Partner Institutions

California State University, Northridge (U.S.A)
China Medical University (China)
Chulalongkorn University (Thailand)
Dalian University (China)
Darma Persada University (Indonesia)
Dong-A University College of Engineering (Korea)
Ewha Womans University (Korea)
Gadjah Mada University (Indonesia)
Lady Shri Ram College for Women (India)
Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich (Germany)
Lund University, Faculty of Humanities and Theology (Sweden)
Mahidol University, Faculty of Liberal Arts (Thailand)
Polish Academy of Sciences, Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization (Poland)
Pusan University of Foreign Studies (Korea)
Seoul National University College of Human Ecology (Korea)
Tamkang University (Taiwan)
Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies (Uzbekistan)
Thammasat University (Thailand)
The University of Auckland (New Zealand)
The University of Manchester, Faculty of Humanities (UK)
Tongji University, College of Foreign Languages and Women's College (China)
University of Copenhagen, Faculty of Humanities (Denmark)
University of Dhaka (Bangladesh)
University of Iceland, Reykjavik (Iceland)
University of Leuven (Belgium)
University of Peradeniya (Sri Lanka)
University of Warsaw, Faculty of Geography and Regional Studies (Poland)
Vietnam National University, Hanoi (Vietnam)

Fukuoka Women's University

Fukuoka Women's University, founded in 1923, is the first Japanese public women's college. With the aim of fostering a global perspective and capability for leadership, we are committed to educating young people to make an active contribution to Japanese and global society. FWU is offering undergraduate and graduate courses in Japanese Language and Culture, European and North American Languages and Cultures, East Asian Research, International Relations, International Economics and Management, Environmental Substances, Life and Environment, Lifestyle and the Environment, International Environmental Policies, and Food and Health Sciences.

Our home town, Fukuoka, is a pleasant coastal city and the largest metropolis on the island of Kyushu.

WJC

The World of Japanese Contemporary Culture Program

Studying Contemporary and Traditional Japanese Culture at

Fukuoka Women's University

Fukuoka, Japan

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WJC Academic Program

WJC is a short-term study abroad program designed to provide a unique educational experience focusing on Japanese culture. Students have the choice to attend the program either for one semester for a full year. The curriculum for the Fall Semester (September-February) focuses more on Japanese contemporary culture, while the Spring Semester (April-August) offers more subjects relating to Japanese traditional culture. Japanese language classes are available at various levels and students are able to take classes depending on their level.

Various excursions and events such as field-study trips, special lectures by guest speakers, and symposia are organized. The home visit program to local Japanese families and the Japanese student "buddy" program (JD-Mates) provide WJC students with good opportunities to socialize with students and residents of Fukuoka.

WJC grants a scholarship to exchange students from our partner universities, based on each university's exchange agreement.

■ Courses and Subjects

WJC offers three elective courses as below. WJC students will sign up for one of the three options.

- JLC: Japanese Language and Culture Course
- JCS: Japanese Contemporary Society Course
- JCC: Japanese Contemporary Culture Course

All subjects in JLC are taught in **Japanese**, while all subjects in JCS and JCC are taught in **English**. All subjects are for 2 credits per subject.

JLC Subjects 2016-2017

- 日本文化・博多学入門
- ポップカルチャーが表象する現代日本社会
- 宮崎駿の世界－日本アニメの文化人類学的考察
- 観光人類学で見る日本の観光－地方都市の可能性
- 日本の古典を読む
- アートとグローバリゼーション－地方発信型アーティストの事例

JCS Subjects 2016-2017

- Introduction to Japan and Hakata* Studies: History and Culture
- Food and Environmental Business
- Topics in Food and Health in the Globalized Society
- Global Issues in the Contemporary World
- Environmental Issues and Policies in the Globalization
- Japanese Society through Manga and Anime
- Topics in the Modern Global Economy
- Law and the Global Society

JCC Subjects 2016-2017

- Introduction to Japan and Hakata* Studies: History and Culture
- New Japanese Cinema: 1980s to Present
- Introduction to Japanese Cinema: Silent Era to Bubble
- Japanese Pop Culture: Short Fiction by Haruki Murakami
- Images of Justice in Japanese Law
- Japanese Language through Media and Other Materials
- *Norwegian Wood* by Haruki Murakami

Syllabi

Fall 2016: http://goo.gl/57BFvd
Spring 2017: http://goo.gl/T5g0sy

■ Independent Study Project (ISP)

All WJC students take an ISP to research in depth a topic in Japanese culture of their own choosing under faculty supervision. Students are required to submit a written report and give an oral presentation each semester. (2 credit)

■ Study/Field Trips

Various study/field trips, providing exposure to Japanese contemporary and traditional cultural sites, are organized by WJC. Destinations for 2015-2016 include museums, Shinto shrines, a Kabuki theater, Kyushu Grand Sumo Tournament, Hakata doll painting experience, etc.

Credit Transfer

Credits and grades earned by WJC students may be transferred to their home universities. Each case of credit transfer needs to be authorized by the home university.

* 'Hakata' is the old name of the central area of Fukuoka City.

Accommodation

WJC students are guaranteed accommodation in the University's Nadeshiko Dormitory. Each unit of the dormitory has four single bed rooms, one dining area with kitchen, one lavatory, and one bathroom. WJC students will live together with Japanese students in one unit.
Monthly charge: 9,900 yen (for utility expenses)
Room cleaning: 13,000 yen for moving into the dormitory
Linen rental: 16,300 yen for one year / 9,720 yen for six months

Scholarship

WJC students may be granted a scholarship funded by the Japanese Student Service Organization (JASSO) and Fukuoka Prefecture. A scholarship includes a monthly stipend of 80,000 yen and reimbursement for a round-trip airfare to Fukuoka up to 100,000 yen.

"Buddy" Program

Japanese FWU students participating in the WJC "Buddy" Program are called JD-Mates. JD-Mates provide one-on-one assistance to WJC students. They will help WJC students to settle in, explore Fukuoka City together, accompany WJC students on program excursions, and so on. Talking with JD-Mates also helps WJC students to improve their Japanese language skills.

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