

# **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 School of Letters Graduate School of Life Sciences

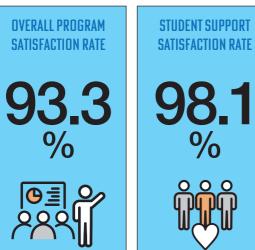
# **Our Semester Programs**

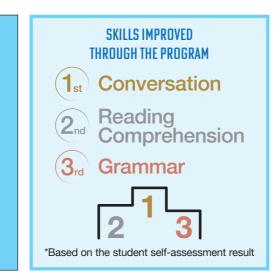
SWU offers 2 types of non-degree semester programs for international students who are enrolled in an undergraduate or a graduate program at a university outside Japan. These 15-week programs are offered in both the Fall and Spring semesters.



LANGUAGE STUDY







# Students' Voices



"I was excited to meet people from Japan and worldwide and share cultures and values with them. The teachers and CIE staff were very kind and helpful. Thanks to them, my Japanese proficiency has improved. In addition to that, many CHAWA events were fun! My study abroad experience at SWU became one of the precious moments of my life."

#### **Internship Opportunities**

After completing the semester courses, students can participate in a short internship program. This on-site experiential learning opportunity enables students to be exposed to Japanese corporate culture, practice "Keigo" (honorific speech), and learn business manners.



I participated in the internship program because it was an excellent opportunity to experience Japanese corporate culture and service.

I learned about various tourism services during the internship and improved my Japanese and English business skills."

## **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
			Academic Program
LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT	SHORT-TERM ONLINE PROGRAM	SEMESTER  Intensive Japanese Language Program  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 OUTLINE	Online short-term program specifically designed to boost Japanese language proficiency from JLPT N4 to N3 level.  Consists of two consecutive sessions: Basic Japanese Online Program I (8days) and Basic Japanese Online Program II (15days).  Upon successful completion of Basic Japanese Online Program II, students are eligible for the Intensive Japanese Language Program.	<ul> <li>Communication-based language program.</li> <li>5 Japanese language courses (8 credits total) offered in 2 levels.</li> <li>Students may also take up to 2 regular SWU academic courses, either in English or Japanese, depending on their language level.</li> <li>Optional short-term internship program may be available after the semester program.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students take 7-10 courses from varieties of regular SWU academic courses that are open to international students.</li> <li>Japanese language courses also available for those who wants to further improve their language skills.</li> <li>Optional short-term internship program may be available after the semester program.</li> </ul>
PROGRAM PERIOD	Summer	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

More inf 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: JPY60,000  $\sim$  80,000/month \*Rent is subject to change.



### **Application Dates**

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

<sup>\*</sup>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.

#### More info



### 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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