

Application Information for AY 2019 Summer Language Immersion Programs (Intensive Language Learning Overseas)

Application Period	Program Name	Program Duration
Wed April, 10 - Wed April, 24	Chinese	Sunday, August 11– Tuesday, September 17, 2019
	Vietnamese	Monday, August 12– Saturday, September 14, 2019
	Thai	Saturday, August 17– Wednesday, September 18, 2019
	Korean (Advanced)	Friday, August 9– Friday, August 30, 2019

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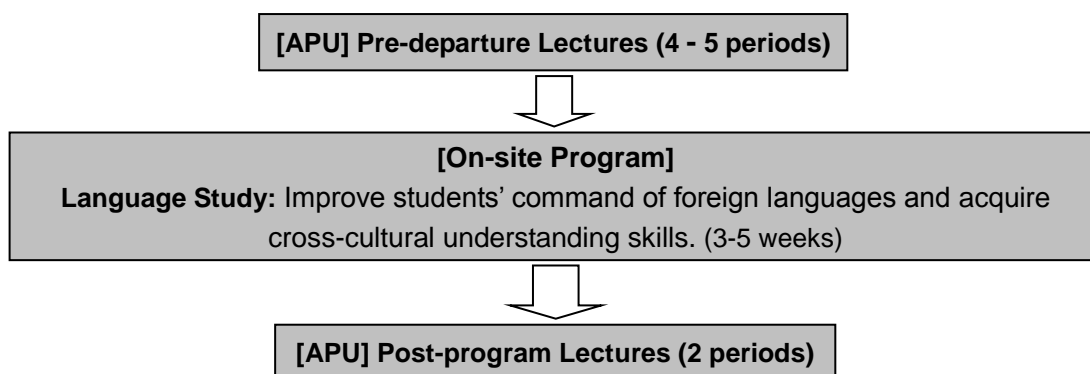
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1. What is the Language Immersion Program?

1.1 Subject Overview and Characteristics of the Program

The Language Immersion Program is a curricular "Intensive Language Learning Overseas" (Language Education Subject) subject. The subject is composed of pre-departure lectures which are held at APU, the on-site program, and a post-program lecture which is held at APU after students return to Japan. Students will strengthen their proficiency in the target language through the course. Additionally during the on-site program, students will aim to deepen their cross-cultural understanding by communicating with local people and participating in local activities.



1.2 Language Immersion Program Objectives

- (1) Language Immersion Programs serve to complement APU's curricular Language Education Subjects and aim to strengthen students' proficiency in the target language through intensive language training in the country/region in which it is used.
- (2) Participation in these programs stimulates curiosity in the language, culture, and society of the country/region where the language is used, and motivates the student to continue studying that language after completing the program. This also serves as an opportunity for the participant to think deeply about the connection between language and their area of specialization in terms of study/research.
- (3) Students will improve their ability to respect other cultures and work toward mutual understanding through exchange with students and citizens of the program country/region.

1.3 Subject Name and Grading

Subject name: "Intensive Language Learning Overseas" (Language Education Subject)

Number of credits: 2 or 4 credits

(Please refer to the "AY 2019 Summer Language Immersion Program List," P.8)

Grading system: :A+, A, B, C/F

1.4 Subject Registration and Awarding of Credits

University will register the subject after applicants are accepted to the programs. Credits awarded for this program will not be included in the credit registration limit for that semester. Subjects will be graded as AY 2019 Spring Semester courses.

2. Application Information

2.1 Program Name and Schedule

The following four programs will be offered in the AY 2019 Spring Semester. Please refer to the "AY 2019 Summer Language Immersion Program List" on page 8 for more details.

Program Name	Chinese	Vietnamese	Thai	Korean
Program Period	Sunday, August 11– Tuesday, September 17, 2019	Monday, August 12– Saturday, September 14, 2019	Saturday, August 17– Wednesday, September 18, 2019	Friday, August 9– Friday, August 30, 2019
Host University	Dongbei University of Finance and Economics	Ton Duc Thang University	Srinakharinwirot University	Busan University of Foreign Studies
Program Fee	110,000 JPY	180,000 JPY	240,000 JPY	150,000 JPY

Date	Contents
2019	
Wed., Apr 10 - Wed., Apr 24 (16:30)	Application Period
Wed., Apr 10 ①14:15~ ②16:05~	Recruiting Information Session
Wed., May 1 (2 nd – 5 th period)	Interviews
Fri., May 3 (PM)	Announcement of the Screening Results
Thu., May 9 (16:30)	Deadline to Submit Pledge
Mon., May 13	Deadline for Payment of Program Fee
Wed., May 15 (5 th – 6 th period)	Off-campus Study Program - Participant Guidance Session
	Immersion Program Guidance Session
Beginning of June	Deadline for Payment of Airfare and Visa Fees (for those who need visas)
Dec 2018 - Jan 2019	Pre-departure Classes (5 times / refer to the syllabus)
July	Pre-departure Language Proficiency Test (refer to the syllabus)
Sat., Jul 13 (10:35~13:00 (Tentative))	Risk Management Guidance Session
	Immersion Program – Pre-departure Guidance Session
Aug – Sep	On-site Program
Sep	Post-program Lecture, Post-program Language Proficiency Test
Dec (Course Correction Period 2)	The University will register the subject and apply the grade

There might be additional guidance sessions in addition to the ones listed above. Selected participants will be informed of the guidance session schedule after the first guidance session.

2.2 Application Period

Wed, Apr. 10 - Wed, Apr. 24, 2019 16:30

2.3 Eligibility and Application Requirements

Applicants must fulfill the following requirements as well as those listed in the “AY 2019 Summer Language Immersion Program List” (starting on page 8) of this Application Information booklet.

- Applicants must be between their 1st and 7th semesters at the time of application.
- Students in the accelerated graduation program cannot apply for the program in their last semester.
- Applicants must be serious about learning from the program, have a desire to study, and understand the purpose and aim of the program. Applicants should also have a positive attitude that will facilitate their study of intercultural understanding overseas

2.4 How to Apply

Please complete the following **2 steps** during the designated period.

Step 1: Apply Online

- Access the application survey at the following URL or using the QR code.

<http://www.apu.ac.jp/academic/page/content0127.html/>

The application survey will be available during the application period.

Prepare the following items before applying:

- 1) Photograph of your passport (photo page)
- 2) A photograph of yourself (Full face, front view)
- 3) Essay stating why you want to participate in the program



[Note]

Many countries require you to have a certain period of time remaining on your passport (often 6 months) before they will issue a visa. If your passport will expire before the required period, please renew it immediately.

When you upload the files, please make sure to upload them with the file names as shown below.

[Passport] Passport_Name_Student ID (ex. Passport_YamadaTaro_11223344.pdf)

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2.5 Application Deadline

Wed., Apr. 24, 2019 16:30

Step 2: Submit the Pledge

Put the Pledge in the post box inside the Academic Office. (This is MANDATORY.)

- The student must sign in the space allotted for the student's signature, and the guardian must sign in the space allotted for the guardian's signature.
- The original document must be submitted (copies will not be accepted) with **handwritten signatures from the student and guardian.**
- The seal (inkan) that the student and the guardian use to stamp the Pledge must be different. (Guardians of international students do not have to stamp the form, only sign it.)
- Students will be asked to resubmit a new pledge form if the student and guardian's signatures are not handwritten, or in cases where the signatures are too similar (signed by the same person).

2.6 Submission Deadline

Thu, May. 9, 2019 16:30

2.7 Screening

- Applicants will be screened based on their submitted essays (from the online application) as well as the results of their interview.

2.8 Screening Period

- Screening interviews will be held during the periods shown below. Detailed information will be sent to students via an "Action Required" message on the Campus Terminal after the end of the application period. Please make yourself available during those interview periods.
- Applicants who do not show up to the interview without prior notice will be considered to have withdrawn from the program.

2.9 Interviews

Wednesday, May. 1, 2nd – 5th period

2.10 Announcement of Results

- The University will notify all applicants of their acceptance/non-acceptance via an "Action Required" message on the Campus Terminal.

Friday, May. 3, 2019 (PM)

3. Required Procedures for Participants

3.1 Payment of Program Fee

- Program participants must pay a stated program fee. Information regarding the program fee is available starting on page 8 of this booklet.
- The deadline for payment of each program fee is Mon, May 13. The payment deadline for other costs (airfare and visa application fees) is in early June. Details will be announced through manaba.

3.2 Insurance

Participants must be covered by the University's designated overseas or domestic insurance policy and JCSOS Risk Management System (J-TAS) regardless of whether they are also covered by their own insurance. Insurance details will be explained at the Off-campus Study Program - Participant Guidance Session. Payment method will be announced via manaba.

3.3 Payment for Plane Ticket

The University will reserve airplane tickets for the participants in accordance with the program schedule. (Participants are not allowed to travel separately from the group. The plane tickets reserved by APU cannot be changed.)

3.4 Visa Issues

- There may be cases where students will need to obtain a visa depending on the country/region

- where the program will be held, or due to the student's nationality.
- The University will coordinate the visa application process for all of the program participants except for countries which do not allow applications by proxy.
- Visa application methods differ by country and by student nationality. There may be some cases where it is difficult to obtain a visa. Students who are unable to obtain a visa will not be able to take the subject and may be charged a cancellation fee.

【International Students Only】

In addition to information about obtainment of a visa for the country where the onsite training will be held, international students must also check when their Japanese Student Visa and Re-Entry Permit will expire. Students with Japanese Student Visa and Re-Entry Permit extension questions should inquire at the Student Office.

3.5 Immunizations

The types of immunizations will be introduced at the Off-campus Study Program - Participant Guidance Session. Immunization is not compulsory. Please decide whether or not you will get the immunizations based on the information provided at the guidance session. Students who would like to receive the immunizations should go to the APU Health Clinic for further assistance.

4. Disclaimers Fee Payment / Precautions for participating in Programs

4.1 Disclaimers and Cautions

Precautions for Participating in Programs

- If a program participant experiences an accident or damage due to an unlawful act by a third party (organization, individual, homestay family, etc.) other than program parties (APU, host university, or local organizations) during the program, the participant must take responsibility for filing a lawsuit or other related procedures. Program parties (APU, host university, or local organizations) will not take responsibility.

4.2 Cancellation and Changes to Program Details

- It may occasionally be necessary to cancel or alter the content of a program in order to ensure the health and security of participants in the event of natural disaster, strike, outbreak of communicable disease, change of political conditions, military conflict, terrorism, or other unavoidable occurrence, or for reasons relating to the host institution. Furthermore, a student's permission to participate in a program may be revoked if judged necessary by an attendant faculty/staff member. Please plan your participation realistically, keeping in mind the possibility of cancellations and changes in program details.

4.3 Withdrawing from a Program after Participation is Confirmed (after Release of Screening Results)

- APU will proceed with screening on the assumption that all applicants have every intention of actually participating in their chosen program. A change in the number of participants after confirmation may render implementation of the program unfeasible or cause other participants to incur additional charges. Withdrawal after selection is not permitted.
- Please review the program details in advance and ensure that your schedule is free before submitting your application. If you need to withdraw from the program after your participation is confirmed (after release of final selection results) for unavoidable reasons, you will still be required to pay the program cancellation fees.

4.4 Cancellation Fee

- If a participant cancels their participation before or during the program, the student must pay for any costs incurred. The cancellation fee also includes bank transfer fees including overseas fees etc. The cancellation fee will be the sum of total costs incurred at the time of withdrawal.
- If you have already paid the program fee to the university, the total amount, with the cancellation fee deducted, will be refunded. Please note that this refund process may take some time.

4.5 Precautions for Course Registration

- Please confirm that the subject and credits acquired from this program will not affect your registration plan until graduation. Note that special considerations will not be made even if you realize there is a problem after you have been accepted to the program. Students must take responsibility for applying to the program and confirming their course registration.

5. Requirements for Program Participation

5.1 Required Attitude

All participants in Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University Off-campus Programs (hereinafter referred as to Program) must abide by the following conditions.

- (1) Participants must understand the aim and the purpose of their chosen program, and should actively participate in the program and take their studies seriously.
- (2) Participants must conduct themselves in a dignified and honorable manner while maintaining the good name of Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (Hereinafter referred to as “APU”) and the host institution (Hereinafter referred to as “Host Institution”).
- (3) Participants must act in accordance with the regulations of APU, the rules of the Host Institution, Japanese law and the laws and regulations of the host country or region for the full duration of the program. Participants are also expected to follow all instructions from staff and faculty at both APU and the Host Institution
- (4) Participants must not protest in the case that he or she was commanded to cancel his or her participation in a program or commanded to return to Japan due to breach of ‘Requirements for Program Participation’.

5.2 Health Management

- (1) Participants will be responsible for their own personal health.
- (2) Participants are required to purchase overseas health and travel insurance and JCSOS Risk Management System (J-TAS) before departure from the organization designated by APU (overseas programs only).
- (3) Participants must inform APU if they have any pre-existing medical conditions.
- (4) Participants must submit “Off-campus Program Participants Self-report of Health Condition and necessary support in studies”.
- (5) Should a participant require hospitalization or medical treatment, the student must immediately inform APU and the host institution and follow staff and faculty instructions. The participant will be responsible for any medical expenses above that which is covered by their insurance.
- (6) Should the participant require emergency medical treatment or surgery at a time when it is impossible to obtain their permission (or that of his/her guarantor’s), the participant agrees to be treated according to the judgment of the staff and faculty members from APU, the ones from host institutions, or a doctor on site.

5.3 Costs and Compensation

- (1) Necessary costs related to the program (program fee, accommodation fee, transportation fee, insurance, etc.) must be paid within the designated time frame.
- (2) Should a participant withdraw from the program, or become unable to join or continue with the program owing to injury, disciplinary action, or any other reason, the participant alone will be responsible for all costs incurred, including any costs that APU is required to pay to the host institution.
- (3) In the event that the program is cancelled or changed as a result of natural disasters, accidents, strikes, infectious disease, political unrest, terrorism or other unforeseen circumstances, the participant will not seek compensation from either APU or the Host Institution. In this situation, as in term 3. (2), the participant will be responsible for all costs incurred.
- (4) Neither APU nor the Host Institution will be held financially or otherwise responsible for accidents, sickness, or death that occurs as a result of participant negligence which are beyond the control of either institution.
- (5) Participants will be responsible for any damage or theft of personal belongings, traffic accidents or criminal events that occur and are deemed to be beyond the control of both APU and the Host Institution.
- (6) Participants will be liable for compensation of any damages APU suffers as a result of their grave negligence or wrongful intention.
- (7) The parties involved with program administration such as APU, host universities and/or local institutions, do not represent or act as an agent for any accidents and damages brought by unlawful acts caused by third parties e.g. organizations, individuals, homestay families. Students are responsible for taking any legal action and other related matters. The parties involved with

program administration such as APU, host universities and/or local institutions shall not be liable for these incidents.

5.4 Immigration and Departure (Overseas Programs Only)

- (1) Participants must not enter the relevant country individually before the start of their program.
- (2) Participants must return to Japan without delay after the program finishes. Participants are not authorized to extend their stay in the host country.

5.5 Submission of Pledge

Participants must agree and abide by all conditions listed above and submit a pledge which has been signed by both the participant and his or her parent/guardian.

6. Other Information

6.1 Handling of Personal Information

Only information necessary to process travel or insurance application procedures will be provided to the host organization, travel agency, insurance providers, embassy, consulate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, etc. That information includes a participant's name, sex, nationality, email address, date of birth, passport number, and enrollment status at APU.

6.2 Scholarships

- The number of students who can receive a scholarship is limited. We will screen the applicants comprehensively based on criteria such as their GPA, economic situation, etc. We will announce the details via Campus Terminal when we open scholarship applications.
- Only students who possess Japanese nationality or permanent residence can apply for this scholarship.

6.3 Exemption Exam (Not mandatory)

- Participants who wish to take the exemption exam may take the exam during the on-site program. Participants who pass the exam may be exempted from AP language subjects of the language program in which they are participating.
- Japanese-basis students must complete or be exempted from “Elementary English A and B” in order to register AP Language Courses. English-basis students must complete or be exempted from “Japanese Foundation I, II and III” in order to register AP Language Courses.

6.4 Attitude

- Participants' positive attitude and effort make a difference in whether or not their experience in the program is a positive one. Participants are required to be flexible and have a positive attitude that will facilitate their study of intercultural understanding overseas. Participants must understand the purpose of their participation and set their own goals.
- Participants must follow the APU Active Learning rules. Participants are not allowed to drive cars and motorcycles, drink alcohol, or engage in leisure sports (marine sports, winter sports, bungee jumping, swimming in the ocean and river, etc.)
- Participants must attend all pre-departure and post-program lectures and guidance sessions. Participants must not be absent without notice. Participants must pay strict attention to the deadlines for submitting documents and assignments.

6.5 Accommodations

- Participants must stay at the accommodations designated by APU.
- Participants must follow the lifestyle and rules of the dormitory.
- Accommodation facilities differ according to the program. There are some facilities where participants are able to have their own room and others where students will have to share rooms with two or more people.

7. AY2019 Summer Language Immersion Program List

- Chinese - Dongbei University of Finance and Economics,
China (Dalian)
- Vietnamese - Ton Duc Thang University, Vietnam (Ho Chi Minh)
- Thai - Srinakharinwirot University, Thailand (Bangkok)
- Korean - Busan University of Foreign Affairs,
South Korea (Busan)

Chinese Language Immersion Program Dongbei University of Finance and Economic (Dalian, China)

Program Contents

- Classes will be held entirely in Chinese.
- Chinese lessons will be held every week Monday – Friday for 4 class periods in the mornings (8:10-11:50). In general, there will be 2 comprehensive classes (Grammar and so on) and 2 conversation classes. One class is 45 minutes in length.
- In the afternoons there will be a variety of activities that will deepen students' understanding of Chinese culture while learning Chinese. These will include lectures on Tai Chi, calligraphy, Chinese songs, Lecture of Chinese economy and interaction with TAs. Please note that activities are not scheduled daily; rather, there will be free time several times throughout the program
- In addition to the classes and activities noted above, field trips such as a visit to a state-owned enterprise in Dalian, a museum visit, a chance to see Beijing Opera, a visit to the ruins of Russo-Japanese warfare in Lushun, etc. are planned.

Class Structure:

- Students might be divided into two or more groups depending on the number of participants and for their studies based on the results of the placement test taken upon arrival at the host university or priory taken at APU.
- It is possible that classes may be comprised of APU students only or that exchange students from several study abroad programs, including the APU program, may be placed together in the same class. (Dongbei University of Finance and Economics accepts many exchange students from countries around the world, including Korea, Russia, and several African nations, in addition to Japan.)
- Since 2008, 11 faculty members from Dongbei University of Finance and Economics have come to APU to teach as lecturers for a year, so it is very likely that teachers of classes held on this program will have experience teaching at APU.

About the City: Dalian, China.

Dalian, Liaoning where Dongbei University of Finance and Economics is located has a relatively short history as a city for China. In the modern era, Dalian has experienced Russian (Czarist Russia), Japanese and The Soviet Union settlement and rule, so to this day you can observe Russian- and Japanese-style architecture in the city. Because the cities on the tip of the Liaotung Peninsula face the sea, the summertime temperatures are relatively cooler than those in the interior of China, and so it is a comfortable place to study. However, due to the global abnormal weather from last year, there were days that reached 35 degrees Celsius even in Dalian.

Application Requirements

Students must meet (1) and (2):

- (1) Currently enrolled, have completed, or have been exempted from Chinese II or Chinese III and have not enrolled Chinese IV, or students who have studied on their own and have acquired equivalent language proficiency to Chinese II.
- (2) Must not be native speakers of the Chinese language

Costs

Program fee	Airfare	Insurance/ J-TAS	Total (Approx.)
110,000 JPY	Approx. 75,000 JPY	Approx. 12,000 JPY	Approx. 197,000 JPY

Costs included above

Class fees, course materials, field trips, accommodations, airport pick-up.

Costs NOT included above

Immunization fees, travel authority/ Visa/ costs related to visa application, domestic transportation costs to and from the airport of departure, accommodation fees for the day before departure or after arrival in Japan (left to the judgment of the individual), meals, local transportation fees, miscellaneous expenses not included above.

Supervisor	No. of participants	No. of credit	Meals	Accommodation
崔 達 (CUI Da)	Minimum 10 (Maximum 20)	4 credits	Meals are not included in the program fee.	University Dormitory or accommodation at facilities close to campus

Program Period 2019 / 8 / 11 (Sunday) – 9 / 17 (Tuesday) 5 weeks

VISA

Japanese nationals need a VISA. Non-Japanese national students should check if a visa application is required as it varies depending on the student's nationality

Vietnamese Language Immersion Program Ton Duc Thang University (Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam)

Program Contents

The objectives of this program are:

- To provide practice and training to students to improve their knowledge and skills in the Vietnamese language;
- To help students improve their understanding of Vietnamese culture.

The program is five weeks in duration. It is comprised of 70 hours of intensive in-class language training and some cultural activities. The program also includes extra activities conducted by language partners, Vietnamese students at the Ton Duc Thang University, who will help program students to practice Vietnamese and guide them in adapting to Vietnamese society and culture.

Class Structure:

- A special class arranged for APU students.
- Group lessons (3 -10 /class)
- Students will be placed according to the results of their placement test.

About the City: Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

Ho Chi Minh City (Vietnamese: Thành phố Hồ Chí Minh), formerly named Saigon (Vietnamese: Sài Gòn,) is the largest city in Vietnam. The city center is situated on the banks of the Saigon River, 60 kilometers (37 mi) from the East Sea and 1,760 kilometers (1,090 mi) south of Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam. The metropolitan area is populated by more than 9 million people, making it the most populous metropolitan area in Vietnam and the countries of the former French Indochina.

Application Requirements

Students must meet (1) and (2):

- (1) Students must wish to study the Vietnamese language; including students who have never studied Vietnamese and students who are currently enrolled in or have completed Vietnamese language subjects at APU.
- (2) Applicants must not be native speakers of the Vietnamese language

Program Fees

Program fee	Airfare	Insurance/ J-TAS	Total (Approx.)
180,000 JPY	Approx. 97,000 JPY	Approx. 12,000 JPY	Approx. 290,000JPY

Costs included above

Class fees, course materials, field trips, accommodations, airport pick-up.

Costs NOT included above

Immunization fees, travel authority/ Visa/ costs related to visa application, domestic transportation costs to and from the airport of departure, accommodation fees for the day before departure or after arrival in Japan (left to the judgment of the individual), meals, local transportation fees, miscellaneous expenses not included above.

Supervisor	No. of participants	No. of credit	Meals	Accommodation
NGUYEN Hoang Minh	Minimum 5 for each level (beginner and elementary) *If one of the level cannot reach 5, that level is not going to be hold.	4 credits	Meals are not included in the program fee.	Accommodation at facilities close to campus

Program Period 2019 / 8 / 12 (Monday) – 9 / 14 (Saturday) 5 weeks

VISA

Japanese nationals need a VISA. Non-Japanese national students should check if a visa application is required as it varies depending on the student's nationality

Thai Language Immersion Program Srinakharinwirot University (Bangkok, Thailand)

Program Contents

This program gives students basic language skills for everyday living, based on practicing in real situations. It provides basic Thai for students who wish to study Thai and further Thai language development for those who already took Thai I or a higher-level course. The class sessions are divided into two; the morning session is from 8:30 – 12:00 and the afternoon session is from 13:00 - 15:00.

The lessons are aimed at enhancing the students' practical oral and written Thai language skills. There are also field trips to reinforce students' language exercises, cultural classes and cultural excursions to deepen their understanding of Thai culture, and business excursions to provide general ideas of Thai organizational cultures.

- Language learning: Study the language in class with skilled instructors who have experience in teaching Thai to foreigners. Students will have chances to use their language skills by participating in nearby fieldwork. Also, during the program, students will be accompanied by language partners (Thai students) who will introduce them to various aspects of Thai culture.
- Cultural course: Thai musical and traditional dancing lessons are provided for students so that they will gain deeper appreciation of Thai culture.
- Business excursion: Students will be introduced to insightful knowledge of Thai organizational culture as well as intercultural organizational culture by visiting a company in Thailand, and will have a chance to gain working knowledge of Thai workers and experts.
- Cultural excursions: Sightseeing in Chonburi, one of the largest tourist oriented city and home to Thailand's largest and primary seaport. Students can explore various tourist activities and other interesting places around the area.

Class Structure

- Group lessons
- Special program for APU students.

About the City: Bangkok, Thailand

Bangkok is the capital and the most populous city of Thailand. The city is a melting pot of modernity, cultural heritage, and unique historical sites. It is now a major regional force in finance and business. It was named "the most visited city" in MasterCard's Global Destination Cities Index and has been named the "World's Best City" for four consecutive years by Travel + Leisure magazine.

Application Requirements

Students must satisfy (1) and (2):

- (1) Students motivated to study the Thai language, including students who have no basic Thai language skills and students who are currently enrolled in or have completed (or have been exempted from) Thai of APU.
- (2) Applicants must not be native speakers of the Thai language

Costs

Program fee	Airfare	Insurance/ J-TAS	Total
240,000 JPY	Approx. 98,000 JPY	Approx. 12,000 JPY	Approx. 350,000 JPY

Costs included above

Class fees, course materials, field trips, accommodations (Breakfast included), airport pick-up on site.

Costs NOT included above

Immunization fees, travel authority/ Visa/ costs related to visa application, domestic transportation costs to and from the airport of departure, accommodation fees for the day before departure or after arrival in Japan (left to the judgment of the individual), meals, local transportation fees, miscellaneous expenses not included above.

Supervisor	No. of participants	No. of credit	Meals	Accommodation
TIRANANT Phornrat	Minimum 5	4 credits	Breakfast is included in the program fee	University Dormitory or accommodation at facilities close to campus

Program Period 2019 / 8 / 17 (Saturday) – 9 / 18 (Wednesday) 4 weeks

VISA

Japanese nationals need a VISA. Non-Japanese national students should check if a visa application is required as it varies depending on the student's nationality

Korean Language Immersion

Busan University of Foreign Studies (Busan, South Korea)

Program Contents

- The goal of this program is for students to gain an understanding of “Korean language,” “Korean people,” and “Korean society and culture” through language classes, activities, and cultural experiences.
- Korean Language Course: An intensive course aimed at helping prepare students for the Test of Proficiency in Korean (TOPIK) will be offered at the Korean Language Center in Busan University of Foreign Studies. TOPIK is the only Korean proficiency test certified and implemented by the Korean government (Ministry of Education). Students will gain Korean skills needed for daily and social life, with a focus on improving their listening, reading, and writing abilities.
- Activities: Special lectures and field trip to Gyeongsang Province. APU students will have the opportunity to give a presentation in Korean. Students will not simply “look” and “listen,” but will also practice communicating, understanding, and learning together.

Course Structure

This course is specially designed for APU students. We anticipate offering 2~3 classes for students seeking to obtain TOPIK I and TOPIK II certification. Aimed at students who have completed Korean I or above, TOPIK I focuses on applying sentences and instructions occurring in daily life, and on understanding simple advertisements or written announcements. The TOPIK II course is aimed at students who have completed Korean II or above, and focuses on understanding sentences needed for basic social functioning and simple written information related to familiar social/cultural topics.

Note that class levels are subject to change based on placement test results at Busan University of Foreign Studies. All classes will be held in Korean. Participants are strongly recommended to take the 66th TOPIK test being held on October 20, 2019 at 32 venues within Japan.

About the City: Busan, South Korea

Busan is located in the southeastern region (Gyeongsang Province) of South Korea, and has played an important role politically, economically, and culturally as the country's second largest city. The port of Busan has served as the base of trade with Japan since medieval times, giving rise to what has been called a flourishing trade between the Joseon Dynasty and Edo Shogunate. The recent establishment of the Gyeongbu Line has helped tie Busan more closely to Seoul as has led to the former's rapid growth. Recent years have also seen the city's development as a tourist destination, with many Japanese tourists visiting sites such as Haeundae, Seomyeon and Gwangalli. Busan maintains sister city relationships with Fukuoka and Shimonoseki in Japan, Shanghai in China, Los Angeles in the United States, Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam, Surabaya in Indonesia and Gaoxiong in Taiwan. Busan is an attractive city with a growing international profile.

Application Requirements

Students who fall under categories (1) and (2):

- (1) Students who are currently enrolled in or have completed (or have been exempted from) Korean II, or students who have studied independently and acquired language proficiency equivalent to Korean I.
- (2) Students whose native language is not Korean.

Costs

Program fee	Airfare	Insurance/J-TAS	Total (estimated, for reference)
150,000 JPY	Approx. 35,000 JPY	Approx. 12,000 JPY	Approx. 200,000JPY

Costs included above

Course fees, course materials, field trips, accommodation, on-site airport pickup.

Costs NOT included above

Immunization fees, fees related to entry applications/visa applications/consular interviews, domestic transportation costs to and from the airport of departure, accommodation fees for the day prior to departure or following arrival in Japan (left to the individual's discretion), meals, local transportation fees, transportation fees for certain activities, miscellaneous expenses not included above.

Supervisor	No. of participants	No. of credits	Meals	Accommodation
JUNG, Jonghee	Minimum of 10	2 credits	Meals not included in the program fee. Cooking facilities available.	Dormitory

Program Period 2019/8/9 (Friday) – 3/30 (Friday) 3 weeks

Visa

Japanese nationals do not require a VISA. Students who are not Japanese nationals should confirm whether a visa is required, as this will vary by nationality.

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