

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
- WHATCOMMUNITY COLLEGE
- CLACKMAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Australia

- GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY
- UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN SYDNEY

- UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND
- MONASH UNIVERSITY

Canada

- UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

- UNIVERSITE LAVAL

China

- BEIJING FOREIGN STUDIES UNIVERSITY
- SHANHAI TEACHER'S UNIVERSITY
- SHANDONG UNIVERSITY
- CHINA ACADEMY OF ART
- XIBEI UNIVERSITY
- NORTHEAST NORMAL UNIVERSITY
- MINZU UNIVERSITY

- TIANJIN ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS
- CAPITAL NORMAL UNIVERSITY
- CHINESE ACADEMY OF SOCIAL SCIENCE
- SANJIANG UNIVERSITY
- TSINGHUA UNIVERSITY
- DALIAN UNIVERSITY OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES
- XIAMEN UNIVERSITY
- ZHONGSHAN UNIVERSITY

- JILIN NORMAL UNIVERSITY, INSTITUTE OF EAST ASIA STUDIES
- CHINESE ACADEMY OF SOCIAL SCIENCE, INSTITUTE OF LITERATURE
- SHANGHAI UNIVERSITY OF SPORT
- LIAONING NORMAL UNIVERSITY
- BEIJING INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
- BEIJING NORMAL UNIVERSITY

Egypt

- ALEXANDRIA UNIVERSITY

Finland

- UNIVERSITY OF TAMPERE

France

- COLLEGE INTERNATIONAL DE CANNES

- UNIVERSITE CATHOLIQUE DE LYON

Germany

- UNIVERSITY OF TRIER
- INTER DAF, HELDER INSTITUTE OF UNIVERSITY OF LEIPZIG

India

- UNIVERSITY OF RAJASTHAN
- JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY

Indonesia

- UNIVERSITAS PADJADJARAN

Iran

- SHIRAZ UNIVERSITY
- UNIVERSITY OF ISFAHAN

Italy

- UNIVERSITY OF SALENTO

Korea

- KOREA UNIVERSITY
- PUSAN UNIVERSITY OF FOREIGN STUDIES

- YONSEI UNIVERSITY
- SUNG KYUN KWAN UNIVERSITY
- WONKWANG UNIVERSITY
- SEO KYEONG UNIVERSITY

- WOOSUK UNIVERSITY
- MOKPO 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

- FUJEN 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

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DAITO BUNKA UNIVERSITY

EXCHANGE STUDENTS PROGRAM



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.

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.

Deadlines 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



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

	Fieldwork (Hands-On Activity Course)	Intensive Japanese Course (Language Course)	Classes for international students (Academic Content Courses, Advanced Language Courses)	Classes for Undergraduate
Level1				
Level2				
Level3				
Level4				

Living expenses in Japan

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

These include:

International student dormitory rent	38,000 to 40,000 yen/month
Food	10,000 to 30,000 yen/month
Utilities (electricity, water, gas)	approx. 8,000 to 10,000 yen/month
National Health Insurance Enrollment	24,000 yen/year
Telephone	There is no telephone in the dormitories. However, 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.
Internet	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.



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.

	Ryugakusei-Kaikan	Green House	City Palace Takasaka
Address	4-10 Mizohata-cho, Sakado-shi, Saitama-ken, 350-0274 Japan Daito Bunka University's Ryugakusei-Kaikan	1-5-16 Matsumoto-cho, Higashimatsuyama-shi, Saitama-ken, 355-0014 Japan Daito Bunka University's Green House	2-14-6 Motojuku, Higashimatsuyama-shi, Saitama-ken, 355-0015 Japan City Palace Takasaka
Type	Self-catered apartment rooms for 16 students. 16 en-suite rooms (2nd, 3rd floors) Lounge (1st floor)	Self-catered house shared among 16 students. (8 students for each floor) 16 single bedrooms Furnished kitchen and bathroom are shared.	Self-catered en-suite rooms in a commercially-owned building
Room Facility	Bathroom, washing machine, kitchen, refrigerator, microwave, desk, chair, desk light, bed, bedclothes, curtain, TV, air conditioner, and tableware.	Desk, chair, desk light, bed, bedclothes, curtain, air conditioner Shared electric appliances (refrigerator, washing machine, microwave, rice cooker, electric pot, tableware, TV)	Bathroom, washing machine, kitchen, refrigerator, desk, chair, desk light, bed, bedclothes, curtain, air conditioner, TV
Smoking is not allowed in any of the university's residential accommodations.			
Rent	42,500 yen/month (excluding utility bills) Note: Utility bills are approx. 10,000 yen/month.	52,500 yen/month (including utility bills)	38,000 yen/month (excluding utility bills) Note: Utility bills are approx. 10,000 yen/month.
Nearest stations	Kita-sakado station on the Tobu-Tojo Line (3-minute walk)	Higashi-matsuyama station on the Tobu-Tojo Line (10-minute walk)	Takasaka station on the Tobu-Tojo Line (5-minute walk)
To campus	Tobu-Tojo Line bound for Shinrin-koen (1st stop) One way ticket: 140 yen University bus from Takasaka station	Tobu-Tojo Line bound for Ikebukuro (1st stop) One way ticket: 140 yen University bus from Ikebukuro station	University bus
Cost of train passes (as of April, 2014)	1 month: 2,110yen 3 months: 6,020yen 6 months: 11,400 yen	1 month: 2,110yen 3 months: 6,020yen 6 months: 11,400 yen	None
You can purchase a train pass after you receive your DBU student ID card at the orientation.			



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

<http://www.narita-airport.jp/en/index.html>

Keisei Skyliner website

<http://www.keisei.co.jp/keisei/tetudou/skyliner/us/index.html>

Express bus bound for Sakado station website

<http://www.narita-airport.jp/en/access/bus/>

Present-day Daito Bunka University

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

Undergraduate Faculties	Literature, Economics, Foreign Languages, Law, International Relations, Business Administration, Social-Human Environmentology, Sports and Health Science
Graduate Schools	Literature, Economics, Law, Foreign Languages, Asian Area Studies, Business Administration, Sports and Health Science

The campus is very active as a hub for international exchange.

Number of Students (as of May 1, 2013)

Undergraduate students	12,208
Graduate students	340

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

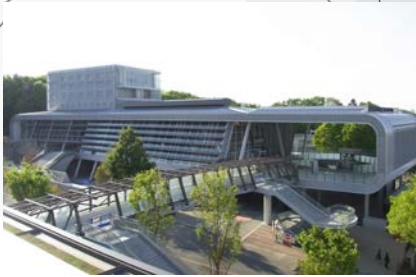
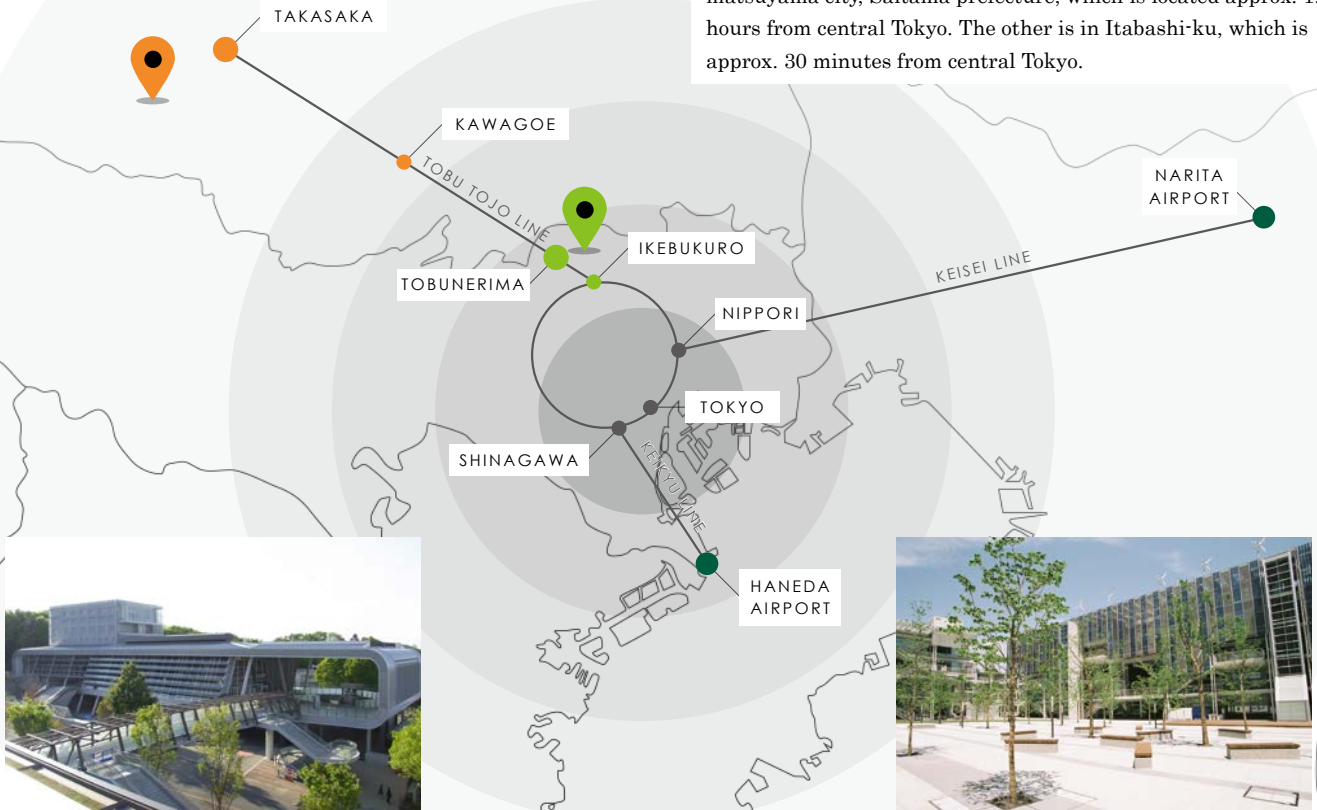
2012: International students 577

2011: International students 594



Campus introduction

Daito Bunka University has two campuses. One is in Higashi-matsuyama city, Saitama prefecture, which is located approx. 1.5 hours from central Tokyo. The other is in Itabashi-ku, which is approx. 30 minutes from central Tokyo.



Higashi-matsuyama campus

Address	560 Iwadono, Higashi-matsuyama-shi, Saitama 355-8501
Transportation	Tobu-Tojo Line, Takasaka station Approx. 60 minutes by express train from Ikebukuro station
To University	(1) Approx. 7 minutes from Takasaka station by university bus (free fare) (2) Approx. 10 minutes from Takasaka station by local Kawagoe-Kankou bus (bound for Hatoyama New Town) Get off at Daitobunka Daigaku-mae (fare: 180 yen)*
Location	From Narita Airport: 2.5 hours by train From Haneda Airport: 2 hours by train From Tokyo station: 1.5 hours by train From Ryugakusei-Kaikan (dormitory): 5 minutes by train
Facilities	Cafeterias, snack shops, Subway sandwich shop, bookstores, stationery shop, computer rooms, sports gym, pool, post office, ATM, convenience store, International Center with support services and lounge for international students



Itabashi campus

Address	1-9-1 Takashimadaira, Itabashi-ku Tokyo 175-8571
Transportation	Tobu-Tojo Line, Tobu-Nerima station Approx. 15 minutes by local train from Ikebukuro station Toei-Mita Line, Nishidai station (subway) Approx. 18 minutes from Sugamo station
To University	(1) Approx. 5 minutes from Tobu-Nerima station by university bus (free fare), or (2) Approx. 10 minutes from Nishidai station on foot
Location	From Narita Airport: 2 hours by train From Haneda Airport: 1 hour and 20 minutes by train From Tokyo station: 50 minutes by train From Ryugakusei-Kaikan (dormitory): 1 hour by train
Facilities	Library, cafeterias, snack shop, computer rooms, sports gym, bookstores, stationery shop, International Center with support services for international students

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)



Culture Experience Class



Japanese student tutors and exchange students on a joint excursion



Meeting with a Japanese tutor



Japanese presentation

Annual Events

April	• Spring semester • Welcome party	• Orientation • Placement test
June	• Visit a local elementary, junior high or high school • Attending Japanese culture • Attend a special workshop on Japanese culture (e.g., calligraphy)	
July	• Japanese presentation • Course completion ceremony	
September	• Fall semester • Welcome party • Orientation	• Placement test • Excursion
November	• Visit to a local elementary, junior high or high school • Attending Japanese culture experience class (calligraphy)	
December	• Japanese presentation	
February	• Excursion with Japanese tutors • Course completion ceremony	

DBU Academic Calendar -2014 Example

1st semester (Spring)		2nd semester (Fall)	
April 1	Entrance Ceremony	September 16	Classes begin
April 7	Classes begin	October 16	Walk 2014
July 23-July 31	Semester exams	November 2-4	School Festival
July 31	1st semester finishes	December 23-January 4	Winter vacation
August 1-September 15	Summer vacation	January 21-29	Semester exams
		January 29	2nd semester finishes
		January 30-March 31	Spring vacation

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.

