# Nagasaki University Japanese Language and Culture Program (JLCP)

# **Application Guidebook**

#### I. Brief Outline of the Program

JLCP provides an opportunity to learn Japanese language and culture at the Center for Japanese Language and Student Exchange, Nagasaki University. The objectives of this program are to improve participants' Japanese language skills, enrich their knowledge of Japanese culture, and deepen mutual understanding between international students and Japanese students.

Based upon the Memorandum of Understanding on Student Exchange and Academic Cooperation Agreement between Nagasaki University and partner universities, JLCP is classified into two courses depending on tuition paying type. There are "Non-Fee-Paying Course" and "Fee-Paying Course", and "Fee-Paying Course" will be applied when the number of exchange students exceeds the number written in the Memorandum.

## 2. Eligibility

Applicants of JLCP must be regular students who are currently enrolled at the partner universities of Nagasaki University. They must also satisfy the following requirements:

- Applicants' major or minor field of study must be Japanese language and culture. If not, their main purpose of the study abroad must be learning Japanese language and Japanese culture.
- 2) Applicants must be recommended by the partner university of Nagasaki University.
- 3) Applicants must stay enrolled at their home university during their study abroad period.
- 4) Applicants must have passed N3 or higher level of Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT), or equivalent test score to JLPT N3 level.
- 5) Applicants must have achieved academic excellence in their home university.
- 6) As a general rule, applicants must have non-Japanese nationality.

#### 3. Duration

Fall Semester Entry

[One year] From the end of September to the end of September of the following year

[Six months] From the end of September to the end of March of the following year Spring Semester Entry

[One year] From the beginning of April to the end of March of the following year [Six months] From the beginning of April to the end of September Study period shall be within one academic year. In principle, participants whose duration is six months may extend the length of his or her study period for another six months upon the approval of both Nagasaki University and his or her home university.

#### 4. Number of Students to Be Accepted

Approximately 50 students in each semester (Non-Fee-Paying Course: about 30, Fee-Paying Course: about 20) will be accepted. Please note that its number may vary depending on the number of registered students. For further information, please contact us at ryugaku\_shien@ml.nagasaki-u.ac.jp (Japanese, English, Chinese and Korean available).

#### **5.** Educational Programs

1) Japanese Language and Culture courses provided by the Center for Japanese Language and Student Exchange

Students are expected to take 7 credits hours of Japanese language and culture courses per semester from the following subjects. Participants will be classified by the level of their Japanese language proficiency, which is determined by the result of the Japanese language placement test. Please note that the course may be changed due to some unforeseen reasons.

Level	Subjects		
Intermediate	Intermediate Japanese I Conversation (1)	[F/S]	
Japanese I	Intermediate Japanese I Reading (2)	[F/S]	
	Intermediate Japanese I Composition (1)	[F/S]	
	Intermediate Japanese I Listening (1)	[F/S]	
	Intermediate Japanese I Kanji (1)	[F/S]	
	** Intermediate Japanese Integrated Communication Skills A ( I )	[F]	
	** Intermediate Japanese Integrated Communication Skills B (1)	[S]	
Intermediate	Intermediate Japanese I Conversation (1)	[F/S]	
Japanese II	Intermediate Japanese I Reading (2)	[F/S]	
	Intermediate Japanese I Composition (1)	[F/S]	
	Intermediate Japanese I Listening (1)	[F/S]	
	Intermediate Japanese II Kanji (1)	[F/S]	
	** Intermediate Japanese Integrated Communication Skills A ( I )	[F]	
	** Intermediate Japanese Integrated Communication Skills B (1)	[S]	

Level	Subjects				
Advanced	Advanced Japanese I Reading (2)	[F/S]			
Japanese I	Advanced Japanese I Integrated Communication Skills (2)	[F/S]			
	* Exploring Japan (Japanese Geography, History and Politics) (1)	[F]			
	* Exploring Japan (Japan's Foreign and National Security Policy) ( I				
	* Exploring Japan (Aspects of Contemporary Japanese Society) (1)				
	* Exploring Japan (Japanese Culture and Society through Media) (1)				
	* Exploring Japan (Introduction to Japanese Expository Writing) (				
	* Exploring Japan (Japanese Culture through Literature) (1)	[S]			
	* Exploring Japan (Different Definitions of Culture) (1)	[S]			
	* Exploring Japan (Japanese Businesses around International Students) (1)	[S]			
	** JLPT N1 Preparatory Course (1)	[S]			
Advanced	Advanced Japanese II Integrated Communication Skills A $(2)$	[F]			
Japanese II	Advanced Japanese II Integrated Communication Skills B $(2)$	[F]			
	Advanced Japanese II Integrated Communication Skills C (2)	[S]			
	Advanced Japanese II Integrated Communication Skills D $(2)$	[S]			
	* Exploring Japan (Japanese Geography, History and Politics) (1)	[F]			
	* Exploring Japan (Japan's Foreign and National Security Policy) (1)	[F]			
	* Exploring Japan (Aspects of Contemporary Japanese Society) (1) [				
	* Exploring Japan (Japanese Culture and Society through Media) (1) [F]				
	* Exploring Japan (Introduction to Japanese Expository Writing) (1)				
	* Exploring Japan (Japanese Culture through Literature) (1)				
	* Exploring Japan (Different Definitions of Culture) (1)				
	* Exploring Japan (Japanese Businesses around International Students) (1)	[S]			
	** JLPT NI Preparatory Course (1)	[S]			
All Levels	Japanese Culture, Society and Language I (1)	[F]			
	Japanese Culture, Society and Language II (1) [				
	** Japanese Literature A (1)				
	** Japanese Literature B (1)				
	** Japanese Animation (1) [F]				
	** Japanese Traditional Culture (1)	[F/S]			
	** Japanese Tea Ceremony (1)	[F/S]			

The number in the parentheses indicates "credit" and the course sessions per a week. One course session is 90 minutes.

\* Compulsory Elective Subject

\*\* Free Elective Subject

[F] Fall Semester

[S] Spring Semester

## 2) General Education Courses Available for Exchange Students

These courses are available only for those undergraduate students whose Japanese language level is classified as "Advanced Japanese I" or "Advanced Japanese I." Graduate students cannot take any general education courses. General education courses taught in English are opened for undergraduate students regardless of the placement test results.

Students may choose and attend the general education courses from "Course Lists of General Education" posted on the website below. Qualified students must consult with their supervisor and follow the registration instructions provided by the supervisor.

[FYI: Course Lists of General Education ] https://www.liaison.nagasaki-u.ac.jp/download/172/syllabus00\_kyoyo.pdf

**NOTE:** JLCP students shall not take any specialized subjects in the Faculties and Schools.

## 3) Field Trips (No credit)

Field trips to Mt. Unzen, Shimabara Peninsula areas and other areas.

# 6. Application Procedures

# (1) URL for Online Application

https://www.liaison.nagasaki-u.ac.jp/?page\_id=33765

## (2) Application Documents

		Format	Note
a.	Digital Color Photo Data	jpeg	4cm×3cm (1.5"x1.2"), Upper half of body
		png	with bare head, plain background, Taken
		gif	within 3 months, Different one from the one
			on the passport
b.	Recommendation Letter	pdf	Written by a teacher or the applicant's
			supervisor at applicant's home university
			who knows the applicant 's Japanese
			language ability well.
с.	Certificate of Enrollment	pdf	Issued by applicant's home university
d.	Academic Transcript	pdf	Issued by applicant's home university
e.	Essay	pdf	Download a form
			•Approximately 1,000 letters in Japanese
f.	Copy of Passport	pdf	Page of your face on the passport
g.	Certificate of Health	pdf	Download a form
h.	Application for Certificate	xls	Download a form
	of Eligibility		
i.	Copy of Proof of Japanese	pdf	Certificate of the result and the scores on
	Language Proficiency		either of the following tests:
			·JLPT
			·JPT
			·J.TEST
			$\cdot$ J-CAT Performance or J-CAT Certificate

## (3) Application Deadline

Fall Semester Entry: <u>April 1<sup>st</sup></u> Spring Semester Entry: October 20<sup>th</sup>

# (4) Screening for Prospective Students

Applicants will be screened based upon the Application documents described in 1) "Application Procedures."

# (5) Notification of the Results

The results of the screening will be officially notified to the Student Exchange Division of applicant's home university.

# (6) Students with Disabilities or Special Needs

Students with disabilities or special needs who would like to request reasonable accommodations or academic adjustments should consult with the Student Exchange Support Division before applying to the JLCP. When contacting the Student Exchange Support Division, please submit the information listed below, along with documentation from a medical doctor or other qualified and appropriate professional that lists the student's diagnosis (or diagnoses) and describes the area(s) in which the student experiences difficulty.

**Note:** Under no circumstances will a student experience discrimination or be disadvantaged in the application/admission process as a result of consulting with the Student Exchange Support Division regarding a disability or special needs. In addition, please note that it may not be possible to provide reasonable accommodations or academic adjustments if the student does not consult with the Student Exchange Support Division prior to applying.

[Information to be submitted by the student]

- a. Full name
- b. Name of home university
- c. Student's e-mail address
- d. Student's phone number
- e. Type of disability or special needs
- f. Desired reasonable accommodations or academic adjustments
- g. Reasonable accommodations or academic adjustments provided at home university
- h. Aspects of the student's daily life that are affected by the disability or special needs

If necessary, the Student Exchange Support Division may request an online or telephone interview with the student and/or their home university representative, etc.

The Nagasaki University Student Accessibility Office provides support for students with disabilities and special needs. Please visit the following site for more information (in Japanese):

http://www.sao.nagasaki-u.ac.jp/

### (7) Contact information

Student Exchange Support Division (JLCP), Nagasaki University I-14 Bunkyo-machi, Nagasaki-city 852-8521, Japan Telephone: +81-95-819-2243 Facsimile: +81-95-819-2125 E-mail Address: ryugaku\_shien@ml.nagasaki-u.ac.jp

# 7. Grade

Grades of subject provided by Center for Japanese Language and Student Exchange will be determined on the performance including quizzes, exams, reports, attendance, and so on. On the academic record sheet, each grade (AA to D: 5 grade evaluation) and the score (perfect score: 100) will be printed with signature by the Director of Center for Japanese Language and Student Exchange. As a general rule, an academic record will be issued as follows:

For the participants who accomplish this program at the end of Fall Semester

- : After the end of March
- For the participants who accomplish this program at the end of Spring Semester : After the end of September

Grades of general education courses will be issued around the same time in a different format.

## 8. Certificate of Completion and the Issuance Time

A completion certificate of JLCP will be issued for those who have completed taking the required credits (7 credits a semester, 14 credits annually) of subjects provided by the Center for Japanese Language and Student Exchange (credits earned by taking general education courses shall not be included). A certificate of completion will be issued as follows:

For the participants who accomplish this program in the Fall Semester

- : After the end of March
- For the participants who accomplish this program in the Spring Semester
  - : After the end of September

# 9. Tuition Fee for "Fee-Paying Course" Students

Fee-Paying Course students from partner universities of Nagasaki University are required to pay 14,800 yen per credit. Please note that there is a possibility of change in tuition fee.

## **IO.** Accommodations

Exchange students have priority to stay in the university dormitory. In case there is no vacant room in the dormitory, Nagasaki University shall help to find private accommodations.

## II. Scholarship

Nagasaki University will apply to JASSO (the Japan Student Services Organization) Student Exchange Support Program for JLCP. Only when it is selected by JASSO, the scholarships will be provided to the selected JLCP participants\*. The potential scholarship recipients will be selected based on their academic records at their home university and other conditions, and will be nominated to JASSO. Requirements of this scholarship is available in JASSO's website:

http://www.jasso.go.jp/ryugaku/tantosha/study\_j/short\_term/index.html

\* JLCP was not selected for the year of 2025-2026.