



National University Corporation

Shizuoka University

International Exchange Program 2026

For Exchange students from Partner Universities



Location

● Access to Shizuoka

- **Centrally located in the heart of Japan.**
- **Easily accessible from multiple destinations.**
- **Only one hour away from Tokyo/Nagoya via bullet train (Shinkansen).**

● Attractive Points

- **Nestled at the foot of the Mt. Fuji.**
- **Proximity to the sea and mountains.**
- **Renowned for its fresh seafood offerings.**
- **Crystal clear tap water**
 - give it a taste!



Shizuoka University



- **National University**

- **Over 100 partner universities and institutes around the world.**

- **Students: Approximately 10,000**



Shizuoka University

[Two Campuses]

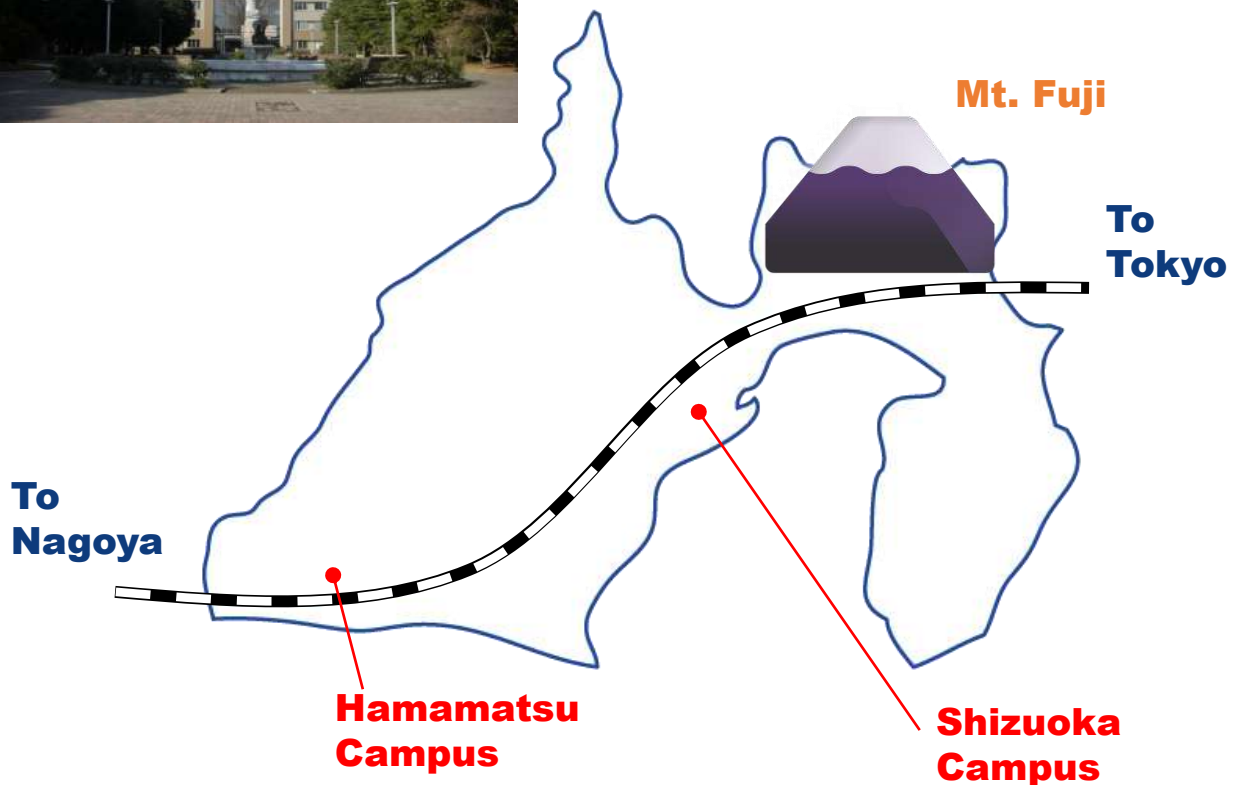
- **Shizuoka Campus:**

- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Education
- Science
- Agriculture
- Global Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation



- **Hamamatsu Campus:**

- Informatics
- Engineering



Study at Shizuoka University

■ Enrollment patterns

- ☐ **April ~ September (1 semester)**
- ☐ **April ~ March (2 semesters)**
- ☐ **October ~ March (1 semester)**
- ☐ **October ~ September (2 semesters)**



■ Japanese Language Programs

- ① **Japanese Language Program**
- ② **Intensive Japanese Course (Beginners)**
- ③ **Intensive Japanese Course (Intermediate)**
- ④ **Japanese Studies & Exchange Program**
- ⑤ **General Education**

① Japanese Language Programs

■ Japanese 1

- (Beginners) Basic Japanese **4 classes/week**

■ Japanese 2

- (Elementary) Elementary Japanese **3 classes/week**

■ Japanese 3

- (Lower-intermediate) **3-4 classes/week**
“Reading & Grammar”, “Listening & Vocabulary”,
“Writing & Speaking”

■ Japanese 4

- (Upper-intermediate) **2-3 classes/week**
“Reading & Grammar”, “Listening & Vocabulary”,
“Writing & Speaking”

■ Japanese 5

- (Advanced learners) **1-2 classes/week**
“Integrated Japanese”

- One class is 90 mins × 15 weeks = 30 contact hours per semester.
- You can also attend classes one level higher or lower than your level upon consultation with the instructor. (e.g., A Japanese 3 student can attend JP2 and JP4, as well as JP3.)
- Academic credits are awarded to students who successfully complete the course.

② Intensive Japanese Course (Beginner) at Shizuoka

Course for beginners

2 - 3 classes / day ⇒ 10 - 15 classes / week

■ Subjects Offered

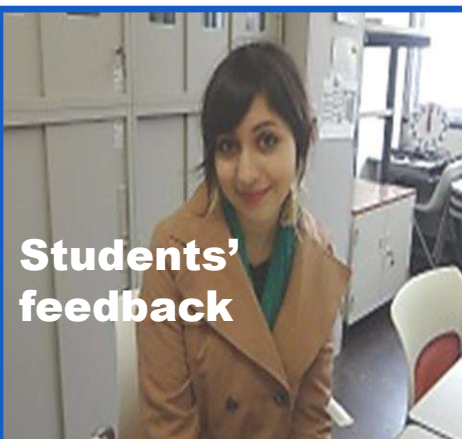
- ☐ **Beginner Japanese I (Basic Japanese)**
(10 classes/week)*
- ☐ **Beginner Japanese II (Kanji) (1class / week)****
- ☐ **Beginner Japanese III (Writing) (1class / week)****
- ☐ **Beginner Japanese IV (Listening) (1class / week)****
- ☐ **Beginner Japanese V (Conversation) (1class / week)****
- ☐ **Beginner Japanese VI (Japanese Language & Culture)**
(1class / week)**

*** : compulsory**

**** : optional**

■ Academic credits offered (10 - 15 credits in total)

*** Course offerings may change or be cancelled depending on the situation.**



Students' feedback

"I took the Japanese intensive course because I wanted to quickly improve my Japanese language skills. The course teachers were very helpful and I was able to learn so much about Japanese language and culture as well. I enjoyed the program and recommend it to anyone wanting to improve his/her Japanese!"

③ Intensive Japanese Course (Intermediate) at Hamamatsu

Course for upper intermediate learners

2 classes / day ⇒ 10 classes / week

■ Subjects Offered

- ☐ **Intermediate Japanese I・II・IV・V
(Grammar & Vocabulary) (4 classes/week)**
- ☐ **Intermediate Japanese III (Listening) (1class / week)**
- ☐ **Intermediate Japanese IV (Conversation & Speech)
(1class / week)**
- ☐ **Intermediate Japanese VII・X (Writing Composition)
(1class / week)**
- ☐ **Intermediate Japanese VIII (Japanese for Science)
(1class / week)**
- ☐ **Intermediate Japanese IX (Reading) (1class / week)**

■ Academic credits offered (20 credits in total)

*** Course offerings may change or be cancelled depending on the situation.**

日本語集中コースを受けた韓国人学生です。集中コースを受けた結果、私は短期間内に日本語能力を早く向上させることができました。単語、文法、読解、聴解等、日本語の基礎的な部分全部を具体的に勉強できたことが理由だと思っています。特に私は漢字の実力が上がりました。この授業は日本語能力を上げたい留学生には本当に役に立つ授業だと思います。

"I came from Korea and I took the intermediate intensive course. This course remarkably improved my Japanese proficiency in 4 months. I studied vocabularies, grammar and Kanji. I trained reading and writing skills in the course. That is why I'm an advanced Japanese learner and I'm good at Kanji now. I strongly recommend this useful course to all students who want to improve their Japanese in a short time."



④ Japanese Study & Exchange (No classes offered in 2026)

■ Elective classes for exchange students

■ To cultivate students with a fundamental knowledge of the Japanese language and Japanese affairs through lectures and seminars.

Program	Lecture/ Seminar	Class Hours	Credit
Introduction to the Study & Exchange Program in Japan	Lecture	4	2
Introduction to Japanese culture (twice a year)	Lecture	4	
Introduction to foreign cultures	Seminar	24	
International exchange activities	Seminar		
Japanese culture experiences	Seminar		
Final paper for the Study & Exchange Program in Japan	Lecture	6	
Presentation on the achievements through studying in Japan	Seminar	8	
Total		46	2

⑤ General Education

■ Advanced Japanese classes for undergraduate international students as a part of the general education. It's open to exchange students.

☐ Japanese IV, VI (Fall semester)

☐ Japanese I, II, III, V (Spring semester)

☐ Japanese Affairs (Spring in Hamamatsu, Fall in Shizuoka)

*One class is 90 mins × 15 weeks = 30 contact hours per semester.

*Academic credits are awarded to students who pass the examinations.

Academic Studies

The majority of courses are open to exchange students.

- **Undergraduate level : Most courses are conducted in Japanese. Students need Japanese language proficiency equivalent to JLPT N2 to N1 (CEFR B2 to C1) or higher in order to study their major and keep up with specialized courses.**
- **Graduate Level: Some introductory courses will be offered in English. Some lectures in Agriculture, Science, Engineering, and Information Science are conducted in English, while all lectures in Humanities, Social Sciences, and Education are conducted in Japanese.**

■ Exchange students may take courses offered by faculties other than the one to which they are assigned, with the approval of their academic advisor.



An Example of a Study Plan

■ **Exchange students are required to take at least 7 classes (10 hours) per week. Therefore, a study plan might look like this, for example:**

- **Japanese beginning students (①),**
- **Japanese intermediate students(②) and**
- **Japanese advanced students (③).**

[1st Term]

① **10-15 Japanese classes from the Intensive Course**

② **5-6 Japanese classes + 1-2 academic class(es)**

③ **2-3 Japanese classes + 4-5 academic classes**

[2nd Term]

Fewer Japanese classes and more academic classes.



International Exchange Lounge

●Meet New Friends and Build Networks

The International Lounge is a gathering place for students interested in international exchange and study abroad.

It's a place where they can spend time together and participate in or organize cross-cultural activities.

Through these activities, we provide a range of opportunities for both international and Japanese students. In addition, student volunteers help international students with a language, daily life, and more.



Life in Shizuoka, Japan !

●Accommodations

We provide a dormitory, “The International Residence” located near each campus.

Campus	Room type	Rent/Month
Shizuoka	Single room unit type (5private room s and shared common area)	27,400 JPY
Hamamatsu	Single room	13,800-15,000 JPY

*The monthly rent is subject to change.

Equipment of Building/Room:

Dining kitchen, air conditioner, washing machine and dryer, washroom, shower/bath, toilet, Wi-Fi, storage room, and bedclothes and shoe locker.

***Utilities fee is charged based on the amount used.**



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Life in Shizuoka, Japan !

● Various Support

Academic advisor and personal tutor
Counseling service in English and health care services
Activities, field trips, and more

● Fees & Costs

- **Tuition : Free**
- **National Health Insurance(NHI) & National Pension: 70% of medical expenses are covered by NHI.**
- **GAKKENSAI, GAKKENBAI and GAKUBAI:**
All students are required to enroll in these student insurance plans.
- **Monthly cost: Accommodation, Food, etc. approx. ¥80,000 -100,000**



● Funding Opportunities

Japanese Studies Student (Japanese Government Scholarship)

- ☆ **For undergraduate students aged 18 to 30**
- ☆ **Majoring in fields related to the Japanese language and/or culture**

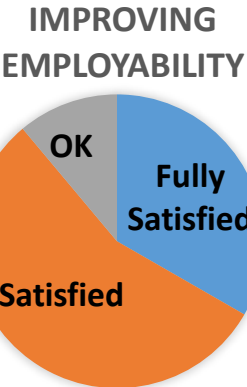
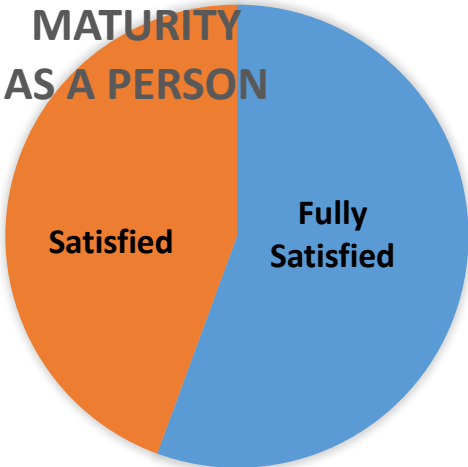
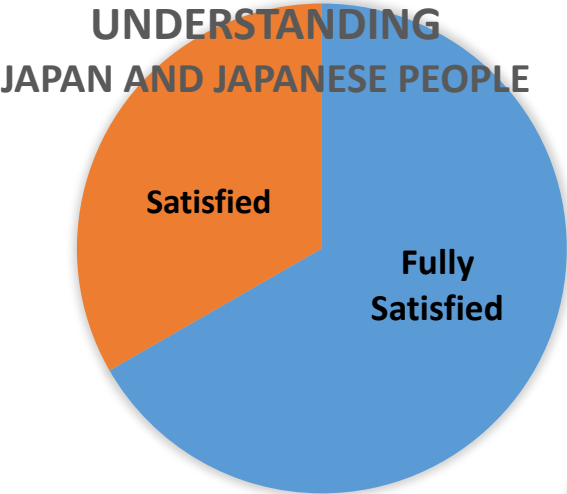
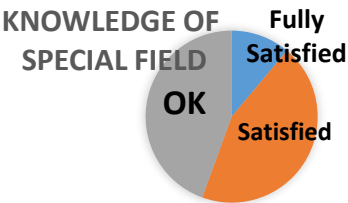
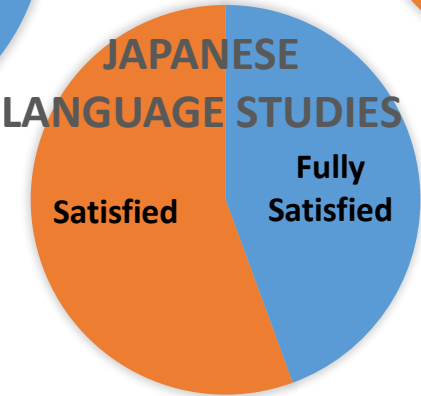
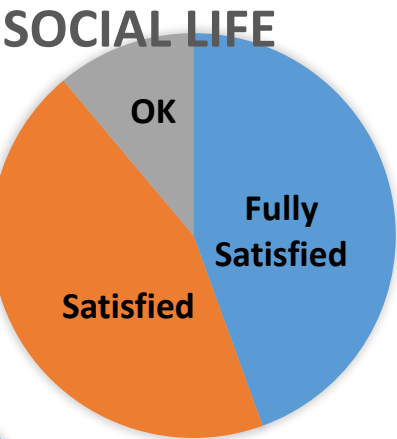
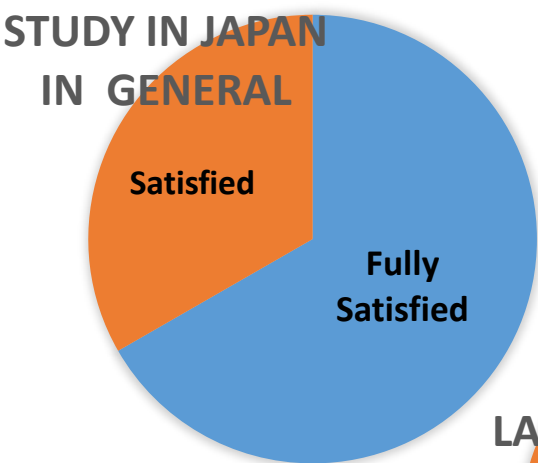
A limited number of exchange students can avail of this scholarship.

- **Monthly Allowance: ¥117,000–¥119,000**
- **Duration of Scholarship: 11 months**
- **Please apply through your home university.**

Feedback from Previous Participants

How would you assess your study experience in Shizuoka?

Results from the Questionnaire: Exchange Students, and Japanese Language and Culture Students



Voices

**Beautiful Mt. Fuji
and friendly
people!**

(Catlea & Muthia, Indonesia)



**I'm glad I had a chance
to study at Shizuoka
University in my life.**

(Sharmilee, India)



*The very helpful teachers,
friendly students and the
beautiful scenery on campus.*

(Christine, USA)



**I enjoyed many
activities, such as
skate boarding,
snow boarding!**

(Akemi, Brazil)



How to Apply

● How to Apply

Please submit your application through the International Office at your home university. Make sure that your application is received by Shizuoka University by the following deadlines:

Mid-October 2025 for admission in the Spring Semester (April 2026)

Early March 2026 for admission in the Fall Semester (October 2026)

● Contact

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