Fukuoka University
School of Japanese Language and Culture

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For International Students

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Fukuoka City

Fukuoka City has a population of 1.57 million, close to other main cities in East Asia. As an economic and cultural center of Kyushu and western Japan, the city has developed as a hub in Asia. Fukuoka has the 3rd highest number of international students in Japan and with approximately 90% of these students coming from Asia.

Fukuoka City has a rich blend of cultural and natural features, mentioned in the Hong Kong “Asia Week” magazine three times since 1997 and ranked number 1 as “Asia’s most livable city”. The U.S. “Newsweek” magazine in July 2006 chose Fukuoka City as one of the best 10 “hottest” cities in the world along with Munich and Las Vegas, for cities that have undergone rapid growth. Furthermore, Fukuoka City ranks number 14 in MONOCLE Magazine’s 2017 survey of the Top 25 Most Livable Cities for a Quality of Life.

Compared to Tokyo and Osaka, Fukuoka City has a lower cost of living. For example, home expenses per month in Tokyo are about 70,000 yen compared to 30,000 to 40,000 in Fukuoka. There are many places where university students can live cheaply.

The main railway station, highway interchange, domestic and international airports have all improved the city’s transportation network making it quick and easy to move around the city and the convenience of this access is another attractive part of Fukuoka.

Fukuoka University

Fukuoka University has a long history and tradition for over 80 years. Located in the southwest of Fukuoka City, the vast campus has a large number of buildings (including hospitals).

There are 9 faculties, 31 departments, 10 graduate schools, and 34 programs. With more than 20,000 students, it is a core university with the most students in the region.

At Fukuoka University, we encourage students to study abroad and enroll international students as part of a policy of internationalization. Our International Center has been established to support this policy of education and research. Currently, we have student exchange programs with the UK, U.S., China and South Korea with partner universities. There were about 210 undergraduate, Masters degree and Doctoral overseas students in 2018. They study with Japanese students with encouraging results of this international exchange both on and off campus.

International students’ school

Fukuoka University strives to cultivate an “international character” while also being “region-focused” helping students to learn in ways relevant to the 21st Century.

To achieve this, the university established the “Fukuoka University School of Japanese Language and Culture for International Students”, which can offer a favorable learning environment with a rich curriculum and courses in Japanese language and culture so that students will be well equipped before entering graduate studies.

Overview

Purpose

The School of Japanese Language and Culture is for international students who wish to enroll at Fukuoka University in one of the faculties as an undergraduate or in the Graduate School or at another Japanese university. Professors of Japanese language and Japanese culture will work together with the goal of fostering the academic skills needed for the aforementioned study in graduate school. In addition, the purpose is to train people with an international perspective who will contribute to wider international cultural exchanges.

Course duration

One year (one-year course), 18 months (18-month course).

Quota

50 students for the one year course and 10 for the 18-month course.

Course enrollment

April (one-year course) and September (one-year course and 18-month course).

Course prerequisites

Applicants should have the nationality of foreign country and meet all the requirements listed below:

• Those who have finished 12 years of school education outside Japan (which is equivalent to the Japanese system: 6 years of elementary school, 3 years of junior high school and 3 years of high school), or those who have had what is equivalent to it and have been approved by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology are considered to be equally or better qualified as the students who have graduated from high schools in Japan.

• Those who have passed the university entrance examination of the relevant country and are eligible for matriculation.

• Those who have N4 or higher level of the Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) operated by Japan Educational Exchanges and Services (JPPS).

• Those who will be over 18 years old by the next April 1st after their completing the program.

Tuition Fees

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Features

Curriculum

- General Japanese Courses
  The students can learn Japanese through listening comprehension, conversation, reading comprehension, Chinese characters and writing in the relevant class depending on their Japanese proficiency level shown in the placement test given before entering the program.

- Japanese Culture Courses and International Culture Courses
  In order to understand past and present Japan, Japanese culture courses offer a basic understanding of a wide range of cultural traditions. In addition, international culture courses focus on Japan from an international perspective featuring basics of international cultural relations.

- Foundation Courses
  These courses, with subjects such as English, mathematics and physics, develop the skills necessary for admission to university undergraduate and graduate study.

- Instructors
  Experienced full-time faculty members with excellent foreign language proficiency will be employed and can offer consultations in English to help students to adjust to their foreign learning environment.

Support for international students

Scholarship system
The school provides an original scholarship for the students.

Housing
Two dormitory buildings can ensure a good study environment.

- International Students House KATAE
  (Rent: 24,000 yen/month, 5 minutes to the University on foot.)
  ※1 tenants per room in principle.

- International Students House Umebayashi
  (Rent: 30,000 yen/month, 10 minutes to the University on foot.)
  ※2 tenants per room in principle.

Tutor system
Some students of Fukuoka University are hired as tutors to give foreign students advice about studying and living.

University facilities
There are modern and well-equipped computer classrooms. Students can use the library and other on-campus facilities to enjoy life on campus.
**Admission**

A written application is required, and a screening interview will be held if it's necessary.

*Check the details in Admissions Guide published on our website.*

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