Study Abroad in Japanese

Why Study Abroad?

- Develop Japanese language proficiency and also a new way of thinking and perceiving
- Gain exposure to the way professionals in your field may view working with Japanese-speaking people, allowing for a more creative and flexible view of work and study in your field
- Make professional contacts
- Gain a sense of career direction
- Understand how to work with people, companies and organizations from other countries/cultures
- Gain an appreciation and awareness of life in the U.S.
- Develop confidence, a strengthened sense of personal identity, flexibility, and creativity
- Increase interest in other cultures
- Become more culturally sensitive and accepting

When to Study Abroad

For Japanese language students, sophomore or junior years are the best options. Students should look at possibilities that suit their level of ability in Japanese.

Deadlines

While deadlines vary depending on the program, plan to apply for the spring semester in early October and the fall semester or academic year in February.

Types of Programs

University Exchange
As Carnegie Mellon sends its students to these programs; it receives students from its foreign partners. Carnegie Mellon students participating in these programs continue to pay tuition directly to Carnegie Mellon and receive the same financial aid package. Students are responsible for room, board, travel, and miscellaneous expenses.

University Sponsored Programs
Study abroad programs that have been approved as University Sponsored Programs allow students to pay regular Carnegie Mellon tuition, plus room and board, and receive the same financial aid package.

External Programs
External Programs allow students to pay the study abroad program directly, while still maintaining full-time enrollment status at Carnegie Mellon. Students participating in External Programs do not pay tuition and fees to Carnegie Mellon for the time abroad. Institutional aid from Carnegie Mellon is not applicable for these programs, but federal and state aid may still be used.

Financial Aid and Scholarships

Review the above section for specific information regarding the use of financial aid abroad. Check out http://www.studentaffairs.cmu.edu/oie/sab/gettingstarted/funding.html for information on other sources of funding.

Scholarships are also available through the Dietrich College Dean’s Office for majors in Dietrich and from the Modern Languages Department for majors or minors in Japanese.
This chart contains a selection of recommended programs for Japanese study. It is not an exhaustive list. For more program information visit: [www.cmu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.cmu.edu/studyabroad), [www.iiepassport.org](http://www.iiepassport.org), or [www.goabroad.com](http://www.goabroad.com).

Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO): [http://www.jasso.go.jp/study_j/index_e.html](http://www.jasso.go.jp/study_j/index_e.html)

Before applying to any of the programs, all courses must be approved by your academic advisor. You also need to meet with the Japanese study abroad advisor and credit transfer advisor to approve your study abroad transfer credit.

| Nagoya, Japan    | IES: Nanzan University | [https://www.iesabroad.org/IES/Programs/Japan/Nagoya/nagoya.html](https://www.iesabroad.org/IES/Programs/Japan/Nagoya/nagoya.html) | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | English & Japanese | 2 semesters of college Japanese | Homestay, Residence halls | Sponsored* |

* These programs can also be external.

**Study Abroad Scholarships**

(1) University Scholarships


(2) College Scholarships

Dietrich College of Humanities and Social Sciences: Study Abroad Scholarship [http://www.hss.cmu.edu/departments/deans_office/studyabroad/scholarships_studyabroad.html](http://www.hss.cmu.edu/departments/deans_office/studyabroad/scholarships_studyabroad.html)

(3) Department Scholarships

Department of Modern Languages: Study Abroad Programs and Scholarships [http://www.cmu.edu/dietrich/modlang/study-abroad/index.html](http://www.cmu.edu/dietrich/modlang/study-abroad/index.html)

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