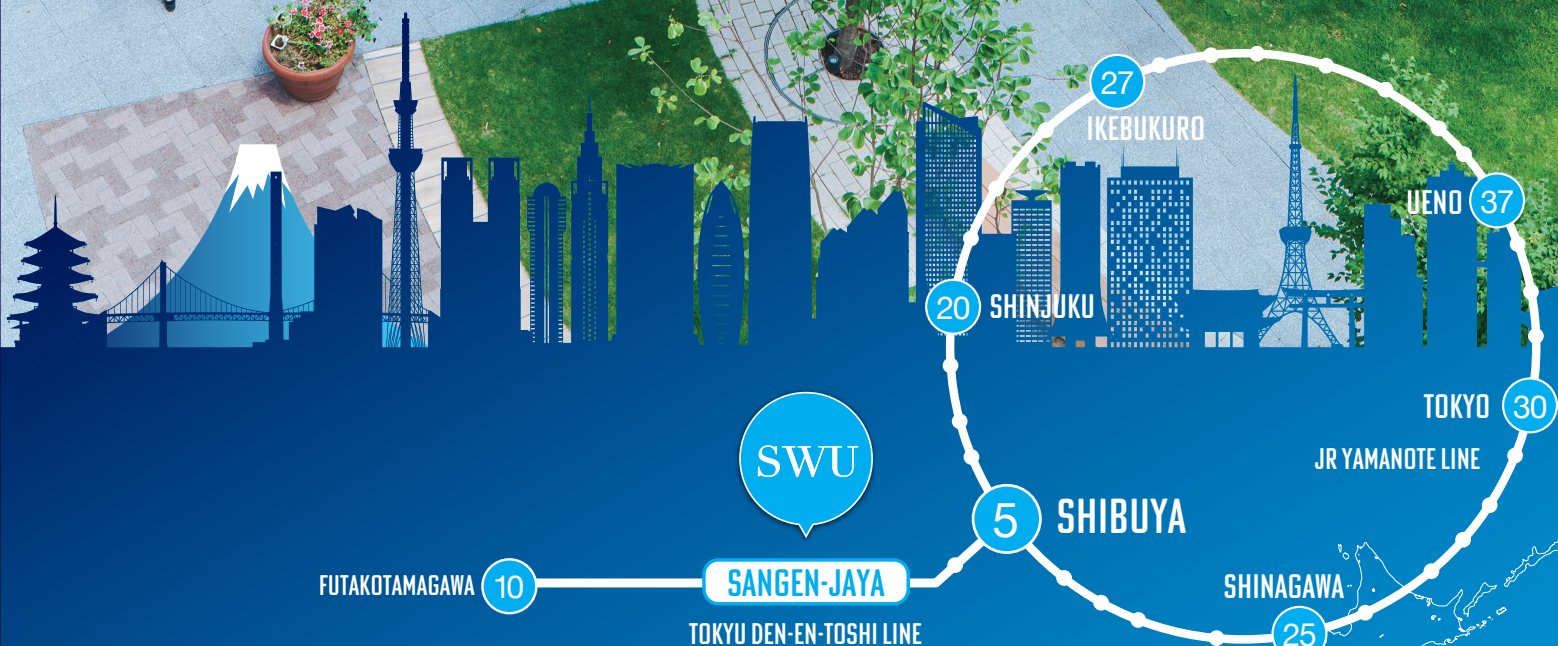


SHOWA WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY

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 Japan's leading women's universities. It is a liberal arts college with approximately 6,650 undergraduate students studying across 7 undergraduate faculties.

Since 2019, SWU shares its campus with Temple University Japan Campus, realizing a super 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 International Studies
Faculty of Global Business
Faculty of Humanities and Culture
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences
Faculty of Food and Health Sciences
Faculty of Environmental Design
Faculty of Informatics

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(Spring/Fall)
			Academic Program
Language Requirement	Summer(July-August)	Semester(Spring/Fall)	Students are required to have completed N2 level on JLPT before arrival. - JLPT N2 level or above - CEFR B1 level - JPT 525 level - J-CAT 250 level
	Short-term Online Program	Intensive Japanese Language Program	
PROGRAM OUTLINE	- Online short-term program specifically designed to boost Japanese language proficiency from JLPT N4 to N3 level - An official transcript with 1 credits will be awarded. - Upon successful completion, students are eligible for the Intensive Japanese Language Program.	Students are required to have completed Basic Japanese before arrival. - JLPT N3 level - CEFR A2 level - JPT430 level - J-CAT200 level Japanese Language Courses • 2 levels (7 courses, 7 credits) Other Courses • Non-language courses taught in English or Japanese available depending on their level of language proficiency	Japanese language and liberal arts courses • 7-10 courses * Not all courses are open to international students. Course syllabus search website 
		• Students may join some optional program. -Short Internship Program -Extracurricular Projects -Mentor Program	
PROGRAM FEE	JPY 45,000 * Exchange students: waived * Non-exchange students from Partner Universities: JPY 22,500 (50% discount)	JPY 300,000 / Semester * Exchange students: waived * Non-exchange students from Partner Universities: JPY 150,000 / Semester (50% discount)	



Cross-cultural Opportunities for Semester Students

Host Sister / Host Family

Students can join the Host Sister and Host Family programs to experience Japanese student life and culture. Host Sisters support students in settling into life at SWU, while Host Families provide opportunities to experience Japanese family life through visits and activities during the semester.



Short Internship Program

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.

Seasonal Events Planned by CHAWA

A student group “CHAWA” offers events and activities for international students almost every month. International students can visit various sites in/near Tokyo with Japanese students and experience Japanese culture and customs.



Intercultural Collaborative Project: Women’s Empowerment

Learn about women's empowerment in Japanese society through project-based programs with local organizations in Setagaya and SWU Japanese students.

Language Exchange / Japanese Conversation Partner Program

For students who wish to further improve their Japanese conversation skills, SWU offers opportunities to practice the language in pairs with local SWU students. In the Language Exchange Program, students meet regularly to practice the language each wants to learn Japanese for the international students and English, Chinese, or Korean for the Japanese students. In the Japanese Conversation Partner Program, Japanese volunteer students will help international students learn typical Japanese phrases used in everyday life.



International Student Dormitory



In September 2025, SWU opened an international student dormitory located about 30minutes from campus by train. All rooms are single occupancy and include a private bathroom, toilet, and kitchen, with internet and utilities.

Fees: JPY82,000/month
(Internet and utility charges included)

*As of April 2026



Scholarship

Hirao Scholarship

Hirao Scholarship was founded by Mr. 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.

JASSO Scholarship

Students who participate in designated experiential learning programs, such as Extracurricular Projects or Short Internship Programs may be eligible for the JASSO Scholarship. The student is awarded a stipend of 80,000 JPY per month.

*Scholarship availability is subject to change.

Application Procedure

The Semester Program application must be submitted via the Online Application System. Follow the instructions below and apply by the deadline for our semester program.



	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

Further Information



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