



One Semester
In Japan
One life-changing
Experience



About EAI

One Semester In Japan... One Life-Chaging Experience!

**Learn and speak
Japanese every
day both on and
off-campus!**

**Study about
Japan and the
Far East while
experiencing it!**

**Worship and serve in
local Japanese, Korean-
speaking, Chinese-
speaking, and/or
English-speaking
churches!**

**Join in field trips
that make your
classroom studies
come alive!**

**Experience dorm life
with Japanese,
Korean, Chinese, and
other international
students from around
the world!**

Tokyo Christian University
EAST ASIA INSTITUTE

About Tokyo Christian University

- Students from all over the world join together to live, learn, and serve with Christian values.
- A Christ-centered, liberal arts education.
- An evangelical Christian univeristy fully accredited by the Japanese Ministry of Education, an accreditation recognized around the world.
- The spacious and nature-filled campus adjoins a goverment flower garden and park, with nearby working rice paddies, in a goverment-mandated green zone.
- Less than 35 minutes from the main international airport and less than 55 minutes to downtown Tokyo, with frequent and convenient commuter trains to both.
- A stable and mature university whose roots go back to 1881 in the city of Yokohama.
- The oldest and first international affiliate of the North American based Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCCU).

Courses

Spring Intensive

April - Early July

In the spring semester, students may take any courses from TCU's regular curriculum. On average, students take around 13 credits, and they may add additional courses at no extra cost.

Elementary – Intermediate Japanese Language and Culture (3 credits)

Syllabi

TCU's Regular Courses (2 credits each)



*Courses for the spring semester will be decided in March.

Fall Program

Late August - Early December

Each fall semester, the East Asia Institute offers four primary courses that give a balanced introduction to Japan and East Asia. However, students may replace primary courses with electives.

Primary Courses

Global Studies III: Japanese Arts and Aesthetics (3 credits)

Global Studies VII: Religion and Society in Japan (3 credits)

Global Studies XVI: Japanese Culture and Society (3 credits)

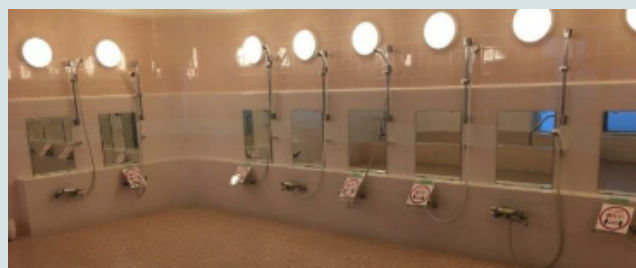
Elementary – Intermediate Japanese Language and Culture (4 credits)



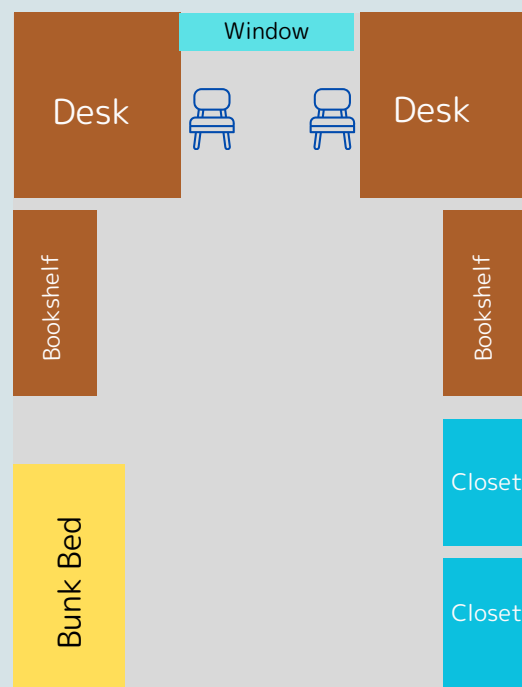
Dormitory

Women's & Men's Dormitories

- Each dorm room accommodates two students
- Equipped with individual study desks and chairs, bunk-beds, individual chest-of-drawers, and book shelves.
- All rooms are air-conditioned.
- In each dorm, there are two kitchen facilities with a microwave, small oven, rice cooker, refrigerator, and cooking utensils.
- Rooms have Internet access, and students can access the Internet with their own computers in the study rooms.
- Each of the three floors in both dormitories has prayer rooms, bathrooms, and a laundry room equipped with washing machines and dryers.



Public Space Facilities	
Internet:	Optical fiber (up to 100 Mbps) and wireless LAN on each floor and in the study room
Each floor:	Washing machines, clothes dryers (charged), 1-2 large refrigerators, toaster, electric irons, ironing boards
Pantry (kitchen) : 2 pantries on the 1F	Gas stove, microwave oven, gas oven, refrigerator
Storage :	2 prefabricated warehouses on 1F



Field Trips

As a requirement of the program, the student will make five field trips under the guidance of the professors. The following destinations are tentative and may be changed according to circumstances.



One Overnight Hakone Trip (Fall), One Overnight Spring Retreat (Spring), Tokyo National Museum, Watching Sumo Wrestling, etc.

Campus Life



Dormitory

By living alongside Japanese and other international students from diverse backgrounds, you will experience the fellowship of God's family, transcending differences in nationality, culture, and language.



Meals

Three meals are available Monday through Friday except holidays.
Fee for the meal is included in the program fee.



Resident Assistant

To support their new life in Japan and at TCU, Resident Assistants will provide follow-up support when new students have questions or face challenges in various aspects of life at TCU.

Student Voices

Elijah from United States (2024 Fall)

I had the incredible opportunity to study at TCU during the Fall 2024 semester—a dream come true after years of longing to experience Japan. While I initially had fears about the language barrier, cultural differences, and being far from home, God's faithfulness cleared every obstacle, making this semester one of the most transformative of my life. During my time in Japan, I gained a deeper understanding of cultural differences and the beauty of God's global church. Visiting diverse churches and worshipping with believers from various backgrounds brought the words of Revelation 7:9-10 to life. I was also inspired by the unwavering faith of Japanese Christians, some of whom face opposition from their families for their beliefs. Their courage challenged me to reflect on my own faith and its strength under pressure. This experience taught me that God's plan is always good and that His purpose will succeed, no matter how difficult the circumstances. I am deeply grateful to the TCU community for their kindness and support, which made me feel at home. The memories, friendships, and lessons I've gained will stay with me forever.

Ella from Biola University (2024 Fall)

I came to Japan seeking a new experience, though I had no idea what that experience would be. I asked God to lead me where He wanted me to go, and His plan brought me here. I listened, followed, and I am far from disappointed. These past four months in Japan, and specifically at TCU, have been incredibly rich and fulfilling. Words cannot fully capture the happiness this journey and the amazing people I have met have brought me. I wouldn't trade this experience for anything in the world. I truly believe this is why God led me here—to feel the love of so many brothers and sisters in Christ and to experience an adventurous life that is so wonderfully different from my home in California. To anyone reading this, I wholeheartedly encourage you to come to Japan and live among the students at TCU. You won't regret it. I know I don't.

Shanah from George Fox University (2025 Fall)

Our semester at TCU has been filled with moments we will carry with us for a long time. Through studying abroad in Japan, we were given the gift of learning—not only in the classroom, but through shared experiences, travel, and everyday life in a new culture. From trying unfamiliar foods to navigating trains and language barriers, each experience taught us something meaningful.

Along the way, we experienced personal growth as we stepped outside our comfort zones, faced challenges, and learned greater independence. Through both difficulties and small victories, God used these moments to shape us and draw us closer to Him, reminding us that growth often happens in unfamiliar places.

Throughout this journey, we were also reminded of God's grace and love. In both joyful and unexpected moments, He showed us His faithfulness and care.

Program Fee

Intensive Spring April - Early July	Fall Late August - Early December	One Year Late August - Early July
Cherry Blossoms Spring Retreat 13 credits in 10 weeks 13,500 USD	Japanese Culture, Arts, Religion Courses One-night Homestay 13 credits in 15 weeks 13,500 USD	Deepen Understanding of Japan 39 credits in one year 26,300 USD

Program Fee Includes:

Tuition	Room and Board	Field Trips	Rental Bikes
Japanese Language Textbooks	Rental Bedding	Resident Assistants	
National Health Insurance	Includes Other Required Fees		

Application Form



- Would you like to learn and speak Japanese every day both on and off-campus?
- Would you like to learn about the land and the people you may one day serve with the gospel?
- Would you like to worship and serve in local Japanese churches?
- Would you like to live and study in Japan?

If yes, apply now!



Schedule

2027 Spring

Application Deadline → 2026, November 12

Enrollment procedure → 2026 Dec, 2027 March
Visa Procedure

Arrival: 2027, April 5 (tentative)

Class Begin: 2027, April 7 (tentative)

Class Ends: 2027, July 1 (tentative)

Spring
Semester

2027 Fall

Application Deadline → 2027, April 2

Enrollment procedure → 2027, May to August
Visa Procedure

Arrival: 2027, August 24-25 (tentative)

Class Begin: 2027, August 30 (tentative)

Class Ends: 2027, December 10 (tentative)

Fall
Semester