

Call for Applicants



Tokyo Metropolitan University's Summer Program 2025

“Tokyo Through Time (東京いまむかし)”

June 24 – July 11, 2025

Tokyo Metropolitan University's (TMU) Summer Program offers a 3-week program, *Tokyo Through Time* (東京いまむかし), 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 24 (Tue.) - July 11 (Fri.), 2025

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 A1 to A2.2)
- Experience the culture: Museum visit, watching traditional performing arts, tea ceremony & calligraphy
- 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 with only 30 seats available.)

Application Process

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

Step 2: Prepare the following documents: (1) Visa request form (if required)

(2) Official transcript (3) Copy of passport photo page (valid at least 6 months after program ends)

(4) ID Photo (PDF, max 500KB) (5) SPOT90 Test Result (if you have studied Japanese).

SPOT90 Website: <https://ttbj.cegloc.tsukuba.ac.jp/en/p1.html>,

(6) JLPT score (if you have taken it before), and (7) English test score such as IELTS, TOEFL, TOEIC, etc. (If you are a student whose language of instruction at the university/program is not English. Applicants should have at least these English scores: IELTS 6.0, TOEFL iBT 78, or TOEIC 653)

Step 3: Submit them via the following URL or the QR code **by April 18, 2025**.

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



- During the selection process, we will comprehensively evaluate the application documents and the information provided in the form.

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 (credit card is not available) **no later than May 16**. (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 2025 Schedule (Note: The schedule may be subject to change.)

	MON	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	
	Jun. 23	Jun. 24	Jun. 25	Jun. 26	Jun. 27	
AM	Arrival & Check in 	Opening Ceremony Orientation Campus Tour	No Class	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	
			Japan Studies 1 Japanese Architecture			
PM		Japanese Language	Japanese Language	No Class	Japan Studies 2 Urban Planning in Edo and Tokyo	
		Welcome Party			No Class	
	Jun. 30	Jul. 1	Jul. 2	Jul. 3	Jul. 4	
AM	Japanese Language	Field Studies1 Watch Japanese Traditional Puppet Theater "Hachioji Kuruma Ningyo"	Japanese Language	Field Studies 2 Visit "EDO-TOKYO Open Air Architectural Museum"	Japanese Language	
PM	Japan Studies 3 Japanese Traditional Performing Arts		Workshop 1 Japanese Calligraphy "SHODO"		Japanese Language	
	No Class					
	Jul. 7	Jul. 8	Jul. 9	Jul. 10	Jul. 11	Jul. 12
AM	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	Japanese Language	Check out & Departure 
PM	Workshop 2 TANABATA Festival	Workshop 3 Japanese Tea Ceremony "CHADO"	Prep for Presentation	Prep for Presentation	Student Presentation	
	No Class				Closing Ceremony Farewell Party	

Japanese Language (39 hours)
Japan Studies (4.5 hours)
Workshop (7.5 hours)
Field Studies (6 hours)
Presentation (6 hours)
【Total 66 hours】

Japanese Language Course: There are 3 classes: *Starter, Elementary 1 and Elementary 2*. Your class will be determined based on the scores of SPOT90 (Test results are not required for applicants who have no prior experience in learning Japanese language). The objectives of each class and their relationship with the CEFR level are also shown below.

- **Starter (CEFR Level 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. If your score of SPOT90 is between 0 and 25, you will be placed in this class. Textbook: *Marugoto: Japanese language and culture, Starter (A1); Coursebook for communicative language activities "katsudo" and competences "Rikai."*
- **Elementary 1 (CEFR Level A2.1):** This class is for those who wish to talk about simple things such as your family, job, and your town. If your score of SPOT90 is between 26 and 40, you will be placed in this class. Textbook: *Marugoto: Japanese language and culture, Elementary 1 (A2); Coursebook for communicative language activities "katsudo" and competences "Rikai."*
- **Elementary 2 (CEFR Level 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. If your score of SPOT90 is between 41 and 47, you will be placed in this class. Textbook: *Marugoto: Japanese language and culture, Elementary 2 (A2); Coursebook for communicative language activities "katsudo" and competences "Rikai"*.

Award of Certificate: To receive a certificate of completion, participants must meet a minimum score requirement. Those who do not fulfill all the criteria will instead receive a certificate of participation. Please note that a certificate of participation is not equivalent to a certificate of completion. Participants will be evaluated based on their class participation (30%), in-class activities (40%), and a presentation (30%).

Important Information:

- Travel Insurance: Participants must purchase their own traveler's insurance to cover medical expenses during their stay.
- Devices: Please bring a laptop or tablet for class activities.
- Textbook: The program will provide the required textbook upon your arrival.
- Program Fee: Covers single room accommodation at Hashimoto Park Hotel (3-4-4 Hashimoto, Sagami-hara, 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 cannot be held responsible for any delays, cancellations, or program issues that arise due to circumstances beyond our control. This includes, but is not limited to force majeure events (such as natural disasters or labor disputes), severe weather conditions, national emergencies, disease outbreaks, and other unforeseen situations



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