



2024 SEINAN SUMMER JAPANESE PROGRAM

Seinan Gakuin University, Fukuoka, Japan

1. Program Overview

Taking advantage of its long-standing history of Japanese language education since the 1970s, Seinan Summer Program delivers excellent linguistic training in a richly international environment to all participants every year. It provides you with intensive Japanese training through many interactive activities and experience-based learning (=“*TAIKEN-GATA GAKUSHU*” (体験型学習)).

Session Dates	June 19 – July 19, 2024
Move-in Date	June 17 & 18, 2024
Move-out Date	July 20 & 21, 2024
Capacity	Up to 80
Class Level	Introductory to Advanced (5 levels)
Classes	28 classes + Exam (100 min × 2 classes/day × 14 days)
Total Credit Hours*	90 credit hours
Extracurricular Activities	- A day field trip in Fukuoka to visit local shrines, temples, and other attractions - An overnight field trip in/near the Kyushu area - Optional Japanese culture classes and activities
Housing	On-campus Housing (International House I, II, or III) *Applicants will be randomly assigned to one of 3 dormitories and any requests on the specific type of housing, rooms, or roommates, cannot be accepted.
Application Fee	12,000 JPY (Non-refundable)
Program Fee	170,000 JPY (Partners) 180,000 JPY (Non-Partner)

*Total credit hours include **BOTH in-class hours AND out-of-class hours** such as reviewing and preparing for the next class and extracurricular activities.

The following are included in the program fee:

- Tuition
- Course materials
- Accommodations on campus
- Field trips

The following are **NOT** included in the program fee:

- Airfare
- Travel Insurance

*Required to purchase travel insurance that covers all your medical expenses and personal liability during your stay in Japan.

- Meals and other personal expenses

2. Program Features

Session Features	Introductory Class	Beginning (I) to Advanced Class (IV)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Acquire the natural Japanese language used in everyday life even if you cannot read and write Japanese letters, <i>HIRAGANA</i> and <i>KATAKANA</i>. - Learn simple Japanese sentence patterns with minimum vocabulary through several conversation practices with classmates and Japanese students. 	<p>Through a variety of experience-based learning outside of the classroom, you will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - learn Japanese sentence patterns and vocabulary according to the Japanese class level from Beginning (I) to Advanced (IV). - brush up your Japanese skills and discover new horizons in your use of the Japanese language.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Several on/off-campus experiences-based learning taking advantage of being in Japan. (=“<i>TAIKEN-GATA GAKUSHU</i>” (体験型学習)) <p>*e.g. Conversation practice/project work with Japanese students, interviewing the neighbors, researching Japanese society/culture, etc.</p>		

Eligibility	<p>Applicants MUST:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) have completed the equivalent of a <u>high school diploma from educational institutions outside of Japan</u> AND <u>be living outside Japan at the time of application.</u> 2) maintain enough English and/or Japanese proficiencies that enable them to catch up with the classes taught in English and/or Japanese. 	
	Introductory Class	Beginning (I) to Advanced Class (IV)
	<p>For those who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - have NEVER STUDIED Japanese before, <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - have Japanese study history at any educational institution for LESS THAN ONE semester at the time of the application. 	<p>Applicants MUST:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3) have studied the Japanese language which is MORE THAN ONE semester at any educational institution at the time of the application.





3. Refund Policy

If you wish to withdraw from the program, you must inform us by email (inbound@seinan-gu.ac.jp).

The following refund policy applies based on the date SGU confirms your withdrawal by email (Japan Time).

Full Refund	From the date of payment to May 16
50% Refund	From May 17 to June 15
No Refund	After June 16
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The application fee is NOT refundable. - All processing fees related to the bank transfer will be deducted from the refund. - The refund amount is calculated based on the date SGU confirms your withdrawal by email. (Japan Time)

4. Application Steps

STEP 1		<p>Complete the <u>Online Application</u> PASSWORD: <u>summer2024</u></p>
STEP 2	<p>You ↓ SGU</p>	<p>Submit the Required Documents via Email by <u>March 31, 2024</u></p> <p>1. Digital image of the applicant's photo (in jpeg format) It must be: - taken within the last 6 months - clear and in focus and taken against a plain background - taken with no hats</p> <p>2. Copy of passport photo page (in jpeg/pdf format)</p> <p>3. <u>[Applicants from partner institutions only]</u> Proof of your current enrollment* at your home institution (in a jpeg/pdf format) *Either of the following digital copies is accepted: - Student ID card issued by your home institution - Certificate of Enrollment in English</p> <p>[Notes] 1) ALL of the above-mentioned documents are to be submitted in pdf/jpg to <inbound@seinan-gu.ac.jp> AFTER submitting your online application. 2) Once the number of applications reaches the maximum enrollment limit, <u>further applications will be placed on the waiting list and acceptance cannot be guaranteed.</u></p>    
STEP 3	<p>SGU ↓ You</p>	<p>Issue an Acceptance Letter</p> <p>After receiving all application materials (=STEP 2), we will proceed with the reviewing process to see if you are eligible to apply for the summer program. Once your application is approved, we will send you an acceptance notification along with the payment instructions.</p>
STEP 4	<p>You ↓ SGU</p>	<p>Make Payment for Application & Program Fees</p> <p>You will be requested to complete the payment for the fees through the wire transfer platform we partnered with – Convera.</p>
STEP 5	<p>You ↓ SGU</p>	<p><u>[ALL Applicants Except for Absolute Beginners in Japanese]</u> Take the Online Japanese Placement Test</p> <p>The details will be announced once the acceptance letter is issued.</p>