# Partner Universities

## America
- West Florida University
- University of Georgia
- Northern Arizona University
- Brescia University
- Coker College
- Southeast Missouri State University
- St. Cloud State University
- University of Findlay
- University of Hawaii at Hilo
- University of Utah
- Lynn University
- Whatcom Community College
- Glackmas Community College
- Western Michigan University

## Australia
- Griffith University
- University of Western Sydney
- University of New England
- Monash University

## Canada
- University of British Columbia
- University of Laval

## China
- Beijing Foreign Studies University
- Shanghai Teacher's University
- Shandong University
- China Academy of Art
- Xibei University
- Northeast Normal University
- Minzu University
- Korea University
- Pusan University of Foreign Studies
- National Sun Yat-Sen University

## Egypt
- Alexandria University

## Finland
- University of Tampere

## France
- College International de Cannes
- University Catholique de Lyon

## Germany
- University of Trier
- Inter Daf, Helder Institute of University of Leipzig

## India
- University of Rajasthan
- Jawaharlal Nehru University

## Indonesia
- Universitas Padjadajaran

## Iran
- Shiraz University
- University of Isfahan

## Italy
- University of Salento

## Korea
- Korea University
- Pusan University of Foreign Studies
- Yonsei University
- Sung Kyun Kwan University
- Wonsong University
- Seo Kyeong University
- Woosuk University
- Morpo National University
- Kyungnam University

## New Zealand
- Victoria University

## Morocco
- Universite Mohammed V - Agdal Rabat

## Pakistan
- University of the Punjab
- University of Karachi

## Slovakia
- University of Presov

## Taiwan
- National Sun Yat-Sen University
- National Taiwan University of Arts
- Hsing Kuo University of Management
- Fu Jen Catholic University
- Feng Chia University
- Soochou University

## Thailand
- Chulalongkorn University

## United Kingdom
- Westminster University
- University of Central Lancashire
- University of Leeds

## Vietnam
- Vietnam National University, Hanoi

## Netherlands
- Centraal Instituut Opleiding Sportleiders
How to Apply

DBU accepts exchange students from our overseas exchange partner universities twice a year, in April and September. If you would like to enter DBU, first check with your university's international center to make sure it has a student exchange program with DBU, and to find out how to apply.

Declarations for application:
May 15 for admission in September
November 15 for admission in April

Through the international center at your university, send the following documents:

1. Daito Bunka University Application Form
2. Japanese Language Application Proficiency Form
3. Official academic transcript(s)
4. A recommendation letter from your professor
5. A statement of financial support
6. Health certificate
7. One photocopy of your passport photo page (if you already have a passport)
8. Three passport-sized photos (4 cm x 3 cm)
9. Certificate of Eligibility application

Introducing Daito Bunka University

In 1923, Daito Bunka University (DBU) was established by Parliamentary order as an Institute for the study of the Chinese classics and the promotion of Sinology. Since then, DBU has focused on research revolving around Asian cultures, while attempting "the fusion of Western and Eastern cultures."

Our aim is to be a university where people and cultures around the world intersect, transcending borders. In 2013, DBU overcame many struggles to celebrate its 90th anniversary. Now, DBU is beautifying its Higashi-Matsuyama campus in Saitama Prefecture, a project which will end in 2015.
Japanese as a Second Language Program

We offer a range of special Japanese as a Second Language (JSL) classes for exchange students, including Grammar, Reading, Writing, Speaking and Culture. After your arrival, we will ascertain your Japanese proficiency through a placement test and an interview, then classify your level as: Level 1 (Elementary), Level 2 (Intermediate), Level 3 (High-intermediate) or Level 4 (Advanced). Students at Levels 1 to 3 will attend eight 90-minute classes of "Intensive Basic Japanese" per week, according to their levels. Students at Level 4 are considered to have enough Japanese skills to be allowed to join regular classes in addition to special Japanese classes. Please check the syllabi on the DBU website for more details about the class offerings. Please also note that all exchange students must take the class called "Fieldwork."

Web syllabus
http://www.daito.ac.jp/campuslife/syllabus/index.html

DBU's Japanese Program

**Field Work (Hands-On Activity Course)**
(Compulsory for all exchange students)
- Field Work A/B * required class (Credit): 2

**Intensive Japanese Course (Language Course)**
* A = First Semester / B = Second Semester
(Level 1) • Intensive Basic Japanese 1A1 to 1A8/1B1 to 1B8  (Credit): 1 *8 in total
(Level 2) • Intensive Basic Japanese 2A1 to 2A8/2B1 to 2B8  (Credit): 1 *8 in total
(Level 3) • Intensive Basic Japanese 3A1 to 3A8/3B1 to 3B8  (Credit): 1 *8 in total

**Classes for international students (Academic Content Courses)**
(Upon advisor recommendation)
- Japanese Politics Economy & Society A/B  (Credit): 2
- Japanese Culture & Art A/B  (Credit): 2
- Japanese History A/B  (Credit): 2
- Current Issues in Japan A/B *Taught in English (Credit): 2

**Classes for international students (Advanced Language Courses)**
(Levels 3 and 4)
- Academic Japanese Communication A/B  (Credit): 1
- Academic Japanese Writing A/B  (Credit): 1
- Academic Japanese Reading A/B  (Credit): 1

**Undergraduate classes**
(Level 4) • Students at this level are free to register for regular academic classes.

Classes for Exchange Students

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Living expenses in Japan

Approximate monthly living expenses average 60,000 to 100,000 yen. These include:

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<td>International student dormitory rent</td>
<td>38,000 to 40,000 yen/month</td>
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<td>Food</td>
<td>10,000 to 30,000 yen/month</td>
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<td>Utilities (electricity, water, gas)</td>
<td>approx. 8,000 to 10,000 yen/month</td>
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<td>National Health Insurance Enrollment</td>
<td>24,000 yen/year</td>
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<td>Telephone</td>
<td>There is no telephone in the dormitories. How ever, we provide guidance on how to purchase a mobile telephone. The following is a rough estimate of the costs: Roughly 30,000 yen to buy a mobile phone. Approx. 4,000 yen or more for a monthly contract including the basic charges.</td>
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<td>Internet</td>
<td>Each room is equipped with an Internet connection. In addition to the dormitory rent, there is a separate fee for using the Internet (approx. 4,000 yen/month). Additionally, the university issues a password to all students, enabling you to access the Internet from the computer rooms on campus.</td>
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Dormitories

Daito Bunka University has three types of international student dormitories, called the Ryugakusei-Kaikan, Green House, and City Palace Takasaka. Exchange students are required to stay at a dormitory while at Daito Bunka University. The International Center will just assign you a dorm, and you do not need to apply. In principle, exchange students are not allowed to rent an apartment on their own. To do so requires a large sum of money for the deposit and key money in order to finalize the contract. Moreover, apartments in Japan are unfurnished. Rent in the vicinity of Takasaka station is about 40,000 yen on average and becomes higher the closer to Tokyo the apartment is located.

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<td>Ryugakusei-Kaikan</td>
<td>4-10 Minahata-cho, Sakado-shi, Saitama-ken, 350-0274 Japan</td>
<td>Self-catered apartment rooms for 16 students. 16 en-suite rooms (2nd, 3rd floor)* Lounge (1st floor)*</td>
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<td>Green House</td>
<td>1-5-16 Matsunomote-cho, Higashimatsuyama-shi, Saitama-ken, 355-0014 Japan</td>
<td>Self-catered house shared among 16 students. 8 students for each floor* 16 single bedrooms Furnished kitchen and bathroom are shared.</td>
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<td>City Palace Takasaka</td>
<td>2-14-6 Motoyaku, Higashimatsuyama-shi, Saitama-ken, 355-0015 Japan</td>
<td>Self-catered en-suite rooms in a commercially-owned building</td>
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**Room Facilities**

- **Ryugakusei-Kaikan**: Bathroom, washing machine, kitchen, refrigerator, microwave, desk, chair, desk light, bed, bedclothes, curtain, TV, air conditioner, and tableware. Smoking is not allowed in any of the university’s residential accommodations.
- **Green House**: Desk, chair, desk light, bed, bedclothes, curtain, air conditioner, Shared electric appliances (refrigerator, washing machine, microwave, rice cooker, electric pot, tableware, TV)
- **City Palace Takasaka**: Bathroom, washing machine, kitchen, refrigerator, desk, chair, desk light, bed, bedclothes, curtain, air conditioner, TV

**Rent**

- **Ryugakusei-Kaikan**: 42,500 yen/month (excluding utility bills) 52,500 yen/month (including utility bills)
- **Green House**: 38,000 yen/month (excluding utility bills) 42,500 yen/month (including utility bills)
- **City Palace Takasaka**: 38,000 yen/month (excluding utility bills) 42,500 yen/month (including utility bills)

**Nearest Stations**

- **Ryugakusei-Kaikan**: Kita-sakado station on the Tobu-Tojo Line (3-minute walk)
- **Green House**: Higashimatsuyama station on the Tobu-Tojo Line (10-minute walk)
- **City Palace Takasaka**: Takasaka station on the Tobu-Tojo Line (5-minute walk)

**To Campus**

- **Ryugakusei-Kaikan**: Tobu-Tojo Line bound for Shinjuku (1st stop) 140 yen
- **Green House**: Tobu-Tojo Line bound for Ikebukuro (1st stop) 140 yen
- **City Palace Takasaka**: University bus

**Cost of Train Passes**

- **Ryugakusei-Kaikan**: You can purchase a train pass after you receive your DBU student ID card at the orientation.
- **Green House**: 1 month: 2,110 yen 3 months: 6,020 yen 6 months: 11,400 yen
- **City Palace Takasaka**: None

**Obtaining a Student Visa**

Daito Bunka University will apply to Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau for your Certificate of Eligibility (CoE) and as soon as it is issued we will send it to your university. Upon receiving it, you can apply for a university student visa at your nearest embassy of Japan or Consulate-General of Japan. If you arrive in Japan without a student visa, you will have to go through a complicated procedure in order to change your status to a college student. So please be sure to bring a “university student” visa when you come to Japan. Please inquire at an overseas embassy of Japan or consular offices for other details.

http://www.mofa.go.jp/about/emb_cons/mofaserv.html

**Airport pick-up**

The International Center of DBU plans to pick up all the exchange students at Narita Airport by bus and drive them to their respective dormitories on ① September 1 / ② March 24. Therefore we ask all the students to arrive in Japan on ① August 31 or on September 1 by 2:00 pm (Japan time). ② March 23 or on March 24 by 2:00 pm (Japan time).

If you arrive at Narita on ① August 31 ② March 23, please stay one night at a hotel near Narita Airport (at your own expense). Students who cannot arrive at Narita Airport on these days need to come to the dormitory by themselves. It takes about two hours from Narita Airport by train and it costs around 3,000 yen.

① For Fall semester
② For Spring semester

**Narita Airport website**

**Keisei Skyliner website**

**Express bus bound for Sakado station website**
We now have eight undergraduate faculties and eight graduate schools. The total number of students at Daito Bunka University is over 12,000, including 450 international students.

Undergraduate Faculties and Graduate Schools

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Number of Students (as of May 1, 2013)

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<td>Graduate students</td>
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The campus is very active as a hub for international exchange.

Agreements with Overseas Institutions (as of May 1, 2013)

Numbers of international students at DBU, including Japanese language and culture course students, for the last three years (as of May 1, 2013)

2013: International students 491
2012: International students 577
2011: International students 594
Japanese classes for exchange students are held at the Higashi-Matsuyama campus. DBU freshmen and sophomores, students in the Faculty of International Relations and the Faculty of Sports & Health Science, and graduate students in the School of Asian Area Studies and the school of Sports & Health Science take classes at the Higashi-Matsuyama campus.

The Itabashi campus is located approx. 50 minutes from the Higashi-Matsuyama campus. Juniors and seniors except those in the Faculty of International Relations and the Faculty of Sports & Health Science and graduate students except those in the School of Asian Area Studies and the school of Sports & Health Science take classes at the Itabashi campus.
Events tailored to exchange students

Go on tours, join special workshops on Japanese culture, and interact with members of the local Japanese community

- Meet one-on-one with a Japanese student tutor to get help with your Japanese and academic classes. Introduce your culture at neighboring elementary, junior high or high schools.
- Go on trips and excursions to festivals and famous places in Japan.
- Try your hand at Japanese cultural arts such as calligraphy.
- Participate in events sponsored by the local international exchange association.
- Participate in various Japanese speech contests.
- Stay at the home of a local Japanese family (one night).

Annual Events

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<td>Attend a special workshop on Japanese culture (e.g., calligraphy)</td>
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DBU Academic Calendar - 2014 Example

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<td>Spring vacation</td>
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<td>August 1-September 15</td>
<td>2nd semester finishes</td>
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Advice from International Students at DBU

To make Japanese friends, sign up for tutoring at the International Center. You can be tutored in Japanese or tutored in your mother tongue. My tutor and I had a lot of fun helping each other with homework. He is still my very good friend even after he stopped tutoring me. And, do participate in the trips organized by the International Center for exchange students. We went on a three-day tour of Hokkaido. We fully enjoyed the nature there by seeing the Olympic Ski Jump, a beautiful turquoise lake, and more. I recommend going on as many trips as you can.