Travel Insurance

The Japanese national health insurance is not available for participants and any incurred medical fees will not be covered. Therefore, all participants are required to purchase insurance from their home country before arriving at Shimane University. Before your arrival, you must send a copy of your insurance policy along with a confirmation form showing your insurance.

Although Japan is considered to be one of the safest countries in the world, accidents can happen. As a disclaimer, Shimane University shall not bear any responsibility for costs caused by illness, injury and /or death of the students and any other damages that may occur as a result of accident, disaster, or other unexpected circumstances.



Visa

A Visa is unnecessary for students from countries participating in the Visa Waiver Program. Students in countries that are not included in the Visa Waiver Program shouldreceive a "Temporary Visitor Visa". Please apply for this visa at the Japanese embassy or consulate and include with it your "Invitation Letter", "Summer School Schedule" and "Guarantee" which are issued by Shimane University. Please also include any other necessary documents (passport, financial certificate and so on). Visa issue times may vary according to time and location therefore it is recommended that you apply as soon as possible. If you have any questions about your visa, please contact Japanese embassy or consulate in your country.

Coming to Shimane University

Participants should arrive at JR (Japan Railways) Matsue Station at 1p.m. on July 4th, 2016 via the JR(Japan Railways). Upon your arrival, transportation will be provided from Matsue Station to Shimane University. Although we will gladly provide assistance, guide personnel to Matsue Station will not be provided. Details will be sent out upon acceptance.



If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Shimane University Summer School 2016







Explore Authentic Japan in Shimane





Our Summer School program aims to enhance communication abilities as well as provide a greater global understanding for participating students. During this 2 week program, you will have the opportunity to attend a variety of lectures focused on developing introductory Japanese language skills and expand your understanding of Japanese culture and history from ancient times to the present. In addition to these classes, several cross cultural experiences including a tour of various landmarks, interactions with Japanese students, and a farm stay are planned. Our goal is to assist in providing you with a new appreciation of Japan and hope that you'll be fascinated by the cultural and historical richness that is available in our town. Please come and join us.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	7/4	7/5	7/6	7/7	7/8	7/9
	13:00 Arrival at JR (Japan Railway) Matsue Station	Morning Orientation Campus Tour	Morning Intensive Japanese	Morning Intensive Japanese	Morning Intensive Japanese	Free
	Move into Student Dormitory	Afternoon Meet with Conversation Partners Matsue	Afternoon Lecture: The Attractiveness of Shimane Pref.	Afternoon Free	Afternoon Field study: Protection of Urban Landscapes in Matsue Orientation for Farm Stay	
7/10	7/11	(Castle town) Tour Evening Welcome Party	7/13	7/14	7/15	
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Study tour: Izumo Shrine	Farm Stay	Morning Intensive Japanese	Morning Intensive Japanese	Morning Intensive Japanese	Depart for Your Home Country	
Farm Stay Kagura Performance*1	Return to Student Dormitory	Afternoon Lecture: Foreigner's Lifestyle in Shimane Culture Experience: Tea Ceremony	Afternoon Visit High School	Afternoon Free Evening Completion Ceremony & Farewell Party (Presentation by Participants)		

^{*1.} Kagura: a sacred dance and music performed at shrines

Remarks:

- Lectures, except for Intensive Japanese, are given in English.
- The schedule is subject to change without notice.

■Requirements

- 1. Students must be currently enrolled in an accredited college/university(undergraduate/graduate)
- 2. The summer school will be held mainly in English. For students enrolled in educational institutions where English is not the main language of instruction, the following level of language efficiency or its equivalence is recommended:

TOEFL pbt score: 500
TOEFL ibt score: 60

■Number of Students to be admitted

The maximum number of students to be accepted is 10 in total, while minimum required number of participants is 5. The maximum limit of students from one university shall be no more than 3. If more than 10 students apply, there will be a selection process held by Shimane University.

■ Accommodation

An off-campus dormitory at Shimane University is provided to all participant students during the 2 week program. All participants will share a dorm room with 1 other student. A shared bathroom, toilet and kitchen will be available on each floor. Students will also participate in a Farm-stay for one night.

Fees

80,000JPY

- 64,000JPY for tuition including textbooks, farm stay, transport, and all excursions
- 16,000JPY for accommodation including common services and internet fees

Payment will be accepted by overseas remittance to our bank (account and payment information will be announced upon acceptance).

Remarks

- Please e-mail the receipt of your remittance to our office (ied-koryu@office.shimane-u.ac.jp)
- You may have to pay any additional fees charged by your bank including any handling fees and JPY exchange rate fees.
- · All payments must be made in Japanese yen.
- Checks of any form will NOT be accepted.

Main expenses

- Food (ex.: Approx. 500JPY/meal at a university cafeteria on weekdays)
- Round trip air ticket
- Travel Insurance (See detail on the next page)
- All other personal expenses which are not mentioned above

■ Deadline for the Application

March 24th ,2016

Students who wish to participate in this program should submit the following documents via email: (ied-koryu@office.shimane-u.ac.jp)

- 1. Application Form (in provided format)
- 2. TOEFL score if the applicant is a non-native English speaker.
- *Please submit all documents in a PDF format as an attachment in your email response.

■Certification for completing Summer School

At the end of the program, all participant students are provided with a certification of completion signed by the Director of the Center for International Exchanges of Shimane University.

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