



WELCOME TO AKITA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

- Top Global University** selected by Japanese Ministry of Education in 2014
- All-English Curriculum** with over **300** courses
- 25%** international student body from **203** partners in **51** countries and regions
- 59%** international faculty
- 17** average students/class and 15:1 student-to-faculty ratio
- 11** levels of Japanese language courses
- 200+** community interaction events and **40+** student clubs
- 100%** on-campus residence guaranteed for exchange students



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IMMERSE YOURSELF IN JAPAN

Study at Japan's #1 university for academic engagement, where international and local students take all content courses together in English. Classes are small and interactive so you can build relationships with your professors and classmates – from Japan and around the world. Since almost all AIU students live on campus, you will find unique chances to get involved, including club activities and student-led events. AIU – and Akita prefecture – is a peaceful environment to study, but offers countless opportunities to immerse yourself in Japanese culture for the adventurous. AIU students visit schools, participate in local festivals, and even work with local farmers in rice fields. While urban Tokyo is only an hour flight away, by living in Akita, you can experience true, rural Japanese culture in a way that no city resident could. Come immerse yourself in Japanese Culture at AIU!

WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

From guaranteed on-campus housing, active learning facilities and a 24/7 library, to meal plans and on-campus medical support, AIU has your study abroad needs covered.

LEARNING SUPPORT

- **LIBRARY & IT LABS**
Open for 24-hours per day, 365-days per year
- **LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT AND INTERCULTURAL STUDIES CENTER**
Foreign Language Conversation Partner program, Free peer tutorial support

HOUSING AND DINING

● 100% GUARANTEED ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

HOUSING OPTIONS	KOMACHI HALL	GLOBAL VILLAGE	SAKURA VILLAGE	TSUBAKI VILLAGE (THEMED HOUSES)
ROOM STYLE	Double occupancy room; two-room suite	Double occupancy	Single bedroom; triple occupancy suite	Single bedroom; twelve occupancy suite
FEE/SEMESTER (Utilities Included)	130,000 JPY (Fall) 126,000 JPY (Spring)	143,500 JPY (Fall) 139,500 JPY (Spring)	220,000 JPY (Fall) 216,000 JPY (Spring)	220,000 JPY (Fall) 216,000 JPY (Spring)
BEDDING AND CLEANING	23,000 JPY (Fall/Spring)			

*Fees are subject to change.

- **MEAL PLAN**
15 meal plan (3 meals/day), 10 meal plan (2 meals/day), Weekend and Holiday meal plan (3 meals/day).
- **SPECIAL DIET**
Support for special dietary needs from allergies to halal or vegan diets.
- **HEALTH SUPPORT**
On-campus medical support and counseling provided in English.



ALL-ENGLISH CURRICULUM

Gain exposure to global viewpoints in our small, diverse classrooms and acquire the credits you need from our wide range of course options. AIU offers over 300 courses in five fields of study in English.

1 GLOBAL BUSINESS

- **BUSINESS** ● **ECONOMICS**
- Best opportunity to get an inside perspective on Japanese economics, finance and business culture.

2 GLOBAL STUDIES

- **GLOBAL SOCIETY** ● **POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS** ● **SUSTAINABILITY STUDIES**
- Courses in multiple disciplines to match your academic interests, all with regional or international focuses.

3 GLOBAL CONNECTIVITY

- **HUMANITY, CULTURE AND COMMUNICATION** ● **TECHNOLOGY AND FUTURE SOCIETY**
- Unique program to explore connections between the humanities and technology and to understand how the digital world is changing us.

4 JAPANESE LANGUAGE

● COURSE OFFERINGS IN SPRING/FALL SEMESTER

11 levels of core Japanese courses plus skill-specific and practice courses to meet your language goals, whether you are a total beginner or advanced learner.

COURSE LEVEL	Elementary, Upper Elementary, Intermediate, Higher Intermediate, Advanced
SKILL COURSE	Reading, Speaking, Listening, Writing, Pronunciation, Kanji, Translation, Interpretation
PRACTICE COURSE	Independent study based on your interests

5 JAPAN STUDIES

Scholarly and experiential perspectives to deepen your insight into the nature of Japanese culture, society, and sensibilities.

- **SAMPLE COURSES**
 - Traditional Japanese Arts I: Tea Ceremony
 - Religions in Japan
 - Japanese Politics

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM, EXPERIENCE THE REAL JAPAN

At AIU, you are not just a tourist, you are part of the community. Get involved in many kinds of community events, 40+ clubs, and cultural events throughout the year to experience Akita and Japan your way.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND CULTURAL ADVENTURES

● SAMPLE ACTIVITIES

- School Visits and Teaching English
- Traditional Rice Planting and Harvesting
- Volunteer at Regional Area Festivals
- Evaluate Regional Tourism Programs
- Rural Village Homestays
- Cooking Local and International Dishes
- School Holiday Parties with Children
- Kakunodate Samurai Residences and Lake Tazawa Tour
- Oga Peninsula Tour
- Yokote Manga Museum and Historic Buildings Tour

AND MORE!

STUDENT CLUBS AND CIRCLES

● JAPANESE CULTURE

Kanto, Kendo, Kimono, Kyudo (Japanese Archery), Tea Ceremony

● COMMON INTERESTS

Bible Study, Diversity Club, Environmental Club, Sign Language

● SPORTS

Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Futsal, Rugby, Tennis, Volleyball, Wandervogel

● ARTS, CULTURE, AND MUSIC

A Cappella, Dance, Hawaiian Hula Dance, Jazz Circle, Rock Band

AND MORE!



APPLY NOW! SHORT-TERM PROGRAM

Spend a semester or a year at AIU! We welcome new short-term international students from our 203 exchange partners in 51 countries. No Japanese language proficiency required!

ELIGIBILITY

- ▶ GPA: 2.50/4.00 WITH AT LEAST 2 SEMESTERS OF GRADES AT HOME UNIVERSITY
- ▶ ENGLISH: TOEFL iBT® TEST 71 OR EQUIVALENT
- ▶ ENROLLED AT YOUR HOME UNIVERSITY THROUGHOUT YOUR APPLICATION AND STUDY ABROAD PERIOD

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

	FALL	WINTER	SPRING
ORIENTATION	Late August	n/a	Early April
CLASSES BEGIN	Early September	Early January	Early April
CLASSES END	Late December	Early March	Late July

The above schedule is subject to change.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

FALL	SPRING	APPLICATION PERIOD
FEB 20	SEP 20	Online Nomination Deadline
FEB 1	SEP 1	Online Application Opens
APR 1	NOV 1	Application Documents Deadline
APR 30	NOV 30	Acceptance Letter Issued

TUITION AND FEES FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

FEES	SPRING/FALL PER SEMESTER	WINTER PROGRAM
ADMISSION	Waived	n/a
TUITION	Waived	Waived
ROOM	126,000-220,000 JPY	88,000-148,000 JPY
BEDDING & CLEANING	23,000 JPY	7,200 JPY
MANDATORY MEAL PLAN	17,800 JPY	n/a
SEMESTER MEAL PLAN (OPTION)	Approx. 40,200-131,500 JPY	Approx. 39,000 JPY
STUDENT ACTIVITY	20,000 JPY	9,000 JPY
DEPOSIT	20,000 JPY	n/a
TOTAL (MAXIMUM)	432,300 JPY	203,200 JPY

*Non-exchange students must also pay a 28,200 JPY admission fee in their first semester and 348,000 JPY tuition during the fall and spring semesters. *Fees are subject to change.