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Student Exchange Programs

University of Fukui provides 2 student exchange programs: Program A is to offer courses in English and Program B is in Japanese. Applicants who meet the language requirement of both Program A and B may apply for Program A so that they can take courses both in English and Japanese.

	Program A	Program B
Language of Instruction	English (Except Japanese Language and Culture related courses)	Japanese
Admission	- April - October	- April - October
Duration	- 6 months (1 semester) - 1 year (2 semesters)	- 6 months (1 semester) - 1 year (2 semesters)
Eligibility	 - Undergraduate Students - Graduate Students (Research students only) 	- Undergraduate Students - Graduate Students
Program Outline	Undergraduate students take Common Courses (Japanese language, Japanese affairs and traditional industries courses) in Japanese as well as Specialized Courses in English offered in the School of Education, School of Engineering, and School of Global and Community Studies in English. See the following course catalog for course details: https://www.u-fukui.ac.jp/wp/wp-content/uploads/Progr am-A 2020 Catalog Feb142020.pdf Graduate students receive research instructions from his/her supervisor in English. They can also take Japanese language courses without earning credit.	Undergraduate students take regular UF courses offered to degree-seeking students in the School of Education, School of Engineering, and School of Global and Community Studies. Most courses are offered in Japanese but some courses are taught in English. See the following Syllabus Page for course details: https://www.u-fukui.ac.jp/cont_life/academic/inst ruction/class_bunkyo/ Graduate students can enroll in UF either as a Special Auditing Student and take UF courses in Japanese offered to students in the Graduate School of Engineering, or as a Special Research Student and receive research instructions from his/her supervisor in Japanese.
GPA Requirement	GPA of 2.30 (on a 3.0 scale) or higher in the previous academic year (past 1 year)	GPA of 2.30 (on a 3.0 scale) or higher in the previous academic year (past 1 year)
Language Requirement	TOEFL PBT or ITP score 500, TOEFL iBT 61, TOEIC 600 or its equivalent	Japanese Language Proficiency Test N2, or its equivalent
For students who take courses both in English and Japanese	Applicants who meet the language requirement of both Program A and B may apply for Program A so that they can take courses both in English and Japanese. Please submit both English and Japanese certificates specified above upon application.	



Japanese Language Courses

Exchange students are required to take a placement test right after their arrival and will be placed in one of the 5 course levels (Japanese 1-5) as follows:

	Course	Required Elective	Elective	Credits	Note
	科目	選択必修科目	選択科目	単位	備考
	Integrated Japanese 1 総合 1	0		4	4 classes/week 週 4 コマ
	Japanese Reading 1 読む 1		0	1	
Japanese 1 日本語 1	Japanese Speaking 1 話す 1		0	1	
	Japanese Writing 1 書く 1		0	1	
	Japanese Kanji 1 漢字 1		0	1	
	Integrated Japanese 2 総合 2	0		4	4 classes/week 週 4 コマ
	Japanese Reading 2 読む 2		0	1	
Japanese 2 日本語 2	Japanese Speaking 2 話す 2		0	1	
	Japanese Writing 2 書く 2		0	1	
	Japanese Kanji 2 漢字 2		0	1	
	Integrated Japanese 3 総合 3	0		4	4 classes/week 週 4 コマ
Japanese 3	Japanese Reading 3 読む 3		0	1	
日本語3	Japanese Speaking 3 話す 3		0	1	
	Japanese Writing 3 書く 3		0	1	
Japanese 4	Japanese 4A・4B 日本語 4A・4B		0	1	Conversation 会話
日本語4	Japanese 4C・4D 日本語 4C・4D		0	1	Report writing レポート
Japanese 5	Japanese 5E・5F 日本語 5E・5F		0	1	Discussion ディスカッション
日本語 5	Japanese 5G・5H 日本語 5G・5H		0	1	Reading 読解
	Japanese Affairs 日本事情		0	2	Lectures in Japanese 日本語による講義
Japanese 4 日本語 4	Japanese Culture 日本の文化		0	2	Lectures in Japanese 日本語による講義
&	Multiculturalism in Japan – Practices and Challenges - A 多文化共生の取り組みと課題 A		0	2	Lectures in Japanese 日本語による講義
Japanese 5 日本語 5	Introduction to Intercultural Communication A 異文化コミュニケーション A		0	2	Lectures in Japanese 日本語による講義
	Applied Japanese 1 応用日本語 1		0	2	Lectures in Japanese 日本語による講義
	Applied Japanese 2 応用日本語 2		0	2	Lectures in Japanese 日本語による講義

*1 class hour is equal to 45 minutes. Each course is conducted for 15 weeks/semester.

*All the classes mentioned above are open in the Fall/Spring semester. Some of the classes open in Japanese 4 and 5 may have different contents.



Academic Information (for exchange students)

Academic Load	International Students are required to take at least 10 hours/week of courses to maintain their student visa status. 10 hours / week is equivalent to 7 courses (about 14 credits).					
Grading System	School of Education, School of Engineering		School of Gl	School of Global and Community Studies		
	Grade	Grade Point	Score	Grade	Grade Point	Score
	A	4	90-100	A+	4.00	98-100
	В	3	80-89	А	4.00	95-97
	С	2	70-79	A-	3.67	90-94
	D	1	60-69	B+	3.33	87-89
	F	0	0-59	В	3.00	83-86
				B-	2.67	80-82
				C+	2.33	77-79
				С	2.00	73-76
				C-	1.67	70-72
				D+	1.33	67-69
				D	1.00	63-66
				D-	0.67	60-62
				F	0	0-59
Credit System and Credit Transfer	class is 90 minute mostly 2 credits. 30 learning hours courses), one cre For credit transfe that the exchange	es long (2 class hou 1-credit courses ca 5. For courses catego dit contains conter r, the home univer	urs) for 15 wee ategorized as <i>l</i> gorized as <i>sem</i> nt that require rsity of each ex ed at UF and t	eks per semester ecture contain co ninar or basic lan es 30 class hours cohange student to decide wheth	reserves the right t er or not the studer	l examinations, and 15 class hours and Iapanese language o evaluate credits
Academic						al Auditing Students
Transcript	to confirm their courses completed, grades, and credits earned. A <i>Report of Research Supervision</i> signed by the dean of a graduate school will be issued for exchange students who enroll in UF as Special Research Students.					
Certificate of Completion	A <i>Certificate of Completion</i> will be issued to those who successfully completed the Program A curriculum over the year. Please see the following course catalog for course details: <u>https://www.u-fukui.ac.jp/wp/wp-content/uploads/Program-A_2020_Catalog_Feb142020.pdf</u>					



Important Dates for Student Exchange Program

	2021 April admission	2021 Oct admission
		(Dates are subject to change)
Application Period		February 12 – March 31, 2021
Notification of Acceptance	We've cancelled UF exchange	Mid-June 2021
COE sent out	program 2021 Apr., admission.	Mid-August 2021
Arrival Date		September 24 & 25, 2021
Orientation week		September 27 – 30, 2021
1 st Semester	Spring semester 2021	Fall Semester 2021
	April 1 – September 30	October 1 – March 31
Classes start	April 1	October 1
Final exam	Early August	Early February
Vacation	Mid-August– September 30	Mid-February – March 31
2 nd Semester	Fall semester 2021	Spring Semester 2022
	October 1 – March 31	April 1 – September 31
Classes start	October 1	April 1
Final exam	Early February	Early August
Vacation	Mid-February – March 31	Mid-August- September 30

NOTE

As for UF exchange program Fall 2021 admission, we will be making final decision whether to open/cancel the program before the end of March 2021, monitoring the situation of COVID-19.

Application Procedure for Student Exchange Programs

How to Apply	 Applicants fill in and prepare application forms and documents specified in the <i>Application Guidelines</i> and submit them to the officer in charge of student exchange programs at applicants' home institution. The officer will complete a <i>Nomination Sheet</i> with his/her signature, then send the signed <i>Nomination Sheet</i> along with all the application documents to UF via email.
Application Information	<i>Application Guidelines</i> and <i>Forms</i> are downloadable from the following webpage: https://www.u-fukui.ac.jp/eng/international/study-at-fukui/programs/exchange-programs/application/

Visa Information

How to Apply for a Student	1) An applicant will submit the <i>Application for Certificate of Eligibility</i> (CoE) in Excel format along with other application documents to UF at the time of application.
Visa	 When submitting the form to UF, make sure to use the check list to confirm the contents. After issuing a <i>Letter of Acceptance</i>, a UF officer will apply for the applicant's CoE on his/her behalf. The UF officer will send the CoE to the applicant's home institution after its issuance by the immigration bureau.
	 5) The applicant will apply for a Student Visa by submitting the CoE with other supporting documents to a Japanese Embassy or Consulate in his/her country. 6) The applicant must receive a Student Visa prior to departing the home country.
CoE Application Information	The CoE Application Form and its instructions are downloadable from the following webpage: https://www.u-fukui.ac.jp/eng/international/study-at-fukui/programs/exchange-programs/application/



Arrival Infoprmation

Airport to Downtown	Narita/Haneda Airport – Komatsu Airport [by airplane] (1.5 hours)
Fukui	<u>Komatsu Airport</u> – Fukui Station [by coach] (1 hour)
	<u>Kansai International Airport</u> – JR Shin Osaka Station [by Ltd. Express Haruka train] (1 hour) JR Shin Osaka Station – JR Fukui Station [by Ltd. Express Thunderbird train] (2 hour)
	<u>Chubu International Airport</u> – Meitetsu Nagoya Station [by μ -SKY Limited Express train] (30 min.) JR Nagoya Station – JR Fukui Station [by Ltd. Express Shirasagi train] (2.5 hour)
Downtown Fukui to UF Bunkyo Campus	Echizen Railway Fukui Station – Fukudaimae Nishi Fukui Station [by Mikuni line train] (15 min) (Train available every 30 min. in daytime)
	Fukui Station– UF Bunkyo Campus [by taxi] (10 min.)
Pick-up Service	The free shuttle bus is available on the first day of arrival date. It departs from Fukui Station to UF Bunkyo Campus. Each exchange student will have a tutor who supports the student's campus and personal life. On the date the exchange student arrives, the tutor will pick him/her up at the Int'l Affairs Division and take him/her to the dormitory/apartment.
Orientation	All international students are required to attend orientation sessions where students will learn: how to register for courses, about UF academic and administrative systems, and useful information about daily life in Japan. They will also complete necessary procedures (resident registration, bank account, insurance, etc.). Therefore, international students are asked to arrive in Fukui before the orientation week. Please find the orientation schedule in the above "Important Dates" section.

Accommodation Information – Bunkyo Campus

The University of Fukui Bunkyo Campus has 3 student dormitories as below. Since the number of dormitory rooms is limited, there is no guarantee that a room will be provided for all exchange students. The applicants will be notified whether they will be provided with a dormitory room or not when they receive a *Letter of Acceptance*. For students who are not provided with a dormitory room, a UF officer will provide apartment information near campus and support them to secure a room before coming to Japan. Please find more details at the following webpage:

https://www.u-fukui.ac.jp/eng/international/study-at-fukui/student-life/accommodation/

Dormitory / Apartment	Room Outlines	Cost
Makishima House	Single rooms are available.	14,000JPY/month (Communal charge included)
(for international students only)	Mini-kitchen, unit-bath and toilet are in	*Electricity, gas, and water will be charged
	the room (washing machine for common	separately.
	use)	*Washing machine: 100JPY/use
		*20,000 JPY (one time payment for cleaning fee)
UF Overseas Students House	Single rooms are available.	10,200JPY/month (Communal charge included)
(for international students only)	Mini-kitchen, unit-bath and toilet are in	*Electricity, gas, and water will be charged
	the room (washing machine for common	separately.
	use)	*Washing machine: 100JPY/use
		*20,000 JPY (one time payment for cleaning fee)
UF Student Dormitory	Single rooms are available.	6,800JPY/month (Communal charge included)
(for Japanese and international	Mini-kitchen and toilet are in the room	*Electricity and water will be charged
students)	(shower room and washing machine for	separately.
	common use)	*Shower room: 100JPY/use
		*Washing machine: 100JPY/use
		*20,000 JPY (one time payment for cleaning fee)
[FYI] Private apartment	The University of Fukui will give as much	(Minimum) 25,000JPY/month
	support as possible for those wishing to	*A total of two to three-month rent will be
	reside in an apartment.	additionally needed at the time of signing a
		contract



Accommodation Information – Matsuoka Campus

Dormitory	Room Outlines	Cost
International House	Single room	10,900JPY/month
	Couple room	18,400JPY/month
	Family room	21,700JPY/month

Financial Information

Admission Fee and Tuition	Students from partner universities will be exempted from a matriculation fee and tuition at UF under the student exchange agreement. The exemption is, however, limited to the number of students stated in the agreement between the student's home institution and UF. Students who are accepted outside of the agreement will be exempted from a matriculation fee but have to pay tuition to UF as follows:				
	[Special Auditing (SA) Student with Credit]				
		x total credits registered (paid on a s	semester basis)		
	Example: Tuition for a SA student who registered 7 courses (2 credits each) in one semester				
	Example: 14,800JPY x 14 credits = 207,200 / semester				
	[Special Research (SR) Student with No Credit] Tuition = 163,800JPY per semester				
Overseas Travel Insurance	Before arriving in Japan, students have to acquire an overseas travel insurance that covers the entire stay period. The table below shows what level of coverage the University of Fukui recommends to students when they study abroad. Please use the table as a reference and purchase overseas travel insurance with the same level of coverage as listed.				
		Indemnification Contents	Insured at least]	
		Accidental Death	10 million JPY		
		Physical Impediment	10 million JPY		
		Medical and Rescue Expenses	30 million JPY	-	
		Sickness Death	10 million JPY		
		Personal Liability for Damages	100 million JPY		
		Baggage	100,000 JPY		
		Checked Baggage Delay	Optional		
		Flight Delay Expense	Optional		
National Health Insurance	about 19,000 JPY pe English: <u>http://w</u>	in Japan, including foreign nationa er year. For detailed information, ple www.city.fukui.lg.jp/foreign/english/n www.city.fukui.lg.jp/foreign/chinese/g	ase refer to the following Ful nationalhealth.html#4		
Academic Insurance	UF requires all International Students to purchase Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research (PAS) and Liability Insurance coupled with PAS. These plans give insured students compensation for physical injuries as a result of unexpected accidents, and cover damages for which insured students may be held legally liable to pay for injuring a third party or damaging any property during their educational and research activities, including commuting time. The total premium is 1,140 JPY per year. For details, see the following website: Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese: <u>http://www.jees.or.jp/gakkensai/index.htm</u>				
Inbound Insurance	Inbound insurance covers personal liability, death and residual disability, rescuer expenses, medical expenses, and tenant's liability. Those who will reside in the university dormitory are required to purchase this insurance.				
Comprehensive Renter's Insurance for Foreign Students in Japan	CRI is a combination of overseas travel insurance and guarantors' protection fund. All students who reside in a private apartment are required to purchase this insurance. The premium is 4,000 JPY per year. Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean: <u>http://www.jees.or.jp/crifs/index.htm</u>				



Cost Simulation	Financial simulation: In case of residing in the UF Overseas Student House for 12 months						
	Air fare (round ticket)	¥150,000	×	1		=	¥150,000
	Rent	¥6,800	×	12	(months)	=	¥81,680
	Utility	¥10,000	×	12	(months)	=	¥120,000
	Insurances (all included except travel insurance)	¥35,110				=	¥35,110
	Textbooks	¥30,000	×	2	(semesters)	=	¥60,000
	Living expense (including food)	¥30,000	×	12	(months)	=	¥360,000
	Communication (phone & Internet)	¥10,000	×	12	(months)	=	¥120,000
	Other necessity (e.g. transportation)	¥3,000	×	12	(months)	=	¥36,000
	Other initial costs	¥50,000				=	¥50,000
							¥1,012,790

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Part-time Job

-	International students are allow to have a part-time job if he/she has a work permit from the immigration office, supervisor, and Int'l Affairs Division. The students can work up to 28 hours per week.
	In order to obtain the work permission, the students must maintain the good academic performance.