

# General Information for Studying at Senshu University For International Exchange Students 2017

## ACADEMIC STATUS

According to your application forms, you will be assigned to an appropriate school and department as well as a suitable advisory professor for your studies. Your purpose at Senshu University is not only for studying Japanese but also for attending regular classes. You will be required to consult with your advisory professor throughout your studies at Senshu University.

The academic course for exchange students at Senshu University is a **non-degree program**.

If you are accepted as an exchange student at Senshu University, you must be enrolled in your university at the time of application and throughout the duration of the exchange study period. You must return to your university after your study at Senshu University. Extension of your stay is not allowed, and taking entrance examinations for Senshu University during your stay at Senshu are not permitted.

## VISA

Once you are accepted as an exchange student, we will send you the Application for the Certificate of Eligibility (COE) to you and issue through the Tokyo Immigration Bureau. Please fill out all items of the Application of COE and send to us by the deadline proposed by Senshu. This is your official notice of admission to Senshu University. With the COE, you can obtain a Student Visa at the Japanese Embassy or Consulate in your country before departure.

## HOUSING

### Senshu University International House

Accommodation Fee	36,000 yen per month
Location	About a 1-minute walk from Ikuta campus and about a 14-minute walk from “Mukogaoka-yuen Station” (Senshu University’s nearest station)
Room	Each room will be shared by two students and is equipped with a refrigerator, closet, bed & linen, and a writing desk, along with a communal space equipped with a kitchen, dining area, shower room, rec room, study room, multipurpose room, and lounge. The cooking appliances/utensils and TV are also shared. The washing machine costs 200 yen/load and the dryer costs 100 yen/30 min. to use.
Meals	No meals are provided.
Internet	Five computers and a printer are available for use in the study room. However, you are welcome to bring your own laptop. Wi-Fi is only available in the communal space.
Area	25.0 m <sup>2</sup> /room



All the power throughout the entire dormitory of “Senshu University International House” will be suspended from mid-August, 2017. During that time, “Ikuta Kenshu-kan” will be made available to temporarily stay students. However, students may choose to travel or stay elsewhere within that time period as well.

#### Notification about Accommodation Fee

1. In case where the initial arrival and final departure to and from the Senshu International House are on days other than the first or last of the month, you are permitted to pay a daily accommodation fee of 1,400 yen to compensate. This option cannot apply to any other case.
2. You must **pay the accommodation fee 36,000 yen every month even if you do not stay for some nights at Senshu University International House for any reason.** Senshu University reserves a room for you during your stay.

#### OVERSEAS TRAVEL INSURANCE

Even if you have a National Health Insurance policy, you are still liable in worst-case scenarios, so such things as “rescuer’s expense” is not included. Before arriving in Japan, it is strongly recommended that students are covered by an overseas travel insurance policy.

#### NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE AFTER ARRIVAL

For foreigners staying in Japan longer than 3 months, even if they are covered by an overseas travel insurance policy from their home country during their stay, they must have **National Health Insurance (国民健康保険)**. The fee ranges from 2,000 yen to 3,000 yen per month. The procedure for acquiring this health insurance is conducted after arriving in Japan. Depending on the insurance policy, 70% of medical expenses will be covered. Other details will be provided by the International Academic Affairs Office after arrival.

#### WORKING

Exchange students are **NOT permitted to work or participate in any activities that derive pay or income** during studying at Senshu University.

#### UNIVERSITY ACTIVITIES

On Senshu campus, there are many kinds of student activities with Japanese students as part of intercultural exchange, including high school visits, a bus-hike tour, Senshu cultural festival and the presentation on home countries by international students. In particular, this presentation is popular among Senshu students, so most of them will have chances to introduce their home country. We strongly advise students to participate in those activities as they will make university life in Japan very fruitful and enjoyable for them.

#### JAPANESE LANGUAGE AND CULTURE PROGRAM

Senshu will provide you with Japanese Language programs in Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter terms. If you think that you need or you are advised to improve your Japanese language proficiency to assist in your academic courses, please take the Japanese Language Program under the tuition waiver. The availability of tuition fee waivers depends on the mutual agreement between your university and Senshu University. The availability of tuition fee waivers depends on the mutual agreement between your university and Senshu University. To take the language programs, you should contact the international studies office at your institution for more details as these programs are optional. Of course if your Japanese is sufficient enough to take only regular classes, you do not have to take the Japanese Language Program.

#### VISITORS / VISITING FAMILY MEMBERS

Regarding accompanying family members, exchange students have all responsibilities for taking care of their visa, housing and other necessary arrangements. No family housing is available at Senshu. If you are going to stay in Japan with your family during your study abroad, please let me know in advance about housing when you apply the exchange student.

## ESTIMATED LIVING EXPENSES

Under the terms of the exchange agreement, students receive tuition waivers for the period of their exchange.

### Example

Room (12 months)	¥432,000
Board (meals)	¥720,000
Books and Supplies	¥60,000
National Health Insurance	¥24,000
Personal Expenses	¥240,000
<i>Four Terms of Japanese Language Program (Optional)</i>	
Material Fees	¥70,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>¥1,546,000</b>

Please note the estimated expenses are the **minimum** costs of living in Japan. As you may notice, even though you have the JASSO Scholarship, **you still need to prepare your own funds in addition to the estimated cost.** Airfare is not included in the estimated expenses.

## SCHOLARSHIP

Exchange students can apply for the following scholarship:

**“The 2017 Student Exchange Support Program (Scholarship for Short-Term Study in Japan)” by the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)**

Senshu University applied for this Scholarship in October. The result will be sent to us in early January 2017.

If we are allocated this scholarship, we will contact the partner universities to provide details soon. The monthly stipend is 80,000 yen. If you would like to apply for it, please mark the corresponding checkbox for the Scholarship on the application form for International Exchange Students 2017.

## TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES

**If you are assigned to the School of Law by Senshu, you will commute to Kanda campus in Tokyo by train. It costs ¥420 (one way), and the student discount system is NOT applicable for exchange students** because of your status is a non-degree student in Japan. Therefore you have to pay extra money in addition to the estimated living expenses above. The school where you are assigned is determined by Senshu depending on your special field, so please note that the school of law includes not only law major students but also some social science major students.

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR AND SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Early April	Class Commences
Late Jul.-Early Aug.	First Semester Examination Period
Early Aug. - Mid Sept.	Summer Vacation
Late September	Class Commences
Early November	University Cultural Festival
Late Dec. - Early Jan.	Winter Vacation
Mid Jan. - Late Jan.	Second Semester Examination Period
February - March	Spring Vacation