

FULL-TIME COURSE
APPLICATION GUIDEBOOK
2027
(SPRING TERM & FALL TERM)

Application for a nationally accredited Japanese language educational institution for Study in Japan is currently in progress.

The name and content of the Japanese Language Courses are currently under application and have been planned.
Please note that the content may be subject to change.

Technical College accredited by the Osaka Prefectural Government
School authorized by the Ministry of Justice to act as an agent for student visas

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Japanese Language Course

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GENERAL JAPANESE COURSE OUTLINE

Long-Term Course (Regular Student)

1 . Courses/Intake Capacity

Total Enrollment Capacity: 640 students

Course	Semester	Total Number of Class Hours	April Intake Capacity	October Intake Capacity
Practical Japanese for Understanding Japanese Culture and Society (2-year)	April/October	1,720 hours	100	100
Practical Japanese for Understanding Japanese Culture and Society (1.5-year)	April/October	1,290 hours		
Practical Japanese for Understanding Japanese Culture and Society (1-year)	April/October	860 hours		
Higher Education Preparation (2-year)	April	1,720 hours	110	80
Higher Education Preparation (1.5-year)	October	1,290 hours		

* There are 5 classes a day, 25 classes a week (Monday to Friday). Students will be placed in either morning classes or afternoon classes.

* Students are eligible for the College Student Visa.

* Course change is not permitted after enrollment.

2 . Application Periods

	Applicants	Application Periods
2027 Spring Semester (April)	Applicants applying for College Student Visa	Jun. 1, 2026 ~ the end of October, 2026
	Applicants not applying for College Student Visa	Oct. 1, 2026 ~ Mar. 31, 2027
2027 Fall Semester (October)	Applicants applying for College Student Visa	Dec. 1, 2026 ~ the middle of May, 2027
	Applicants not applying for College Student Visa	Apr. 1, 2027 ~ Sep. 30, 2027

* Please feel free to contact us even before the application period starts or after the application period ends if you are considering studying in our school.

* Once the number of successful applicants reaches admission capacity, the application periods could be closed earlier.

* The above-stated application periods could be changed depending on the visa application schedules announced by the Osaka immigration bureau. Please contact the school to get further information about this.

* Admission interview test may be required.

3 . Qualifications for Enrollment

- (1) Those who have completed (or will complete) 12 years of education in schools outside Japan
- (2) Those who have completed a secondary education curriculum outside Japan which qualifies them for college entrance
- (3) Those who are acknowledged by the school as having the qualifications equivalent to (1) and (2) above
- (4) Those who are 18 years of age or older
- (5) Those who follow all our school policies and regulations, and be independent during stays (student applying for a student visa)
- (6) Those who do not have an associate degree or higher must either submit the results of one of the Japanese language proficiency tests listed below, or pass the school's entrance interview including online interviews.
 - JLPT (Japanese Language Proficiency Test): N5 or higher
 - BJT Business Japanese Proficiency Test : 300 points or higher
 - J.TEST : Level F or higher, or Level FG with a score of 250 points or higher
 - NAT-TEST: Level 5 or higher
 - STBJ (Standard Test for Business Japanese): 350 points or higher
 - TOPJ Test : Beginner Level A or higher
 - J-cert (Certificate of Japanese as a Foreign Language) : Beginner level or higher
 - JLCT (Japanese Language Capability Test): JCT Level 5 or higher
 - Practical Japanese Communication Exam – Bridge (PJC Bridge): Grade C– or higher
 - JPT (Japanese Proficiency Test):315 points or higher, or JPT Elementary: 68 points or higher
 - Japanese Online Test (JOT): JT5 or higher
 - Sundai-Japanese Examination of Proficiency (S-JEP): 300 points or higher
- (7) Those who commit to not smoking in and around school facilities.

*According to Japanese law, smoking is strictly prohibited in any school facilities. In addition, due to the new smoking rule regulated by the Osaka government, smoking including the use of heated cigarettes is also prohibited in all public areas of Osaka city.

4 . Fee Schedule (in Japanese Yen)

*Same for both Practical Japanese Course for Understanding Japanese Culture and Society, and Higher Education Preparation Course

- (1) Screening Fee ¥ 30,000 Only required for those applying for a student visa (This fee is for document screening for the visa application).
 (2) Enrollment Fee ¥ 80,000
 (3) Tuition Fee

*If you pay on the installment plan, an additional fee, 5,000, yen will be added to the total payment of tuition for 1 year.

Term		Tuition	Full Payment for 1 year	Installment	
				1st	2nd
2 years	1st year	840,000yen	835,000yen	420,000yen	420,000yen
	2nd year	840,000yen	835,000yen	420,000yen	420,000yen
1.5 years	1st year	840,000yen	835,000yen	420,000yen	420,000yen
	2nd year (for 0.5 year)	420,000yen	420,000yen	420,000yen	
1 year	1st year	840,000yen	835,000yen	420,000yen	420,000yen

- (4) Other Fees (The following fees are estimates and may be subject to change due to price increases.)

Term		Activities Fee	Accident Insurance Fee	
			Student Visa Holders	Non-student Visa Holders
2 years	1st year	28,000yen	7,000yen	3,000yen
	2nd year	28,000yen	7,000yen	3,000yen
1.5 years	1st year	28,000yen	7,000yen	3,000yen
	2nd year (for 0.5 year)	14,000yen	5,000yen	3,000yen
1 year	1st year	28,000yen	7,000yen	3,000yen

* Special Notes

- 1) Depending on the result of your screening, you may be required to make a full-payment before starting a course.
- 2) The second installment payment is due around 4 months after the admission.
- 3) Material fee is included in the above-mentioned fee.
 *The material fees for additional classes, including online lectures beyond mandatory classes, as well as the JLPT test fee, are not included in the above-mentioned tuition and must be paid at your own expense.
- 4) Screening, Enrollment and Accident Insurance Fees will not be refunded under any circumstances.
 Activities Fee can be refunded only if you submit the cancellation letter to school before the following deadlines.
 (Spring semester : by the last weekday of March during school opening hours /
 Fall semester : by the last weekday of September during school opening hours)
- 5) The portion of paid tuition starting from the next term will be refunded under the following conditions.
 - ① Entrance to university
 - ② Dropping out of the school and returning to his/her home country during the course period
 - ③ Refusal of the student visa application
 - ④ Submission of the notification for the cancellation with the reason before enrollment
 ※ You must contact us before the following deadline in order to receive refunds. Spring semester : by the last weekday of March during school opening hours / Fall semester : by the last weekday of September during school opening hours
- 6) Students have to participate in the national health insurance which covers 70% of medical bills. The insurance fee is not included in the above-stated tuition costs.
- 7) Fee for health checkup is included in the above Accident Insurance Fee.
- 8) The applicant for Long-Term Course should be a resident of Japan holding the following type of the visas only.
 (Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act Appended Table 1 1 to 5)
 (1)Diplomat, Official, Professor, Artist, Religious Activities, Journalist
 (2)Highly Skilled Professional, Investor /Business Manager, Legal/Accounting Services, Medical Services, Researcher, Instructor, Specialist in Humanities/ International Services, Nursing Care, Intra-company transferee, Entertainer, Skilled labor, Technical Intern Training (3)Cultural Activities, Temporary Visitor
 (4)Student, Training (5)Designated Activities

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. Applicants applying for College Student Visa

- ① Guidance in-person or online
(Carried out by Guarantor/Applicant)
▼
- ② Payment of screening fee, Submission of enrollment application and Carrying out admission interview
(Guarantor in Japan/Applicant)
▼
- ③ Submission of required documents for visa after screening of applicant
(School)
▼
- ④ Issuing a “Certificate of Eligibility” for the applicant who is approved by the Immigration Bureau.
(The Ministry of Justice)
▼
- ⑤ Payment of the tuition and fees
Upon acknowledgement of the payment, the Certificate of the Eligibility will be transferred over.
(Guarantor in Japan/Applicant)
▼
- ⑥ Application for the college student visa
The visa should be applied at the Japanese Embassy, consulate or diplomatic establishment with the Certificate of Eligibility issued by the Ministry of Justice.
(Applicant)
▼
- ⑦ Arrival in Japan
(Applicant)
▼
- ⑧ Placement Test
(Applicant)
 - * Students are requested to arrive in Japan no later than 10 days before the first day of classes.
 - * Enrollment may be cancelled if the student does not arrive in time for classes.
 - * Students will be placed in classes according to their Japanese ability. Class placement is based on the test results, purpose of study, etc.

2. Applicants not applying for College Student Visa

- ① Guidance in person or online after contacting school by phone call or email.
(Carried out by Guarantor in Japan/Applicant)
▼
- ② Submission of enrollment application
(Guarantor in Japan/Applicant)
▼
- ③ Screening of applicant
(School)
▼
- ④ Payment of tuition and fees
(Guarantor in Japan/Applicant)
▼
- ⑤ Placement Test
(Applicant)
 - * The application procedure may differ, depending on the applicant’s previous stay in Japan, and the requirements of visa application for each applicant.

Location and Hours

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Admission for 2027 Academic Year (Attention)

Our school is currently in the process of applying for Nationally Accredited Japanese Educational Language Institution for “Study in Japan”.

If the accreditation is granted as scheduled, we will offer new courses—Practical Japanese for Understanding Japanese Culture and Society and Higher Education Preparation—starting in April 2027, in accordance with the new system introduced by Japanese government.

Please note that the content is currently being planned and may be subject to change.

In the unlikely event that accreditation is not granted for the 2027 academic year, we kindly ask for your understanding that enrollment in the “Practical Japanese Course for Understanding Japanese Culture and Society” or the “Higher Education Preparation Course” and eligibility for a student visa under these courses, will not be available.

If the accreditation is delayed, students will join the current General Japanese Language Course (1year, 1.5-year, and 2-year), and students visas remain available through our school, as authorized by Ministry of Justice.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR APPLICATION

1 . Students applying for College Student Visa

Applicants must submit or attach the following documents:

- (1) Application Form for Admission
 - * If applicants have an irregular academic career including the time of entrance and length of enrollment at each school, an explanatory statement issued by the school should be submitted upon application to the school office.
 - * The “purpose of study in Japan” including your plan after the completion must be well-thought out and presented in concrete detail.
- (2) Proof of graduation or diploma from last school attended (original)
- (3) 2 4cm×3cm photographs (taken within the last 6 months, from chest up, hatless)
 - * If you have the data of the photo, please submit both the data and the printed photos.
- (4) A photocopy of valid passport
- (5) Certificate of Japanese ability (if applicable)
 - * A certificate of passing a Japanese language test and score report (e.g., JLPT, NAT-TEST, J-test, and J-cert)
For details of each test, please refer to Section 3, “Qualifications for Enrollment,” on page 1.
- (6) Proof of employment (if applicable)
 - * Position title must be stated. In the case that applicants are promised to be reinstated to their former positions, the plan of reinstatement should be included in the proof of employment.
- (7) Proof of enrollment in school (if applicable)
 - * The applicants in the last year of school must submit proof of expected graduation date.
- (8) A photocopy of family register, including all members, or an equivalent such as a birth certificate
 - * We understand that different countries have different forms of familial certification.
- (9) Written pledge
 - * The student and sponsor must write a signature on their respective lines at the bottom of the written pledge. (provide a signature) on their respective lines at the bottom of the written pledge.
 - * Examples of the school regulations :
 - ① Students should study as hard as possible and not be absent, arrive late or leave early from the class without proper reasons.
 - ② Students applying for College Student Visa are not allowed to request for taking either morning class or afternoon class.
 - * Class schedule could be changed once in 3 months.

Sponsors must submit following documents

[In case sponsors in other countries are to pay for the expenses]

- (1) Letter of guarantee to pay expenses (Sponsor must fill out by him/herself)
 - * 2.(1) Please select the applicable option according to payment of tuition.
- (2) Proof of funds (the most recent)
 - * Copy of the bank book stated the latest balance is also accepted.
Each semester has different requirements for how recently your bank certificate has to be issued, so please contact school to get further information.
- (3) Proof of employment
 - * If the sponsor is a business owner or a private business owner, a copy of the company registration or a business license should be submitted.
- (4) Proof of income or tax payment stating income amount (the most recent)
- (5) Documents to certify the relationship with the applicant
 - * As a general rule, a sponsor should be a member of the applicant’s immediate family.

[In case sponsors in Japan are to pay for the expenses]

- (1) Letter of guarantee to pay expenses (Sponsor must fill out by him / herself.)
- (2) Sponsor's certificate of residence tax payment (income amount to be stated)
- (3) Certificate of bank balance
- (4) Proof of occupation
 - * Employee : A proof of employment
 - Business owner: A copy of company registration
 - Private business owner: A copy of business license
- (5) Certificate of residence for all family member including applicant
- (6) Documents to certify the relationship with the applicant
 - Certificate of residence and family registration should be attached
 - * In principle, sponsor should be members of the applicant's immediate family.

[In case applicants are to pay for expenses themselves]

- (1) Proof of funds (certificate of bank balance)
- (2) Proof of employment
- (3) Proof of income or tax payment stating income amount (the most recent)
- (4) Letter of guarantee to pay expenses
 - * Fill in only (1), (2), (3) in 2 and your name with signature on letter of guarantee.

[In case applicants can support their staying expenses on scholarship]

- (1) Certificate issued by the sponsoring organization that states the amount of scholarship and the name of sponsoring organization.
 - <If the sponsoring organization is a private company or organization>
- (2) Explanation on the nature business of the company and the document on the rules of scholarship
- (3) The selection criteria of the sponsoring organization
- (4) The list of students who received the scholarship in previous years (if applicable)

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1. Japanese translations must be attached to all documents which are in a foreign language.
2. The above-mentioned documents are the minimum requirements for the application.
 - The submission of other documents might be necessary, case by case, if further documentation of application is necessary.
3. Please let us know if you have any documents which you are unable to submit.
4. All documents have to be most recently issued.
5. All documents should be written on official forms, with the name and address of the issuing organization printed clearly.
6. If you have a guarantor who is a resident in Japan, a letter of guarantee must be attached.
7. We highly recommend that you make a photocopy of the documents and application so that you can review it easily.

2 . Applicants not applying for Student Visa

- (1) Application for admission
- (2) Proof of graduation (or expected graduation) or original diploma from last school attended (if applicable)
- (3) 2 4cm×3cm photographs (taken within the last 6 months, from chest up, hatless)
 - * If you have the data of the photo, please submit both the data and the printed photos.
- (4) A photocopy of passport
- (5) Written pledge
- (6) A photocopy of a residence card (if applicable)

Short-Term Course (Irregular Student)

This course is intended for those who stay in Japan on temporary visitor visa, working holiday, long-term resident or any other valid visa. Students can improve their Japanese ability as much as possible during the period. College student visa is not issued for the students in this course, so the application procedure is simple.

1 . Course Start

- ★ April, June, October, January
- * Students will be placed in classes according to their placement test scores.
- * Students will take the same classes offered to long-term Practical Japanese Course for Understanding Japanese Culture and Society or Higher Education Preparation Course.
- * Depending on the admission capacity of the school, we may only offer either a 3 or 6-month course. Please contact the school to get further information.

2 . Qualifications

- (1) Those who are 18 years of age or older
- (2) Those who are under 18 years but get approval from the Japanese course director

3 . How to Apply

Please submit the application form for short-term course and written pledge form with a photo (3cm×4cm) and a copy of a valid passport to the school office.

*If you have the digital data of the photo, please submit both the data and the printed photo.

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5 . Fees

●Enrollment Fee and Tuition

Period	Enrollment Fee	Tuition Fee
3 months (43 school days)	40,000yen	202,500yen
6 months (86 school days)	80,000yen	405,000yen

●Other Fees (The following fees are estimates and may be subject to change due to price increases.)

Period	Activities Fee	Accident Insurance Fee
3 months (43 school days)	7,000yen	3,000yen
6 months (86 school days)	14,000yen	3,000yen

*Material fees are not included in the above-stated tuition. (Around 20,000 yen – 30,000yen)

*Please contact the school about the fees for periods other than the ones specified above.

*Enrollment and Accident Insurance Fees will not be refunded under any circumstances.

*Paid tuition and Activities Fee can be refunded only if you submit the cancellation letter to school before the following deadlines.

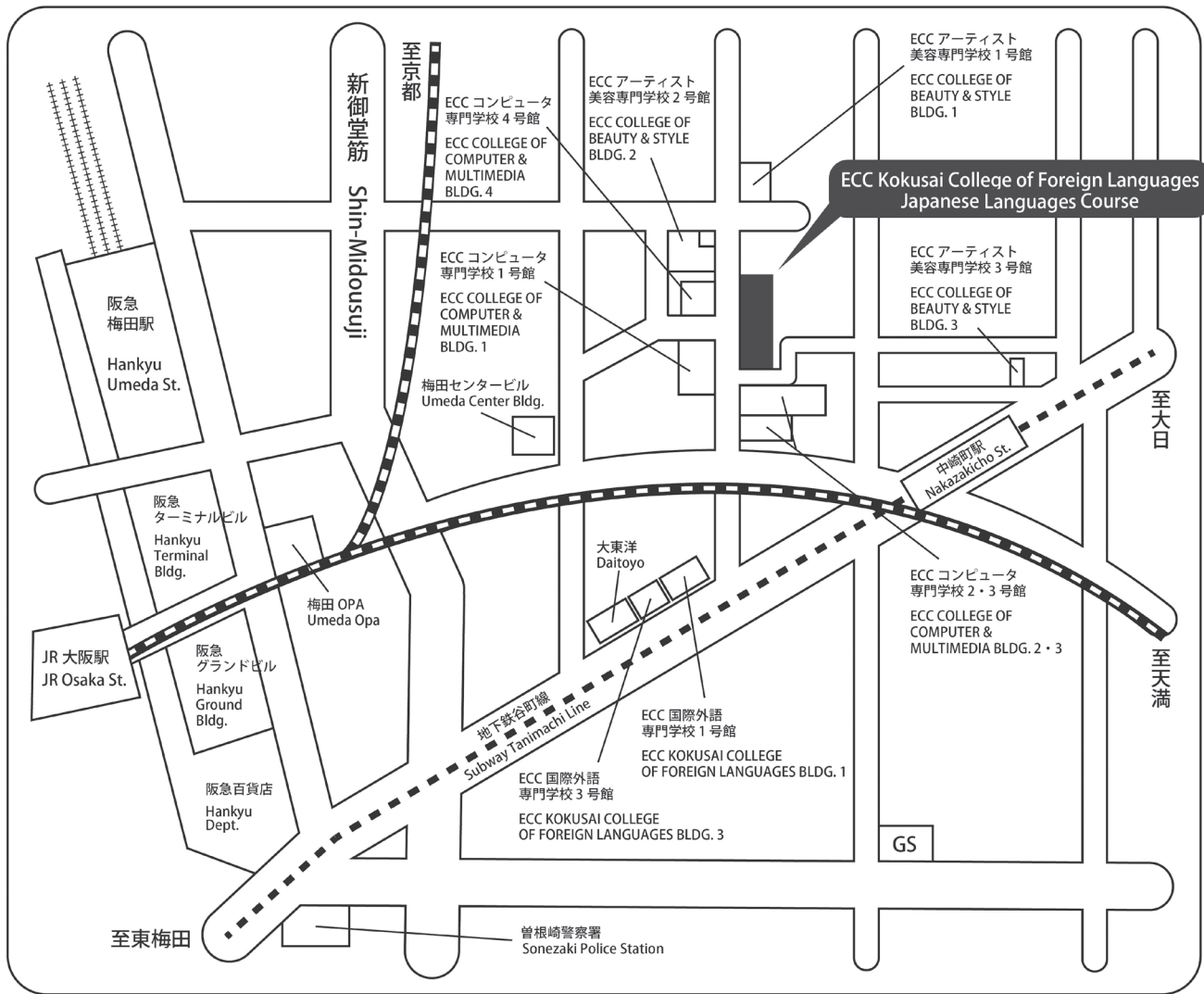
April term: by the last weekday of March during school opening hours

June term: by the last weekday of May during school opening hours

October term: by the last weekday of September during school opening hours

January term: by the last weekday of December during school opening hours

*Once you receive new textbooks from school, the fee of the received textbooks is not refunded



Access

- 10 minute walk from Airport Limousine Bus Hotel New Hankyu bus stop
- 10 minute walk from JR Osaka station
- 7 minute walk from Hankyu Osaka Umeda station
- 10 minute walk from Midosuji subway line Umeda station
- 1 minute walk from Tanimachi subway line Nakazakicho station
- 10 minute walk from Hanshin Umeda station