

## **The Iwate University Student Exchange Program (IU-SEP) Application Guidebook 2021**

### **<<What is IU-SEP ? >>**

IU-SEP is a student exchange program to accept students for a one semester or two semester's period from universities that have a student exchange agreement with Iwate University.

This program provides 5 programs.

1. Iwate Area Studies Program (Humanities course)
2. Northern Tohoku Region Art and Culture Program (Artistic course)
3. Iwate Science and Engineering Research Program  
(Science and Engineering course)
4. Iwate Agricultural Research Program (Agricultural Science course)
5. Open Study Program (Free Choice course)

\* Based on the Japanese government's decision, issued on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021, on the new border enforcement measures to prevent the spread of novel coronavirus, foreign nationals from many countries and regions have been denied to newly entering Japan, and the issuance of visa has been suspended.

Considering the situation, Iwate University will accept the exchange students for the October 2021 semester by offering online Japanese Language Program only. This program consists of some subjects from the International Education Center of Iwate University. We kindly ask for your understanding.

### **<<Requirements for Application>>**

To apply for IU-SEP, applicants must:

1. not be of Japanese Nationality.
2. be registered as a full time regular student as an undergraduate or a graduate (MA or PhD) at one of the universities that has a student exchange agreement with Iwate University. In addition, applicants must maintain their regular student status at their home university throughout the period they take the online Japanese Language Program. They also must continue their study at their home university after completing the online program at Iwate University.
3. have a good academic standing and good personal records at their home university.
4. have clear objectives and plans, and good outcomes can be expected from their study and research.
5. have good Japanese or English proficiency to understand courses and instructions.
6. be recommended by the President or a head of a department of their home university.

### **<<Capacity>>**

Number of exchange students from one university cannot be more than the determined number by each agreement.

### **<<School Year>>**

1. The term of this program is either one semester or two semesters as a general rule.

\* Because we offer only the online program, we accept the applications for just one semester for the Fall Semester 2021.

2. Spring Semester : April 1 to Mid-August (Course Period: Early April to Early August)

Fall Semester: October 1 to Mid-February (Course Period: October to Mid-February)

Classes are not held on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays.

### **<<Application Deadline for 2021>>**

For the Enrollment commencing October 2021: Wednesday, July 28, 2021

### **<<Evaluation, Credits & Diploma>>**

1. Exchange students who earned credits will receive a transcript issued to prove their completion of courses, course scores, and acquirement of credits. To those who completed Online Japanese Language Program, a certificate of completion will be issued.

2. Credits students earned at Iwate University can be transferred to their home institutions. Some credits, however, may have to be confirmed with the home institutions' supervisors before being accepted.

### **<<Courses/Curriculum>>**

Students are to choose classes based on the list of subjects for Online Japanese Language Program.

## <<Outline of the Online Japanese Language Program>>

While improving their Japanese language skills, participants will deepen their understanding of their areas of interest such as Japanese history and literature.

### (1) Eligible students

Liberal arts undergraduate students (1<sup>st</sup> year and up) and graduate (MA) students, coming from the following university

[China] Ningbo University, Qufu National University, Northwest University, Tsinghua University, Shihezi University, Dalian University of Technology, Shandong University of Art & Design, Shanghai Ocean University, Jilin Agricultural University, Northwest A&F University, South China University of Technology

[Chinese Taipei] National Kaohsiung Normal University

[Korea] Myongji University, Kunsan National University, Chonnam National University, Chungnam National University, Hanbat National University

[Thailand] Siam University, Panyapiwat Institute of Management, King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi, King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang, Kasetsart University of Faculty of Science, University of Phayao

[Mongolia] Mongolian University of Science and Technology, University of the Humanities, National University of Mongolia

[Kyrgyz] Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University, Kyrgyz-Russian Slavic University

[USA] The University of Texas Austin, North Central College, Earham University, University of Alaska Anchorage

[Canada] Saint Mary's University, University of Saskatchewan

[France] University Bordeaux Montaigne

[Germany] University of Applied Forest Sciences Rottenburg

[Italy] Accademia di Belle Arte di Carrara

[Sweden] Linnaeus University

[Iceland] Iceland University

[Russia] St. Petersburg State University of Culture

[Indonesia] Airlangga University

(2) Period 1 semester

(3) Number of Credits per Year 1 to 24 credits

\*Number of credits varies depending on subjects.

### (4) Curriculum

Time table

1<sup>st</sup> period: 8:35-10:15, 2<sup>nd</sup> period: 10:30-12:10, 3<sup>rd</sup> period: 13:00-14:40, 4<sup>th</sup> period: 14:55-16:35, 5<sup>th</sup> period: 16:50-18:30, 6<sup>th</sup> period: 18:40-20:20

Subjects	Credits	Semester	period / day of week
Elementary Japanese General	10	First • Second	1&2 <sup>nd</sup> / Mon.through Fri.
Elementary Japanese General Kanji	1	First • Second	3 <sup>rd</sup> / Tue. & Thu.
Elementary Japanese Conversation	1	First • Second	3 <sup>rd</sup> / Thu.
Elementary Japanese Writing & Reading	1	First • Second	2 <sup>nd</sup> / Wed.
Elementary Japanese Grammar	1	First • Second	1 <sup>st</sup> / Wed.
Elementary Japanese Grammar	1	First • Second	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> / Mon.
Elementary Japanese Kanji	1	First • Second	2 <sup>nd</sup> / Thu.
Elementary Japanese Conversation	1	First • Second	1 <sup>st</sup> / Thu.
Intermediate Japanese Grammar	2	First • Second	1 <sup>st</sup> / Mon. & Thu.

Intermediate Japanese	Conversation	1	First • Second	2 <sup>nd</sup> / Mon.
Intermediate Japanese	Reading	1	First • Second	2 <sup>nd</sup> / Wed.
Intermediate Japanese	Kanji	1	First • Second	2 <sup>nd</sup> / Thu.
Intermediate Japanese	Composition	1	First • Second	1 <sup>st</sup> / Tue.
Intermediate Japanese	Conversation	1	First • Second	1 <sup>st</sup> / Mon.
Intermediate Japanese	Grammar	1	First • Second	2 <sup>nd</sup> / Wed.
Intermediate Japanese	Kanji	1	First • Second	3 <sup>rd</sup> / Wed.
Intermediate Japanese	Academic Japanese	1	First • Second	4 <sup>th</sup> / Tue.
Intermediate Japanese	Reading	1	First • Second	4 <sup>th</sup> / Thu.
Intermediate Japanese	Writing	1	First • Second	3 <sup>rd</sup> / Tue.
Advanced Japanese Business Japanese		1	First • Second	3 <sup>rd</sup> / Mon.
Advanced Japanese Academic Japanese		1	First • Second	4 <sup>th</sup> / Fri.
Advanced Japanese E		1	Second	4 <sup>th</sup> / Mon.
Advanced Japanese F		1	Second	3 <sup>rd</sup> / Wed.
Advanced Japanese G (literature)		1	Second	3 <sup>rd</sup> / Thu.
Advanced Japanese G (sciences)		1	Second	1 <sup>st</sup> / Fri.
Advanced Japanese H		1	Second	2 <sup>nd</sup> / Fri.
Comparative Japanese History B		2	Second	5 <sup>th</sup> / Thu.(in English)
Japanese History B		2	Second	3 <sup>rd</sup> / Tue.(in English)
Japanese Classical Literature in easy Japanese		2	Second	3 <sup>rd</sup> / Wed.(in English)
Global Studies		2	Second	2 <sup>nd</sup> &3 <sup>rd</sup> / Tue.(in English)
Japanese Society and Culture B		2	Second	2 <sup>nd</sup> / Tue.
Multicultural Communication B		2	Second	5 <sup>th</sup> / Mon.

Please make sure to take a placement test which will be notified to you after the application for the online Japanese Language Program.

The timetable is subject to change depending on the attendance status.

### **<<Tuition and other expenses>>**

The admission fees and tuition for the dispatched international students will not be collected by Iwate University. However, students have to pay their tuition to their home institutions. Also, students have to pay their personal costs, including costs of text books and other educational expenses.

### **<<Application Procedure>>**

For more information of IU-SEP and application procedure, please refer to Iwate University International Office's website.

All required documents for application are available at this website.

<https://www.iwate-u.ac.jp/iuic/english/international-students/types-of-programs/student-exchange-program-iu-sep.html>

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