



# **Shimane University Summer School 2014**

# July 7-July 25







Our Summer School is aiming at giving intensive lectures for beginners about Japanese, Japan culture and what's what of Japan in English to international students from partner universities, and making enhancement of communication ability and enlargement of horizon of participant students. During the 3 weeks you can take intensive lectures about Japanese, culture and history from ancient time to the present of Shimane, and then and now including Japanese industries. Also we plan cross cultural experience programs through sightseeing and visiting landmarks and world heritage of Japan. Emphasis is on group work and increase in communication ability based on Summer School. You will find a lot of new aspects of Japan and be fascinated by its cultural, historical richness in our town. Please come and join us.

Center for International Exchanges



## 2014Schedule

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	7/7	7/8	7/9	7/10	7/11	7/12
Sold	15:00 Arrival at JR (Japan Railway)Matsue Station	Orientation  Courtesy call on President Campus & Matsue City Tour Welcome Party	Japanese Class  Lecture: History of Ancient Izumo  Visiting Izumo Grand Shrine & Shimane Museum of Ancient Izumo	Japanese Class  Lecture: Tea Ceremony  Practical Work of Tea Ceremony Student Exchange	Japanese Class  Japanese Corporate Longevity Visiting Businesses Group work Home Stay	Home Stay
7/13	7/14	7/15	7/16	7/17	7/18	7/19
Coming back to University	Free	Japanese Class  Lecture: Brackish Water Environment Visiting Lake Shinji & Nakaumi-sea	Japanese Class  Lecture: Earth Science  Exchange with Graduate Students of Dept. of Earth Science	Japanese Class  Lecture: History of Lafcadio Hearn  Visiting Historical places of Hearn  Group work	Japanese Class  Lecture: Cutting Edge of Samurai sword  Visiting Hitachi Metals, Ltd	Study Tour for Iwami Silver Mine(The World Heritage site) Iwami Kagura (Shinto Dance)
7/20	7/21	7/22	7/23	7/24	7/25	
Free	Japanese Class  Lecture: Water Use and Land Utilization in Shimane  Study Tour to Hiikawa River	Japanese Class  Regional Development in Hilly & Mountain Area of San'in  Study Tour of Mt. Sanbe	Japanese Class  Horticulture of Endemic Plants of Shimane  Study tour of Japanese Peony Village	Presentation of Group Study  Graduation Ceremony  Farewell Party	Departure to your Country	je

## Remarks:

- lectures, except for Japanese, are given in English.
- Participant students shall be split into three groups. Through group work and discussion at Summer School, participant students have to set up the themes of respective group researches. At closing day, students are requested to make presentation of their results of Summer School in English.
- •The schedule is subject to change without notice.



## Seeking the participants

#### **■**Eligibility

Undergraduate or Graduated students enrolled at partner universities who possess high standards of academic performance (GPA score of 3.07 out of 4, or more in principle) and are fluent in English ( TOEFL score of 500 or more in principle, if you are non-native speaker).

## ■ Number of Students to be admitted

Maximum number of students to be accepted is 15 in total, and minimum participants count is 5. Max limit of acceptable students for each university is 2. If there are more than 15students, there will be a selection process.

#### ■ Accommodation

An off-campus dormitory of Shimane University is provided to all participant students during 3 weeks. You will stay in a dormitory for double occupancy. You may use common bathroom, toilet and kitchen. Students also can enjoy the home-stay of two nights

#### ■ Fees you will be charged

35,000JPY

- 25,000JPY for tuition including textbooks, home stay, transport and all excursions
- 10,000JPY for Accommodation including common service and internet fees.

Payment will be accepted by overseas remittance to our bank(account and payment information will be announced when you are surely accepted).

#### Remarks

- Please fax the receipt of your remittance to our office below.
- •You may have to pay shortage of cash caused by bank handling fee and JPY exchange rate.
- All payment must be made in Japanese yen.
- Any check will NOT be accepted.

## ■ Estimated expenses

- Food approx.30,000 JPY for breakfast, lunch and dinner at a university cafeteria.
   (ex.1,500 JPY/day(500yen x3meals) x 20 days)
- Round trip air ticket
- Travel Insurance(See detail on the next page)
- Other Personal expenses which are not mentioned above.

#### ■ Deadline of Application

28 February, 2014: Student who wants to participate in this program should submit the following documents

- 1. Application Form (in provided format)
- 2. Academic Record (in each university's format and please attach an English or Japanese Translation)
- 3. TOEFL score if the applicant is non-native English speaker.
  - \*Please submit all by email. Please make PDF files for document 1-3 and attach to the email.

#### ■ Certification for completing the class of Summer School

Participant students are provided the certification of completing the class of Summer School from President of Shimane University.

## Travel Information



#### ■ Travel Insurance

Your stay in Japan is not long enough to buy any Japanese Insurance or to receive any medical fee support for international students. Therefore, you are required to take out any insurance in your own country before you come to Shimane University. As soon as you have bought insurance, please send a copy of the insurance policy along with Confirmation Form of Insurance.

Shimane University shall not bear any responsibility for costs caused by illness, injury and /or death of the students and any other damage that may occur as a result of accident, disaster, or other unexpected circumstances.

#### ■ Visa

A Visa is unnecessary for students in countries in the Visa Waiver Program. Students in countries that are not in the Visa Waiver Program should get a "Temporary Visitor Visa". Please prepare a "Certification of Acceptance" and a "Permit to Attend a Class", "Invitation Letter", "Program Schedule" and "Guarantee" which are issued by Shimane University and also other necessary documents(passport, financial certificate and so on), and then please apply to the Japanese embassy or the consulate. It may take a long time to issue a visa, so please remember that and apply as soon and possible. Regarding Visa detail, an applicant should inquire at the Japanese Embassy or the Consulate by himself/herself.

#### ■ Coming to Shimane University

Participants should come to JR(Japan Railways) Matsue Station at <u>3pm on 7 July, 2014</u> by themselves in principle. From Matsue station to Shimane University, we will provide pick up cars. Details will be announced when you are surely accepted.

#### ■ Others

- The voltage of Japan (Shimane) is 100V and 60 Hz, and the shape of the plug is type A. Please bring transformer and a conversion plug if you need.
- It will be useful if you bring pictures of your family or things particular to your country, when you introduce yourself for host family.
- Summer in Matsue is very hot ( $25\sim35^{\circ}$ C) and very humid. Sometimes it rains a lot too(but it is a nice place here!). Please prepare for any weather conditions. Umbrellas, sandal, short-sleeved clothes and rainwear will make you comfortable.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact with us.

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