

SJJP

2010-2011

“Study Japan Program”

—鈴鹿国際大学日本文化研究プログラム—

Suzuka International University

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The Study Japan Program for 2010-11

The Study Japan Program (SJP) is a Japanese language and culture program for foreign students. Program participants will gain fluency in spoken and written Japanese through active participation in the language classes, and also a deeper understanding of Japanese culture and society through workshops and lectures.

As part of SIU's educational objective, founded on the "the belief that it is necessary to cultivate one to one relations in order to develop an international society", SJP participants are encouraged to actively contribute to Internationalization in the community outside the university. Throughout the SJP term we hope the students will take advantage of the various chances to participate in SIU sponsored international exchange activities, community based events, and hands-on learning experiences.

1. **Program Capacity:** About 10 students per class

2. **Program Length:** Maximum 8 months, from late September to end of January for part 1, and from April to end of July for part 2. Students may choose to do only part 1 if they wish. In either case students receive a one-year student visa. In addition, it is possible to extend the study period after completing part 2 by staying on as a "research student".



3. **Program Application Requirements:**
 - a) Applicants must be presently registered in a university or college program or have graduated from at least a 2-year college program.
 - b) Applicants must understand explanations and documents in English or Japanese.
 - c) Applicants must have achieved an intermediate level of Japanese (roughly level 2 of Japanese Language Proficiency test or equivalent).Completed Study Hours: about 600 hours or more

Vocabulary: about 6000 words

Kanji Knowledge: about 1,000 characters

4. Application Procedures:

- a) Complete the SJP application form.
- b) Attach university transcripts and/or a copy of your university/college degree certificate.
- c) Provide a copy of your passport identity page. Applicants already resident in Japan are required to also provide a copy of their current visa and foreign registration card.
- d) Include a recommendation letter (current or previous Japanese language teacher, academic advisor, workplace senior)
- e) Please explain, in Japanese, your reasons for studying in the SJP.

5. Program Application Deadline: June 18, 2010

Please be sure to send all of the application materials to the following address. If you send a fax copy of any materials, be sure to mail the originals as well. Applicants to the Study Japan Program will be notified of their application status by E-mail by Wednesday, June 30. In addition, written notification will be sent to successful applicants by regular mail.

Suzuka International University – International Exchange Center
663-222 Koriyama-cho, Suzuka
Mie, 510-0298 Japan

Tel (from overseas): 81-59-372-3921

Fax (from overseas): 81-59-372-3935

Tel (domestic): 059-372-3921

Fax (domestic): 059-372-3935



For any further questions about the application procedure please contact us at iec@m.suzuka-iu.ac.jp

6. Important Program Dates for 2010-2011:

September 13 – 16	move into apartments
September 17	Japanese assessment test
September 21	orientation
September 23	start of classes
December 25 – January 4	winter vacation
January 18	end of classes
January 24 – 28	final examination
January 28 (tentative)	SJP commencement ceremony
April 1 (tentative)	Japanese assessment test for SJP part 2
April 4 (tentative)	start of classes for SJP part 2
July 21 (tentative)	end of classes for SJP part 2
July 25 – July 29 (tentative)	final examination
July 29 (tentative)	SJP commencement ceremony
August 10 (tentative)	last day to vacate apartments



7. Program Hours :

<Part 1>

SJP Japanese language classes - 6 classes (9.0 hours / week) X 15 weeks

Minimum 3 classes from the SIU calendar (non-SJP classes). These classes can be additional Japanese language classes for foreign students. It is also possible to take more than 3 classes. - 3 classes (4.5 hours / week) X 15 weeks

Lecture on Japan and International Society (conducted in English)

1 class (1.5 hours / week) X 15 weeks

Field study / workshop on Japanese Culture and Society*

4 hours X 6 weeks (every other week)

Total: minimum 249 hours

*Possible Cultural Workshops and Excursions

1. Visit to historical town of Seki-cho on the Tokaido
2. Kimono culture lecture and demonstration
3. Japanese calligraphy
4. Tea ceremony
5. Japanese cooking
6. Visit to Tsubaki Shrine
7. Visit to Japanese temple to practice zazen
8. Visit to Honda Suzuka factory



<part 2>

SJP Japanese language classes – 3 classes (4.5 hours / week) X 15 weeks

Minimum 5 classes from the SIU calendar (non-SJP classes). These classes can be Japanese language classes for foreign students. It is also possible to take more than 5 classes. – 5 classes (7.5 hours / week) X 15 weeks

Total: minimum 180 hours

8. **Support:**

Time spent at SIU should be worry free, allowing students to concentrate on their studies. Therefore each SJP participant is assigned a faculty advisor who can offer advice regarding academic issues. The office staff of the International Exchange Center is available from 9 am to 5:15 pm, Monday – Friday, and will provide assistance in the case of any other concern. Participants are also assigned a mailbox in the International Exchange Center and should check it regularly for notices concerning the program and outside activities. If a participant requires help outside of office hours, including weekends, International Exchange Center staff can be reached by phone.

9. **International Exchange Community Outreach:**

All foreign students at SIU are welcome to join the Global Studies Program. Under this program students visit schools, from kindergarten to senior secondary, or community centers in the Suzuka area to speak about or demonstrate their own culture. This is a good opportunity to meet citizens of Suzuka. Participants receive an honorarium from the university.



The Daigakusai (University Festival) in late October and the International Festival also offer plenty of fun opportunities for SJP participants to meet and exchange ideas with Mie prefecture's citizens. Students in the past have set up information tables about their own countries, performed on stage with student clubs, and helped with food stalls. These are exciting ways to become an active member of the university community.

10. **Accommodation:**

SIU will prepare furnished apartments for participants conveniently located near the university and shopping. (See 13 for payment information.)

Before entering an apartment, each participant is also required to sign a rental agreement with SIU, which stipulates that rules, set by the university, will be abided. Failure to honour the agreement can lead to eviction.

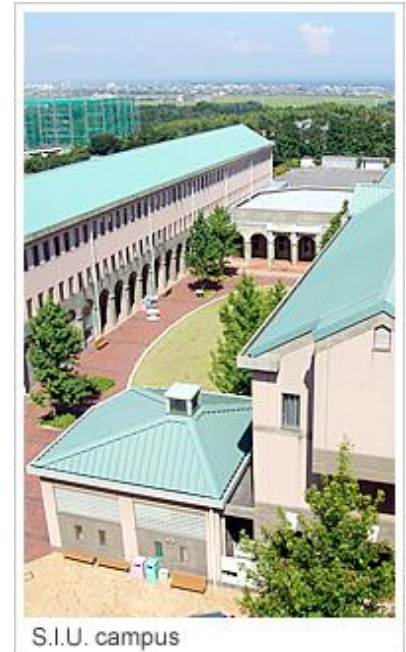


11. Home Stay Visit:

SJP participants may wish to experience a home stay or weekend home visit to deepen their knowledge of life in Japan. Those who wish to do so should make a request through the International Exchange Center.

12. University Facilities and Club Activities:

SJP participants may use all facilities open to regular students. These facilities include use of the library, gymnasium, physical training room, computer and language laboratories, cafeteria and clubrooms. Students are also encouraged to join club activities. There is something to satisfy almost any interest.



13. Tuition and Other Expenses:

- a) Tuition is 250000 yen/term and is to be paid in one payment.
- b) Apartment rent about 30000 to 40000 yen/month has to be paid to the university every month. This does not include gas/water/electricity. Total for utility bills is about 6000 to 15000 yen/month. A futon set lease price is 7665 yen/year.
- c) 950 yen/year is required for student accident insurance.
- d) SJP participants register for Japanese National Health Insurance. For those already living in Japan the fee varies depending on the previous year's income. For those coming directly from overseas the fee will be roughly 2000 yen/month.

All payments made within Japan should be sent to the following university bank account.

The Daisan Bank Ltd. Chisato branch

Ordinary account: No. 667969

Beneficiary: Kyoeigakuen Suzuka International University

All payments made from outside Japan should be sent to the following university bank account.

Bank Name: The Hyakugo Bank

Branch: Suzuka Branch

Branch number: 301

Bank address: 4-138 Nishijo, Suzuka, Mie 513-8691, Japan

Account name: School Corporation Kyoeigakuen
Suzuka International University

Account number: 374182

Account holder (SIU) mailing address: 663-222 Koriyama-cho,
Suzuka, Mie 510-0298, Japan

Bank ABA Number / Sort code: 0155

BIC / SWIFT Address: HYKGGPJT

14. Study Extension:

SJP students who would like to extend their studies at SIU after completion of the program can apply for research student status and continue taking classes in the regular program. For further information please contact the International Exchange Center.



15. Study Japan Program <<Part 1>> Schedule (September 23, 2010 to January 28, 2011)

	1 (9:00-10:30)	2 (10:40-12:10)	3 (12:50-14:20)	4 (14:30-16:00)	5 (16:10-17:40)
Mon	<u>Japanese for Current Topics</u>	<u>Conversation Strategies in Japanese</u>			
Tue		<u>Project Work</u>			
Wed		<u>Practical Japanese I</u>			
Thu	<u>Practical Japanese I</u>	<u>Project Work</u>			
Fri		Lecture Series on "Japan and International Society"	Cultural Workshop (- 17:00)		

 : SJP Japanese language classes

- The Study Japan Program (SJP) at SIU has created specific classes for its participants so that they may improve their knowledge on Japanese society and culture, and language proficiency as quickly as possible. SJP participants are required to take all the classes in the above schedule table.
- Lecture Series on "Japan and International Society" will be held mainly in English, and the lecturer and theme change every week or every other week. This lecture series is for SJP participants, regular university students and local citizens.
- The Cultural Workshop will be offered 6 times on Friday afternoons.
- SJP participants should take 3 classes or more from the university calendar.



<<Sample Schedules>>

* Sample 1-A For those who want to study Japanese language more intensively

	1 (9:00-10:30)	2 (10:40-12:10)	3 (12:50-14:20)	4 (14:30-16:00)	5 (16:10-17:40)
Mon	<u>Japanese for Current Topics</u>	<u>Conversation Strategies in Japanese</u>		Japan Tourism Geographical Description	
Tue		<u>Project Work</u>	Japanese Conversation II		
Wed		<u>Practical Japanese I</u>	Japanese Reading II		
Thu	<u>Practical Japanese I</u>	<u>Project Work</u>			
Fri		Lecture Series on "Japan and International Society"	Cultural Workshop (- 17:00)		

 : Japanese language classes. Underlined classes are for SJP students alone.

* Sample 1-B For those who are interested in business in Japan

	1 (9:00-10:30)	2 (10:40-12:10)	3 (12:50-14:20)	4 (14:30-16:00)	5 (16:10-17:40)
Mon	<u>Japanese for Current Topics</u>	<u>Conversation Strategies in Japanese</u>			
Tue		<u>Project Work</u>	Japanese Conversation II		
Wed		<u>Practical Japanese I</u>	Japanese Reading II		
Thu	<u>Practical Japanese I</u>	<u>Project Work</u>	Ground Theory of Business Administration		
Fri		Lecture Series on "Japan and International Society"	Cultural Workshop (- 17:00)		

 : Japanese language classes. Underlined classes are for SJP students alone.

16. Study Japan Program <<Part 2>> Sample Schedules (April to July 2011)

In part 2, SJP participants should take 5 classes or more from the university calendar in addition to the 3 SJP classes. See the sample schedules below for your information.

* Sample 2-A For those who want to study Japanese language more intensively

	1 (9:00-10:30)	2 (10:40-12:10)	3 (12:50-14:20)	4 (14:30-16:00)	5 (16:10-17:40)
Mon	<u>Practical Japanese II</u>	<u>Practical Japanese II</u>	Japanese Culture		
Tue			Japanese Conversation I	Japanese Conversation III	
Wed	Japanese Reading III		Japanese Reading I		
Thu	Japanese Writing I		<u>Japanese through Communication Media</u>	Japanese Writing III	
Fri		Cultural Comparison of Languages			

 : Japanese language classes. Underlined classes are for SJP students alone.

* Sample 2-B For those who are interested in business in Japan

	1 (9:00-10:30)	2 (10:40-12:10)	3 (12:50-14:20)	4 (14:30-16:00)	5 (16:10-17:40)
Mon	<u>Practical Japanese II</u>	<u>Practical Japanese II</u>	Japanese Culture		
Tue		History of Japanese Culture		Japan in the World	
Wed			History of Japanese Economy		
Thu			<u>Japanese through Communication Media</u>		
Fri		Theory of Marketing			

 : Japanese language classes. Underlined classes are for SJP students alone.