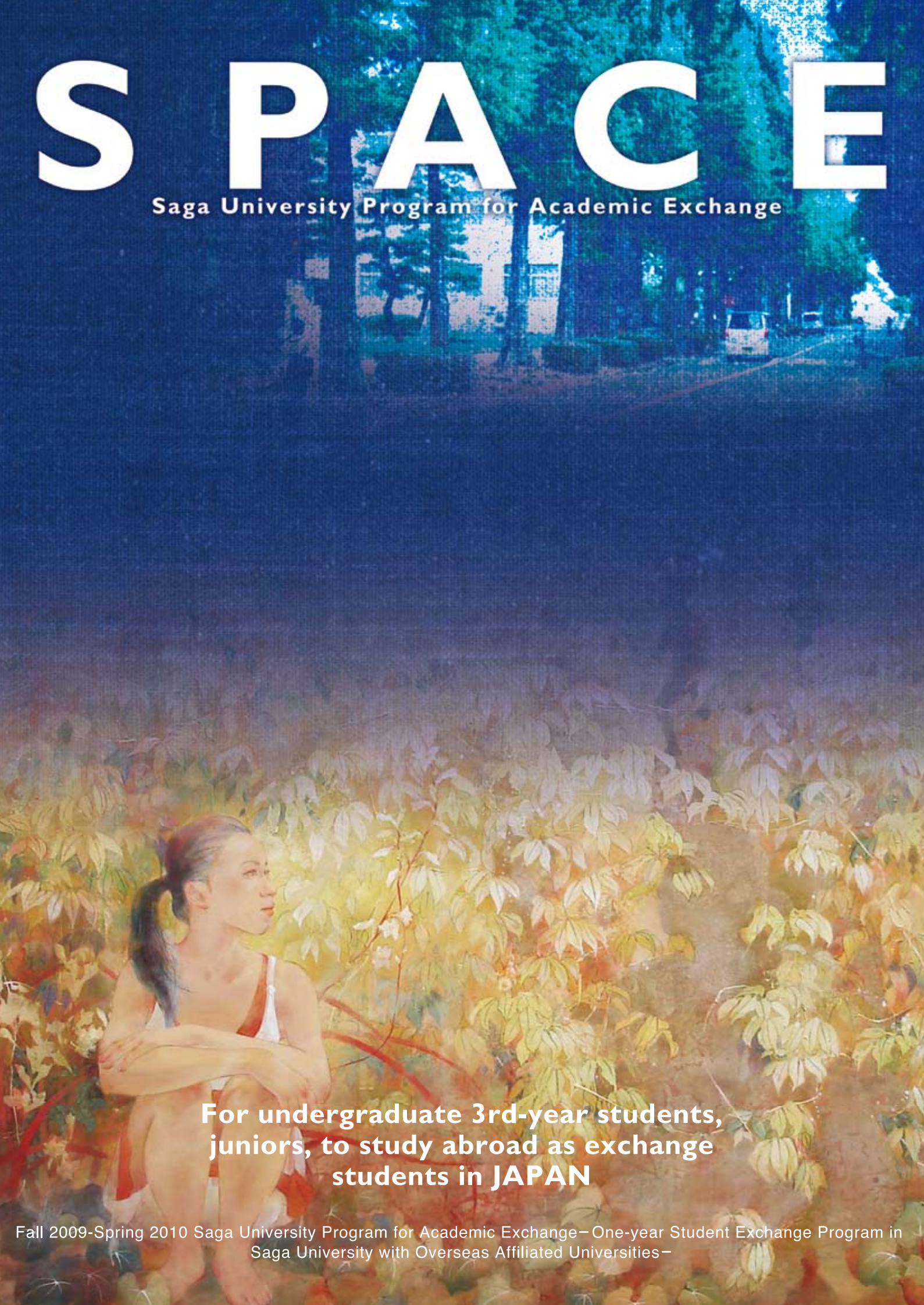

SPACE
Saga University Program for Academic Exchange
For undergraduate 3rd-year students, juniors, to study abroad as exchange students in JAPAN
Fall 2009-Spring 2010 Saga University Program for Academic Exchange–One-year Student Exchange Program in Saga University with Overseas Affiliated Universities–

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Saga University

Saga University was founded in 1949 as a university comprised of a Faculty of Letters and Science, and a Faculty of Education. It is a relatively young university by Japan's standards, celebrating its 50th anniversary in 1999. At present, the University consists of five faculties: Culture & Education, Economics, Medicine, Science & Engineering, and Agriculture. The Graduate Schools offer master's courses in Education, in Economics, and in Agriculture, and master's and doctoral courses in Medical Science, and in Science & Engineering. The doctoral course of Agriculture is a member of the United Graduate School of Agricultural Science, Kagoshima University. The total number of students at Saga University is about 7,500 including undergraduate, graduate, and research students. There are over 300 international students from 21 countries.

Saga University has worked to develop an academic curriculum which corresponds to the changing society and enables students to compete in an information-oriented and international age. The university promotes internationalization by accepting international students and encouraging Saga University students to study abroad. Furthermore, there are several foreign professors who also contribute to campus internationalization. In short, Saga University strives to train talented students to be able to react to social changes with international awareness. The University has also concluded an academic exchange agreement which allows us to promote international exchange with 81 overseas universities. We are working to develop this exchange program even further in the future.

The University has developed its research programs by establishing graduate schools and advanced research facilities, which enable many professors to be active on the international stage with their research achievements. Saga University has unique research facilities that deal with crucial world-wide issues such as environmental, provisional, and energy problems. The Institute of Lowland Technology, the Marine and Highland Bioscience Center, the Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion Laboratory, and Kyushu Synchrotron Light Research Center are several of Saga's research facilities.

Saga University endeavors to be a university which takes root in the community, allowing students and faculties to discover and solve various problems in close cooperation with the society around it.

Saga University Program for Academic Exchange (SPACE)

1. Objective

SPACE is a special program designed for international students from affiliated universities around the world to study or learn in the following areas:

1) a) special subjects in English offered by the Faculties of Science & Engineering, Agriculture, Economics, and Culture & Education, and b) independent study under the supervision of a professor from the department that you are a student of,
2) the Japanese language, and Field Work on Japanese Affairs.

The participating students deepen understanding of Japan, and interact with Saga University students, professors, and the people in the local area through related academic work. Successful students can utilize this as preparation either to do research with professors at Saga University or to study abroad again pursuing a higher degree at Saga University or some other university in Japan, in the future.

2. Eligibility

Applicants to the SPACE program must satisfy the following three requirements:

1) Applicants must be full-time UNDERGRADUATE students on October, 1st, 2009, who have completed their second year of study at a university affiliated through an academic exchange agreement or a memorandum of student exchange with Saga University or at a university which is in the process of forming an agreement with Saga University by then.
2) English proficiency is required in the SPACE program, especially in the special subjects and Field Work on Japanese Affairs. English or Japanese proficiency is required in independent studies.
3) Serious Japanese language learning is a requirement in the SPACE program.
   Note: Students of advanced and intermediate levels of Japanese language proficiency are not considered as the main target of the SPACE program. We recommend students of advanced level in Japanese language proficiency to study, NOT in the SPACE program, but as Special Audit Students (in which they take regular courses conducted in Japanese together with other Saga University students). Students of the advanced level in Japanese language proficiency are not awarded JASSO scholarships in the SPACE program, but there are a few scholarships for those as Special Audit Students.

3. Number of Students to be Accepted

Twenty (20) students

Note: Admission into the SPACE program has recently been competitive. We received fifty six (56) applications from twenty nine (29) affiliated universities last year. We selected and admitted 23 students, and sixteen (16) students among them were awarded scholarships from the Japanese government.

4. Period of Study

The duration of study in the program is one year (i.e., until the middle of September) or until the middle of August at the earliest. Admission is in October.

5. Academic Calendar

*The program divides the year into two semesters as follows:
Fall Semester: October 1st to March 31st
Spring Semester: April 1st to September 30st
*Classes are held during the following periods:
Fall Semester: beginning of October to late February
Spring Semester: beginning of April to beginning of August
(Summer Vacation: mid-August to September 30st)
Note: All SPACE students are required to attend the Entrance Ceremony at the beginning of October and the Completion Ceremony at the beginning of August. *No classes are held on Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, or during winter, spring and summer holidays.



Converstation with Japanese Students in Japanese Course

6. Academic Program

A certificate of completion of the SPACE program will be awarded to the students who have obtained twelve (12) or more credits EACH SEMESTER, specifically six (6) credits for the Japanese language, two (2) credits for Field Work on Japanese Affairs I or II, and four (4) or more credits from special subjects, and/or an independent study. Students must submit a credit registration form to SPACE language course coordinators when enrolling in classes.

Overview:

Curriculum of the SPACE Program

■ **Japanese-Related [Compulsory] [Requirements: 8 credits]**
- ●Japanese Language Course [6 credits]
- ●Field Work on Japanese Affairs [2 credits: I in Fall and II in Spring]

■ **Major-Related [Electives] [Requirements: 4 credits or more]**
- ●Subjects of Lectures / Discussions [2 credits per subject]

■ **Independent Study [Requirements: 2credits or less per Independent Study]**
with a professor in the department that you are a SPACE student of:
Faculty of Culture & Education
Faculty of Economics
Faculty of Science & Engineering or
Faculty of Agriculture

Japanese Language Courses, and Field Work on Japanese Affairs (Compulsory)

Japanese Language Level 1 (6 credits)

This course is designed for students who have little or no experience of studying Japanese. The aim of the course is for students to acquire the first half of the basic grammar of Japanese to be proficient in speaking/writing and listening/reading. The course focuses more on enhancing oral proficiency, including listening. Students will also learn Japanese letters: Hiragana, Katakana, and approximately 150 Kanji. Successful students will achieve a proficiency level equivalent to Level 4 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Examination.

Japanese Language Level 2 (6 credits)

This course is designed for students who have learned Japanese language for approximately 150 hours or who have successfully finished "Japanese Language Level 1" of this program. The aim of the course is for students to acquire the latter half of the basic grammar of Japanese to be proficient in speaking/writing and listening/reading. The course focuses more on enhancing oral proficiency, including listening. Students will also learn approximately 300 Kanji. Successful students will achieve the proficiency level equivalent to Level 3 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Examination.

Japanese Language Level 3 (6 credits)

This course is designed for students who have successfully completed "Japanese Language Level 2" of this program (or who have otherwise studied Japanese for approximately 300 classroom hours). The aim of the course is to help the students to acquire basic Japanese grammar in order to be proficient in speaking/writing and listening/reading even in challenging real-life situations, and to acquire intermediate-level grammatical patterns or expressions to be proficient in Japanese.

Japanese Language Level 4 (6 credits)

This course is designed for students who have successfully completed "Japanese Language Level 3" of this program (or who have otherwise studied Japanese for approximately 450 classroom hours). The aim of the course is to help the students to acquir intermediate-level grammatical patterns or expressions in order to be proficient in speaking/writing and listening/reading even in challenging real-life situations.

Field Work on Japanese Affairs I (2credits, Fall) and II (2 credits, Spring)

The purpose of this course is for students to know and experience Japanese/ Saga affairs, through 1) attending lectures/discussions related to Japanese affairs, 2) doing research projects on Japan or the Japanese people by interviewing Japanese and 3) taking field trips to see areas in Saga or attending local events.

Electives

■ The following subjects are offered by the Faculty of Culture & Education:

Japanese and English (Fall) (2 credits)

This course provides a comparative analysis of Japanese language and English language. The analysis leads to discussions of various elements of the two languages, thus equipping students for gaining a better comparative understanding of both languages and cultures.

Creating WEB Pages on Japan (Fall) (2 credits)

The objective of this course is for students to learn HTML (Hypertext Markup Language) and to create their own WEB pages featuring Japanese culture and people and their students' experiences in Japan.

Japan & Southeast Asia in the Colonial & Postcolonial World (Fall) (2 credits)

Even in our current post-cold war era, the relationship between Japan and Southeast Asia is still influenced by various historical elements of their prewar and wartime relationships. This course gives an historical overview of the political, economic, and cultural exchanges between Japan and Southeast Asia. Kyushu's unique role in the Japanese "southward advance movement" of the prewar period will be also discussed in the lecture.

Culture and Chemistry (Spring) (2 credits)

Culture is based on materials. Many newly invented tools and products, however, now hardly seem like a higher manifestation of the human spirit. In the past our control of the environment has been uncertain as has been our control of our bodies. Some products of chemical technology have brought trouble. Though we can not go back, chemistry is a scientific way of managing the planet. This lecture is designed for young nonscientists to understand chemistry for the creation of culture in the future. There never has been a time when it was more important for the nonscientist to understand chemistry.

Developing WEB Pages on Japan (Spring) (2 credits)

The objective of this course is for students to learn HTML (Hypertext Markup Language) MORE and to DEVELOP their WEB pages featuring Japanese culture or people and their students' experiences in Japan that they created in the fall semester.

■ The following subjects are offered by the Faculty of Economics:

Development Economics (Fall) (2 credits)

The main objective of this subject is to provide a basic knowledge on development experience in Asia. This subject aims to discuss theoretical and practical experience of socioeconomic development of developing countries of Asia during the post WWII period. In addition, it also expects to discuss Japan's economic relationship [export and import, Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) and Official Development Assistance (ODA)] with Asia.

The origin of Pacifist Japan (Spring) (2 credits)

This lecture deals with historical background concerning why Japan became a Pacifist nation (or a nation that believes that wars are wrong and that refuses to use violence) after the defeat of World War II.

■ The following subjects are offered by the Faculty of Science & Engineering:

Introduction to Mechanical Engineering from the perspective of Modern Technology (Fall) (2 credits)

Mechanical Engineering plays important roles in the fields of modern technology in such areas as mechanization of daily life, solutions to environmental problems, handling of the global energy crisis, aero-space technology, bio-medical engineering, nano technology and so on. In the present course, the basic technology of Mechanical Engineering and its applications to the sustainable developments of the modern society will be introduced.

Electromagnetic Devices (Fall) (2 credits)

The theories of various electromagnetic devices, such as motor, magnetic recording system, and magnetic sensor, etc. are presented. The optimal design method and recent developments are also explained.



Completion Ceremony, August 2008

Topics for Structural and Material Engineering (Spring) (2 credits)

This lecture has three topics and each professor speaks for 5 weeks respectively. Fundamental theory for computational analyses for many type of structures (Professor Obiya). Seismic design for bridges and architectural structures and their responses to earthquake (Professor Ijima). Some recent topics about material for construction such as high strength concrete (Professor Ito).

Introduction to Organic Chemistry (Spring) (2 credits)

Lectures on introduction to organic chemistry to gain practical information on our lives, industry and environment will be given. Also experiments / exercises on fundamental organic chemistry will be carried out.



Japanese Language Class

■ The following subjects are offered by the Faculty of Agriculture:

Vegetables in Japan (Fall) (2 credits)

The Japanese islands are located at 25-45 degrees of the north latitude. This geographical condition enables the growing of many kinds of vegetables and the development of a unique culture in vegetable production and usage. Vegetables in Japan will be introduced in this class.

Glycobiology (Spring) (2 credits)

Glycobiology is a study that reveals the critical role of glycoproteins and proteoglycans in the organization and the function of eukaryotic cells, especially in multicellular organism. This class requires fundamental knowledge of chemistry and biochemistry.

Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (Spring) (2 credits)

“Department of Environmental Sciences” in Faculty of Agriculture has conducted a variety of researches concerning the improvement of environmental quality. The general topics and specific research fields about agricultural and environmental sciences will be introduced by some of academic stuffs in this department (omnibus style). The specific research topics are tentatively, (1)Geotechnical and Environmental Engineering, (2)Application of Biomass Resources, and (3)Health and Human Ecology.

■ The following subjects are offered by the Division of Japanese Education & Research for International Students (One specializing in the teaching of Japanese as a second language):

Field Methods in Linguistics (Fall) (2 credits)

The aim of this course is for each student to do research on an indigenous language unknown to him or her, either a foreign language or a local dialect spoken by students of Saga University, while acquiring a method of eliciting linguistic data from an informant of the language. A participating student or his or her tutor or a Japanese student that he or she knows can be an informant of the target language. Every student is required to report short grammatical sketches of several patterns in the target language in class based on their own findings in elicitations.

Field Methods in Linguistics (Spring) (2 credits)

This is the same subject as that of the one with the same title in the fall semester. Students who took the subject in the fall semester are able to take this subject if he or she works on another language or dialect different from the one that he or she worked on in the fall semester.

Independent Study [2 credits or less]:

Every SPACE student is recommended to take Independent Study in order to know academic research at Saga University. Independent Study does not exceed 2 credits each semester. Faculty of Culture and Education, and Faculty of Economics, Faculty of Science & Engineering, Faculty of Agriculture offer Independent Study for interested students to work under the supervision of a professor in the faculty which he or she is a SPACE student of.

Fall Semester: 2 credits or less
Spring Semester: 2 credits or less
You need to write a research theme and plan on your application form if you would like to have an independent study with a professor. You can find a list of research (study) fields and professors' names of the Independent Study on the application form for the Faculty of Agriculture.

Field Trips and Cultural Activities

Students will attend various extra-curricular activities in the SPACE program to experience the culture and nature of Japan and to better understand the way in which Japanese people think and view the world.

7. Certificate of Completion

A certificate of completion of the SPACE program will be awarded to the students that have obtained twelve (12) or more credits EACH SEMESTER, specifically six (6) credits for the Japanese language, two (2) credits for Field Work on Japanese Affairs I or II, and four (4) or more credits from special subjects and/or Independent Study.

8. Transcript and Transfer of Credits

Subjects that students in this program take will be evaluated by examinations, papers, and class attendance and participation. An academic transcript will be issued. Students may receive recognition at their home institutions for credits received during this program based on the scores (NOT the letter grades) on their academic transcripts issued by Saga University, specifically by the International Student Center or the Faculty of Culture & Education, the Faculty of Economics, the Faculty of Science & Engineering, and the Faculty of Agriculture.

Application Procedure

1. Documents Required for Application

(1) The #1-#5 forms of the SPACE application package
(2) Letters of Recommendation
(3) Academic Transcripts: issued by the student's home institution
(4) 2 copies of the Certificate of Enrollment in the Home Institution: issued by the student's home institution
(5) Certificate of Enrollment for JASSO Short-Term Student Exchange Program (Inbound) Scholarship (#6)
(6) Application for Certificate of Eligibility for a Status of Residence (#7)
(7) A bank statement of the amount of money to support the Applicant's study abroad if he or she would like to study abroad in the SPACE program even without receiving a JASSO scholarship
(8) 5 identical photographs: upper half of the body, plain background, 4cmX3cm

2. Application Deadline

Applications must be submitted and must arrive at International Affairs Division, SAGA University by February 27th, 2009.

3. Where to Apply

Director,	1 Honjo-machi, Saga-City, SAGA 840-8502
International Student Center,	JAPAN
SPACE Program	Phone: +81-952-28-8169
Saga University	Fax: +81-952-28-8819

4. Notification of Admission

You will be notified as to whether or not you have been accepted to the SPACE program and whether or not you have been awarded a JASSO Short-Term Student Exchange Program Scholarship through your university's Student Exchange Division.

5. Selection of JASSO Scholarship Recipients plus Tuition Exemption and Students Studying Abroad at Their Own Expenses and Tuition Exemption

The International Student Center Steering Committee discusses which applicants will be awarded a JASSO scholarship with tuition exemption, and which applicants will be selected as a student studying abroad at their own expense with tuition exemption, as follows:

■We select the given number of JASSO Scholarship recipients so that the selection of all respects all the clauses for SPACE Candidate Selections as best as possible, i.e., violates as few items as possible and is as least deviant as possible if there is any item that is violated.

Clauses for Selection

The clauses numbered 1 to 3 are given priority in this order.
1. Selection of applicants by faculties in Saga University is taken into consideration.
2. Students' academic performance is considered.
   The minimum level of GPA is 2.33 out of 3.00, which is the criterion by JASSO.
3. The number of Saga University students that the affiliated universities have accepted as students studying abroad for a short-term is taken into consideration.

Other factors considered are as follows:
- Students' statements of purpose and English proficiency
- The numbers of scholarship recipients is basically equal among countries.
- The numbers of scholarship recipients are also basically equal among the faculties at Saga University.


Entrance Ceremony

Faculty Selections at Saga University Last Year

- Faculty of Culture & Education and Faculty of Economics selected applicants with priority given to those whose university accepts Saga University students studying abroad there for a short-term.
- Faculty of Science and Engineering selected applicants with research potential based on academic exchange with the affiliated universities.
- Faculty of Agriculture selected from the applicants taking independent study.

Tuition Fees

Students of those universities affiliated with Saga University through an academic or student exchange agreement shall be, in accordance with its memorandum, exempt from tuition fees.

Japan Students Services Organization (JASSO) Scholarship Program

The JASSO (previously AIEJ) scholarship program for short-term exchange students is supported by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology in order to expand and promote exchange between Japanese and foreign universities and students. The Short-Term Student Exchange Program Scholarship is as follows:

(1) Eligible Universities

Any university that has already or is planning to conclude a Student Exchange Agreement or Memorandum with Saga University is eligible.

(2) Eligible Students

1. Any student enrolled in a university described above and who does not hold Japanese citizenship.
2. Students who demonstrate excellent academic and personal records at their home university.
3. Students who have strong motivation as well as clear goals and who are likely to benefit from studying in Japan.
4. Students who do not otherwise have the financial means to study in Japan.
5. Students who upon their completion of the program will return to their home institutions and continue their studies or obtain their degrees.
6. Students who are able to enter Japan on a student visa.
7. Students who have not already participated in this program.

(3) Period

Between 6 months and 1 year

Note: The SPACE program at Saga University admits students who study abroad for one year (specifically, 11 or 12 months). Should any student not receive the SPACE fellowship for the last month, September, e.g., due to earlier leave to register or attend courses in the home university, the student must specify it on application form 1-A.

(4) Scholarship

1. Monthly amount: ¥80,000
2. Travel Allowance (one time only): ¥150,000 Note: You will receive this travel allowance at the beginning of October if you are selected to receive a JASSO scholarship.

Entering Japan

International students planning to enroll in the SPACE program should posses a valid passport issued by their country of citizenship. They are also required to apply to the nearest Japanese embassy or consulate for a “college student” visa with their “Certificate of Eligibility for a Status of Residence”.

Saga University will submit applications for the “Certificate of Eligibility” to the Japanese immigration office on behalf of international students. After the applications have been processed, the “Certificates” will be sent directly to the students.

Students must apply for a “college student” visa with “Certificate of Eligibility” and their passport to the nearest Japanese embassy or consulate.

The documents which are needed in order for Saga University to apply for the “Certificate of Eligibility” on the student's behalf are included in the attached application forms for SPACE.



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Affiliated Universities or Faculties for Academic and Student Exchange with Saga University or Its Faculties

(Between Universities) *As of May 12, 2008*

Nation	University	Since
Republic of Korea	*Chonnam National University*	*March 08, 1991*
Kingdom of Thailand	*Kasetsart University*	*December 06, 1996*
United States of America	*The University of California* Davis Campus	*July 24, 1997 July 4, 2003 Renewal*
Republic of Korea	Andong National University	*December 11, 1997*
People's Republic of China	East China Normal University	*May 15, 1998*
Kingdom of Thailand	Khon Kaen University	*September 28, 1998*
People's Republic of China	Beijing University of Technology	*December 08, 1998*
Republic of Korea	Kookmin University	*March 29, 1999*
Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka	University of Peradeniya	*November 30, 1999 November 30, 2004 Renewal*
Republic of Korea	Pusan National University	*February.2, 2000*
Republic of Korea	Mokpo National University	*August 3, 2000*
People's Republic of China	China Agricultural University	*October 17, 2000*
Socialist Republic of Vietnam	Hanoi Agricultural University	*December 7, 2000*
Republic of Indonesia	Hasanuddin University	*March 9, 2001*
Republic of China, Taiwan	Fujen Catholic University	*August 9, 2001*
Republic of Indonesia	Gadjah Mada University	*November 1, 2001*
People's Republic of China	Liaoning Normal University	*November 6, 2001*
People's Republic of China	Harbin Institute of Technology	*November 12, 2001*
Republic of Korea	Pukyong National University	*April 18, 2002*
Republic of Korea	Cheju National University	*August 9, 2002*
Republic of Indonesia	Sam Ratulangi University	*September 13, 2002*
Republic of Korea	Korea University of Technology and Education	*October 8, 2002*
People's Republic of China	East China University of Science and Technology	*April 1, 2003*
People's Republic of Bangladesh	Rajshahi University	*May 18, 2003*
French Republic	L'Universite de Bourgogne	*July 1, 2003*
Republic of Indonesia	Islamic University of Riau	*July 2, 2003*
Australia	La Trobe University	*July 31, 2003*
People's Republic of Bangladesh	Bangladesh Agricultural University	*August 28, 2004*
People's Republic of China	Zhejiang University of Sciences	*September 6, 2004*
Republic of China, Taiwan	National Chengchi University	*September 13, 2004*
Republic of China, Taiwan	National Chung Hsing University	*September 14, 2004*
French Republic	L'Universite d' Orleans	*March 31, 2005*
Republic of Korea	Kwangju Women's University	*July 14, 2005*
Canada	University of Manitoba	*August 8, 2005*
Kingdom of Thailand	Chiang Mai University	*September 9, 2005*
Republic of China, Taiwan	National Taipei University	*October 6, 2005*
Republic of Poland	Lublin University of Technology	*March 3, 2006*
Republic of China, Taiwan	National Dong Hwa University	*June 30, 2006*
Republic of Korea	Pai Chai University	*July 13, 2006*
Socialist Republic of Vietnam	Nong Lam University	*November 9, 2006*
The Islamic Republic of Pakistan	Kohat University of Science and Technology	*April 27, 2007*
Republic of Korea	Mokwon University	*May 16, 2007*
Republic of Indonesia	Sriwijaya University	*June 11, 2007*
Republic of Korea	Daegu University	*June 26, 2007*
Republic of China, Taiwan	Yuanpei University	*July 6, 2007*
Socialist Republic of Vietnam	University of Foreign Languages, Vietnam National University, Hanoi	*August 6, 2007*
Kingdom of Cambodia	Royal University of Law and Economics	*August 24, 2007*
People's Republic of China	Southwest University of Political Science and Law	*October 31, 2007*
The Islamic Republic of Pakistan	University of Peshawar	*November 10, 2007*
Kingdom of Cambodia	Royal University of Agriculture	*November 21, 2007*
People's Republic of China	Zhejiang University of Science and Technology	*December 25, 2007*
Kingdom of Thailand	King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang	*January 3, 2008*
United States of America	Pacific University	*February 29, 2008*
People's Republic of China	Liaoning University	*April 30, 2008*

(With Faculties) *As of June 19, 2008*

Faculty	Nation	Universities/Faculties	Since
Culture and Education	*People's Republic of China*	*College of Educational Science and Technology*	*March 10, 1997*
Culture and Education	*Republic of Korea*	*The college of humanities and social sociences, Pukyong National University*	*December 14, 2000*
Culture and Education	*People's Republic of China*	*Zhejiang University City College*	*January.12, 2005*
Science and Engineering	*Federal Republic of German*	*Division of Chemistry, Technical University of Dresden*	*July 1, 2000*
Science and Engineering	*United Kingdom*	*The School of Chemical Science, University of East Anglia*	*January.22, 1998*
Science and Engineering	*The Slovak Republic*	*Faculty of Natural Science, Comenius University*	*June 17, 1999*
Science and Engineering	*People's Republic of Bangladesh*	*Bangladesh Institute of Technology (BIT), Knulna*	*March 1, 2000*
Science and Engineering	*Republic of Korea*	*Teacher's College,Kyungpook National University*	*October 30, 2006*
Science and Engineering	*People's Republic of China*	*The Faculty of Electrical Engineering, Whuhan University*	*November 27, 2002*
Science and Engineering	*The Kingdom of Nepal*	*The Institute of Science and Technology, Tribhuvan University*	*March 2, 2003*
Science and Engineering	*Republic of Korea*	*College of Natural Science and Engineering, Cathoric University of Daegu*	*March 21, 2003*
Science and Engineering	*Kingdom of Thailand*	*Faculty of Science, Chulalongkorn University*	*March 28, 2003*
Science and Engineering	*People's Republic of China*	*College of Chemistry and Chemical, Northwest University*	*December 24, 2004*
Science and Engineering	*People's Republic of China*	*Tsinghua University*	*March 22, 2006*
Faculty of Science and Engineering	*Republic of Korea*	*College of Natural Science, Kosin University*	*November 23, 2007*
Graduate School of Science and Engineering	*People's Republic of China*	*The Changchun Institute of Applied Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Science*	*June 28, 1998*
Faculty of Agriculture	*Republic of Korea*	*College of Agriculture, Cheju National University*	*June 16, 1997*
Faculty of Agriculture	*Republic of Korea*	*Mokwon University*	*December 1, 2005*
Faculty of Agriculture	*Kingdom of Thailand*	*Faculty of Science, Chulalongkorn University*	*December 1, 2005*
Faculty of Agriculture	*Kingdom of Thailand*	*School of Bioresources and Technology,King Mongkut's University of Technology*	*December 7, 2006*



Crafting Kites



Flying Kites



Disaster Prevention Center in Fukuoka



With Kendo Club Members



Painting Imari Ware



Having Imari Ware



SPACE Warriors

Photos in the Fall 07-Spring 08 SPACE Program

Saga University Program for Academic Exchange (SPACE)



Experiencing
the Ancient
Japanese Musical Instruments



With Members of Ancient Japanese Music Club



Sakae-no Kuni Festival



With Home Stay Family in Kashima



After Speech



In Gatalympic Game

Campus Life

1. Housing

Three to four SPACE students of those who are not selected as a scholarship recipient were housed in the university dorm last year.

* International House
(University Dorm for International Students)
Rooms: Single
Period of Residence: one year
Charges: Monthly Rent: ¥7,200
Deposit: ¥15,000
Others charges: utilities (electricity, gas, and water) depending on your use
Room Facilities: desk, chair, bookshelf, bed, locker, air conditioner, cooking stove, refrigerator, dining table, hot water, unit bath
Communal Facilities: washer and dryer

JASSO scholarship recipients are given lower priority to enter the university dormitory, and those non-scholarship recipients who cannot stay in the university dorm live in private apartments. Apartments in the local area cost ¥28,000 to ¥35,000 for monthly rent plus courtesy money to the owner of two monthly-rent equivalents if they are one room with kitchen, bath, and toilet and are air-conditioned. Students studying abroad at their own expenses are given higher priority to enter the university dormitory.

2. Shopping and Dining

Saga University has two on-campus cafeterias where students can have lower priced meals, and shops which sell books, magazines, stationery and daily commodities on campus. There are also many supermarkets and restaurants near campus.

3. Health Care

Saga University has a Health Care Center to provide for students' various health needs. At the center, an annual medical examination is carried out each April, and special medical examinations for international students are carried out in October. First-aid treatment, medical advice and counseling are provided by health professionals as needed.

4. National Health Insurance and Medical Fee Reimbursement Program at JASSO

The National Health Insurance is a program which would provide financial assistance should you need any treatment for illness or injury at a non-university medical facility. With this insurance, the bearer is required to pay only 30% of the total cost of the treatment. The international students who have not bought National Health Insurance of Japan can get reimbursed for 70% of the medical fees if they apply for the JASSO reimbursement through the International Affairs Division. The students who have bought National Health Insurance of Japan can get reimbursed for 35% of medical payments through National Health Insurance, or 30% multiples 35% = 10.5% of the total, as specified in the item immediately above. Every student without any insurance must buy this insurance.

5. ISC Communication Room

International Student Center (ISC) owns the ISC Communication Room, a room where international students, not only SPACE students but also international students of other programs, get together to study, to talk and chat, to watch TV, to use personal computers or Internet, or to talk or work with Japanese students.

6. Extra-Curricular Activities

We recommend SPACE students to participate in extra-curricular activities clubs or 'circles' to interact with Japanese students in order to pursue a well-rounded student life. The clubs are associations that might ask you for rigorous training every day to attain a semi-professional level of sports or practice, and the 'circles' are associations that might not ask for rigorous training but the participants tend to get together, for example, four times per week. Saga University has 23 cultural associations and 37 sports clubs, including traditional Japanese cultural activities and martial arts. You might want to visit their rooms or call the clubs and circles advertised on bulletin boards on campus.

7. Cross-cultural Activities in Saga

Cross-cultural events, other than those organized by Saga University, are held by various international exchange associations or institutions in Saga Prefecture. These events provide good opportunities for international students to deepen their knowledge of Japanese life, society, and culture. Students' active participation is encouraged.

8. Part-time Work

The purpose for SPACE students to come to Japan is to study and to know better Japan and the Japanese people. Make sure that your part-time work does not interfere with this purpose. If students want to work part-time, they need to apply for permission from the Ministry of Law, Japan through the International Affairs Division of the university. SPACE students, i.e., Special Audit Students, are only permitted to work part-time up to fourteen (14) hours per week and (up to eight (8) hours per day during vacations). No international student is allowed to work part-time without permission from the Ministry of Law, and if there is any, he or she will immediately be either fined 2 million yen, (about two times your yearly JASSO scholarship money), or will be forced to return to his or her country. In addition, we highly recommend SPACE students to work part-time for less than ten (10) hours per week for the first semester.

Access to Saga University

Saga City is located in the north-western part of Kyushu, Japan's southernmost main island. The closest international airport to Saga is Fukuoka Airport.

1. From Fukuoka Domestic and International Airport

●It takes about an hour by highway bus from Fukuoka Airport to Saga Station. Note: Please have 2000-yen, which is equivalent to about 20 dollars, with you when you arrive at Fukuoka Airport . The bus fare from Fukuoka Airport to Saga Station is 1200-yen.

●It takes 6 minutes by subway from Fukuoka airport to Hakata station, and then about 40 minutes by express train from Hakata to Saga.

2. From Saga Station

●You can take one of the following buses from Saga Bus Center, which is located next to Saga Station, to Saga University. You may take #11 bus bound for "Souou" or #12 bus for "Higashiyoka", and get off at the "Sadai Mae" ('in front of Saga University') stop. It takes about 20 minutes by bus.

3. From Narita International Airport

●It takes about 75 minutes by bus from Narita International Airport to Haneda Airport.

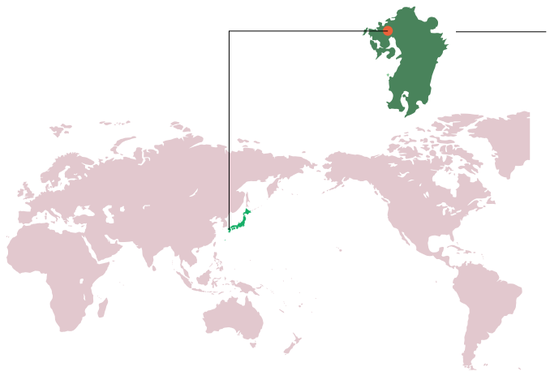
●It takes about one hour and 45 minutes by airplane from Haneda Airport to Fukuoka or Saga Airport.

4. From Kansai International Airport

●It takes about an hour by airplane from Kansai International Airport to Fukuoka airport.

5. From Saga Airport

●It takes about 35 minutes by bus from Saga Airport to Saga Station.



SAGA City



Honjo Campus



Here is International Student Center & International Affairs Division.

Saga University Campus Map

Nabeshima Campus

(The Faculty of Medicine)





Balloon Festival



Ariakekai



Yoshinogari

Saga City

Saga University is located in Saga City, Saga Prefecture. Saga Prefecture (population 840,000) is in north-western Kyushu.

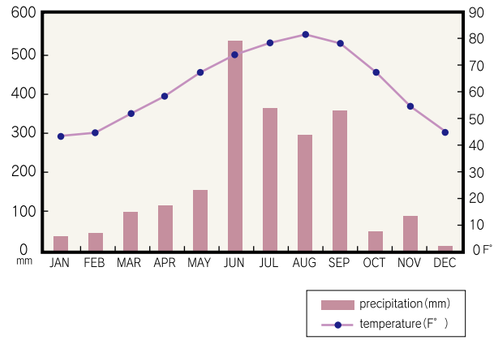
Saga is blessed with a rich natural environment and is a comfortable place to live. The climate is not severe with an average year-round temperature of 65°F (= 18℃). It is cold in winter and is very hot and humid in summer. International students can enjoy a relaxing time in our city where each of the four seasons offers various natural beauties: the lovely songs of bush warblers and a cascade of falling cherry blossoms in spring; fresh greenery of camphor trees and fireworks in summer; colorful balloons flying over waving golden fields of rice in fall; and harvests of laver, of which Saga is Japan's leading producer in winter.

Saga City, the capital of Saga Prefecture, has a population of 237,000. It is located in the center of the Saga Plain spread between Mt. Tenzan and Mt. Sefuri in the north and the Inlet of the Ariake Sea, in the south. Saga Plain is one of the largest plains in Japan and has been favored with plenty of water, which makes it one of Japan's leading grain producing regions.

Exchanges with overseas countries have been active since early times in Saga Prefecture. The people of Saga are eager to share with others through international exchanges and have organized various international events including the annual International Balloon Festival, which has been held in Saga for over 20 years. Saga is also famous for its porcelain, and Imari-ware has been traded all over the world for hundreds of years.

Wouldn't you like to experience the joys and challenges of campus life at Saga University, in the midst of Saga's tranquil environment and rich history?

Climate of SAGA





Karatsu



Imari



Saga Castle Festival

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