



HIROSHIMA UNIVERSITY STUDY ABROAD (HUSA) PROGRAM INFORMATION SHEET

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General Information about Hiroshima University

University Name	Hiroshima University / 広島大学
University Features	<p>Hiroshima University is one of the main academic centers in Western Japan and attracts students from all over Japan. Beside the 11 faculties and schools, there are 11 graduate schools that offer master's and doctoral degree courses: Letters, Education, Social Sciences, Biomedical Science, Science, Advanced Sciences of Matter, Health Sciences, Engineering, Biosphere Science, International Development and Cooperation, Integrated Arts and Sciences, and Law.</p> <p>As higher education in Japan is currently undergoing far-reaching reforms, Hiroshima University is striving hard to secure its place among the top universities in Japan and pursue its five guiding principles: - the pursuit of peace, the creating of new forms of knowledge, nurturing well-rounded human beings, collaborate with the local, regional and international community and continuous self-development.</p> <p>Hiroshima University is selected as one of Japan's top 13 Global University' in December 14, 2014 and has been working to become the globally competitive university in research and education.</p>
Total Numbers of Students / International Students / Professors and Office Staffs	<p>Undergraduate and Graduate Students – approximately 15,500 International Students – approximately 1,500 Professors and Office Staffs – approximately 3,300</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(As of May 2017)</p>
Academic Calendar (Term Dates) and Class Schedule	The academic year in Japan starts in April and ends in March of the next year.



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	<p>Semester Period & Quarter System</p>	<p>Currently Hiroshima University has adopted two systems:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Semester system (2 semesters) 2) Quarter system (4 terms) <p>Please also refer to the chart above 'Academic Calendar & Class Schedule'.</p> <p>Semester System</p> <p>The academic year in Japan starts in April and ends in March of the following year.</p> <p>There are two semesters, (1) Fall Semester (early October – middle of February), and (2) Spring Semester (early April – middle of August).</p> <p>*In case of HUSA Program Exchange Students, students start from fall semester – and there are two options: A. Attending two semesters (Fall & Spring), or B. Attending one semester (Fall Only).</p> <p>Quarter System (4 terms per year)</p> <p>Hiroshima University introduced the "Quarter System" (a 4-term system) in 2015. There are four terms in Quarter System in a year. The class periods of the first semester and the second semester each are divided into two terms, in quarter system.</p>																



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<p>Access and Campus Map</p>	<p>Access https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/access (Japanese) https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/en/access (English)</p> <p>Please refer to “Airport Shuttle Bus” section about the access.</p> <p>Campus Map [Higashi-Hiroshima Campus] https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/access/higashihiroshima (Japanese) https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/en/access (English)</p>				
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<p>Contact Information for General Inquiries</p>	<p>https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/inquiry (Japanese) https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/en/inquiry (English)</p> <p>The site above provides the contact address of the general inquiries on studying at Hiroshima University.</p>				



Hiroshima University Exchange Program [HUSA Program]	
Program Name	Hiroshima University Study Abroad (HUSA) Program 広島大学短期交換留学(HUSA)プログラム
Exchange Program Features	Established in 1996, the Hiroshima University Study Abroad Program, or HUSA, is an exciting and eye-opening international exchange program. Designed specifically for university students who are interested in Japanese culture and society or students who want to deepen and broaden their studies with a period of study abroad, HUSA offers an unparalleled cultural experience for either 6 months or for a full year.
Participation Period	Fall Semester Only (one semester only) OR Fall Semester & Spring Semester (two semesters) Please be reminded that HUSA students can participate in the HUSA Program only from Fall semester (starting from late September).
Language Requirement	In order to participate in the HUSA Program, applicants need to be proficient either in English OR Japanese . (Native English speakers do not need to submit the document of language proficiency tests.) 1.Criteria for English : Equivalent to * TOEFL (iBT) : above 61 * TOEFL (CBT): above 173 * TOEFL (PBT): above 500 * IELTS (Academic) : above 5.0 OR 2.Criteria for Japanese : Equivalent to * Japanese Language Proficiency Test 2nd Grade [Nihongo Noryoku Shiken 日本語能力試験 2級] or above *Please consult Dr. Tsunematsu (HUSA Program Director) in case you have difficulties providing a document specified above. *Providing the valid language proof is prerequisite to be awarded the JASSO scholarship.
Other Requirement	(1) Students must be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate degree program at their home university during their stay in Hiroshima. (2) Student must be a student of a university with which Hiroshima University has concluded a formal short-term student exchange agreement. (3) Students must have a good academic record. (4) Students must have strong academic interest in Japanese culture and society as well as cross-cultural learning.
Areas of Study Open for Exchange Students	HUSA students are eligible to take most of the undergraduate courses. Courses can be mainly categorized as follows according to the language proficiency (English and Japanese). (1) Japanese Language Courses (Elementary, Intermediate, Advanced : 5 levels are offered.) (2) Special Courses (Taught in English)



	<p>(3) Integrated Courses (Mainly taught in Japanese with English subsidiary materials, or taught in English for Japanese regular students)</p> <p>(4) Other Courses (Offered for regular students in Japanese)</p> <p>[Japanese Language Courses] 5 levels of Japanese language courses are offered, from elementary to the advanced level. Students are eligible to take two levels of courses simultaneously, except students in Level 1 (Elementary). Any student who wants to take Japanese language courses are required to take the Japanese Placement Test at the beginning of each semester.</p> <p>“Globalization Support Internship II: Practicum” is offered for HUSA Program students. For the details, please see the homepage of Dr. Naomi Tsunematsu. http://home.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/ntsunema/sangakurenkei.html</p> <p>**Depending on the consultation, graduate students are eligible to take courses taught in English in the Graduate School for International Development and Cooperation (IDEC).</p>
Areas of Study <u>NOT</u> Available to Exchange Students	<p>HUSA students are eligible to take most of the courses in most of the faculties if they have a fairly advanced proficiency in Japanese.</p> <p>At the time of application, applicants are required to provide the proof of 1) English language proficiency, or 2) Japanese language proficiency. Based on the language proficiency level of English and Japanese, HUSA students can quite flexibly take various kinds of courses offered on campus.</p> <p>For the list of courses offered, please refer to the Hiroshima University Syllabus homepage below.</p> <p>*Please be notified, in the field of medicine, law, practicum for pedagogy, and laboratory training for science and engineering courses, there are courses that HUSA students are not eligible to take.</p> <p>https://momiji.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/syllabusHtml/index.html (Japanese) https://momiji.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/syllabusHtml_en/ (English)</p>
Course Catalogue for HUSA Students	<p>For the details, please refer to the homepage below. https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/en/husa/academicprogram/coursetypes</p>
Required Workload	<p>HUSA students can combine semester courses and term courses if they wish, on the condition that students are enrolled in courses for more than 10 contact hours per week by Japanese immigration law.</p>
Tuition and Participation Fee	No charge
Preparatory Language Course for Incoming Students	Not available
Summer Courses	Not available
Exchange Program Homepage	<p><u>[HUSA Program Homepage for Incoming International Students]</u> <Official Website> http://en.hiroshima-u.jp/husa * English only <Facebook> https://www.facebook.com/husaprogram</p>






	<p><u>[HUSA Program Homepage for Outgoing Students]</u> <Official Website> https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/husa *Japanese only</p>
Research / Education Homepage of Dr. Naomi Tsunematsu	<p>http://home.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/ntsunema/index.html</p>



Information for Coordinators and HUSA Program Applicants

<p>Application Procedures (Application Deadlines)</p>	<p>We will give notification on the information for the HUSA Program application to our partner universities in December – January every year.</p>										
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<p>Application Materials</p>	<p>HUSA Program application documents will be uploaded early January on the HUSA Program Homepage. The application documents can be renewed and changed every year. Please refer to the application document section on the website below. https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/en/husa/applprocedure/applicationdocs</p>										
<p>Certificate of Eligibility (CoE, Student Visa)</p>	<p>After the notification of admission into the HUSA Program, the International Exchange Group of HU will assist the students with obtaining ‘Certificate of Eligibility’ (CoE). Students will receive the ‘Certificate of Admission’ as attachments, together with the information on the necessary procedures for CoE via email. <u>Please be reminded that the CoE application will become invalid if students apply CoE before our announcement.</u></p>										
<p>Orientation Schedule for Incoming Students</p>	<p><u>HUSA Program will hold 2 days Orientation* in the last week of September.</u></p> <p>*The specific dates will be announced on the HUSA Program homepage. *Attendance on both days is mandatory for all participants of the HUSA Program.</p> <p>Orientation will cover all the important issues for exchange students, such as class registration, staff introduction, cultural awareness, registration for dormitory, ID card, cross-cultural seminar, International events, etc. You will also meet HUSA staff.</p>										
<p>Airport Shuttle Bus</p>	<p>Shuttle Bus will run ONLY on the expected arrival date, one day before the HUSA Program Orientation. Bus will depart at 2:30 pm from Hiroshima airport. The bus fare will cost 1,000 yen. If your flight’s arrival time at Hiroshima Airport is after 2:30 pm on the expected arrival date, you are expected to come to the campus by public transportation by your own arrangement. If you intend to come to the campus by yourself, please refer to the directions below.</p>										



	<p><Hiroshima Airport to Hiroshima University, Higashi-Hiroshima Campus></p> <p>A. Hiroshima Airport to Saijo Station (Bus & Train)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Take Geiyo Bus from Hiroshima Airport to Shiraichi Station (approx. 15 minutes) 2. Transfer to the train bound for Saijo, Hiroshima and Iwakuni, and get off at Saijo Station (approx. 10 minutes from Shiraichi to Saijo) . <p>B. Saijo Station to the Campus (Bus)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ There are two bus companies that provide a bus service between Saijo Station and the Hiroshima University, Higashi-Hiroshima Campus. ❖ It will take approximately 15 minutes. Buses depart from bus stop No.3 in front of Saijo Station. ❖ There are several bus stops around the campus, and please get off at Hirodai-Nishiguchi (West Entrance) if you want to come to the Student Plaza where the International Exchange Group is located. <p><Information on Bus and Train></p> <p>A. Hiroshima Airport to Saijo Station (Bus & Train)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.【Bus】Hiroshima Airport → Shiraichi station (JR Line) [About 15 mins, 390 yen] 2.【Train】Shiraichi station (JR Line) → Saijo station (JR Line) [About 10 mins, 200 yen] <p>B. Saijo Station to the Campus (Bus)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3.【Bus】Saijo station (JR Line) → Hiroshima University [About 15 mins, 290 yen]   
<p>Accommodation</p>	<p><u>University Dormitory (Ikenoue Student Dormitory)</u></p> <p>Majority of students enrolled in the HUSA Program are housed in the Ikenoue Student Dormitory Complex, located at ten minutes walking distance from the campus.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> …Single room …Shared kitchen, shower room and laundry room …Monthly rent 4,700-15,000 yen (approx. US\$50-150) plus cleaning fee and utilities* 10,000 yen (approx. US\$100) …No deposit …No meal plan <p>*Utility cost (heat, light and water expenses) will be charged separately.</p> <p>(Housing Information) https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/nyugaku/shien/jyuukyo/gakuseisyukusya (Japanese) https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/en/nyugaku/shien/jyuukyo/gakuseisyukusya (English)</p> <p>[Ikenoue Student Dormitory Open and Close Dates] Please note that schedule is subject to change slightly.</p> <p><u><Fall Semester></u> Open: The final week of September Close: March 31</p> <p><u><Spring Semester></u> Open: April 1 Close: August 31</p>



	<p><u>Private Apartments Rented by Hiroshima University (Kariage-Shukusya)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Hiroshima University organizes the rental of private apartments (<i>Kariage-Syukusya</i>) near the Higashi-Hiroshima Campus, which can be rented at a cheaper rate than the general market price, for new international students who are enrolled in the university. Price ranges : ¥20,000, ¥15,000 and ¥10,000 (per month) ❖ If students wish to reside in off-campus apartments other than the private apartments organized by the university, they will be required to be fully responsible for arranging their own housing. <p>(Leased Accommodation by Hiroshima University) http://www.sumumu.com/user/hiroshima_univ/house.html</p>
Meal Plan	Not available
Living costs (per month)	<p>The housing cost, etc. are approximately as follows. Housing fee depends on the assigned housing specifically.</p> <p>Housing 4,700-20,000 yen (approx. US\$50-200) plus cleaning fee and utilities* 10,000 yen (approx. US\$100) * Utility cost (heat, light and water expenses) will be charged separately.</p> <p>Meals 40,000 yen (approx. US\$400), No meal plan offered</p> <p>National Health Insurance * 2,000 yen (approx. US\$20) * Purchase of the National Health Insurance (NHI) is mandatory for ALL HUSA students. It covers 70% of all the medical expenses in Japan, except for the followings: Medical check-ups, vaccinations, childbirth and plastic surgery. If you show the NHI card when you go and see a doctor at the hospital, the NHI will cover a part of medical expenses.</p> <p>Cell phone & Internet (optional) 10,000 yen (approx. US\$100)</p>
Vaccination Requirement	None
Health Facilities on Campus	There is Health Center on campus where students can see a general doctor. Students are also required to take free health check-ups at the Health Center on campus.
Information for New Students	<p>Please read carefully the “Information for New Students” which is specifically issued for the HUSA Program students. https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/en/husa/currentstudents/infonew *English only</p>



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