

Online AP Language Immersion Program Application Information for AY 2021 Summer

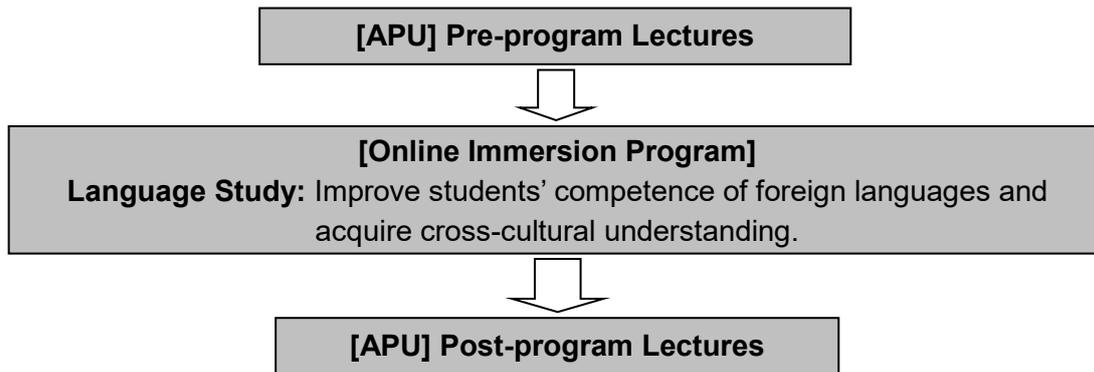
Application Period	Program Name
Thursday., May 6 th — Sunday., June 20 th	Chinese
	Korean
	Vietnamese

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1. What is AP Language Immersion Program?

1.1 Subject Overview and Characteristics of the Program

The AP Language Immersion Program is a curricular of "Intensive Language Learning Overseas (Language Education Subject)" and students will strengthen their proficiency in the target language through the course. Additionally, students will aim to deepen their cross-cultural understanding by communicating with the Host University's faculties and students.



1.2 Objectives

- (1) Supplement the language education courses offered at APU (AP language subjects) and strengthen students' language skills by providing language training with native faculty and students.
- (2) Participation in this program stimulates curiosity in the language, culture, and society of the country/region where the language is used. Also, it motivates the students 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 learning and their area of specialization in terms of study/research.
- (3) Try to respect other cultures and establish mutual understanding through cultural exchange with faculties and students of the program country/region.

1.3 Subject Name and Grading

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

Credits: 2 credits

(Please refer to the "6. AY2021 Summer Language Immersion Program List")

Grade evaluation: A+, A, B, C / F

1.4 Subject Registration and Awarding of Credits

University will conduct the registration after applicants are accepted to the program. Credits awarded for this program will not be included in the credit registration limit for that semester. Subjects will be graded as AY 2021 Summer Semester courses.

2. Application Information

2.1 Program Name and Schedule

The following three programs will be offered in the AY 2021 Summer Semester. Please refer to the “6. AY2021 Summer Language Immersion Program List” for more details.

Program Name	Chinese	Korean	Vietnamese
Pre-Program Period	7/21, 7/28, 8/4	7/7, 7/14, 7/21	7/28, 8/4
Program Period	2021/8/16 ~ 9/3	2021/8/6 ~ 9/17	2021/8/9 ~ 9/3
Post-Program Period	9/8	9/29	9/8
Host University	Dongbei University of Finance and Economics	Busan University of Foreign Studies	Ton Duc Thang University
Program Fee	Approx. 43,000 JPY	Approx. 94,000 JPY	Approx. 64,000 JPY

Date	Contents
Thu., May 6 ~ June 20, 23:59	Application period
Wed., May 19 (5 th period)	Guidance session *Please check Campus Terminal for more detail.
Wed., June 23 (2 nd ~5 th period)	Interviews
Mon., June 28 (tentative)	Announcement of the screening results
Thu., July 8	Deadline for payment of program fee
Mid of July – Mid of September	Online Immersion Program / Exemption exam (optional)
End of October	The University will register the subject and award the credit

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

* When you can't attend the Pre or Post program classes, please make sure to notify the faculty of your program in advance.

2.2 Application Period

Thursday., May 6 th , 2021 9:00AM ~ Sunday., June, 20 th , 2021, 23:59
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2.3 Eligibility and Application Requirements

Applicants must fulfill the following requirements as well as those listed in the “6. AY2021 Summer Language Immersion Program List” of this Application Information document.

- Applicants must be between their 1st and 7th semesters at the time of application.
- Students in the accelerated graduation program cannot apply for this program in their last semester.
- Applicants must study hard in the program with understanding the purpose and aim of the program.

2.4 How to Apply

Access the application survey at the following URL or use the QR code.

<https://forms.office.com/r/JHp6XBsGEA>

*The application survey will be available during the application period.



2.5 Application Deadline

Sunday., June, 20, 2021, 23:59

2.6 Screening

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

*Depending on the number of applicants, the selection process may be divided into the first screening based on essays and the second screening based on interviews.

2.7 Screening Period

- Screening interviews will be held during the periods 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 your schedule open 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.

2.8 Interviews

Wednesday., June 23, 2021 (2nd~5th period)

2.9 Announcement of Results

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

Monday., June 28, 2021 (tentative)

2.10 Payment of Program Fee

- Participants must pay a stated program fee. Please refer to the information on “6. AY2021 Summer Language Immersion Program List”
- The deadline for payment of each program fee is **Thursday, July 8th, 2021.**

3. Disclaimers / Precautions for participating in programs

3.1 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 open 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.

3.2 Cancellation Fee

- 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. The cancellation fee will be the sum of total costs incurred at the time of withdrawal.

3.3 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.

4. Requirements for Program Participation

4.1 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 not protest in the case that he or she was commanded to cancel his or her participation in a program due to breach of ‘Requirements for Program Participation’.

4.2 Costs and Compensation

- (1) Necessary costs related to the program must be paid before the deadline.
- (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 4.2. (2), the participant will be responsible for all costs incurred.

5. Other Information

5.1 Handling of Personal Information

Only information (name, gender, date of birth, other information provided to the university in relation to the program, etc.) necessary to process of application procedures will be provided to the host institution.

5.2 Exemption Exam (Not mandatory)

- Participants who wish to take the exemption exam may take the exam during the 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. AY2021 Summer Language Immersion Program List

Chinese - Dongbei University of Finance and Economics (China, Dalian)

Program Overview:

This course is an intensive Chinese learning course for beginners who have acquired Chinese I or II level. While studying everyday life phrases that can be actually used and grammar, students will practice Chinese pronunciation using scientific training methods to give online learning the effect of studying abroad. In addition to several Chinese cultural experience classes, leveraging the advantages of modern IT technology, there will be online exchange classes with local Chinese university students to learn living Chinese, aiming to actually be able to have conversation in Chinese.

Application Requirements:

Students must fulfill (1) and (2):

- (1) Students who are interested in Chinese and its culture, and who are taking or have taken Chinese I or Chinese II in/before 2021 Spring Semester, or those who acquire equivalent level of HSK 2.
- (2) Students whose native language is not Chinese.

Program Period:

- Pre-Program Period: **1st- Wednesday, July 21, 2021 (5th period)**
2nd- Wednesday, July 28, 2021 (5th~6th period)
3rd- Wednesday, August 4, 2021 (5th~6th period)
- Program Period: **Monday, August 16 – Friday, September 3, 2021**
- Post-Program Period: **Wednesday, September 8, 2021 (5th~6th period)**

* When you can't attend the Pre or Post program classes, please make sure to notify the faculty of your program in advance.

Costs:

Program fee	Supervisor	Recruitment Quota	Number of credits
Approx. 43,000 JPY	張文青 (ZHANG Wenqing)	Minimum of 8	2 credits

Korean - Busan University of Foreign Studies (South Korea, Busan)

Program Overview:

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.

Application Requirements:

Students must fulfill (1) and (2):

- (1) Students who are taking or have taken Korean I or higher level in/before 2021 Spring Semester.
- (2) Students whose native language is not Korean.

Program Period:

- Pre-Program Period: **1st- Wednesday, July 7, 2021 (5th period)**
2nd- Wednesday, July 14, 2021 (5th period)
3rd- Wednesday, July 21, 2021 (5th period)
- Program Period: **Friday, August 6 – Friday, September 17, 2021**
- Post-Program Period: **Wednesday, September 29, 2021 (2nd period)**

* When you can't attend the Pre or Post program classes, please make sure to notify the faculty of your program in advance.

Costs:

Program fee	Supervisor	Recruitment Quota	Number of credits
Approx. 94,000 JPY	JUNG, Jong-hee	Minimum of 8	2 credits

Vietnamese -Ton Duc Thang University (Vietnam, Ho Chi Minh)

Program Overview:

This is a special program for APU students. This program aims to acquire practical Vietnamese through conversation practice, listening practice, grammar practice and repetitive practice of writing. Specifically, this program aims to acquire necessary language skill for daily conversation (e.g., renting a room, talk about entertainment, talk about one's hobbies, habits, personality, occupation, etc.).

Application Requirements:

Students must fulfill (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) Students whose native language is not Vietnamese.

Program Period:

- Pre-Program Period: **1st- Wednesday, July 28, 2021 (5th period)**
2nd- Wednesday, August 4, 2021 (5th period)
- Program Period: **Monday, August 9 – Friday, September 3, 2021**
- Post-Program Period: **Wednesday, September 8, 2021 (5th period)**

* When you can't attend the Pre or Post program classes, please make sure to notify the faculty of your program in advance.

Costs:

Program fee	Supervisor	Recruitment Quota	Number of credits
Approx. 64,000 JPY	NGUYEN Hoang Minh	Minimum 5	2 credits

7. Inquiries Regarding Language Immersion Programs

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