

2024 Josai Central European Scholarship Program: Terms and Conditions

Placement of Students and Available Courses	<p>Students will be permitted to take courses outside their faculties. It is understood that applicants' main interests lie in upgrading their Japanese language skills, and enhancing their knowledge and understanding of Japanese culture. Courses have been prepared with students' academic interests and career goals in mind.</p>	
	<p>Josai University (JU) Scholarship recipients studying at JU will be assigned to one of the following faculties on the JU Sakado Campus, Saitama Prefecture:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Faculty of Contemporary Policy Studies ● Faculty of Economics ● Faculty of Management 	<p>Josai International University (JIU) Scholarship recipients studying at JIU will be assigned to either of the following faculties on the Togane Campus, Chiba Prefecture:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Faculty of International Humanities ● Faculty of Tourism
Accommodation	<p>Josai University (JU) Accommodation at UR apartment rooms (managed by Urban Renaissance Agency) in the Kitasakado Danchi, which JU leases for international students, shall be provided free of charge through the duration of the scholarship (room shared by two). A monthly fee of 13,000 yen will be levied to cover the cost of utilities such as electricity, gas, water, and use of facilities, including internet access.</p>	<p>Josai International University (JIU) A dormitory which is adjacent to the campus is available.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Registration Fee: 30,000 yen ● Rents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Room for two (shared shower and toilet on the floor) 20,000 yen per month Room for two (with shower and toilet in the room) 25,000 yen per month <p>*Water, electricity, gas and internet bills ARE included in monthly rent.</p> <p>*Kitchen is shared.</p> <p>*Decision regarding the allocation of rooms will depend on room availability.</p>

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Scholarship Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tuition and fees The cost of tuition will be waived. ● Financial Support A living allowance of 80,000 yen per month for 11 months. The scholarship program is implemented thanks to a grant provided by the Japan Students Support Organization (JASSO).
Japanese Language Proficiency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Due to the limited number of classes taught in English at both universities, we recommend that applicants have Japanese language proficiency sufficient to participate in classes taught in Japanese. If the applicant does not possess an N1 or N2 certificate, we ask that an instructor familiar with the student's language skills write a letter of recommendation stating that the applicant's Japanese language proficiency satisfies the required level.
Required Academic Grades	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● As the program is funded by JASSO, their rules on applicant's academic records apply. ● Link to Student Exchange Support Program (Scholarship for Short-term Study in Japan) page by JASSO: https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/scholarship_j/ukeire.html
Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There is no age restriction to apply for the scholarship program. ● Applicants must be registered as a full-time undergraduate or graduate student in one of our partner universities at the time of application and throughout the entire period of the scholarship. Failure to maintain a registered student status will result in the suspension of the scholarship. ● Applicants must be able to obtain a "Student" status of residency in Japan to participate in the program. (Applicants who already have the legal status of "Resident in Japan" are not eligible to apply for the program.) ● Applicants must demonstrate both high levels of motivation and academic achievement. ● Applicants must be persons who, for financial reasons, are unable to participate in the program solely at their own expense. ● Applicants must be recommended by the university at which they are enrolled. ● Applicants must be available to start classes in September. ● Applicants enrolled are expected to take Japanese language courses during their time in Japan. ● Students are expected to return to their home countries once the scholarship program is completed.
Duration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The duration of the scholarship is one academic year (two semesters or four quarters) starting in September, 2024. Scholarships can neither be extended nor renewed.

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Other Points to Consider	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The recipient of the scholarship may be assigned to either of the universities and any of the faculties listed above.● The scholarship can be revoked if the grantee fails to attend classes regularly or if JU/JIU judges that the grantee is not maintaining the standards required by the scholarship.● The student will be expected to show enthusiasm to engage in academic and cultural events related to JU/JIU.● All grantees must enroll in the Japanese National Health Insurance Plan during their stay in Japan (premium is approximately 20,000 yen per year).● The cost of textbooks will be approximately 30,000 yen per semester.● Students are expected to pay for their own meals.
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Application Procedure

Required documents must be submitted electronically, preferably as a PDF file, to josai-exch@jiu.ac.jp by no later than 11 April, 2024 (no hard copies necessary).

The documents must be sent by the staff of the applicant's university. We are unable to accept documents directly from applicants.

Required Documents:

- Completed application form
- Recommendation letters from two instructors of the student's home university
- Application essay
- Transcript of academic records from the student's home university

(Notes)

- Our mail system will not accept files larger than 10MB (depending on how your mail is routed, smaller files may also be rejected before reaching us). We advise you to kindly send each application separately, to compress files before attaching, and/or to use an outside storage system.
- We have noticed several cases where the scanning process was not properly executed. Please recheck the result of the scan before sending it.

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Selection Procedure

(1). Vetting of application by Josai University and Josai International University (April/May).

We ask applicants to express their commitment to work hard and to use this opportunity to enhance their future career possibilities. Also, we hope that they will work in some capacity as a bridge of goodwill between the two countries in the future. Other various factors, such as field of study, language ability, the balance of the number of students among the home universities of applicants, etc. may be considered.

(2). Screening interviews may be implemented.

(3). The number of scholarships granted by JASSO is for 10 students. However, if an applicant is not selected for the Josai Central European Scholarship Program, there is also the opportunity for the applicant to be selected and accepted as an exchange student at either JU or JIU.

(4). Students will receive the result of selection procedure via their home university (late May).

After that, the department in charge at the host university will contact each accepted student directly about details of the immigration procedures.

(5). Students are to arrive in Japan in September.

*Notice

As public health policies in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic may change due to fluctuating conditions, applicants are requested to take into consideration that new developments may necessitate revisions of the application procedure and the implementation of the program. We will promptly inform our partner universities of any possible changes should they occur.