



Tottori University



Students can acquire practical Japanese language skills and learn Japanese culture as well as regional culture through a wide variety of activities done on-campus and off-campus.

■ University's overview

① Outline

Tottori University emphasizes the importance of its relation with the communities, promoting practical studies with the educational principle "Fusion of Knowledge and Practice". Tottori University has four faculties: Regional Sciences, Medicine, Engineering and Agriculture. The Faculty of Regional Sciences is a unique faculty that promotes researches of Eastern Asia. The university has conducted several large scale and highly evaluated research programs sponsored by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology(MEXT).

Our program "Global Human Resources Development Project" had been selected by MEXT(2012~2016), and made an effort on globalization of university education and development of global human resources.

There are a lot of opportunities to exchange with Japanese students through Japanese class and International exchange club events.

*Number of Students and Academic Staff

Undergraduates: 5,172

Graduates: 1,023

Faculty members: 823

② International Exchange

Number of sister Universities and organizations:
101 (34 countries and regions)

③ Number of International Students and Japanese Studies Students as of May 1

2019: 163 International Students
1 Japanese Studies Students

2018: 180 International Students
1 Japanese Studies Students

2017: 158 International Students
1 Japanese Studies Students

④ Features of Tottori

•Tottori is surrounded by the Sea and Mountains, and is very comfortable city to live in with cheaper living expenses compared to big cities.

•Rich natural resources (including fresh vegetables, fish, meats), and quiet environment – an ideal place to focus on studying; it is easy to participate in local events and interact with local people, who are kind and warm-hearted.

•Convenient public transportation - Three hour trip to go to big cities like Osaka and Kyoto by bus or train.



Tottori University Entrance



Tottori Sand Dunes



■ Course Outline

① Course Purpose

(a) A course intended mainly to study about Japan and Japanese culture

② Course Features

Students will choose the class according to their requests from "Japanese Language" major or "Japanese Culture" major, and get a deep understanding about local societies through attending a lot of events related to them.

③ Number of Students to be Accepted

8 (Embassy Recommended 6, University Recommended 2)

④ Admission Requirements

• Those who are in major of Japanese language or Japanese culture in home universities.

• Those who would like to understand Japanese culture and society, and promote their cultures in Japan.

⑤ Goals and Objectives

• Acquire practical Japanese language skill
• Proceed their research plan about their interests and can transmit the results.

⑥ Duration of Course

October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021
Completion ceremony is scheduled on September 21, 2021 (September 24, in 2019 course).

⑦ Scholarship period

October 2020 through September 2021

⑧ Event Calendar (tentative)

Late September: Arrival in Japan
(September 26 in 2019)

October: Opening Ceremony
Orientation



December: Annual Party for International Students



January: Decide the theme for final presentation

February: Ski training tour

March: Trip to Kyoto



July: Yukata dressing class



August: Final Presentation
Tottori "Shan-Shan" Festival



September: Completion Ceremony

* Others

- Farm Work Experience (several times a year)
- International exchange at elementary, junior high, or high schools (occasionally)
- International events given by local institutions or students' club (occasionally)



Late September: Leaving Japan
(September 29 in 2019)

⑨ Completion Requirements

Certificate will be given for those who take 10 or more subjects (6 Required Subjects and more than 4 Elective Subjects) and complete the final report.

Transcript will be given for subjects that the students will obtain credits. (Transferring the academic credits is possible for those students will come to the University under University Recommendation.)



⑩ Course Descriptions

Take any Common Course Subjects, specialized subjects provided by the Faculty, or by the Center for International Affairs suit to the students' interest. (No credits are given to the subjects provided by Center for International Affairs)

1) Required Subjects (6 classes / week)

• Specialist Japanese

Give presentations and write essays on various topics. Then, proceed to own researches through making a final presentation, and conducting a research report in the second semester in Japanese.

• Regional Cultures and Industries of Japan

Visit companies, cultural facilities and have discussions about what we learned there.

* The subjects above are offered by Center for International Affairs especially for Japanese Studies Students, and no credits are given to them.

2) Elective Courses and other Coursework
(7 classes / week)

<Common Course Subjects>

• Japanese in Practice

Learn academic skills for college-life through practice.

• Expressing Technique of Japanese

Learn how to express more properly orally or in writing by discussions among the students.

• Computer Skills in Japanese

Learn how to use PC for research by practicing basic operation and inputting sentences in Japanese.

<General Japanese Language Course>

Judge the level by placement test. Four different level classes are provided. Students can acquire comprehensive language abilities.

<Other Subjects>

Choose other subjects from Common Course Subjects or specialized subjects provided by the Faculty of Regional Sciences, consulting with supervisors.

※ Contents of Completion Research

To complete the final report based on their topics.

3) Hands-on Learning in the Community

• Regional Cultures and Industries of Japan

(same as the above)

• Japanese Culture (Common Course Subjects)

• Japanese Society (Common Course Subjects)

These courses include lectures, discussions, and visits to facilities in order to interact with local people.

4) Opportunities to study with Japanese students

There are a lot of opportunities to exchange and experience Japanese culture with Japanese students through Japanese class and International exchange activities, such as ski trip, local society related Yukata wearing class, agricultural work, volunteer work, and so on.

① Supervisors

Supervised by professors from the Faculty of Regional Sciences related to the field that students are interested in.

In addition, the professors from Center for International Affairs give supports socially and academically when necessary.

■ Accommodations

Name: Tottori University International House (Tottori Daigaku Kokusai Koryuu Kaikan)

Address: 4-110 Koyamacho-Nishi, Tottori-city, 680-0947

Tel: +81-857-28-4808

Web Site:

<https://www.ciatu.tottori-u.ac.jp/en/students-housing-dormitory>

Type: Reinforced concrete five-story building

50 single rooms, 6 double-occupancy rooms, 3 triple-occupancy rooms are available.

Others: Bed, Desk, Chair, Air-conditioner, Bookshelf, Locker, Shoes box, Desk lamp, Electric pot in each room.

Shower room, Laundry, Kitchen, Japanese style room, Lounge for common use.

Stores or supermarkets are located within 15 minute walk.



■ Follow-up to Completing Students

Faculty and staff will give consultation for completing students about their future carrier paths as like graduate schools or job hunting by using e-mail or SNS, according to their requests.

■ Contact

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