Interested in studying Japanese Language & Culture abroad? The following programs offer significant coursework and immersion opportunities for Japanese Language. This is meant to highlight a variety of programs by region; please note there are many more available beyond what is listed here and this is not a guaranteed list for credit transfer. Students will still need to meet with their departments to discuss fulfilling degree requirements. Please visit our website at https://studyabroad.wwu.edu/ for additional opportunities.

**Program Options**

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**Study Abroad Programs**

- Independent organizations that facilitate or administer study abroad programs for students
- Quarter, semester, academic year, calendar year, & summer
- Pay a program fee that includes tuition, housing, etc. (varies)
- More services provided
- Includes excursions, onsite pickup, varied housing options
- Part time internships can be available for credit

**Global Learning Programs**

- WWU faculty organize and lead academic programs abroad
- Quarter, summer & over breaks
- Earn WWU credits in your field and learn from WWU faculty abroad while studying with other WWU students
- Pay tuition and fees at WWU in addition to a program fee for onsite costs

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**Japanese Department**

See Professor Masanori Deguchi for information or assistance in transferring study abroad credits to your Japanese program.

There is no limit to the number of study abroad credits that may be transferred back to Western.

Credits may be transferred towards a Japanese major or minor if the courses are:
- Taught entirely in Japanese;
- Sufficiently academic and deal with Japanese language, linguistics, literature, or culture (at the discretion of Japanese faculty);
- Graded A-F or S/U, but not pass/fail.

 Majors: must complete Japanese 401, 402, & 403 as well as 50% of the credits needed for the major or minor on campus. Minors: must complete 303 or 401 on campus.

After you decide on a program and the courses you will take abroad, you must meet with Professor Deguchi to complete the EdAbroad Departmental Academic Advising Form.

The form must be completed before you leave on your study abroad program.

Compare Programs and Budgets using the Things to Consider sheet.
WWU Global Learning Faculty-Led Program

Tokyo, Japan

Japan

Akita City, Japan
- Western Exchange- Akita International University – Fall Semester, Academic Year - $In-State Tuition

Hiroshima, Japan
- USAC - Hiroshima – Fall Semester, Academic Year

Kichijoji, Japan
- Western Exchange- Seikei University – Academic, Calendar Year, Spring Quarter – $In-State Tuition

Kyoto, Japan
- ISEP – Ritsumeikan University – Academic, Calendar Year, Fall/Winter, Spring Semester– $In-State Tuition

Mishima, Japan
- ISEP – Nihon University – Academic, Calendar Year, Fall/Winter, Spring Semester– $In-State Tuition

Nagasaki, Japan
- USAC – Nagasaki – Fall, Spring Semester, Academic Year

Nagoya, Japan
- Western Exchange- Nagoya University – Fall, Spring Semester, Academic Year – $In-State Tuition
- ISEP – Chukyo University – Academic, Calendar Year, Fall/Winter, Spring Semester – $In-State Tuition
- ISEP – Nanzan University – Academic, Calendar Year, Fall/Winter, Spring Semester – $In-State Tuition

Ctrl + Click on the listed regions below to search & compare program options by region!
Osaka, Japan

- Live in Osaka, a vibrant and fun city known for its friendly people, good humor, and great food
- Through USAC students can study in Osaka/Kobe region of Japan for a semester or academic year taking courses in Japanese at all levels, while taking English coursework in Japan Studies and Japanese Culture
- Semester, Academic Year, and Summer terms available depending on program – Spring Semester, Academic, Calendar Year - $In-State Tuition
  University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC)

Tokyo, Japan

- [WWU Global Learning Faculty-Led Program](#) – Summer - [WWU Tuition](#) – 10 credits
- [Western Exchange – Asia University](#) – Spring Semester, Academic, Calendar Year - $In-State Tuition
- [Western Exchange – Tsuda University](#) – Fall, Spring Semester, Academic, Calendar Year - $In-State Tuition
- [ISEP – Toyo International University](#) – Fall, Spring Semester, Academic, Calendar Year - $In-State Tuition
- [KCP International Japanese Language School](#) – Fall, Winter, Spring Quarter, Fall, Spring Semester, Summer
- [Council on International Education Exchange (CIEE)](#)

Yokohama, Japan

- Situated in Japan’s second largest city, Yokohama is a vibrant, varied, and international community with a mild climate and clearly marked seasons
- Pay WWU in-state tuition on Direct Exchange for this program
- Study at Yokohama National University students can study Japanese language in addition to a variety of disciplines covering humanities, social sciences, and engineering in English
- Semester & Academic Year terms available
  [Western Exchange- Yokohama National University](#)

Scholarships

U.S. Dept. of State Critical Language Scholarship Program

The CLS program is a program of the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs allowing American undergraduate and graduate students a fully funded overseas language and cultural immersion program with the goal of broadening the base of Americans studying and mastering critical need languages and building relationships between the people of the United States and other countries.

- [U.S. Department of State Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) Program](#)

Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship

- The Gilman Scholarship Program is open to US Citizen undergraduate students who are receiving Federal Pell Grant Funding at 2–year and 4–year colleges or universities to participate in study and intern abroad programs worldwide
- Semester, Academic Year, Summer awards cycles
- Max awards: $8000 for critical need language study, including Japanese language
  [Benjamin Gilman International Scholarship](#)

Freeman-ASIA
• Designed to support US based undergraduates with demonstrated financial need who are planning to study abroad in East or Southeast Asia.
• Grant amounts are: Summer Award up to $3000, Semester/Quarter Award up to $5000, Academic Year up to $7000
  Freeman-ASIA- Institute of International Education

Study Abroad in Japan: Bridging Scholarships
• The Japan Bridging Scholarship offers stipends of $2500 or $4000, depending on length of study abroad program in Japan.
  US-Japan Bridging Foundation Scholarships

Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)
• Scholarships available for qualified international students already accepted by Japanese Universities or graduate schools for a semester or year
  JASSO Scholarships

Morgan Stanley Japan Scholarships
• Awards two $7500 scholarships each year
  Morgan Stanley Japan

Study in Japan (Monbukagakusho) Scholarships
• Scholarships through the Japanese Government
  Study in Japan Scholarships