



Study in Japan

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Japan combines high academic standards, advanced technology, personal safety and a distinctive cultural experience. International students can choose from universities, graduate schools, vocational colleges, technical institutions and Japanese-language schools.

AT A GLANCE

Quick Facts

TUITION FEES

**¥820,000 – ¥1,300,000 / first year
(undergraduate)**

LIVING COST

Around ¥105,000 / month

TEACHING LANGUAGE

Japanese, English

WORKING WHILE STUDYING

**Up to 28 hours per week, with
permission**

WHY JAPAN

Why Study in Japan?

- ✓ Globally respected universities and qualifications
- ✓ Strong programmes in engineering, technology, robotics, artificial intelligence, business and life sciences
- ✓ A growing selection of degrees taught entirely in English
- ✓ Comparatively affordable fees at national and public universities
- ✓ Government, university and private scholarships
- ✓ Excellent transport, healthcare and public infrastructure
- ✓ Part-time employment opportunities
- ✓ Career opportunities with Japanese and international companies
- ✓ Exposure to both a highly innovative economy and a rich cultural heritage

COSTS

Tuition & Living Cost

Indicative first-year admission and tuition costs are:

INSTITUTION	APPROXIMATE FIRST-YEAR FEE
National university (undergraduate)	¥820,000
Local public university (undergraduate)	¥910,000
Private university (undergraduate)	¥1,300,000
Private medicine, dentistry or pharmacy	¥3,800,000
National graduate school	¥820,000
Private graduate school	¥1,100,000
Specialised training college	¥1,300,000
Japanese-language institution	¥610,000 – ¥1,900,000

Examination, textbooks, laboratory work, insurance and accommodation are additional expenses. Fees vary considerably by university and subject.

WHAT YOU NEED

Entry Requirements

| Academic

- ✓ A recognised secondary-school qualification for bachelor's admission
- ✓ Normally 12 years of formal education
- ✓ A relevant bachelor's degree for master's admission
- ✓ Academic transcripts and graduation certificates
- ✓ Personal statement or study plan
- ✓ Academic recommendation letters
- ✓ Proof of financial support
- ✓ Passport copy
- ✓ English or Japanese language evidence
- ✓ Entrance examination or interview, where required

LANGUAGE

Language Requirement

Japanese-taught courses commonly require strong Japanese proficiency. Official guidance indicates that many such undergraduate programmes expect JLPT N1 or N2 together with the required EJU performance. English-taught programmes may require IELTS, TOEFL or another accepted qualification, with the exact score set by the institution.

Student Visa Process

After receiving admission, the institution or an authorised representative in Japan normally assists with the Certificate of Eligibility (COE). The student then applies through the appropriate Japanese embassy or consulate. The standard documents include:

- ✓ Valid passport
- ✓ Visa application form
- ✓ Photograph
- ✓ Certificate of Eligibility
- ✓ Additional financial or academic evidence when requested

A COE supports the application but does not guarantee that a visa will be issued.

WHAT TO STUDY

Popular Courses

Artificial intelligence and computer science

Engineering and robotics

Automotive and manufacturing technology

Business, economics and management

International relations

Architecture and urban planning

Biotechnology and life sciences

Environmental science

Animation, game design and digital media

Japanese language and cultural studies

Popular Universities

Technology-focused universities

- Institute of Science Tokyo: formed through the integration of Tokyo Institute of Technology and Tokyo Medical and Dental University; particularly strong in science, engineering, technology, medicine and dentistry
- University of Electro-Communications: computer science, artificial intelligence, electronics and telecommunications
- Tokyo University of Science: science, engineering, pharmacy and technology
- Toyohashi University of Technology: engineering and applied technology
- Nagaoka University of Technology: engineering, manufacturing and industrial technology

Recommended universities with English-taught programmes

These universities are particularly attractive to students who do not yet speak Japanese:

- University of Tokyo
- Kyoto University
- Osaka University
- Tohoku University
- Nagoya University
- Kyushu University
- Hokkaido University
- University of Tsukuba
- Waseda University
- Keio University
- Sophia University
- Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University
- International Christian University

Japan's official study portal confirms that students can complete selected university and graduate degrees entirely in English. However, programme availability differs by study level and subject.

Best choices by subject

- Engineering and technology: University of Tokyo, Institute of Science Tokyo, Tohoku, Osaka, Nagoya
- Artificial intelligence and computing: University of Tokyo, Institute of Science Tokyo, Tsukuba, Waseda, Keio
- Business and management: Waseda, Keio, Kobe, Hitotsubashi, Ritsumeikan APU
- Medicine and life sciences: University of Tokyo, Kyoto, Osaka, Tohoku, Kyushu
- International relations: Waseda, Sophia, Ritsumeikan, Ritsumeikan APU
- Economics: University of Tokyo, Hitotsubashi, Keio, Kobe, Waseda
- Environmental and agricultural sciences: Hokkaido, Kyoto, Kyushu, University of Tsukuba
- Animation, media and creative technology: Keio, Waseda, Tokyo University of the Arts, Kyoto University of the Arts

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