Hokkaido University Student Exchange Programs 2023-2024

As of December 2022

**Hokkaido University Short-Term Exchange Program**

- **HUSTEP** -

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[Spring 2024] Mid-December |
| **Course Duration**         | Fall One Year: October, 2023 – Mid-August, 2024 (11 months)  
Fall Half Year: October, 2023 – Mid-February, 2024 (5 months)  
Spring Half Year: Early April, 2024 – Mid-August, 2024 (5 months) |
| **Number of Students**      | We decide the number of participants on a yearly basis.  
There is a screening process and not all students who apply will be accepted. |

**Program Details**

HUSTEP is a ‘junior year abroad’ type program designed to provide undergraduate students from affiliated universities with the opportunity to study in Japan at Hokkaido University. Participants in this program take a wide variety of classes offered in English. For more information, please see the website below.  

**Eligibility**

To be eligible to apply for HUSTEP, students must:

1. be enrolled in full-time undergraduate degree programs at overseas universities that have concluded a student exchange agreement with Hokkaido University.
2. be enrolled and pay tuition fees at their home universities as full-time students during the entire period of study in Japan.
3. have completed at least two years of undergraduate study at their own university prior to arrival in Japan.
4. have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale or equivalent.
5. be proficient in English. Non-native English speakers must have a score of at least TOEFL iBT 79 or IELTS 6.5.
6. be able to arrive by late September or the first week of April.

* A different internationally-recognized English test result such as CEFR (at least C1) may be accepted.

**Application Procedure**

*Application form is available online.
1. Home University Coordinator provides students with application form.
2. Student completes the form.
3. Home University Coordinator sends the application together with required documents.
4. Hokkaido University reviews the application.
5. Hokkaido University notifies successful applicant and issues further instructions.

**Required Documents**

The application package should include the following documents:

1. Completed HUSTEP application form (with Cover Page)
2. Completed Certificate of Enrollment Form
3. Recommendation letter from an academic supervisor
4. Official transcript of academic record
5. University Grading System
6. Certificate of health
7. Three photos (3×4 cm, color and clear)
8. TOEFL, IELTS, or CEFR score record (non-native English speakers only)
9. Photocopy of your passport
10. Content to Transfer and Process Personal Data (For EEA students only) (PDF)

Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.

**Credits**

Credits and grades are issued for each semester.

**Scholarship**

The Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) offers the following scholarship: 80,000 yen per month.

*Please note that due to a limited number of scholarships offered, only a few students will be able to receive them.*

**Accommodation**

University dormitory. Room assignment is decided by Hokkaido University.

**Contact e-mail address**

hustep@oia.hokudai.ac.jp
Japanese Language and Culture Studies Program - JLCSP -

Brochure & Application Form
Issued late December

Application Deadline
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Number of Students
We decide the number of participants on a yearly basis.
Please note that there is a screening process in place for each course.
Not all applicants will be accepted.

Program Details
Japanese Language and Culture Studies Program (JLCSP) is a “junior year abroad” type program for undergraduate student majoring in Japanese language and culture to develop their Japanese skills and broaden their horizons about Japan.
1. Japanese Language Courses
2. Japanese linguistics, culture and society courses
For more information, please see the website below.

Eligibility
Students who meet the following conditions:
1. Undergraduate students
2. Majoring in Japanese Language and/or Japanese Culture
3. Equivalent to JLPT level N3 or higher
4. Enrollment at home university: Exchange students are required to be enrolled at their home university as a full-time student during the entire period of exchange.
5. Possessing a good academic record at university level.

Application Procedure
[Embassy Recommendation] (Only for One Year course)
Procedures are different from each country. Applicants should inquire at the Japanese Embassy in their country.
[Direct application]
1. Home University Coordinator provides students with application forms.
2. Student completes the form.
3. Home University Coordinator sends the application together with required documents to Hokkaido University.
4. Hokkaido University reviews the documents.
5. Hokkaido University notifies successful applicants and issues further instructions.

Required Documents
1. Application form
2. Certificate of Enrollment
3. Recommendation letter
4. Transcript of academic record
5. Photocopy of Certificate of JLPT test
6. Photocopy of passport
7. 2 copies of photo (4.5×3.5 cm, color and clear)
8. Application form for MEXT scholarship (if you want to apply)

Credits
The program is a credited program.
Students will receive their academic transcripts at the end of the program.

Scholarship
Some students will be eligible to receive the following scholarship:
Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship / JASSO scholarship
Monthly stipend: 117,000 JPY / 80,000 JPY
Detailed information will be provided together with application form.

Accommodation
University dormitory
Room assignment is decided by Hokkaido University.

Contact e-mail address
jlcsp@oia.hokudai.ac.jp
### Special Auditor (Undergraduate)

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                        [Spring Semester 2024] November 17, 2023 |
| Nomination Deadline  | [Fall Semester 2023] March 20, 2023  
                        [Spring Semester 2024] October 17, 2023 |
| Results Notification | [Fall Semester 2023] early July  
                        [Spring Semester 2024] early February |
| Course Duration      | [One Year or Half Year]  
                        Fall (One year): October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024  
                        Fall (Half year): October 1, 2023 – March 31, 2024  
                        Spring (One year): April 1, 2024 – March 31, 2025  
                        Spring (Half year): April 1, 2024 – September 30, 2024 |
| Number of Students   | Decided on a yearly basis. There will be a screening at each faculty. Not all applicants will be accepted. |

#### Program Details
Half year or full year study abroad opportunity in which students are assigned to a particular faculty and take classes related to their specialized area together with full-time regular students. For more information, please see the website below.

[https://www.global.hokudai.ac.jp/admissions/exchange-student-admissions/61960-2/](https://www.global.hokudai.ac.jp/admissions/exchange-student-admissions/61960-2/)

#### Eligibility
Students who meet the following:
1. High academic record at home university in the field of desired faculty
2. Equivalent to JLPT level N2 or higher (preferably native level)
3. Enrollment at home university:
   - Exchange students are required to be enrolled at their home university as a full-time student during the entire period of exchange.

#### Application Procedure
1. Home university coordinator nominates students by submitting the nomination sheet. *The nomination sheet will be provided on request basis.*
2. Hokkaido University provides the latest application form based on the nomination.
3. Students prepare the application documents.
4. Home university coordinator submits the application documents.
5. Hokkaido University screens the application.
6. Hokkaido University notifies the screening results and gives further instruction.

#### Required Documents
1. Application form
2. Certificate of Enrollment from Home University
3. Recommendation letter
4. Transcript of academic record
5. Photocopy of Certificate of JLPT
6. Photocopy of passport
7. Three photos (3×4 cm, color and clear)
   *This is general information, and the required documents may vary depending on Schools*

#### Credits
Credits and grades are issued for each semester. (Excl. Japanese language classes)

#### Scholarship
N/A

#### Accommodation
University dormitory / Room assignment is decided by Hokkaido University.

#### Contact e-mail address
exchange-programs@oia.hokudai.ac.jp
**Application Form**
- Issued on nomination basis

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- [Fall Semester 2023] April 21, 2023
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**Nomination Deadline**
- [Fall Semester 2023] March 20, 2023
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**China Scholarship Council (CSC)** *Chinese universities only
CSC applicants must be nominated earlier than the nomination deadlines above. If you have CSC applicants, please contact us more than a month before CSC deadline. Please go through proper procedures through home university exchange offices.

**Results Notification**
- [Fall Semester 2023] early July
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**Course Duration**
- [One Year or Half Year]
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*The actual last day of the course may differ by School and/or the weekly schedules of the lecture. Please confirm when you apply.

**Number of Students**
- Decided on a yearly basis. There will be a screening at each graduate school. Not all applicants will be accepted.

**Program Details**
Half year or full year programs in which students are assigned to a particular faculty and take classes related to their specialized area together with full-time students. For more information, please see the website below.
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**Eligibility**
Students who meet the following:
1. High academic record at home university in the field of desired faculty
2. *Equivalent to JLPT level N2 or higher (preferably native level) *depending on a graduate school.
3. Enrollment at home university:
   Exchange students are required to be enrolled at their home university as a full-time student during the entire period of exchange.

**Application Procedure**
1. Home university coordinator nominates students by submitting the nomination sheet. *The nomination sheet will be provided on request basis.
2. Hokkaido University provides the latest application form based on the nomination.
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5. Hokkaido University screens the application.
6. Hokkaido University notifies the screening results and gives further instruction.

**Required Documents**
1. Application form
2. Certificate of Enrollment from Home University
3. Recommendation letter
4. Transcript of academic record
5. Photocopy of Certificate of JLPT
6. Photocopy of passport
7. Three photos (3×4 cm, color and clear)
*This is general information, and the required documents may vary depending on graduate schools.

**Credits**
Credits and grades are issued for each semester. (Excl. Japanese language classes)

**Scholarship**
N/A

**Accommodation**
University dormitory / Room assignment is decided by Hokkaido University.

**Contact e-mail address**
exchange-programs@oia.hokudai.ac.jp
Special Research Student -SRS-

Application Form
Issued on nomination basis

Application Deadline
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[Spring Semester 2024] November 17, 2023  
[Fall Semester 2023] March 20, 2023  
[Spring Semester 2024] October 17, 2023

Nomination Deadline
China Scholarship Council (CSC) *Chinese universities only
CSC applicants must be nominated at least one month before the deadline above. If you have CSC applicants, please contact us earlier. CSC Joint Scholarship Program Researchers are accepted as SRS at HU. They need to be nominated and go through application procedures as SRS applicants. If a student individually contacts a professor and gets permission, the procedures are ineffective or incomplete. Please go through proper application procedures through home university exchange office and Student Exchange Division HU.

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Number of Students
Decided on a yearly basis.  
There will be a screening at each graduate school. Not all applicants will be accepted.

Program Details
Half year or full year exchange in which students are assigned to a particular graduate school and undertake research centered on their specialized areas same as regular students.

Eligibility
Students who meet the following:
1. High academic record at home university in the field of desired graduate school  
2. English or Japanese fluency to communicate with academic supervisor

Application Procedure
1. **(Before applying)** Students contact a professor to request academic supervision and receive unofficial agreement.  
   *Some faculty does not require this process. Please confirm when applying.
2. Home university coordinator nominates students by submitting the nomination sheet. * The nomination sheet will be provided on request basis.
3. Hokkaido University provides the latest application form based on the nomination.
4. Students prepare the application documents.
5. Home university coordinator submits the application documents.
6. Hokkaido University screens the application.
7. Hokkaido University notifies the screening results and gives further instruction.  
   *Procedures differ by each Graduate School. Please confirm and follow application guidelines.

Required Documents
1. Application form  
2. Certificate of Enrollment from Home University  
3. Recommendation letter  
4. Transcript of academic record (Undergraduate/Graduate)  
5. Photocopy of Certificate of JLPT (if any)  
6. Photocopy of passport  
7. Three photos (3×4 cm, color and clear)  
   *This is general information, and the required documents may vary depending on the graduate schools.

Credits
**No credits are issued.** Special Research Students only receive supervision.

Scholarship
N/A

Accommodation
University dormitory / Room assignment is decided by Hokkaido University.

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exchange-programs@oia.hokudai.ac.jp