Go Global UTokyo Study Abroad Fair 2014

Basic Information for Study Abroad

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Set up and Concept of this Presentation

• This presentation is for 1st and 2nd year undergraduates and students who have recently started to think about studying abroad  
(Also other students who wish to get updated information)

• Basic information you should have as UTokyo students when thinking about studying abroad

• 15 min.  
  Part 1: Type of method/programs  
  Part 2: Planning and preparation

• Overview given only. For details see the guidebooks and websites

• Things to keep in mind, things that will make studying abroad go smoothly and profitably

• Presented by International Exchange Group, International Affairs Department
Types of Studying Abroad & Student Exchange Programs

- **Studying Abroad**
  - Applying through the University
    - Periods of 3 months or less (Summer holidays, etc.)
    - Student Exchange (1 semester – 1 year)
  - UC Berkeley AISP/UC Davis Global Studies Program (1 semester – 1 year)

- Applying by yourself

- Other methods to gain international experience
  - Internships, volunteer programs, etc.

- Graduate School overseas (Master’s and doctorate programs)

- While enrolled at UTokyo

- After graduating from UTokyo
Programs of 3 Months or Less (Features)

Variety of types: Standard lecture programs, language courses, combination, etc.

Advantages/Features
• Short periods and costs can be kept down
• Able to use summer holidays, with little or no impact to classes or timing of graduation
• Experience foreign culture, improve language and academic ability in a short period
• Can be a trial or preparation for long term programs like student exchange or graduate schools overseas
• By studying alongside students from all over the world, you will be able to see where you stand globally, acting as motivation for your future study and career plans
Programs of 3 Months or Less  (Representative Programs)

Intensive Lecture Programs
- Yale University/UC Berkeley Summer Session etc.
- Other top universities (Harvard, Stanford, Peking University etc.) ※Applied independently

Special Programs  (with prerequisite language requirements)
- IARU Global Summer Program
  Summer programs through world-class university association
  The University of Tokyo, The Australian National University (ANU), ETH Zurich, National University of Singapore (NUS), Peking University, UC Berkeley, University of Cambridge, University of Copenhagen, University of Oxford, Yale University

Special /Customized Program for UTokyo students
- Hong Kong University and University of Tokyo Joint Summer Program
- National Taiwan University and University of Tokyo Joint Summer Program
- Undertaking Fieldwork in the Tropics
- University of Sheffield Summer Program
- UC San Diego Summer Program

Language Courses
- English language courses (ELI/ESL) at Yale University or UC Berkeley
Student Exchange Program (1 Semester - 1 Year)

- “Student Exchange”
  “Exchange” of students for periods of 1 semester to 1 year between UTokyo and partner universities

- UTokyo students go to partner universities (Outbound)
  ⇔ Students from partner universities come to UTokyo (Inbound)

- Exempt from paying tuition fees at host university
  Tuition fees paid to home university (UTokyo students pay fees to UTokyo)

- Possible from 3\textsuperscript{rd} Year
  ※ However, begin preparation in 1\textsuperscript{st} year and apply in 2\textsuperscript{nd} year

- University-wide program → Implemented across whole university
- Departmental program → Implemented by specific Faculty or Graduate School

Example) “AIKOM” Student exchange program of the
Senior Division - College of Arts and Sciences
Student Exchange Program (1 Semester - 1 Year)

- University-wide Student Exchange Program (USTEP) (Administered by the Division of International Affairs)  36 Partner universities (as of April, 2014)

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- Asia ~ Americas ~ Oceania ~ Europe

- Increasing the number of partner universities with university-wide student exchange agreements
  - April, 2011  4
  - April, 2012  11
  - April, 2013  23
  - April, 2014  36

- Please see p12 - 14 of the guidebook for departmental exchange partners
Other Programs

Study Abroad Programs which you apply by yourself
• Spend 1 semester – 1 year at Harvard, Columbia University, etc. as a Visiting Student
• Summer programs at prestigious universities
• You will need to obtain sufficient information, discuss and confirm with your affiliated Faculty or Graduate School

Internship/Volunteer Programs
• JICA×UTokyo short-term volunteer program
• (UTokyo) Hands-on Activities Program
• Internship implemented by university associations or NPOs
• Internship in industry

Graduate Schools overseas
(enroll in Master`s or doctorate programs after graduating from UTokyo)
• Information on Fellowships and presentation fairs
Planning and preparation ① Basic schedule for application

Around April to June
- Applications for the Short-Term Summer Study Abroad Programs opens (UTokyo’s own programs)
- University-wide Student Exchange Program
  Applications for programs starting in following spring (Jan – Apr start)
  → Document screening and interviews around July

Around July to October
- University-wide Student Exchange Program
  Applications for programs starting in following autumn (Aug – Oct start)
  → Document screening and interviews around November/December

Around December to February
※ Overseas universities start their summer holidays around June
- Applications for Short-Term Summer Study Abroad Programs opens
  (Programs run by overseas universities etc.)
Implementation of 4-Term Calendar

平成27年度から実施

4 ターム制の導入

平成27年度に全学部で4 ターム制を導入します。週複数回授業などの様々な教育方法を併せて実施することで、短期間でしっかりと学ぶことが可能になります。また、長期の夏季または冬季休業期間を設けることで海外への短期留学や社会体験への参加がしやすくなるだけでなく、ターム単位の留学も可能となります。4 ターム制を活用することで、学士課程全体を通じて、学生が科目履修や学習体験の活動を主体的かつ柔軟に行えるようになります。

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4T+S

※長期の夏季休業期間を特色とする学事曆

4T  : 法学部、文学部、経済学部、教養学部、教育学部
4T+S  : 医学部、工学部、理学部、農学部、薬学部

* 学生への教育上の配慮から、学部により移行的な措置をとる場合があります。

4月 5月 6月 7月 8月 9月 10月 11月 12月 1月 2月 3月
Planning and preparation  ② English language proficiency tests

- The English Language proficiency tests that are used universally when applying for study abroad programs are the TOEFL iBT or the IELTS (Academic Module).
  ※There are occasions when you will not be able to apply with TOEIC or Eiken.

- Many students contact us saying they may not have completed the test before the application deadline. It is important to take the examinations early.

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<td>※From April 2014 this can no longer be used to apply for a UK visa</td>
<td>UK and majority or the world’s universities use this to verify proficiency in English language</td>
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<td><strong>Score</strong></td>
<td>0 - 120 (Increments of 1 point)</td>
<td>1.0 - 9.0 (Increments of 0.5 points)</td>
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<td><strong>Test Frequency</strong></td>
<td>Almost every week, more than 50 times a year</td>
<td>Tests take place around 3 times a month in Tokyo</td>
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<td><strong>Cost</strong></td>
<td>US $225 (Cost varies depending on closing dates)</td>
<td>JPY 25,380</td>
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Planning and preparation ③ Costs and Scholarships

General cost involved in studying abroad:
it is said to be roughly over JPY 2,000,000 – 3,000,000 for a year including
tuition fees and living expenses, but • • •
※ Depends on the program as well as country or region
※ You will still have to pay tuition fees and living expenses even if
you do not go overseas
Compare the costs of studying in Japan and studying abroad
※ Make use of the scholarships available wisely (see p32 of guidebook)
UTokyo is expanding and improving the system of scholarships
(external funding, donations, etc.)
Note that your grades may be taken into consideration during the screening
process
※ Program fees tend to be reduced if applied through UTokyo
It is possible to make use of reductions, waivers, and scholarships available for
UTokyo
Planning and preparation  ④ Registration and acceptance of credits

Details are given in p26 - 27 of the guidebook

• Various procedures relating to your student registration are necessary when you go abroad to study (request to study abroad, request for leave of absence, notification of overseas travel, etc.)

• Payment of tuition fees, acceptance of credits earned, changes to your timing of graduation are all impacted by the status of your registration as a student when you study abroad

• Review of the Rules and Regulations are taking place to make it easier to study abroad as well as worthwhile
  Example) Acceptance of credits earned overseas while on leave of absence

※ As the situation varies depending on the Faculty/Graduate Schools, please discuss and confirm with the relevant office of your affiliated Faculty/Graduate School
Planning and preparation 4 Registration and acceptance of credits

General procedure of having earned credits accepted at UTokyo
(Details vary depending on Faculty/Graduate School)

• Before traveling:
Study plan at host university → confirm what subjects will have the earned credits accepted at UTokyo, the necessary requirements for acceptance, procedures, and other cautionary points → relevant office of your affiliated Faculty/Graduate School (see p39 of guidebook)
※ Occasionally, the courses you originally planned to take becomes unavailable at the host university.
  Please have second, third choice subjects when making your plans

• While abroad:
Register for your courses following instructions of the host university → Study hard in order to be able to obtain the credits
Please make sure to obtain at least one copy of transcripts from the host university

• On your return:
Apply for acceptance of credit transfer → relevant office of your affiliated Faculty/Graduate School (Application must be received from the student for the transfer of earned credit to be accepted)
Receipt of application forms (course transcripts, syllabus, university prospectus, etc.) → decision of acceptance will be made by the education council of your affiliated Faculty/Graduate School. The results of the decision can be confirmed through your grade transcripts
## Acceptance Status of Credits Earned while Studying Abroad in AY2013 (Undergraduates)

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※ Criteria: Undergraduate students who have had credit transfers accepted between April 2013 and March 2014.
Planning and preparation  ⑤ Safety and risk management

Please see the guidebook or website for details

• **Response and attitude to safety and risk management is crucial**

• Japan is one of the safest countries and has the best medical facilities in the world
  Assuming things are like Japan overseas will not work (even in developed countries)

• Purchasing comprehensive travel insurance and study abroad insurance is a must
  Medical fees are very expensive

• Preparation before travel — “Health Management” and “Safety Management”
  Health check-ups, dental checks, preparation of standard medical kits, obtaining information on country of destination, and carry an emergency contact list

• Read the “Risk Management Guidebook For Overseas Travel”
International Exchange Related Offices of UTokyo

International Exchange Group (Hongo Campus)
- Planning and implementation of university-wide programs
- Study abroad and educational fairs
- Information through websites and SNS

Go Global Study Abroad Information Room (Hongo Campus)
- Advice and information on studying abroad

Departmental international offices and other related offices
- Academic matters relating to studying abroad within UTokyo (classes, credits, registration, etc.)
- Receiving submission of applications
- All necessary procedures for going to study abroad ("Request for Approval to Study Abroad", "Request for Leave of Absence", "Notice of Travelling Abroad" etc.)
- Implementation and supplying of information on study abroad and student exchange programs administered by the departments
Information on Study Abroad and Student Exchange

① Website [http://www.u-tokyo.ac.jp/ja/administration/go-global/](http://www.u-tokyo.ac.jp/ja/administration/go-global/)
③ Twitter [http://twitter.com/todai_global](http://twitter.com/todai_global) (@todai_global)

- Latest information on study abroad programs and financial aid
- Accounts of experience and useful tips from students
- If you follow our Facebook/Twitter sites, you will be able to obtain information on interesting programs with short application lead times, useful and specific information on financing etc.
When are you going to study abroad?

- Doesn’t have to be right now

There are various programs for studying abroad to match your purpose, destination of choice, timing, etc. So make your plans carefully.

When are you going to begin preparing?

- Now!

Studying at UTokyo, specialization, learning languages, language proficiency test, obtaining information, discussing, etc., etc., etc. The preparation and processes are all part of the “Studying Abroad” experience.
Thank you for your attention

Your questions will be answered at the individual discussion session TOMORROW

We look forward to your participation!