

SHOWA WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY

IN TOKYO JAPAN



● The numbers indicate estimated time of travel to Sangen-jaya.

SEMESTER PROGRAMS
FOR NON-DEGREE
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



About SWU

Showa Women's University (SWU), founded in 1920, is one of the most globalized women’s colleges in Japan. It is a liberal arts college with approximately 6,000 students studying across 6 undergraduate faculties, and more than 120 students enrolled in 2 graduate schools. Since 2019, SWU shares its campus with Temple University Japan Campus, realizing a real global campus. With its motto “Be a Light to the World,” SWU continues to nurture female graduates who play significant roles in the global society.



UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS	
	Faculty of Humanities and Culture
	Faculty of International Humanities
	Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences
	Faculty of Environmental Science and Design
	Faculty of Food and Health Sciences
	Faculty of Global Business
GRADUATE PROGRAMS	
	Graduate School of Letters
	Graduate School of Life Sciences

Our Semester Programs

SWU offers 2 types of non-degree semester programs for international students who are enrolled in an undergraduate or a graduate program at a university outside Japan. These 15-week programs are offered in both the Fall and Spring semesters.

LANGUAGE STUDY WITH SMALL CLASS SIZE	OVERALL PROGRAM SATISFACTION RATE	STUDENT SUPPORT SATISFACTION RATE	SKILLS IMPROVED THROUGH THE PROGRAM
Less than 14 Students Per Professor	93.3 %	98.1 %	<div> <div>1st</div> <div>Conversation</div> </div> <div> <div>2nd</div> <div>Reading Comprehension</div> </div> <div> <div>3rd</div> <div>Grammar</div> </div>
*Based on the student self-assessment result			

I was impressed with the kindness of the teachers and the staff. Online classes were very difficult at first, but thanks to their support, and encouragement I was able to successfully complete the program!

Spring 2020 / Royal University of Phnom Penh

I enjoyed communicating with my Host Family and my language exchange partner, and my Japanese skills have improved significantly. My experience at SWU made me want to learn more about Japanese culture!

Spring 2022 / Tunghai University

I chose SWU because SWU offers many opportunities to interact with local people including the Host Family, the Host Sister and the language exchange partner. I enjoyed going on trips with them!


Spring 2022 / Sungshin University



Programs by Japanese Levels

Students can start from any program depending on their Japanese proficiency. Each program is independent and does not have to be taken in sequence as long as they meet the Japanese language requirement indicated in the chart below.



		SEMESTER	
LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT		Academic Program	
SHORT-TERM ONLINE PROGRAM		SEMESTER Intensive Japanese Language Program	Students must meet one of the following criteria (or equivalent): - JLPT N2 level - JPT 525 - J-CAT 250 - JLCAT B1
PROGRAM OUTLINE		Students must meet one of the following criteria (or equivalent): - JLPT N3 level - CEFR A2 level - JPT430 level - J-CAT200 level	Students must meet one of the following criteria (or equivalent): - JLPT N2 level - JPT 525 - J-CAT 250 - JLCAT B1
PROGRAM PERIOD		Summer	Spring / Fall
		Spring / Fall	Spring / Fall

Cross-cultural Opportunities

SWU offers a variety of activities and events for students to experience Japanese cultures and customs during their study abroad period.

Host Sister

Host Sister is a buddy system that pairs international students with SWU students. Host Sisters support international students upon their arrival in Japan, including assisting with necessary registration procedures at the local ward offices and opening a bank account, etc.

Host Family

Each student has a choice of being assigned to a Host Family with whom they can spend time on weekends. This gives students a chance to experience typical Japanese family life.

Language Exchange Partner /Japanese Conversation Partner

SWU offers a one-on-one language exchange and/or a Japanese conversation partner program with a SWU student depending on student's needs.

Seasonal Events Planned by CHAWA

A student organization “CHAWA” plans and offers events almost every month for international students to experience Japanese culture and customs. Check out the CIE Blog for reports from CHAWA's past activities!



Program Fee

Semester Program Fee: JPY300,000

*Waived for exchange students.

*50% discount for students coming from SWU partner institutions.

Accommodation

Accommodation is guaranteed for all semester program students.

Monthly Rent: JPY50,000~70,000/month (*Includes utility bills and wi-fi)



Application Dates



	SPRING SEMESTER	FALL SEMESTER
SEMESTER DATES	April 10 ~ July 31	October 1 ~ February 5
NOMINATION DEADLINE	November 15	May 15
APPLICATION DEADLINE	November 25	May 25

*Semester Dates are subject to change for a few days depending on the calendar.

Nomination

Please check with the program coordinator at your home institutions regarding the selection and nomination process.

Application

Create an account on the SWU Web Application System and submit all necessary information and documents prior to the Application Deadline.

Hirao Scholarship

Hirao Scholarship was founded by Koji Hirao who was the fourth chancellor of SWU. The purpose of this scholarship is to support international students from Southeast Asia. Program fee for 1 student per semester from an eligible country are waived. The student is awarded a stipend of 200,000 JPY in cash.



Further Information



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