

JAPAN CENTER

FOR MICHIGAN UNIVERSITIES

Semester Japanese Language & Culture



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"The relatively small number of students allowed me to have a very close relationship to my peers and to the instructors. I also loved the location of the school. Hikone is a beautiful city."
 -Joshua Anderson, Michigan State University

Offered during the fall and spring (winter) semesters, this JCMU program features:

10 credits of intensive Japanese language in four levels (beginner to advanced)

Daily instruction address listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. Placement is based on exams held at the beginning of the program.


Elective courses addressing an area of Japanese studies

Students enroll in at least one 3- or 4-credit elective. Each course explores an aspect of Japan, such as history, religions, politics, art, economy, and more.

Field trips, cultural demonstrations, homestay opportunities, and more!

Practice Japanese with conversation partners, stay with a host family, participate in club activities and events at local universities, and engage in local internships!

All students are provided with housing in the JCMU residence hall and may apply to live with a host family (pending availability). More information about housing and a list of past and upcoming electives can be found on the JCMU website.

Dates	Fall: September - December; Spring/Winter: January - April
Requirements	Min. GPA of 2.5; Prior Japanese language study is ideal, but not required.
Program & Housing Fees	Include tuition, course materials, health insurance, and housing in the JCMU Residence Hall or a JCMU-arranged homestay. Scan QR Code to jump to current fees → 
Application Deadline	Fall Semester 2025 & Academic Year 2025-26: March 7, 2025 Spring (Winter) Semester 2026: September 19, 2025

All program information is subject to change. Check the JCMU website for current information.