Ibaraki University Study Abroad Program

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Japanese language classes—
We offer four levels of Japanese language classes, from basic to advanced, as well as special academic Japanese classes.

Japan-related classes taught in English —
students can learn about various aspects of Japan in English. For advanced students, an immersion program is also available.

A wide range of activities —
We offer a wide range of social, cultural and educational activities, which includes a homestay program, field trips, cultural events, an international camp, and much more.

Close proximity to Tokyo, and nice, medium-sized city -
Mito is located within 100 km (65 miles) from the center of Tokyo, and is the prefectural capital of Ibaraki. Compared to major cities in Japan, it is smaller and less expensive, yet is still a vibrant city with many cultural and historical attractions.
One-on-one tutoring —
Each international student will be assigned a Japanese student as a tutor, who will assist them with their studies and in daily life.

Inexpensive accommodations —
Rooms with private bathroom and kitchen are available. (As of 2014, a single room costs 5,900 yen (about 60 dollars) per month)

Academic Calendar
[1st Semester]
- Official Academic year begins: April 1st
- Classes begin: early April
- Classes end: early August
- Summer Vacation: early August - September 30th

[2nd Semester]
- Classes begin: October 1st
- Winter Vacation: late December - early January
- Classes end: mid-February
- Spring Vacation: mid-February - March 31st
- Academic Year ends: March 31st

*Final examinations are usually held on the last week of each semester.

Holidays
- Saturdays and Sundays
- National Holidays (Monday, if the holiday falls on a Sunday)
- Ibaraki University Foundation Day: May 30

(Depending on the calendar year, this date may change.)

Weather conditions

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My Mito Experience

My friend and I arrived at Mito Station during a typhoon and, having worried about us getting to our hotel in the midst of the rain and wind, one of our teachers came to greet us right off the bus and even hailed us a cab to take us to the hotel. I was so surprised and grateful for her kindness and thoughtfulness. I knew at that moment that I had made the right choice in coming to Ibaraki University. During my stay in Mito, I met some of the kindest and most interesting people from all over, and my Japanese skills increased by an immeasurable amount. I’ve seen some of the most amazing sights, eaten the most delicious food, and made memories that will remain precious to me for as long as I live. Living in Mito was like living a dream to me, and I’m truly happy that I was able to have such an amazing experience.

HOW TO APPLY

If you are studying at one of Ibaraki University's partner universities, you can contact the office of international studies (or its equivalent) at your home institution and receive the information about applying to Ibaraki University as an exchange student.

Your application must be submitted through the office of international studies at your home institution. Ibaraki University do not accept applications from individual students.

Applications must be received by:

- around 2nd week of November for the First semester (April to September)
- around 2nd week of May for the Second semester (October to March)

*These deadlines vary year to year. Please confirm them at the office of international studies (or its equivalent) at your home institution.

Ibaraki University

is a national university established in 1949. The University has 5 colleges (Humanities, Education, Science, Engineering, Agriculture), 4 graduate programs (Humanities, Education, Science and Engineering, Agriculture), and 1 diploma program in three campuses (Mito, Hitachi, and Ami). The three campuses are all located in the Ibaraki Prefecture, which forms part of the National Capital Region.

As of April 2014, approximately 7,500 undergraduate students and 1,100 graduate students, among whom 300 are from abroad, are studying at Ibaraki University.

To learn more about IBARAKI University, please contact us by email: ryusodon@ml.ibaraki.ac.jp