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AY2026 Winter Hiroshima University
Japanese Language and Culture Special Program
Application Guidelines for the Advanced Course

Morito Institute of Global Higher Education
Hiroshima University

To Our Partner Universities

We sincerely appreciate your continued efforts to promote exchange and cooperation with Hiroshima University.

As part of our efforts to foster individuals who can contribute to mutual understanding with Japan, the Morito Institute of Global Higher Education, Hiroshima University, will offer the AY2026 Winter Hiroshima University Japanese Language and Culture Special Program (Advanced Course). We would be grateful if you could nominate students from your university who are interested in participating in this program.

Please note that Hiroshima University will make the final decision regarding the acceptance of nominated students.

Program Details

1. **Program Title:** AY2026 Winter Hiroshima University Japanese Language and Culture Special Program (Advanced Course)

2. Venue: Higashi-Hiroshima Campus of Hiroshima University and surrounding areas, Hiroshima City, etc.

3. Program Period: January 21 (Thu.) - February 5 (Fri.), 2027

Please refer to the attached tentative schedule. The schedule is subject to minor changes. In principle, participants are expected to make their own way to and from the designated meeting point.

4. Accommodation: Hiroshima International Plaza (off-campus), planned

5. Fees

Payment instructions for the program fee will be provided to applicants at a later date. Any payment-related fees incurred are the responsibility of the participant. Please complete payment promptly by the specified deadline. If payment cannot be confirmed, participation in the program may be declined. In principle, fees already paid are non-refundable.

Fees payable in connection with participation

(A) Program Fee	**JPY 96,000**
(B) Accommodation Fee	**Approx. JPY 46,500**
(C) Kyoto History and Culture Study (two days / one night)	**Max. JPY 11,000**

The program fee includes the costs of the following field trips and cultural study activities: Higashi-Hiroshima History and Culture Study (half day), Miyajima History and Culture Study (one day), Hiroshima City History, Culture and Peace Study (one day).

Expenses to be paid individually:

(1) Round-trip travel expenses to Hiroshima University (airfare and domestic transportation)
(2) Passport application fee

(3) Visa application fee (for students from countries/regions where a visa is required)
(4) Overseas travel insurance premium
(5) Meals, excluding breakfast (breakfast for the entire program period is included in the accommodation fee)
(6) Personal transportation expenses, souvenirs, and other personal expenses

Scholarship: Up to 11 participating students with a GPA of 2.3 or higher will receive a JPY 80,000 scholarship from the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO). Hiroshima University will select recipients through document screening, and the scholarship will be paid in Japanese yen after the program begins.
(*Only applicants who apply by Application Deadline ① below will be considered for the scholarship.)

6. Eligibility

(1) Students enrolled in a regular degree program at a university designated by Hiroshima University who are studying Japanese language and Japanese culture
(2) Students with approximately one year or more of prior Japanese-language study
(3) Students who are able to obtain overseas travel insurance

7. Number of Participants: Approximately 30

• The program may be cancelled if the total number of applicants from all participating universities is fewer than the minimum required number of five.
• If the number of applications exceeds capacity, participants may be selected through screening.

8. Certificate of Completion and Academic Transcript

Upon completion of the program, participants will receive a Certificate of Completion and an Open Badge. An academic transcript will also be issued if requested by the participant's home university.

Open Badge: A digital credential that certifies completion of the program.

9. Application Procedure, Deadline, and Contact Information

Applications must be submitted through the faculty member or coordinator in charge at each partner university.

(1) Required Documents Please compile documents (a) through (f) below and send them as email attachments to the address listed in 9(3).

(a) List of Recommended Students (prepared by the nominating faculty member)*
(b) Application Form (prepared by the applicant)*
(c) Copy of passport (may be submitted later if the passport has not yet been issued)
(d) Portrait photo (JPEG file taken within the past month)
(e) Academic transcript showing grades for all courses taken in the previous academic year in English.
(* Explanation of grading system and GPA must be attached.)
(f) Consent and Issuance Application Form for the Open Badge (please enter the name and email address required for system registration)

**Please submit (a) as an MS Word file and (b) as an MS Excel file.*

**If you do not wish to have an Open Badge issued, submission of item (f) is not required.*

(2) Application Deadline: ① Monday, November 9, 2026

② Thursday, December 10, 2026

(3) Application and Inquiries

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(4) Notification of Acceptance and Scholarship Award:

Applicants under Deadline ① will be notified by Wednesday, November 18, 2026.

Applicants under Deadline ② will be notified by Friday, December 18, 2026.