

Call for Applicants



Summer Program

“Dō (道) The Art of Japanese Language & Culture”

June 25 - July 12, 2024

Tokyo Metropolitan University's (TMU) Summer Program offers a 3-week program, *Dō (道) The Art of Japanese Language & Culture*, for students from TMU's partner institutions. Through a variety of engaging activities, participants will gain a deeper understanding and appreciation for Japan's rich linguistic and cultural heritage.

Venue: TMU Minami-Osawa Campus

Dates: June 25 (Tue.) - July 12 (Fri.), 2024

Instruction: English

Program Fee: 140,000 JPY

Course Outline: 3 Levels for Beginner's Japanese & Authentic Cultural Experiences

- **Speak with Confidence:** Learn Everyday Japanese at your pace (CEFR Level Pre-A1 to A2.2)
- **Experience Japan:** Tea ceremony, museum visit, manga, calligraphy, Kendo & summer festival
- **Expert-Led:** Immerse yourself in Japanese culture with guidance from experts

Eligibility (1) Undergraduate or graduate students from TMU's partner institutions, and (2) those who have never studied Japanese or are at a beginner level. (Admission is competitive due to the limited capacity of the program. Max: 30 seats)

Application Process

Step 1: Ensure you are nominated by your home university's international office.

Step 2: Prepare the following documents: (1) Program application form (2) Visa support request form (if required) (3) Official transcript (4) Copy of passport photo page (valid at least 6 months after program ends) (5) ID Photo (PDF, max 500KB), & (6) SPOT90 Test Result (if you have previous experience with Japanese). SPOT90 Website: <https://ttbj.cegloc.tsukuba.ac.jp/en/p1.html>

Step 3: Submit them via the following URL or the QR code **by April 19, 2024.**

https://www.ic.tmu.ac.jp/english/study_abroad/short_program_application.html



Program Fee Payment: The program fee includes accommodation, course textbooks, admission fees for field trips and workshop materials. The fee of 140,000 JPY should be paid by overseas remittance no later than **May 17**. (Payment instructions will be provided upon application acceptance.)

Cancellation Policy: A cancellation fee applies after application acceptance and program fee payment. Cancellations received by May 31 qualify for a 50% program fee refund. Subsequent cancellations are non-refundable.

TMU Summer Program AY2024 Schedule (Note: The schedule may be subject to change.)

	MON	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	
	Jun. 24	Jun. 25	Jun. 26	Jun. 27	Jun. 28	
AM		Opening Ceremony Orientation Campus Tour	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	
PM	Arrival & Check in 	Japan Studies 1 What is Do (道)	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	Workshop2 Japanese Swordsmanship "KENDO"	
		Japanese Language	No Class	Workshop 1 Japanese Calligraphy "SHODO"	No Class	
		Welcome Party				
	Jul. 1	Jul. 2	Jul. 3	Jul. 4	Jul. 5	
AM	Field Studies1 Tea Ceremony "SADO" & Zen Meditation at Shounji, Hiroo, Tokyo	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	
PM		Japanese Language	Japanese Language	Workshop3 TANABATA Festival	Prep for Presentation	
		Japan Studies 2 A Critical View of the Do (道) Culture	No Class	No Class	Workshop4-1 Draw MANGA (Lecture)	
	Jul. 8	Jul. 9	Jul. 10	Jul. 11	Jul. 12	Jul. 13
AM	Japanese Language	Field Studies2 Learn "UKIYO" and See Exhibition at Machida City Museum of Graphic Arts	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	Check out & Departure 
PM	Prep for Presentation		Workshop4-2 Draw MANGA (Practice)	Prep for Presentation	Student Presentation	
		No Class		Closing Ceremony Farewell Party		

Japanese Language (40.5 hours)
Japan Studies (3 hours)
Workshop (7.5 hours)
Field Studies (7.5 hours)
Presentation (10.5 hours)
【Total 69 hours】

Japanese Language Course: There are 3 classes for those who have never studied Japanese before to a beginner class aiming for basic and everyday interactions in Japanese. Your class will be determined based on the scores of SPOT90. The objectives of each class and their relationship with the CEFR level are also shown below. (Test results are not required for applicants who have no prior experience in Japanese language studies. Only students with a SPOT score of 47 or below are eligible.)

- **Score 0-27: Starter/Survival (CEFR Pre-A1):** This class is for those who have never studied Japanese before, and wish to interact in everyday situations such as shopping and at restaurants. Textbook: *Nihongo Fun & Easy - Survival Japanese Conversation for Beginners - 2nd edition* -->[LINK](#)
- **Score 28-40: Elementary1 (CEFR A2.1):** This class is for those who wish to talk about simple things such as your family, job, and your town. Textbook: *Marugoto: Japanese language and culture, Elementary 1 (A2); Coursebook for communicative language activities "katsudoo" and competences "Rikai"* -->[LINK](#)
- **Score 41-47: Elementary2 (CEFR A2.2):** This class is for those who wish to do more using basic expressions, such as arranging a trip and describing a tourist destination. Textbook: *Marugoto: Japanese language and culture, Elementary 2 (A2); Coursebook for communicative language activities "katsudoo" and competences "Rikai"* -->[LINK](#)

Award of Certificate: Participants who successfully meet the following requirements will be awarded a Certificate of Completion: (1) Attendance: Consistent and active participation in all designated program classes and activities is mandatory; (2) Completion of all assigned homework demonstrates a commitment to ongoing learning; and (3) A successful final presentation showcases the participant's acquired knowledge and skills.

Important Information:

- **Travel Insurance:** Participants are required to purchase their own traveler's insurance to cover medical expenses during stay.
- **Devices:** Please bring a laptop or tablet as Wi-Fi is available on campus for in-class activities.
- **Textbook:** The program will provide the required textbook upon your arrival.
- **Program Fee:** Covers accommodation at Hashimoto Park Hotel (3-4-4 Hashimoto, Sagamihara, Kanagawa 252-0143, Tel: +81-42-774-6112, <https://www.booking.com/hotel/jp/hashimoto-park.html>); but does not include meals, airfare, traveler's insurance, transportation between the university and accommodation, or other daily expenses.

Disclaimer: The university is not liable for delays, cancellations, or program issues arising from unforeseen circumstances beyond its control, including force majeure events (e.g., natural disasters, labor disputes), inclement weather, national emergencies, COVID-19, or similar situations.

