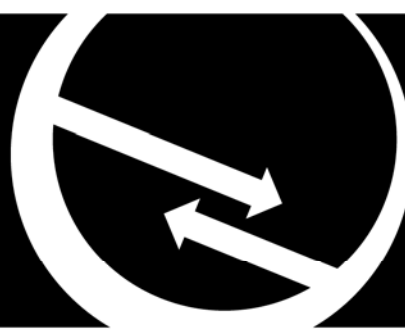


JAPAN

International Christian University International Exchange Program



Program Highlights

Dates

Academic Year
(September to June)

Location

Mitaka (suburb of Tokyo)

Program Costs

- Ohio State Tuition + supplemental insurance + airfare and living expenses
- See "program costs" section for details

Application Deadline

November 1, 2009

Eligibility

- Cumulative GPA of 3.0
- Undergraduate students with a junior rank
- Two years of college-level Japanese language at the time of application
- Students must successfully complete Japanese 231 prior to departure
- Personal interview

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Program

The Ohio State University -International Christian University (ICU) exchange program allows for the reciprocal exchange of undergraduate students from each institution for one academic year, September to June. This exchange program gives the participants from Ohio State the opportunity to experience Japanese culture and study the Japanese language in a supportive environment.

Location

Mitaka, where International Christian University is located, lies northwest of Tokyo. The city is approximately 30 minutes by fast train from the heart of downtown Tokyo.

The University

International Christian University is a four-year liberal arts college and has one of the most well-known programs in the world for teaching Japanese to foreign speakers. For this reason, the university draws many international students. The university offers a full range of courses in Japanese and some in English.

Courses and Credits

Participants generally receive 36-45 hours of graded Ohio State credit for the academic year. Courses completed at International Christian University transfer to Ohio State as graded credits. Before students depart, they should first discuss with their academic advisers the courses they plan to take, to ensure that these courses will be accepted for Ohio State credit. Exact course equivalents are determined by the appropriate academic departments.

Accommodations

Exchange students may be offered housing in a university residence hall; however, residence hall rooms are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. When this is not possible, International Christian University will suggest real estate agents who rent apartments to students off campus.

Pre-departure Orientation

All students will be required to participate in an on-campus pre-departure orientation meeting organized by the Office of International Affairs. This session will provide important information on travel, passports, health, and academic expectations. For the time and location of the orientation meetings, please consult your letter of acceptance or contact the program coordinator.

Program Costs

International exchange programs are tuition exchanges, which means that an Ohio State student pays his/her full tuition and fees and trades places with a student at one of our partner institutions, who has in turn paid his/her full tuition and fees. Students selected to participate on an exchange program are also responsible for supplemental insurance, international airfare, room and board, and all other living or personal expenses. Please be advised that payments for room and board will be in the local currency.

Application Information

Applicants must submit the Office of International Affairs Study Abroad Application online via buckeyelink.osu.edu. Please note that upon application, a \$150 application fee will be assessed to your Statement of Fees and Accounts. The application fee will be refunded only if you are not accepted or submit a written request to withdraw your application prior to the application deadline. The selection committee reserves the right to place you at the Japanese university that it feels is the most appropriate match for you and your Japanese abilities. Applicants will be asked to write a personal statement, and your essay should reflect why you have selected International Christian University as your first choice of Japanese universities; your personal statement should also indicate a second choice and your rationale for choosing it. Applicants are also asked to submit a letter of recommendation; please make sure that you have contacted your referee prior to sending the request. Your reference should come from a Japanese language instructor.

If you withdraw at any time after the date of your notification of nomination to the exchange program, you will be responsible for any non-recoverable costs that have been incurred on your behalf plus a \$200 cancellation fee.

Web Sites

Ohio State Funding Opportunities	oia.osu.edu
U.S. Department of State	travel.state.gov (travel warnings/country specific information)
Centers for Disease Control	cdc.gov/travel (geographic health recommendations)
International Christian University	www.icu.ac
Orientation to living in Japan	athomejapan.com

Contact Us

The Office of International Affairs is located in Oxley Hall, 1712 Neil Avenue. Please see oia.osu.edu for information about "Getting Started" Information Sessions, Program Exploration Walk-in hours, and Study Abroad Coordinator office hours.

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