2017/18 Sanuki Program

@ Kagawa University



Students singing at the Closing Ceremony July 2017

International Office Kagawa University Japan

About Kagawa University



Kagawa University is a national, comprehensive university. The university has six faculties; Education, Economics, Law, Agriculture, Medicine, and Engineering. There are more than 6000 students studying here, of which, over 200 are international students. The university is situated in Takamatsu city (population over 400,000), the capital city of Kagawa Prefecture (population over 1,000,000). The climate is Mediterranean-like, with pleasant temperatures throughout the year. Some summers, however, can be a little hot. Takamatsu city has a relatively low cost of living compared to other urban areas in Japan.

Program description



This program is conducted by the International Student Center, which is part of the International Office of the university. It is a one-semester program that is conducted twice in an academic year. Students enrolled in this program shall be affiliated to Kagawa University International Office.

Period of program



The first program was launched on 1st October 2014. This was followed by the second program which began on 1st April 2015. These one-semester programs shall be conducted in a similar manner in the years to come. Specifically, the program periods are 1st October to the end of February, and 1st April to mid August of each year.

Target students



The program is primarily targeted at undergraduate students who are enrolled full time at a university having an exchange agreement with Kagawa University. The status of these students shall be that of 'exchange students' under the ambit of the academic exchange agreement.

Courses in the program



Depending on the language ability, courses taken may differ from student to student. For beginners in Japanese language, we provide basic language instruction. For those with N2 or N1 in Japanese language, they can enroll for the 'regular' classes that are conducted in the Japanese language.

The courses include basic Japanese Language, Japanese Culture, and a course called 'Project Sanuki'. Basic Japanese Language introduces the student to the foundations of the language. Japanese Culture course offers content related to things Kagawa. 'Project Sanuki' is a research based course whereby international students work with Japanese students on issues related to Kagawa. In addition, we also require students to enroll in a management class that is conducted in English at the Faculty of Economics. Basically, students are required to take courses offered in this program throughout the period.

Connection with the major courses



As noted above, students with N2 or N1 level of Japanese Language may be able to take 'regular' courses in their major field in the related faculties. KUIO shall try to coordinate with the appropriate faculty to assist students in enrolling for the classes. For these students, we recommend that they refer to our brochure in Japanese Language.

Timetable (example)

1	講義名 Lecture	担当教員	
		Lecturer	備考 Miscellaneous
	1		
2	2 初級日本語 Elementary Japanese	塩井 Shioi	
3月	3 初級日本語 Elementary Japanese	塩井 Shioi	
Mon 4	初級日本事情 Japanese current affairs: Japanese Official Development Assistance toward the developing countries	野田 Noda	Japanese students may also join.
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2	2 初級日本語 Elementary Japanese	塩井 Shioi	
火 3 Tue	3 初級日本語 Elementary Japanese	塩井 Shioi	
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2	2 初級日本語 Elementary Japanese	和田 Wada	
水 _{Wed} 3	3 初級日本語 Elementary Japanese	和田 Wada	
4	初級日本事情 Japanese current affairs: Scrutinizing Kagawa	植村 Uemura	Japanese students may join this course.
5	5		
1	1		
2	2 初級日本語 Elementary Japanese	高水 Takamizu	
木 3 Thu	3 初級日本語 Elementary Japanese	高水 Takamizu	
4	-	IO教員 KUIO faculty members	This course is led by Lrong. Japanese students may join this course. Conducted in both English and Japanese language.
5	5 Project Sanuki		
1	1 初級日本語 Elementary Japanese	高水 Takamizu	
2 金	Elementary Japanese	高水 Takamizu	
Fri 3	3		
4	Globalization in the higher education sector	ロン Lrong	Japanese students may join this course.
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Yellow cells show classes that are credited.

Globalization in the higher education sector is a two-credit class conducted under the Faculty of Economics. This timetable is an example for students with entry level of Japanese Language.

Number of hours/classes in program



Japanese immigration laws require full-time international students to take at least 10 hours of classes per week. This translates to a minimum of 7 classes per week.

Course descriptions for Sanuki Program 2017-18

Elementary Japanese classes

(Shioi, Takamizu), total 6 credits

Students can learn basic skills of the Japanese language: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. By mastering Japanese alphabet and basic expressions, students can start communicating with Japanese people in Japanese, which will make your life in Japan easier and more comfortable both in campus and in a local community. These skills will also lead to a better understanding of Japanese culture and community.

Japanese current affairs:

Japanese Official Development Assistance toward the developing countries

(Noda), 2 credits

The introduction of the Japanese Official Development Assistance will recognize the importance of international cooperation based upon the Japanese experiences of its technologies and also through human to human relationships. After WW2, Japan started the nation building from the destruction of the war, this experiences of the Japanese reconstruction is the one of model case for the other developing nation's development style. This program make clear the reason why Japanese Nationals engaged the assistance toward the developing countries.



Japanese current affairs: Scrutinizing Kagawa

(Uemura), 2 credits

This course aims to offer international students an opportunity to deepen their insights and understanding of Japanese culture, history and society through scrutiny of regional environment, artifacts and historical events in Kagawa. The course consists of lectures and discussions based on the lectures. Students are encouraged to contribute their knowledge and experience of their home countries to participate in discussions.

Project Sanuki, 2 credits

(Lrong, all KUIO staff), 2 credits

'Project Sanuki' is a research based course whereby international students work with Japanese students on issues related to Kagawa. The topics can be geography, history, food, culture, tourist attractions, industries, and so on: anything about Sanuki (old name of Kagawa). Students will gain knowledge on our area beyond well-known things including Sanuki Udon (famous noodle) and Sanuki-ben (dialect in Kagawa) at the end of the project.

Globalization in the higher education sector: trends, issues, and strategies

(Lrong), 2 credits

This course is conducted jointly between the International Office and the Faculty of Economics at Kagawa University. International students enrolled in the Sanuki Program sit in the class together with Japanese students who may come from various faculties. The focus of this course is on the higher education sector. We shall see how this sector is affected by globalization through the movements of students across borders. This course aims to equip students with the knowledge to understand the phenomenon of globalization in the area of higher education. In particular, students shall learn of the trends and issues in the sector, and the strategies adopted by nations to attract and host international students.





Assignment of supervisors



Each student is assigned a supervisor from KUIO. This supervisor guides the student in matters relating to daily living, and courses in the program. Depending on the situation and need, a supporting supervisor from the appropriate faculty may be assigned. This supervisor may advise the student in academic issues relating to the major subject.

Example of calendar

October	Start of autumn semester		
	Guidance for living in Kagawa		
	Welcome Party		
November	University Festival		
	One day visit to Japanese factories and culture spots		
	Viewing of autumn leaves and making 'udon' noodles		
December	Reception Party hosted by President for International Students		
	Home Visit Program		
January	Sanuki New Year Party		
February	Final examinations		
	Farewell Party		
March	Graduation Ceremony		
	Spring break		
April	Start of spring semester		
	University Entrance Ceremony		
	Guidance for living in Kagawa		
	Welcome Party		
Мау	Japanese Tea Ceremony		
June	Home Visit Program		
July	Summer trip to island in Seto Inland Sea		
August	Final examination		
	Summer vacation		
	World Gourmet Cooking		
September	Summer vacation		
	Study trip to Japanese factories and culture spots		

Student supporters

All students in this program are paired with 'student supporters' who offer assistance in daily living. In addition, staff members at KUIO and other divisions (such as Health





Extracurricular activities

The university organizes several field trips for international students. They include visits to factories, museums, and well known parks. In these field trips, students have the opportunity to learn about things like making Japanese sweets, Japanese fans, or udon noodles. The President of the university hosts a big reception party for international students at year end.

Student activities (KUFSA, ICES, student clubs)



By default, all international students of the university belong to the Kagawa University Foreign Students Association (KUFSA). Together with a Japanese student club called Kagawa University Inter-Cultural Exchange Society (ICES), events are conducted throughout the year. These events include welcome and farewell parties, day trips to islands in the Seto Inland Sea, autumn leaves viewing, and traditional New Year events (see calendar above). In addition, ICES and KUFSA also conduct a series of 'Monday Event' which consists of the 'Lunch Presentation Meeting' and 'Coffee Time'. International students may also join one of many student clubs such as Kendo, Tea Ceremony, or Japanese traditional music club.

Accommodation



University dormitories are available for the students. The rent is about 20000 yen per month. We shall assist students to apply for these rooms. However, due to the limited number of dormitory rooms, we may not be able to accommodate the desire of students. In such a case, we shall assist students to look for a room in private apartments.

Costs



Exchange students coming through the university exchange agreement shall have their tuition fees waived. However they are responsible for the air fares, room costs, living costs, health insurance costs, medical costs, and other incidentals such as internet and telephone. Depending on the individual lifestyle, living costs can range from about 30000 yen to 50000 yen or more per month.

Scholarship



Depending on the circumstance (year and budget), scholarships may be available for participating students. These scholarships may come from the Kagawa University International Foundation, or from Japan Student Services Organization

Part-time job



Officially, we do not encourage students to take up part-time jobs especially as a way to earn money to support their daily living. At the outset, we advise students to secure sufficient funds to put them through the duration of the program without having to rely on part-time jobs.

Upon completion of the program



A closing ceremony is planned for students who successfully complete the program. Students shall be awarded a Certificate of Completion.

Thereafter, KUIO shall send the transcripts to the university of the student for further processing.

Beyond the program



This program is designed for only one semester. Students who wish to continue studying for one more semester may consider registering as exchange students in the appropriate faculty for the remaining six months. However, please note that almost all classes in the undergraduate level are conducted in Japanese Language. Which means to say that students need to have achieved at least Level N2 to be able to sit in those classes.

Application



Students may not apply directly by themselves. All applications must go through the international office at the applicant's university. All items in the application documents need to be filled in completely and correctly. A Checklist is provided, and students can check the item boxes in accordingly. When all the documents (including the Checklist itself) are properly prepared, hand them over to the international office at your university.



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