehensive Japanese language environment for the purpose of increasing communicative competence and cultural awareness.

Program Schedule: June 5 - July 19, 2020

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June 5	Friday	Arrival and Registration	
June 6	Saturday	General Orientation, Home Stay Begins	
June 8	Monday	Classes Begin	
June 20	Saturday	Field Trip 1	
June 27	Saturday	Field Trip 2	
July 17	Friday	Last Day of Instruction, Farewell Party	
July 18	Saturday	Rest / Packing	
July 19	Sunday	Departure	

Applicants: 35 students

Konan University will accept 35 participants in the 2020 Summer Intensive Japanese Program.

*The program may be cancelled if there are fewer than 10 applicants.

Program Fee: ¥300,000

- (i) Program Fee includes tuition fee, and expenses for textbooks, teaching materials, two scheduled field trips, experiential activities, orientation sessions, transportation to and from the airport, hotel accommodation on the first day, transportation of baggage, daily transportation to and from Konan University and home stay accommodations. The expense for home stay accommodations includes two meals a day (breakfast and dinner) on weekdays and three meals a day on weekends.
- (ii) Details concerning payment of program fee will be sent to participating universities.
- (iii) Liability Insurance that covers liability of damage to property and residual disabilities due to accidents.

Application Deadline: March 20, 2020

Students applying for the Summer Intensive Japanese Program must complete the Program Application Form, Questionnaires and necessary documents and submit them to the Study Abroad Center at their home university. A complete set of application forms must be received at Konan University by March 20, 2020.

Important: Applications that are received passed the deadline will not be processed. Please check with your study abroad advisor for the application deadline at your home university.

Payment Deadline: April 20, 2020

A refund of the program fee, minus a 10,000 yen non-refundable cancellation fee and bank fees incurred to refund the program fee will be issued if the student cancels by the deadline of 5 p. m. on April 30, 2020 (Japanese time). If the cancelation request is received after 5 p.m. on the deadline, the student will not be eligible for a refund of the program fee. If your payment is not confirmed by the due date, we will proceed with the cancellation procedures for you/your students' enrollments.

Curriculum:

Applicants are required to complete Questionnaire A to help instructors evaluate their Japanese language ability. Students will be placed according to language level in a maximum of 3 classes. For program schedule information, see the Weekly Schedule.

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(i)	Level: Beginner's to Intermediate level		
(ii)	Prerequisites: Successful completion of approximately 150 or more hours of Japanese		
	language instruction.		
	NOTE: This is a demanding program that is most suitable for students who have both achieved		
	considerable success in their previous Japanese language studies and have a high degree of		
	motivation to continue those studies.		
(iii)	Total instructional hours: 120 hours		
	* Japanese language instruction: 105 hours		
	* Supervised experiential learning: 5 hours		
	* Lectures on Japan: 10 hours		
(iv)	Instructional Focus: Japanese language development (grammar, reading comprehension,		
	listening comprehension, conversational skills), study tours to World Heritage sites,		
	supervised experiential learning, and lectures on Japan		
(v)	Textbook: Konan's original main textbook and compiled teaching materials		

Field Trips:

(1) Osaka located in the center of Kansai area in Japan Osaka Info: http://www.osaka-info.jp/en/

(2) Kyoto, a rich repository of fascinating tasteful streets and beautiful nature Kyoto Info: http://www.kyoto.travel/

Experiential Activities:

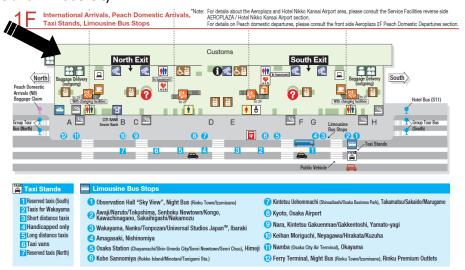
Students will study Japanese language through experiencing Japanese traditional and cultural activities such as *Wadaiko* (Japanese traditional drums), *Sadō* (Japanese ceremonial tea-making), *Shodō* (Japanese calligraphy with a brush pen), etc.

Lectures on Japan:

In the class of Japanese Flower Arrangement, following a lecture on the history and meaning of Ikebana, students will arrange flowers after a hands-on demonstration of the art of flower arrangement. In other classes, students will explore the Japanese variant of earth-friendly living and look at the modern equivalents of Edo innovation and discuss the prospects for the wider applicability of sustainable living as practiced in Japan. Guest speakers will tell their own stories about living as a member of an ethnic minority in Japanese society, following a mini-lecture.

Arrival:

(i) Students are requested to arrive at Kansai International Airport (KIX) between 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 5, 2020 (Japanese time). Konan International Exchange Center staff members will be on hand to meet inbound students near the International Arrival North Exit. Students should proceed to Baggage Delivery (outgoing) indicated on the map and wait to be accompanied to Kobe Plaza Hotel located on Rokko Island in Kobe City.



(ii) Students planning to arrive after 6:00 p.m., should make their own transportation arrangements to Hotel Plaza Kobe.

Address: Kobe, Higashinada-ku, Koyocho, 2-9-1

Tel: +81-(0)78-846-5400

- (iii) In case of emergency or flight delay, please contact KIEC (<u>kiec-in@adm.konan-u.ac.jp</u>) by 6:00 p.m. (Japanese time). After 6:00 p.m. (Japanese time), please contact 110kiec@konan-u.ac.jp. KIEC Office Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, closed on Sunday and Japanese National Holidays.
- (iv) Orientation sessions will be held at Konan University on the Okamoto Campus.

Orientation Session:

There will be a general orientation session at Konan University on Saturday, June 6, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to help students prepare for living with their Japanese host family. Students will meet their host families after orientation to begin their 6-week home stay experience in Japan.

Home Stay:

- (i) Participants of the Summer Intensive Japanese Program live with host families throughout their stay in Japan. Studying the Japanese language in an immersive environment helps to motivate and rapidly improve students' Japanese language ability. This experience also exposes students to Japanese daily life and customs, ensuring a much deeper understanding of Japanese culture than otherwise possible. Host families will provide students with two meals a day (breakfast and dinner) on weekdays and three meals a day on weekends.
- (ii) You will be asked to provide information that will help KIEC in matching students with host families. Please be aware that we cannot guarantee you will be matched with a host family that meets all your preferences. We also unable to guarantee that you will be the only home stay students staying with your host family. Please be sure to fill out all questionnaires carefully, and provide KIEC with any additional information that you think might help in selecting a compatible host family for you.

Student Interaction & Activities

Student life at Konan University is enriched by student activities for an array of exchange opportunities between international exchange students and Konan University students. KIEC organizes programs and encourages on-campus student exchange. These activities give students opportunities to practice language skills, heighten cultural awareness, and global perspectives.

●Tomodachi Program

The Tomodachi Program matches 1 or 2 Konan student volunteer to assist exchange students who have been accepted to the Summer Intensive Japanese program. Friends from Konan will contact exchange students by email to introduce themselves and provide pre-departure support. Exchange students will meet their friends after their arrival.

Global Zone Porte

All students are welcome to join any of the activities held daily at Global Zone Porte. A meeting place for internationally-minded students, Global Zone Porte is comprised of 3 areas; the Ajisai Room, the KONAN Language LOFT, and the Global Learning Commons. It is centrally located on campus and considered by many to be the hub of international events and activities for students. Students participating in the Summer Intensive Japanese Program are invited to volunteer as student tutors at the KONAN Language LOFT, the university's self-access learning center, to help Konan students improve their communication skills in English by facilitating interaction and encouraging active participation in games and activities. It's a great opportunity to develop cross-cultural understanding and global competence while making friends at Konan University.

Important Notice

To participate in the Summer Intensive Japanese Program at Konan University, students must have international medical and travel insurance for the duration the program.

Students who do not have international medical and travel insurance will need to purchase medical insurance specified by Konan University upon arrival. Students are required to carry a copy of their insurance.

It is also strongly recommend that students bring any necessary medication.



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