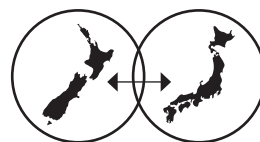




# EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

TO STUDY AT IPU IN JAPAN  
**Summary of Application Guidelines**



# IPU

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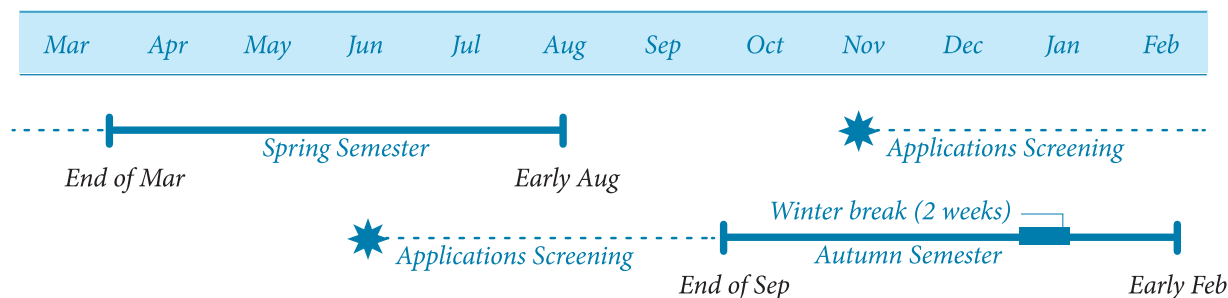


June 2014



## Duration of the programme

20 to 22 weeks (approx 5 months)



## Eligibility

- Non-native speaker of Japanese currently enrolled at IPC
- Japanese competence equivalent to Japanese-Language Proficiency Test Level 2\*  
\*If you have at least Level 6 (600-Level) proficiency in Japanese, you are encouraged to apply.  
\*Applications from students with Level 5 (500-Level) proficiency in Japanese will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- Wishing to have IPU credits cross-credited to two (2) papers or more
- Willingness to learn Japanese language and culture, and to participate in sports/cultural activities
- Satisfactory attendance and grades at IPC
- Satisfactory work ethics towards study as well as on-campus activities and events
- Preferably completed a Trinity TESOL Cert or equivalent, or majoring in Language Studies or TESOL



## Classes in which you may be enrolled\* (Example)

Japanese classes for international students	7 papers x 90 mins per week
International education papers	2 papers x 90 mins per week
Papers to participate in as a teaching assistant	1 paper x 90 mins per week
Homeroom	90 mins per week

\* The classes in which you will actually be enrolled depends on the level of your Japanese proficiency, your academic interest, and availability of papers.

Class timetable for international students with advanced Japanese skills (Autumn Semester, 2013)					
Time	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
8.45-10:15		English (Participate in as an assistant teacher)			
10:35-12:05	Homeroom for International Students	Self-study period	Japanese (Extension with focus on kanji and vocabulary)	Japanese (Extension in preparation for the Proficiency Test)	Japanese (Extension with focus on kanji and vocabulary)
	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
12:55-14:25	Japanese (Extension)	Japanese B (Vocabulary and Expression)	Japanese A (Listening)	Japanese (Extension)	Fundamentals in International Education Studies B (Politics and Economics)
14:45-16:15	Fundamentals in International Education Studies A (Cultures and Religions)				
Note: Japanese "Extension" classes are non-credit papers, which all international students are required to attend.					



## Cross credits

The credits obtained from IPU classes will be cross-credited to up to four IPC Japanese papers.  
For details please discuss with your Dean at IPC prior to your applications.



## Assistantship work

You will be required to carry out assistantship work

- Assisting IPU students to develop their English skills
- Participation in all activities and projects that strengthen the link between IPC and IPU
- Participation in IPU events and functions (e.g. Open Campuses, Sports Festival, Kanta-sai Cultural Festival, Christmas Party)
- Teaching English at local primary and secondary schools and participation in local activities for international cultural exchange
- Writing of reports on your study experience in English and Japanese and completion of questionnaire for improvement of this exchange programme; these will be made available to IPU & IPC staff



## Fees\* (estimate only)

- Tuition fees
- Course related costs (Facility fees)

**Pay IPC as usual**

Textbooks

**NZ\$313 (25,000 yen)**

Accommodation  
(Halls of Residence)

**Pay IPC as usual  
(Any balance due is covered by the IPU assistantship)**



- IPC's shared room rate applies while at IPU.
- Accommodation fees include: breakfast and dinner on weekdays during the teaching weeks.
- You will stay in the Men/Women's Halls of Residence. Your room is fully furnished and has an ensuite bathroom. 11 pm curfew is in place in the halls.
- Free shuttle bus is available between the two IPU campuses, the halls of residence, and the nearest train stations (Higashi-okayama and Seto).
- Internet access in the hall, a reasonable amount of utilities cost and bond will be fully subsidised by IPU.

IPU Student Association fee

**Waived**

\*For details of financial assistantship from StudyLink, go to [www.studylink.govt.nz](http://www.studylink.govt.nz) and read the information about "Studying overseas"

\*The actual amount of fees shown in New Zealand dollars vary as the exchange rate fluctuates.

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TOKYO  
(NARITA AIRPORT)

OSAKA  
(KANSAI AIRPORT)



## Expenses (estimate only)

Food



**Budget: NZ\$82 / week (6,500 yen)**

- You must provide and budget for: lunch everyday, breakfast and dinner on weekends during the teaching weeks, and all meals during the non-teaching weeks.





## **Travel costs** (estimate only)

Japanese public health insurance	<b>NZ\$125 (10,000 yen) for six months</b>
<p>Note: This compulsory Japanese insurance covers 70% of your medical costs but does not offer any other benefits that New Zealand travel insurance would provide (e.g. evacuation expenses, travel changes, personal liability, baggage and personal items). It is recommended you also have your international travel insurance.</p>	
Travel insurance for 22 weeks (optional)	<b>NZ\$545 (Southern Cross internet premium)</b>
Flights between Palmerston North and Okayama	<b>NZ\$2,000 - 2,500</b> 1) NZ\$113 (9,000 yen) by highway bus between Kansai Airport and JR Okayama Station (4 hours); or 2) NZ\$207 (16,540 yen) by Haruka and Nozomi express trains between Kansai Airport and JR Okayama Station (2 hours)
Student Visa application fee* *Any outstanding fees you may owe to IPC must be paid before visa application.	NZ student: Exempted Others: An application fee may apply

## **Application procedure**

### **Written applications (Stage I)**

To apply, please submit your application form to IPC Administration by the closing date (see the programme schedule).

- i) Completed application form
- ii) Essay (details to be advised)
- iii) Letter of recommendation from your IPC lecturer(s)

### **Interviews, essay and Japanese test (Stage II)**

#### **i) Interviews\***

\*The students who are selected after the review of their application forms will be invited to an interview at IPC in English and then a TV interview with IPU in Japanese. Their grades and attendance record to be provided by IPC to IPU in advance.

#### **ii) Japanese Test (details to be advised)**