



TASP2013

TOHOKU UNIVERSITY ARTS AND LETTERS SUMMER PROGRAM

July 4th to July 12th 2013

Japan in the Global Context

About Tohoku University

Since its founding in 1907, Tohoku University has engaged in world-class education and research activities. Sendai city, where Tohoku University is located, has many cultural sites where you will have the chance to extensively experience Japanese culture.

TASP 2013

This summer, we will launch **The Tohoku University Arts and Letters Summer Program (TASP)**.

It is designed for undergraduates majoring in liberal arts and social sciences.

We will offer classes in the humanities that cross over into other areas, such as social sciences.

Our aims are to provide students with comprehensive analytical skills, and to contribute to new growth and development in the areas of the humanities and social sciences.

Students will be required to attend 10 classes and facility trips.

At the end of the program students will make a presentation according to the topics given by each lecturer.

The program is an 9-day summer program, which includes lectures, facility trips, presentations and field trips.

The following topics will be covered.

- *Practical Japanese* • *Time Travel Tohoku University* • *Linguistics* • *Basic Japanese 2*
- *The 2011 Tohoku earthquake-Why did we fail to anticipate the M9 earthquake ?- (Geological environment and Earthquake Disaster)* • *Economic Recovery in the Tohoku Region after the Earthquake Disaster*
- *Japanese Traditional Festivals and Communities* • *Localization of Japanese Manga in the World*
- *Japanese Art History- What is Japan ?* • *Japanese Architecture*

***Above topics are subject to change.**

Application Procedures

To apply for this program, students must be nominated by their home institutions and submit the documents through their home institutions. Prospective students need to submit the following documents **via E-mail**.

1. Application Form for TASP2013
2. Photo (4cm x 3cm) on the application form
3. Personal Statement (300-500 words)
4. Copy of your passport

Application Deadline

April 30, 2013

Eligibility

Applicants must be enrolled in full-time undergraduate degree programs at one of the following institutions.

The program requires students to be fluent in English.

South Korea

Chonbuk National University
Seoul National University
Dong-eui University

China

Northeastern University
Tsinghua University
Zhejiang University
Fudan University
Chongqing University
Tianjin University

Taiwan

National Taiwan University

Indonesia

University of Indonesia

Singapore

National University of Singapore

France

University of Rennes 1
University of Rennes 2
University of Lyon 2

Finland

Aalto University

Sweden

Uppsala University
Stockholm University

United state of America

University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Davis
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, Santa Barbara
University of California, Riverside
University of California, Santa Cruz
Purdue University

Germany

University of Göttingen
Heidelberg University

Australia

University of Sydney

Russia

Novosibirsk State University
Moscow State University

Credits Participating students are required to take 10 lectures (20 hours), attend facility tours and participate in group work sessions, after which they will give presentations with their groups. On completing these requirements, students should be eligible for 3 ECTS*. These credits are not conferred at Tohoku University. Students who require credits for this program should inquire at their home universities.

**1 ECTS credit is equivalent to 25 hours of work.*

**ECTS credits are a value allocated to course units to describe the student workload required to complete them.*

Number of Seats

20 students

Location

Tohoku University, Sendai, JAPAN

Accommodation

Off-campus accommodations will be ten-minutes away by bus from Kawauchi campus, where most activities are held during the program. Each student will be accommodated in a furnished individual bedroom with a unit bathroom. For your entire stay, it costs 40,000yen (4,000yen per night).

Program Fee

Free (incl. tuition and field trips). Accommodation, travel and everyday expenses should be paid individually. Students are advised to prepare sufficient money for food and personal expenses.

Scholarship

A JASSO (Japan student service organization) scholarship of 80,000 yen will be provided to students who successfully complete the program.

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