UK PARTNER EDUCATION ABROAD PROGRAMS, CONT'D.

- Tokyo Summer (IES Abroad)
- Tokyo, Japan
  - Language Req.: Varies
  - Class Standing: Sophomore and up
  - Minimum GPA: 3.0
  - Term Offered: Summer 2

Intensive six credit language and culture courses available at all levels of language proficiency.

- Language and Culture (IES Abroad)
- Tokyo, Japan
  - Language Req.: None
  - Class Standing: Sophomore and up
  - Minimum GPA: 3.0
  - Term Offered: Year, Fall, Spring

This program offers language study (6 credits), area studies courses, and a courses on Japanese society. Includes field placement with a Japanese organization, field trips, cultural opportunities, and a homestay option.

Are there other programs?

Yes! This advising guide is a good place to start, but you should also visit the UK Education Abroad website to learn about many other exciting opportunities to study, intern, or volunteer abroad.

If you don’t see your ideal program listed on the UK education Abroad website, please contact an Education Abroad Adviser to learn more about UK External Education Abroad Programs and how to apply.

Certificate of Global Studies

Document your preparedness to live and work in a global community with the Certificate of Global Studies.

For more information, please visit uky.edu/EGE/Certificates/Global/

Degree Requirements

Pre-Major Requirements:

JPN 201 Intermediate Japanese I (4 Hours)
JPN 202 Intermediate Japanese II (4 Hours)

Major Requirements

A. Language Requirements (12 Hours Total)
- JPN 301 Advanced Japanese I (3 Hours)
- JPN 302 Advanced Japanese II (3 Hours)
- JPN 401 Advanced Japanese III (3 Hours)
- JPN 402 Advanced Japanese IV (3 Hours)

B. Interdisciplinary Core Requirements (18 Hours Total)
- Arts, Literature, and Film
  - Contemporary Culture, Society, and Politics
  - Geography and Economics
  - Cultural History
- JPN 4067, • JPN 4068
- Minor Requirements:
  - 3.0 hours of Japanese Language courses at the 300 level.
  - 6.0 hours of core cultural studies courses as follows:
    - JPN 320 Introduction to Japanese Culture: Pre-Modern to 1868
    - JPN 321: Introduction to Japanese Culture: Meiji
      - (1968) to Present
    - JPN 351: The Japanese Experience of the 20th Century
  - 3. In addition, students must complete 9 hours from the following courses:
    - JPN 551, or other courses (including Study Abroad courses) approved by the DUS.

C. From Outside the Major Department (14 Hours Total)
- Choose 14 hours outside Japanese Language and Literature at the 300+ level.

UK Education Abroad Programs in Japan Studies

Education Abroad Programs for Students of Japan Studies

UK Education Abroad offers a variety of programs that allow you to pursue Japan Studies in Japan! Immerse yourself in another culture, expand your knowledge, and explore what the world has to offer with any one of these exciting opportunities.

Why study abroad?

Education abroad can help you...
- Increase your language skills
- Experience Japanese culture
- Globalize your world view
- Expand your multicultural understanding and problem-solving skills
- Prepare to work in an increasingly diverse and international workplace
- Gain new insight into the world and yourself

As a student of Japan Studies, one of the best ways to improve your language skills is to immerse yourself in that language. There is no substitute for the experience that a semester, year, summer, or winter abroad will give you.

Do I have a speak a foreign language to study abroad?

While Japan Studies majors will generally want to improve their Japanese language skills while abroad, there are programs available that cater to a wide array of proficiency levels—from beginners to advanced speakers.

What are my next steps?

Attend a First Step Session.
- Find out what you can study abroad and where, and ask questions about the application process, financial aid and scholarships, etc. First Step Sessions are held on Mondays and Tuesdays from 4-5 p.m. and Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3-4 p.m. in 207 Bradley Hall.

Explore the programs available.
- Search online or visit the Education Abroad Resource Center in 315 Bradley Hall.
- Talk to an Education Abroad advisor.

Each UK Education Abroad advisor has expertise in specific majors and geographic regions. Check the website and make an appointment with the advisor who is an expert on the programs in which you are interested.

Where can I study abroad?

There are many opportunities to pursue Japan Studies in Japan! From UK sponsored programs in Tokyo or Yatsushiro to exchange programs in Akita or Nagoya, UK offers a wide array of programs that allow students to pursue their studies in a variety of settings in Japan.

How can I afford to study abroad?

Education Abroad office offers scholarships for students interested in studying abroad. These scholarships range from $500-$1,500. Stop by one of the information sessions on scholarships or visit the Education Abroad website for more information.

Additionally, most UK financial aid applies towards the cost of studying abroad! Check with your financial aid advisor for more information.

Finally, please note that there are several education abroad programs that are comparable to the cost of attending UK. So, with a little bit of planning, if you can afford to attend UK, you can afford to study abroad.

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Also to get started, it is important to consider the type of program you would like to attend. Descriptions of which are above. Consult with their department to explore more opportunities.

**UK Exchange**

These offerings include university-wide or departmental exchanges and select ISEP Exchange programs. Students pay UK tuition and fees abroad.

**UK Consortia**

These offerings include select KIIS, CCSA and other consortium-based programs. Additional costs may be incurred as determined by the students registration.

**UK Direct**

These offerings include select programs hosted by an international institution in which students enroll directly or facilitated through ISEP-Direct. Students earn transfer credit.

**UK Partner**

These offerings include select third-party provider programs and other internship/service-learning based programs, for which students earn transfer credits.

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### How do I choose the education abroad program that is right for me?

For competency level of language course offerings in each program, refer to the key below. Each program is noted with the appropriate symbol to the left of the program title.

- □ Beginning—1st Year
- ○ Intermediate—2nd Year
- ◊ Advanced—3rd Year to Immersion

Also to get started, it is important to consider the type of program you would like to attend, descriptions of which are above. Consider the following:

**When can I study abroad?**

- □ You can study abroad for an entire academic year, during the Fall or Spring semesters, Winter Intersession or over the Summer.
- ◊ Winter Intersession, Fall or Spring semesters, Winter Intersession or over the Summer.

**Where will I live?**

- □ Most programs provide accommodation for students in residence halls and foreign student dormitories. Some programs, particularly those that focus on language immersion, provide the option of living with a local family.
- ○ Housing is typically determined by the program provider, student preference, and program availability.

**Will I earn credits while abroad?**

- □ Yes! Earn credit towards your Japan Studies major abroad, or get some electives out of the way. Please check with your Director of Undergraduate Studies to make sure specific courses will count towards your major.
- ◊ Will I earn credits while abroad? Courses vary in cost depending on the program type, duration, and provider. Please be sure to familiarize yourself with the costs of the programs you are considering.

**How much does it cost?**

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### Are you concerned about how to transfer credits from courses taken abroad?

Our department collaborates with the Education Abroad office in order to assure pre-departure approval of course equivalences and course bypass examination eligibility.

Courses taken at an institution other than the University of Kentucky should be evaluated by the appropriate UK department prior to the students registration. We cannot determine equivalencies and whether or not the department will accept that course in fulfillment of program requirements.

Meet with your advisor early on in the planning process in order to discuss the proper procedure.

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### Scholarships

Numerous scholarships are available for students interested in completing an education abroad program. A couple are featured below, but students are encouraged to visit the website and to consult with their department to explore more opportunities.

**UK Education Abroad Scholarship**

This scholarship is available for students of any major or discipline participating in an academic year, semester, or summer program in any country. Awards range from $750-$1,500. Deadlines: October 1st for Spring programs, and March 1st for Fall and Summer programs.

**Duyens Scholarship Fund for Education Abroad**

First generation full time undergraduate students, completed 30 or more credit hours with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher. Award amount varies. Deadlines: October 1st for Spring programs, and March 1st for Fall and Summer programs.

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### UK EXCHANGE ABROAD PROGRAMS

- **Akita International University**
  - Language Req.: None
  - Class Standing: Sophomore and Above
  - Minimum GPA: 3.0
  - Term Offered: Fall, Spring, Yr., Summer

Courses available in Japanese Language, Japanese Culture, and Global Communications. Some courses are offered in English, but proficient students are able to take courses in Japanese. Summer program focuses on intensive language study.

- **Meiji Gakuin University**
  - Language Req.: Intermediate
  - Class Standing: Junior & Above
  - Minimum GPA: 2.5
  - Term Offered: Year

As a part of this program, students have the ability to study the Japanese language to a high proficiency level, and study Japanese culture, all while being immersed in Japanese society, with numerous options for housing.

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### UK CONSORTIA EDUCATION ABROAD PROGRAMS

- **KIIS**
  - Language Req.: Varies
  - Class Standing: Any
  - Minimum GPA: 3.0
  - Term Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

Designed to facilitate language immersion, program offers intensive language courses, housing with local roommates, and elective courses in Japanese studies (during the semester programs). A full-time Japanese language pledge is required during the summer program.

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### UK PARTNER EDUCATION ABROAD PROGRAMS

- **Intensive Japanese Language and Culture Studies (CET)**
  - Language Req.: Varies
  - Class Standing: Any
  - Minimum GPA: 3.0
  - Term Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

Offers courses in all levels of Japanese language, as well as Japanese area and cultural studies. Courses taught in English include courses in political science and economics, as well as science courses such as Applied Microbiology, Plant Science, Neuroscience, and others.

- **Akita City, Japan**
  - Language Req.: Varies
  - Class Standing: Any
  - Minimum GPA: 3.0
  - Term Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

Designed to facilitate language immersion, program offers intensive language courses, housing with local roommates, and elective courses in Japanese studies (during the semester programs). A full-time Japanese language pledge is required during the summer program.

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### UK EXCHANGE ABROAD PROGRAMS

- **Kansai Gaidai University**
  - Language Req.: None
  - Class Standing: Sophomore and Above
  - Minimum GPA: 3.0
  - Term Offered: Fall, Spring

Includes a rigorous Japanese language program in combination with a variety of courses in business, humanities, and the social sciences (taught in English.)

- **Toyo University (ISEP Exchange)**
  - Language Req.: Intermediate
  - Class Standing: Junior & Above
  - Minimum GPA: 2.5
  - Term Offered: Year

Offers courses in Japanese language and culture (in Japanese), and a variety of courses in English, including Intro to International Affairs, International Finance, Gender & Society, Business Negotiation, and more.

- **Nagoya University (NUPACE)**
  - Language Req.: None
  - Class Standing: Sophomore and up
  - Minimum GPA: 3.0
  - Term Offered: Year, Fall, Spring

Offers courses in all levels of Japanese language, as well as Japanese area and cultural studies. Courses taught in English include courses in political science and economics, as well as science courses such as Applied Microbiology, Plant Science, Neuroscience, and others.

- **Waseda University**
  - Language Req.: None
  - Class Standing: Any
  - Minimum GPA: 2.5
  - Term Offered: Spring, Year

This exchange program offers access to Japanese language courses at all levels, as well as courses ranging from humanities to engineering, taught in English.

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### When should I study abroad?

Most UK students study abroad during their sophomore or junior years. However, there are programs available for freshmen and senior students as well.

Another important decision to make is what time of year to study abroad. Programs are available for the academic year, the Fall and Spring semesters, Winter Intersession, and the Summer sessions. It is also possible to take a spring-embodied course, which is a class taught at UK with an international component during spring break or early summer. Because many foreign institutions follow different academic calendars, it is important for students to consider the specific dates of the program far in advance.

For example, many "fall" semester programs in the Southern Hemisphere may run from July to November and from February to June during the American spring semester.

Similarly, it may be difficult for students to study at some European institutions for the fall semester. Final exams may be scheduled in early January, and many programs do not make allowances for US students. Please be sure you consider this issue in advance.

Many students choose to study abroad during the Summer or Winter sessions. There are two summer sessions available: Summer I and Summer II. Summer I programs typically occur during May and early June, while Summer II programs tend to start later in the summer and end in late July or early August. The Winter Intersession occurs between the fall and spring semesters.