



SWU Summer International Program

SSIP 2025

Tuesday, June 17 -

Wednesday, July 2

Check-in day: June 16 / Check-out day: July 3

What's SSIP?

- SSIP is a 2.5-week special summer program taught in English for international students from SWU's partner institutions.
- SSIP consists of two academic courses with unique lectures and activities which allow students to learn about various aspects of Japanese traditional and contemporary culture and society.
- SSIP offers;
 - opportunities to make friends with Japanese students and international students from across the globe.
 - chances to cultivate intercultural communication skills through workshops, group fieldwork, and presentations.
 - exciting, vibrant Tokyo lifestyle through campus life and many field trips at the heart of Tokyo.

Application Deadline and Eligibility

Application Deadline March 10th, 2025

To apply for SSIP 2025, you must:

- be a female undergraduate or graduate student enrolled in one of SWU's partner institutions at the time of the application and during the program period.
- be nominated by your home institution by the application deadline.
- have adequate level of English proficiency to participate in English-taught classes group work.
- be willing to cooperate with other program participants and to contribute to group work, etc.

1. Japan Studies

1 SWU Credit

(15 hours)

Omnibus-style lecture course which explores various aspects of Japanese culture and society.



2. Cross-Cultural Workshop

2 SWU Credits

(22.5 hours)

Collaborative cross-cultural learning project with SWU Japanese students in an interactive workshop, fieldworks and group presentations.



*Students must take both courses.

Fees

~~200,000 JPY~~ → 90,000 JPY ONLY

<Fee Breakdown>

Registration Fee(20,000 JPY), Accommodation Fee(70,000 JPY)

*Program Fee (110,000 JPY) is waived for students nominated by SWU's partner universities!

*For some partner universities, an additional fee waiver is available. Contact your home university for details.

<Fees DO NOT Include>

Travel expenses to/from Japan, transportation fees to/from the airport, food expenses (some meals are included in the program), travel and medical insurance, transportation fees outside the program, and other personal expenses.

e.g.) food expense - approx. 1,500-2,000 JPY/day

transportation fee to/from the airport - approx. 3,200 JPY /one-way



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Sample Schedule

*The schedule is from SSIP 2024 and is subject to change.

*Students will have classes on Saturdays and will be asked to limit their personal travel to within Tokyo and its neighboring prefectures on their day off during the program. They may arrive early or stay in Japan beyond the program dates for personal travel as long as their visa status allows.

		MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Week 1	AM	Arrival and Check-in	Free Time	JS① Japan in Films	Free Time	JS② Japanese Economy	CCW ③	Free Day
	PM		Opening Ceremony Welcome Party	CCW ①②	Kabuki Performance	JS③ Hospitality Education JS④ Japanese Traditional Performing Arts	CCW④⑤	
Week 2	AM	Free Time	Food Sample Making	Tokyo SkyTree Tour	Japanese Tea Ceremony	Ghibli Museum	CCW ⑧⑨⑩⑪⑫⑬⑭ -CCW Activities -CCW Group Presentaion Prep	-Yukata Dressing -Fireworks
	PM	JS⑤ Japanese School Education	JS⑥ Religion in Japan	Asakusa Trip CCW ⑥⑦	JS⑦ Japanese Calligraphy JS⑧ Japanese Pop Culture	Depart for Tomei Gakurin		
Week 3	AM	Kamakura Trip	Free Time (CCW Group Presentation Prep)	CCW ⑮ Final Presentation	*JS= Japan Studies: 8 lectures on different themes *CCW= Cross Cultural Workshop: 15 sessions including team building activities, inter-cultural communication workshops, fieldwork, group presentation preparation and final presentation.			
	PM			Closing Ceremony Farewell Party				

This program is ONLY open to SWU partner institutions.

Please contact the study abroad office at your home university about the application and nomination process.

Voices from Past Participants

SSIP was the most wonderful experience I ever had in Japan. I learned a lot about Japanese culture in this program. Looking back, it reminds me of good memories spent with my new friends and the interns. If I could turn back time I would still participate in this program.

Thammasat University, Thailand



Thinking about my time in Japan with SSIP makes my eyes crinkle up and the corners of my mouth turn up in an uncontrollable smile. I am so grateful that I stepped out of my comfort zone and took a chance on something that has gifted me so many beautiful memories, friendships, and perspectives. I am beyond excited for future participants and cannot wait for them to be in awe of their experience with the country and its beauty just as I was!

Endicott College, USA



Exit Survey shows

96.6%

Satisfaction Rate !!



About SWU

Showa Women's University in Tokyo, Japan, was founded by the renowned poet and literary critic, Enkichi Hitomi, and his wife, Midori, in 1920 shortly after the First World War. Since the founding, its mission has been to educate women to become self-reliant and to take a significant role in society under the motto "Be a Light to the World." Its campus is located in the center of Tokyo 5 minute from Shibuya, easily accessible to various tourist spots and other interesting sites.



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Application Form