

Short Stay Program 2017

International Exchange and Educational Program for Food Safety

2017 program: August 21 – September 22

Program Overview

The International Exchange and Educational Program for Food Safety is an international student exchange program developed by the Food Science Group of Faculty of Agriculture of Kagawa University. This program provides the opportunity for young future researchers to network internationally while gaining international experience. Students are expected to exchange information, share experiences, and their research with each other. The primary language for this program exchange will be English.

This program will be held at the Faculty of Agriculture from August 19 to September 20, 2016. The Faculty of Agriculture will invite international students to participate in the program.

This program is partially funded by a grant from the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO), a governmental support agency for scholarship loan programs, support programs for international students, and student support programs founded by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT), and the Faculty of Agriculture of Kagawa University.

Some attending students who attend will receive a stipend (in cash) shortly after their arrival to help defray their travel, lodging and other costs. Other students will attend as self-supporting students and will not receive financial assistance. (Please check it your home university if you are eligible for the stipend)

Dates:

August 21 – September 22, 2016.

Accommodations: Check-in: August 21, 2016, Check-out: September 22, 2017

Please apply through your faculty or university

General Requirements

Interns must:

- be a full-time student of the dispatching university
- be in an undergraduate program, or masters program
- must be enrolled as a full-time student before the program starts (July) and after it finishes (September), so fourth year students that are graduating and not returning to school in September are not eligible, but students that are returning for a masters degree are eligible
- be in a science program (preferably with an interest in food safety)
- have a GPA above 2.3 on a 3 point system for the most recent academic year
- submit a resume outlining their research interests and experience; a completed registration form ; a transcript (an unofficial transcript is acceptable in PDF format); and a letter of recommendation from one professor from your faculty/department

- have proof of travel/health insurance for the period of the internship

To apply

Please send the application material via your home university contact:

1. a cover letter outlining your research interests, experience and your reasons for wanting to take part in this program
2. a .pdf of your resume including a head and shoulders photo
3. a .pdf scan of your transcript (an unofficial transcript from your university website is acceptable)
4. a completed registration form (available from the faculty contact person of your home university)
5. a letter of recommendation from one professor from your faculty/department

Please note you must have a GPA of 2.3 or higher on a 3.0 scale.

Participating Universities (in alphabetical order)

Assumption University (Thailand)

Bogor Agricultural University (Indonesia)

Chiang Mai University (Thailand)

Chulalongkorn University (Thailand)

Diponegoro University (Indonesia)

Hanoi University of Science and Technology (Vietnam)

Kasetsart University (Thailand)

Middle East Technical University METU (Turkey)

Nanjing Agricultural University (China)

National Chiayi University (Taiwan)

Nottingham University (United Kingdom)

Silpakorn University (Thailand)

State University of Londrina (Brazil)

Texas A & M University: Commerce (United States)

University of Battambang (Cambodia)

University of California: Davis (United States)

University of Gadjadara (Indonesia)

University of Ghana (Ghana)

University of Nottingham (United Kingdom)

University of the Philippines: Los Banos (Philippines)

Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City – University of Technology (Vietnam)

Zhejiang Gongshang University (China)

Overview of major activities

This schedule has not been finalized. This overview is a list of planned events and activities, which are subject to change.

Orientation

Campus tour: Main campus of Kagawa University

Campus tour: Faculty of Agriculture of Kagawa University

Laboratory Training

Lab orientation

Lab work (individual)

Lab experiment

Company Visits

Visit to a Japanese food company

Specialized Studies (including practical skills)

Mycotoxins (analysis and training)

Food allergy analysis (analysis and training)

Flavor/off flavor (training and analysis)

Food residue/ pesticide training and analysis

Internship Seminar for CDP frozen food safety

Rare sugar

Ice cream preparation, utilizing rare sugars

Preparation of Japanese noodles

Visit to Shodoshima island to investigate olive and soy production

Other Academic events

Student Presentation Seminars

Culture Events

Japanese culture/language classes

Japanese Tea Ceremony/Wearing traditional summer kimono

Recreational events

Short homestay

International exchange discussions

Tentative Schedule:

Aug 21 – Sept 22, 2017

Short-Stay Student Schedule SS Program

AUG 21: Arrival by 2:00 PM at the main door of the Faculty of Agriculture (Orientation and check in to accommodations)

SEP 22: Check out

Will be updated once the schedule is finalized

FAQs:

Can someone meet us at the airport/bus station?

The "official" starting point is the university on August 21 at 2:00 pm. **You need to make your own arrangements to come to the university by yourself.**

Should we bring our own laptop?

Yes, we recommend you bring your own laptop. In the university you will have access to our network.

Will we have Internet access in our rooms?

No. You will need to come to the campus to use the Internet. It is possible to rent an internet router at the airport. There are many suppliers to choose. We do not recommend a particular provider and the links here are only for your convenience and are not a recommendation of a particular provider.

[NARITA AIRPORT PROVIDERS](#) (Tokyo)

[HANEDA AIRPORT PROVIDERS](#) (Tokyo)

[KANSAI AIRPORT](#) (Osaka)

Can I use my cell phone in Japan?

Yes, (depending on your carrier) **but** it is extremely expensive. Typical charges are 300-400 JPY per minute. You should plan on using Skype, Line, Facebook or email at the university to communicate with friends and family.

Can I rent a mobile phone?

Yes, **but** it is also very expensive. Phones can be rented at Kansai International Airport, Narita International Airport and Haneda International Airport. You should plan on using Skype, Line, Facebook or email at the university to communicate with friends and family. It is possible to rent an internet router at the airport (see above).

Should I bring a lab coat?

Yes.

What is the weather like?

	Average High	Average Low
August	31 deg Celsius	23 deg Celsius
September	27 deg Celsius	19 deg Celsius

That means in August, you can expect the temperature to be over 31 degrees Celsius on some days, and in September it starts cooling, but it is still quite hot in the daytime.

What kind of clothing should I bring?

In general, university students dress casually. However, there will be a few times that you will need to dress more formally. Men typically will wear a shirt & tie and slacks (a jacket is not necessary but you may wear one if you wish) and women, a skirt (or long slacks) and a blouse (jacket is optional.)