

**[This update is only for the English
Version of the Application Information]**
Information about 'English Immersion -
The University of Auckland program' has
been added. (Oct. 10)

**Application Information for
2013AY Winter Language Immersion Programs
(Intensive Language Learning Overseas)**



Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University

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- Third Edition -

2013AY Winter: Language Immersion Program List

| English | University of Auckland (New Zealand) | University of Adelaide (Australia) | |
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| Instructor | BLACKWELL James | REZKOVA Jana | |
| No. of credit | 2 credits | 4 credits | |
| No. of Participants | 20 (min. 10) | 20 (min. 10) | |
| Program Period (incl. Traveling days) | Fri., Feb. 21 – Sun., Mar. 16, 2014 (3 Weeks) | Fri., Feb. 14 – Sun., Mar. 23, 2014 (5 Weeks) | |
| Program Contents | <p>Students will be placed in the general English class according to the result of the placement test. There will be two classes in the morning which you could enhance your overall English skills. In the afternoon, there will be “Skills Class” two times a week (each class is one hour long) as well as “Conversation Club Workshop” (one hour) as a regular weekly activity every Friday.</p> <p>You will also have an opportunity to interact with students from The University of Auckland who are interested in Japanese language and culture.</p> | <p>This course aims to develop the communication, language and learning skills needed to operate on personal and social levels within an Australian academic context. In the General English Academic Program (GEAP) at the University of Adelaide, the students can enhance their general English skills in the appropriate classes, depending on the students' current English levels.</p> <p>Students will take all day study-tour / lecture programs every Fridays. This program will focus on issues around environment, conservation and volunteering and will be in the form of discussions, seminars, workshops or guest speakers.</p> | |
| Class Structure | ESL class | ESL class + APU Special class | |
| Accommodation | Homestay | | |
| Application Requirements (You must meet all requirements) | <p><u>2011 Curriculum:</u> Students who are currently taking 'Pre-intermediate English (A · B)' or 'Intermediate English (A · B)'.</p> <p><u>2006 Curriculum:</u> All 2006 curriculum students</p> <p><u>NOTE:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applicants must not be native speakers of the English language. - This course is for the Japanese basis student only. | <p><u>2011 Curriculum:</u> Students who are currently taking or students who have successfully completed (or earned credits for) 'Intermediate English (A/B)' or 'Upper-Intermediate English (A/B)'.</p> <p><u>2006 Curriculum:</u> Students who have successfully completed (or earned credits for) Intermediate English (I/II). <u>Alternatively:</u> students who have a TOEFL/ITP score of at least 480 at the time of application are also eligible to apply.</p> <p><u>NOTE:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applicants must not be native speakers of the English language. - This course is open for both Japanese and English basis students. | |
| Fees | Fees you will pay to APU | <p>Program fee: Approx. 2,850 (Approx. 240,000JPY) Airfare: Approx. 145,000JPY Insurance: Approx. 11,000JPY TOTAL: Approx. 396,000 JPY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program fee includes: Class fees, Course materials, Field trips, Accommodation, Airport pick-up, homestay accommodation (2 meals/ day on weekday, 3 meals/day on weekend). • Program fee may change according to the number of applicants. | <p>Program fee: Approx. AUD 4,650 (Approx. 430,000JPY) Airfare: Approx. 175,000JPY Insurance: Approx. 13,000JPY TOTAL: Approx. 632,000 JPY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program fee includes: Class fees, Course materials, Field trips, Accommodation, Airport pick-up, homestay accommodation (3 meals/ day). • Program fee may change according to the number of applicants. |
| | Fees not included in the program fee | <p>Immunization fee, Transportation to and from Fukuoka Airport, Local transportation fee, Accommodation fees for the day before departure or after arrival in Japan, Meals other than those provided by host family, Miscellaneous expenses. All expenditures for the private activities.</p> | |
| Visa Information | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For non-Japanese national, please check if visa is required. • Japanese national: Visa is not required. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For non-Japanese national, please check if visa is required. • Japanese national: Visa is not required. However, online application for ETA is required before departure. (AUD20) | |

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| AP Language | Chinese : Beijing Language and Culture University (Beijing, China) | Korean : Korea University (Seoul, South Korea) | |
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| Instructor | 趙煒宏 (ZHAO Weihong) | 牧野 美希 (MAKINO Miki) | |
| No. of credit | 2 credits | 2 credits | |
| No. of Participants | 20 (min. 10) | 20 (min. 7) | |
| Program Period (incl. Traveling days) | Sun., Feb. 23 – Sat., Mar. 22, 2014 (4 Weeks) | Sun., Feb. 16 – Sun., Mar. 16, 2014 (4 Weeks) | |
| Program Contents | <p>The course is designed for the international students who wish to enhance their general Chinese skills. Students will be placed according to the result of the placement test and attend class 4 hours a day from Mon. to Fri.</p> <p>The afternoon session will consist of the Chinese folk art activities, lectures about the Chinese tradition to deepen their understanding of Chinese culture.</p> | <p>Morning classes will focus on speaking and conversation with afternoon classes emphasizing training in listening, speaking, reading and writing, pronunciation, and presentation skills. Students will gain further insight into Korean language, society, and culture by participation in exchange sessions with Korean students, Korean cooking classes, Korean paper craft classes, lectures on Korean culture, attending a Korean musical, and participation in tours of the city.</p> | |
| Class Structure | Chinese class at the host institution (Special cultural activities for APU students in the afternoon) | APU Special Course | |
| Accommodation | University Dormitory | Accommodation facilities close to campus | |
| Application Requirements (You must meet all requirements) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students currently taking Chinese I or Chinese II or students who have successfully completed (or earned credits for) either courses. • Applicants must not be native speakers of the Chinese language. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students currently taking Korean I or II this semester or students who have successfully completed (or earned credits for) these courses. • Applicants must not be native speakers of the Korean language. | |
| Fees | Fees you will pay to APU | <p>Program fee: Approx. 11,000RMB (Approx. 185,000JPY) Airfare: Approx. 70,000 JPY Insurance: Approx. 11,000 JPY Visa Application Fee: 9,000 JPY (Japanese national) TOTAL: Approx. 275,000 JPY</p> | <p>Program fee: Approx. 2,050,000KRW (Approx. 195,000JPY) Airfare: Approx. 45,000 JPY Insurance: Approx. 11,000 JPY TOTAL: Approx. 251,000 JPY</p> |
| | Fees not included in the program fee | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program fee includes: Class fees, Course materials, Field trips, Accommodation, Airport pick-up. • Program fee may change according to the number of applicants. <p>Immunization fee, Transportation to and from Fukuoka Airport, Accommodation fees for the day before departure or after arrival in Japan, Meals, Miscellaneous expenses. All expenditures for the private activities.</p> | |
| Visa Information | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The University will aid in the student visa application process. • Visa requirement and fee varies by nationality. • Please refer to page 7 for further details. | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visa is not required for Japanese national. • Those students who are required to obtain VISA will apply visa through the University. |

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| AP Language | Malay/Indonesian: STBA LIA (Jakarta, Indonesia) | Spanish: The National Autonomous University of Mexico (Taxco, Mexico) |
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| AP Language | Malay/Indonesian: STBA LIA (Jakarta, Indonesia) | Spanish: The National Autonomous University of Mexico (Taxco, Mexico) | |
| Instructor | NOVIYANI Prih Handay | BOLANOS Lopez Alfredo | |
| No. of credit | 2 credits | 2 credits | |
| No. of Participants | 15 (min. 4/each level) | 20 (min. 10) | |
| Program Period (incl. Traveling days) | Sat., Feb. 15 – Sun., Mar. 16, 2014 (4 Weeks) | Sat., Feb. 8 – Mon., Mar. 10, 2014 (4 Weeks) | |
| Program Contents | Students will learn practical Indonesian through speaking, listening comprehension, and grammar drills and will be asked to give presentations using the language. Students will aim to improve their command of the language while deepening their cultural understanding through activities with their language partner, weekend homestay program & study tour. | Students will learn not only the practical Spanish language skills but also the Mexican culture in the classes. Students will aim to improve their command of the language while deepening their understanding about the Mexican culture by visiting historical / cultural sites. <u>The participants will not be able to take the winter session or makeup exams since the schedule of the program will be overlapped on those days.</u> | |
| Class Structure | APU Special Class | | |
| Accommodation | Accommodation facilities close to campus | Homestay or Accommodation facilities close to campus | |
| Application Requirements (You must meet all requirements) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students currently taking Malay/Indonesian I or II or students who have successfully completed either courses. • Beginning level (no previous experience in Malay/Indonesian language study is required) • Applicants must not be native speakers of the Indonesian language. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students currently taking Spanish I, II or III or students who have successfully completed either courses. • Beginning level (no previous experience in Spanish language study is required) • Applicants must not be native speakers of the Spanish language. | |
| Fees | Fees you will pay to APU | Program fee: Approx. 17,350,000 rupiah (Approx. 155,000 JPY) Airfare: Approx. 90,000 JPY Insurance: Approx. 11,000 JPY Visa fee: :15,000 JPY (Japanese national) TOTAL: Approx. 271,000 JPY | Program fee: Approx. 2,000 USD (Approx. 200,000 JPY) Airfare: Approx. 230,000 JPY Insurance: Approx. 11,000 JPY TOTAL: Approx. 441,000 JPY |
| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program fee includes: Class fees, Course materials, Field trips, Accommodation, Airport pick-up. • Program fee may change according to the number of applicants. | |

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| Fees not included in the program fee | Immunization fee, Transportation to and from Fukuoka Airport, Local transportation fee, Accommodation fees for the day, before departure or after arrival in Japan, Meals, Miscellaneous expenses. | |
| Visa Information | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The University will aid in the student visa application process. • Visa requirement and fee varies by nationality. • Please refer to page 7 for further details. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visa is not required for Japanese national. • Those students who are required to obtain VISA will apply visa through the University. |

What is Language Immersion Program?



Subject Overview and Characteristics of the Program

The Language Immersion Program is composed of curricular "Intensive Language Learning Overseas" (Language Education Subject) subjects. Students will engage in intensive language learning program at the overseas institution to strengthen student' proficiency in the target language through intensive language training in the country/region it is used. Learning opportunities are not only limited to language classes at the host institution, but also exchange with students at the host institution, local citizens, and APU graduates living in the area in addition to other extracurricular activities. The main academics of the program are made up of language classes at the overseas host institution and pre/post program lectures at APU.

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 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 will be a motivator for the student to continue with the study of that language after program completion. 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) The abilities to respect other cultures and work toward mutual understanding are fostered through exchange with students and citizens of the program country/region.

Subject Name and Grading

Subject Name: 'Intensive Learning Language Overseas' (Language Education Subject)

Number of Credits: 2 or 4 credits (Please refer to the "Language Immersion Program List")

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

Subject Registration and Awarding of Credits

- University will register the subject after the applicants are accepted to the programs.
- Credits awarded for this program will not be counted toward the maximum limit of credits.
- Subject will be graded as a 2013 Fall semester course.

Schedule (tentative)

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| Wed., Oct. 2- Wed., Oct. 16 | : Application period |
| Wed., Oct. 9, 4 th period | : Recruiting guidance |
| Wed., Oct. 23 | : Interview (3 rd – 6 th periods) |
| Wed., Oct. 30 | : Interview (3 rd – 6 th periods) |
| Mon., Nov. 4 (PM) | : Announcement of the screening result |
| Wed., Nov. 13, 4 th and 5 th period | : Active Learning Program Participant Guidance : Immersion Program Guidance Session |
| Wed., Nov.27, 4 th or 5 th or 6 period | : Preliminary Lecture (1) |
| Wed., Dec.4, 5 th period | : Preliminary Lecture (2) |
| Wed., Dec. 11, 4 th or 5 th period | : Preliminary Lecture (3) |
| Wed., Dec. 18, 5 th period | : Workshop |
| Wed., Jan.15, 4 th and 5 th period | : Preliminary Lecture (4), Pre departure test |
| Wed., Jan. 22: 4 th and 5 th period | : Risk Management Guidance Session (4 – 5 th period) |
| Wed., Feb. 5 | : Workshop |
| Feb. – Mar.: | : On-site program |
| Mar. – Apr.: | : Post Lecture |
| June (Course Correction Period 2): | University will register the subject and award the grade. |

* There might be additional guidance sessions for Language Immersion Program participants in addition to the ones listed above. Selected participants will be informed of the guidance schedule during the first guidance session.



Application Information

Eligibility and Application Requirements

Applicants need to require all of below statements as well as what are listed in the “2013AY Winter: Language Immersion Program List.”

- Applicants must be somewhere between their 1st and 7th semesters at the time of application.
- Applicants must be in attendance at the University during both the semester that they participate in the Language Immersion Program (2013 Fall Semester) and the semester for which it is registered (2014 Spring Semester). If a student takes a leave of absence during one or more of the above semesters it will not be possible for them to register. (Students in the accelerated program cannot apply for the program in the last semester.)
- Applicants who are serious about learning from the program, have a desire to study and who understand the purpose and aim of the program. Applicants should also have a positive attitude that will facilitate their study of intercultural understanding overseas

Guidance Schedule Wednesday, October 9 - 4th period @ F105

Application Period Wednesday, October 2nd – Wednesday, October 16th, 2013, 16:30

Application Documents

- The application forms can be downloaded from the Academic Office website.
- Please submit the application forms to the Academic Office.

| | Document | Notes |
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| 1. | Application Form | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• For Chinese/Korean programs, please use the Japanese version of the application form.• For the rest of the programs, please use the English version of the form. |
| 2. | Essay | Please write the essay in the language designated on the form. |
| 3. | Passport Copy | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students who do not possess a passport should apply for one right away.• Students with valid passports that will expire within the required remaining period should renew their passport prior to the start of the program. (Min. six months of validity is commonly required.) |
| 4. | Pledge | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If accepted, you will be asked to agree to the items in the Pledge.• <u>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.</u>• <u>The original document must be submitted (copies are not accepted) with handwritten signatures by the student and guardian and stamped by both.</u>• <u>The seal (inkan) that the student and the guardian use to stamp the Pledge must be different. (Guardian of the international students do not have to stamp but only need to handwrite signature.)</u>• Students will be asked to resubmit a new Pledge form in the case that the student and guardian signatures are not handwritten or in cases where the signatures are alike (i.e.: written by the same person). |
| 5. | [For students who apply based on TOEFL score] Copy of TOEFL Score | |

Screening

- Applicants will be screened based on their submitted application documents and an interview.

Screening Period

- Screening interview will be conducted during the following periods. Detailed information will be sent by Personal Message after the application period is closed. Please make yourself available on those periods.
- Applicants who do not show up for the interview without prior notice will be considered

that the application is cancelled.

Wednesday, October 23rd : 3rd – 6th period (tentative)

Wednesday, October 30th : 3rd – 6th period (tentative)

Announcement of Acceptance

- **Monday, November 4th, 2013 (afternoon)**

The University will notify all applicants of their acceptance/non-acceptance by Personal Message.

- **The University will not recognize withdrawal from the program after the final participants have been selected.**

There is the possibility either that a program will not be able to be run due to a change in the final number of participants or that other participants may be charged extra due to a fluctuation in numbers. The University expects that all the students thinking of applying check the program contents and their schedule beforehand and undertake the necessary preparations. The applicants may be charged the cancellation fee in case of canceling after accepted to the program.

Handling of Personal Information

The personal information contained in the application materials will only be used for screening purposes, travel arrangements, contact from the University, and for internal university statistics in order to improve Active Learning Programs. In the case that your data is used in statistics, it will be presented in a way that it will be impossible to discern the individual. Additionally, only information necessary to process travel or insurance application procedures will be provided to the host organization, travel agency, insurance providers, etc.

Procedures Following Program Acceptance



Flight Tickets

- 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 air tickets reserved by APU cannot be changed.)

Visa Issues

- There may be cases where students will need to obtain a visa depending on the country/region of where the program will be held or due to the student's nationality.
- There are cases where the University will coordinate the visa application process for all of the program participants and other cases where students will need to apply for their visa on their own depending on the program.

- Visa application methods differ by country and by the student's nationality. There are also some cases where it may be 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.

Insurance

- Participants must be covered by the University's designated overseas or domestic insurance policy and JCSOS Risk Management System (J-TAS)
- Insurance details will be explained at the Guidance for Successful Applicants and at the Risk Management Class.

Immunizations



- The types of immunizations and the required level differ by countries where the program will be held. Students who would like to receive the immunizations need to visit a medical clinic on a day that suits their schedule. Please check the "2013 Summer Active Learning Program - Participant Guidance" for further information.

Available Scholarship & Subsidies

Subsidy provided by the "APU Domestic Parents Association" (Domestic Students)

The participants who meet the following eligibility requirements will receive the subsidy from APU Domestic Students Parents Association. Students eligible for the subsidy will be contacted by the University.

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| Eligibility Requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic students whose parent(s) are members of the "APU Parents Association" • Students who submit the necessary application materials by the designated deadline |
| Application Materials | APU Parents Association" (Domestic Students) Application Form |
| Application Deadline | December, 2013 (tentative) |
| Payment | February, 2014 (tentative) |
| Amount | 30,000 JPY / per person |

Scholarship provided by Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)

The scholarship from Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) will be available for program participants who meet the requirement for 2013AY Winter Language Immersion Program. Please refer to appendix for the detailed information.



Important Points to Check Before Applying!

Attitude

- Participants' positive attitude and effort make a difference in whether their experience from this program is successful or not. Participants are required to be flexible and have a positive attitude that will facilitate their study of intercultural understanding overseas. Participant must understand their purpose of their participation and set their own goals.
- Participants must follow the APU Active Learning rules. (For example, participants are not allowed to; drive cars and motorcycles, drink alcohol and 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 should not be absent without notice. Participants must pay strict attention to the deadlines for submitting documents and assignments.

Accommodation

- Participants are not allowed to stay in other accommodation facilities except those designated by APU.
- Participants must follow the lifestyles and rules of the host family or dormitory.
- There are cases where your host family or roommate may be non-native speakers of the language of your host country as well.
- 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.



Inquires Regarding Language Immersion Programs

- Academic Office: B Building 1st Floor

- TEL 0977-78-1101 / FAX: 0977-78-1102