FSSC stands for “Foreign Student Supporting Club” within Tokyo Ichokai, one of the alumni clubs of The University of Tokyo. About 55 volunteer members of alumni are supporting the activities such as lunch under the cherry blossoms, traditional festivals of the famous shrines, Kabuki watching, visiting the Akasaka State Guest House, hiking to Enoshima or Mt. Takaosan, visiting the Imperial Palace, and other tours to help you to understand the various aspects of Japanese life and cultures.

If you are interested in participating, please send your full name, nationality, e-mail address and cellular phone number to Director Hirohide Konami “hiro@konamike.net” as soon as possible.

The participation fee varies with the programs ranging between 500 and 2000yen supported by the University and also by Tokyo Ichokai.

The programs just ahead are Ohanami (cherry blossom viewing picnic/lunch) at Shinjuku Gyoen on April 13th and Kanda Myojin Shrine Festival on May 11th.

See you then!!!
The Schedule of FSSC Program 2019-2020
(Schedule may be changed and detail will be sent a few weeks before)

2019

April 13 (Sat.) Ohanami lunch under cherry blossoms at Shinjuku Gyoen

May 11 (Sat.) Kanda Myojin Festival
Kanda Myojin Shrine is one of the three big shrines in Tokyo established in 730, about 1300 years ago. This was the central shrine of Edo Region.

July 13 (Sat.) Kirin Beer Brewery Factory Visit in Yokohama
We learn how beer is produced and also we can taste the fresh beer. This factory is located in the area called Namamugi, where English soldiers were attacked by Satsuma (Kagoshima Prefecture) Samurai in 1862 and became the trigger of England-Satsuma War in 1863. This occasion brought the friendship relation between Japan and England later.

August 24 (Sat.) Japan Open-air Old Folk House Museum in Kawasaki
These 24 Old Folk Houses are the national or prefectural cultural assets and we can get the image of the Japanese life from 17th to 19th centuries.

October 12 (Sat.) Go Hiking & Sightseeing to Sacred Mt. Takaoyama
About 40km west of Tokyo and 599 meters high. We can take a cable car or a lift to go up and down. Also we will have a small party at traditional Japanese restaurant.

November 16 (Sat.) Visit to Edo Style City in Kawagoe
This city retains the classic style of Edo Era. We will enjoy Edo feeling and the traditional Japanese food for lunch.

2020

January 22 (Wed.) New Year’s Party of Tokyo Ichokai
Held at Shimbashi Daiichi Hotel and about 10 selected foreign students will be invited.

February 23 (Sun.) Visiting the Imperial Palace
To celebrate The Emperor’s Birthday. This is the rare chance to get into the Palace and listen to the greeting of the Emperor. The Emperor and the family are standing just inside.

March 14 (Sat.) Bus tour to Kashima, Katori and Sawara regions.
Kashima Jingu is said that this shrine was established in BC711 but we are not sure. We can just feel such long years through the forest around. Katori Jingu is the sister shrine of Kashima Jingu. Sawara area is located at Tone riverside and we can enjoy the riverside park. Tone River has the biggest river basin and second longest river in Japan. The longest river is Shinano River.

Program will be changed every two years and Kabuki watching, Akasaka State Guest House, and some other programs will be prepared for the next year.