

# Shujitsu Summer Program 2024 (SSP 2024)

Dear Partners,

I am writing to you on behalf of Shujitsu University and Shujitsu Junior College in Okayama, Japan. Shujitsu University and Shujitsu Junior College are now recruiting participants for Shujitsu Summer Program 2024 (SSP 2024).

This program is designed for students who are interested in Japan and Japanese culture. Students can have various learning experiences through Japanese classes, short lectures and visits to local and regional sightseeing spots.

Some highlights of the program are as follows:

- Most program participation fees and local travel expenses will be provided by Shujitsu University and Shujitsu Junior College.
- Knowledge about Japanese culture can be attained through experiences and visits. (Tea ceremony, Japanese shrines, gardens, castles, etc.)
- Housing in a dormitory
- Basic Japanese classes (lectures/tours will be conducted in English).
- Many chances to form friendships while interacting with local and international students.

Program details:

■ Number of participants: 15 students (from among our partner institutions)

■ Program dates: August 21 to August 28, 2024

■ Program schedule:

August 21 Arrival in Japan (housing in dormitory)

August 22 Orientation, welcome luncheon, temple visit

August 23 Japanese class, Tea Ceremony experience

August 24 Japanese culture class, visit to Shizutani School (a Japan Heritage site)

August 25 Traditional Japanese games experience,

Visits to Okayama Castle and Kourakuen Garden

August 26 Day Trip to Kurashiki City Historic Quarter, Tatami making experience

August 27 Presentation, farewell luncheon

August 28 Return to country of origin

■ Housing:

Housing in a dormitory provided by Shujitsu University and Shujitsu Junior College from August 21 until the morning of August 28.

- A Shujitsu community member will guide participants from Nishigawara station to the dormitory.

■ Fees provided by Shujitsu University and Shujitsu Junior College:

- Most program participation and transportation fees
- Japanese class fees
- Dormitory fees (August 21 until the morning of August 28)
- 2 meals at welcome and farewell luncheons and 3 meals (lunches) in total during visits

Almost all summer program related participation, program transportation fees, and dormitory fees will be provided by Shujitsu University and Shujitsu Junior College. International students are responsible for travel fees to and from their full-time educational institution and Shujitsu University and Shujitsu Junior College, and for personal expenses (including most meals). We ask that host institutions assure that recommended students have enough funds to participate in our summer program and that they purchase proper insurance coverage.

\*Due to differences in laws and the provision of medical services, students should purchase high-quality insurance coverage from reliable companies, preferably from a globally recognized company. Insurance that includes unlimited liability is recommended. Insurance that is included with an airline ticket purchased by credit card is not recommended.

■ Student financial responsibilities:

- Travel to and from country of origin/full-time institution and Japan
- Travel expenses within Japan to and from point/port of entry and Shujitsu University and Shujitsu Junior College
- Free-day/time activities
- Other personal expenses (most meals, daily necessities, etc.)

■ Application deadline: May 31, 2024

■ Participation and number of possible applicants from each partner institution:

- One student from each of our partner institutions is assured a participation slot.
- Each partner institution may recommend up to 3 participants; however, depending on overall numbers and budget constraints, all recommended students may not be able to participate.
- Participants will be chosen based on their application materials.
- Depending on the number of applicants and the selection process, each institution may be able to send more than one participant.
- Results will be sent out approximately by the end of June.

■ Application documents: (Please see Summer Program Checklist)

Applicants must be fully matriculated students from our partner institutions (preferably without Japanese citizenship)

- Application for admission with photo
- Letter of recommendation (on official letterhead)
- Official transcript (with GPA preferable)

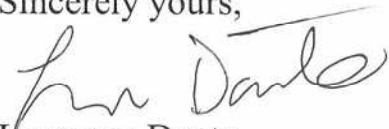
- Medical examination form
- Photocopy of passport
- (If English is not a student's first language) Copy of English test results (TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, etc.) showing level of English ability
- \* Photocopy of travel (including liability insurance) and medical insurance coverage at the latest, two weeks before arrival.

■ Application materials and inquiries should be directed to:

- Ms. Misato Ichiishi
- Shujitsu University and Shujitsu Junior College International Affairs Office
- Email: [i-center@shujitsu.ac.jp](mailto:i-center@shujitsu.ac.jp)

I am confident that your students will have a productive and rewarding summer experience through this program.

Sincerely yours,



Laurence Dante

Director, Shujitsu University and Shujitsu Junior College International Affairs Office

Please note that although we will gladly accept applications, the program may be altered or even cancelled depending upon the global situation and Japanese government policies, etc. We also might require other application materials as required by the Japanese government. Thank you in advance for your understanding.