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SUMMER VACATION 2012
Tokyo Metropolitan University
Japanese Short Term Language Program
(Intermediate Level)

Program Dates: January 2012 (final dates TBC)
Deadline: September 11th 2011

Overview

The Tokyo Metropolitan University program is aimed at students who wish to further their Japanese language skills by spending some time in an in country location and taking an intensive language course. The short-term intensive training programs are very effective in enhancing students' Japanese communicative competence by providing a variety of language and cultural components within the course.

Tokyo Metropolitan University is located in the Tokyo metropolis - a most vibrant city and the world's most populous.

Program description

This 2 weeks (52 hours) course is set up for intermediate students of Macquarie University to improve their Japanese listening, speaking, reading and writing skills. The participants are required to have completed at least intermediate level Japanese at the start of the program. Since the course contents feature new Japanese cultural and technological topics, you can learn not only the Japanese language but also about modern aspects of life in Japan. Moreover, various practical activities such as field trips and oral presentations in front of Japanese people are being prepared to extend your actual social capability in Japanese.

Student Profile

This program is specifically designed for Japanese language students at Macquarie University. The short term programs are primarily for students undertaking a study program with a language major at Macquarie University (BA/BIIntStud/Dipl.Lang.). Only in exceptional circumstances, students from other faculties who have been studying a language at Macquarie will be permitted to participate, provided the credit they gain from the program can be applied to their degree.

Student Numbers

A maximum of 15 Macquarie students can participate on the course.

15 Macquarie students will undertake this short-term Japanese language program in January 2012 at Tokyo Metropolitan University and a group of TMU students will undertake a short-term English language program at Centre for Macquarie English (CME) in March.

In addition to language studies, all students must participate in a language project with the Japanese students who will be studying at Macquarie. This project will have elements in Tokyo and in Sydney, and the group of students will work together during both language programs. Participation in the project is a compulsory aspect of acceptance for this program.

Outcome

- Advancement of Japanese language skills
- Language immersion in Tokyo
- Acquirement of credit points towards a Macquarie award program

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Timing and Duration of the Program

The dates will be confirmed by middle September by Tokyo Metropolitan University

Assignment and Assessment

All assessment and assignments will be allocated and marked accordingly by TMU.

Credit

- Students participating in the course will be enrolled in JPS 230 according to the proficiency in the respective language
- All students must be enrolled for this credit, and standard tuition fees (HECS or full fee) for the enrollment are payable to Macquarie.
- The cost of enrolment at Macquarie is not included in the logistics fee.
- Students cannot enroll themselves into the unit until they have been accepted into the program and a waiver has been entered.
- The results will be recorded as “satisfactory” or “fail” and, provided they pass, will not affect their GPA.

Selection Criteria

- Students must be enrolled in a relevant Macquarie University degree award program at the time of application and also at the time of travel
- Students must have a satisfactory level of academic achievement with an expected Macquarie University GPA of a 2.5 or higher. In exceptional circumstances, students with a GPA of 2.0 - 2.5 may be considered for short term programs only on the advice of the Head of The Department of International Studies. Students should in the first instance contact Carolina Rodriguez carolina.rodriguez@mq.edu.au to outline their case for consideration.
- Students must receive credit points towards their MQ degree for their participation in this program
- Priority will be given to students that are currently enrolled in a degree with a language major at Macquarie University
- Students' eligibility will be assessed according to the guidelines in the Student Mobility Policy. http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/important/student_exchange
- Students will be selected to participate in the program based on academic merit, references and personal statement
- Students must participate in the special language project at Tokyo Metropolitan University (January 2012) and Macquarie University (March 2012)
- Students enrolled in a Certificate in Languages only are not eligible for travel grants
- Students enrolled in non award programs are not eligible to participate in the short term programs

Language students in their first year may participate in an in-country unit without having fulfilled the 18cp requirement on the following conditions:

- They are enrolled in a Bachelor degree program at Macquarie
- They are enrolled in both Semester 1 and Semester 2 units for their chosen language
- They obtain a recommendation from the Department of International Studies
- The short program they are participating in is one that has been specifically designed for students going between 1st and 2nd semester language units
- The program offered is specifically established for a group of students that do not comply with the regular policy. If this is the case, it will be clearly advised in documentation about the program.

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Mobility Scholarships

Mobility Scholarships from Macquarie International are intended to assist students in participating in student mobility programs. While the grants will assist in meeting program expenses, they are not intended to cover all costs and cannot be processed on demand. Grants are processed after the pre-departure session, and so

applicants may need to be able to meet the costs of the program independently of the travel grant, where a grant cannot be processed in time for travel.

- Eligible students participating in the program will receive a Macquarie mobility scholarship of \$2000
- You do NOT need to apply for the scholarship separately. Those accepted into the program will be assessed automatically.

OS – Help

In the event that you should require additional financial assistance, the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) has announced the provision of loans to assist Australian students undertake some of their study towards their undergraduate degree overseas. The scheme is known as OS-HELP.

See further information on this link

http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/process/accepted_exchange.

Accommodation

Students will be accommodated in the International House located at the Minami-Osawa campus. To facilitate interaction between students, International House also has two conference rooms, seminar rooms, ten study rooms, and a Japanese tea ceremony house.

Costs

The Logistics Fee for this program will be available by middle September. We expect final fees to be confirmed by Tokyo Metropolitan University.

This fee includes:

- Accommodation (two weeks)
- Cultural activities

Macquarie International will provide:

- Travel insurance
- Pre-departure session
- Lonely planet guide - Japan

Additional costs

Students should expect to also pay the following amounts:

- ✓ **\$110** Macquarie short term term program application fee. For more information on this fee please visit <http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/shortterm/costs>
- ✓ Tuition fee for the Residential unit (JPS 230) at Macquarie
- ✓ **Airfare (approx)** - \$1200 (depending on time of booking)
- ✓ **Living expenses of around** - \$800 for the 2 weeks should be expected – this will include, travelling around Tokyo and general expenses like travelling on weekends and outings. This

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- amount really depends on your personal taste.
✓ **Meals - \$600**

How to Pay Application and Logistics Fees

Application Fees and Logistics Fees can be paid in two ways:

In person

EFTPOS and Credit Card payments can be made, in person, at the MiShop on level 1 of building E3A. Please note that except in extenuating circumstances, it is not possible to make cash payments.

Online

Go to <http://www.international.mq.edu.au/mishop>

Select 'Outbound Exchange' under Events, navigate to the intensive international programs page then select the relevant fee to pay and enter your details.

How to Apply

The application form is online at: <http://www.international.mq.edu.au/goingabroad/shortterm>

Successful students will then be guided through the rest of the application process to Monterrey University.

You will be asked for:

- Your application type ("Student Exchange")
- Your personal details
- Your passport details
- Emergency contact details
- Your current study details
- Your university preferences and the units you hope to study at those universities
- A supporting statement, i.e., why do you want to go on exchange and what qualities do you think you have that will make you a good choice for the exchange program?
- Contact details for two referees

Remember to click the 'Submit' button to submit your application.

It should take around 20 – 30 minutes to complete the application. You can log out and log back in to finish it at a later date if necessary, but please remember to submit it by the deadline. Students are required to pay application fee (\$110) before 30th October 2010.

Evaluation

The program will be evaluated in the form of an online survey at the conclusion of the course. Students must complete this evaluation for Macquarie before grades can be transferred.

Deadline

Student applications are due to Macquarie International by **11th September, 2011**

Notes for International Students

International students must still comply with Australian visa conditions for class attendance and pass rates whilst overseas – general requirements for international students, as dictated by the ESOS Act, must still be met.

For more information please visit

http://www.immi.gov.au/business-services/education-providers/third_country_exchanges.htm

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International students are permitted to travel home before and/or after their program, except where logistic fees include group flights that cannot be amended.

Further Information

Students should direct initial enquiries to:

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Consultation hours:
Mon -Tues –Thurs
From 10a.m. to 12p.m. and from 2p.m to 4 p.m.