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Sapporo University

At a glance...

- **Site:**
Sapporo University
- **WWW Home Pages:**
<http://www.sapporo-u.ac.jp/kokusai/>
- **Location:**
Sapporo, Japan
- **Language of Instruction:**
Japanese, English
- **Subjects:**
Japanese language, Japanese studies
- **Credits:**
Transferable to UNL by dept. validation
- **Housing:**
Furnished apartments
- **Program Length:**
Academic year
- **Program Dates:**
April 1 through Mid-December
- **Type of Program:**
Exchange
- **Approximate Costs: (2007)**
\$7,676 (Nebraska resident) - year
\$17,950 (non-resident) -- year
plus apartment rental approximately
\$600 per month.
- **Eligibility:**
Undergraduate, 3.0 GPA preferred
- **Application Deadline:**
November 15
- **Contact:**
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The University Community

In 1967, Sapporo University began with one building and two departments, Economics and Foreign Languages, on its present site in Nishioka. Plans were already under way for expansion the following year when the first classes began. Since then, the university has grown and prospered. Now Sapporo University supports the following Departments: General Education and the Women's Junior College. Over 6000 students currently attend Sapporo University.

The Hokkaido region is well-known for its dramatic and unspoiled scenery that includes active volcanoes, large lakes and vast virgin forests. Within Hokkaido, the capital city of Sapporo is known for its unique history, striking natural beauty, and relaxed character. Many attractions unique to Sapporo contribute to the popularity of this well-planned city.

In little over a century, Sapporo has grown into a lively modern city and is one of the main pillars of the nation's economic prominence. With a population of 1.77 million, Sapporo is Japan's fifth largest city.

Known for its dynamic cultural activities, Sapporo annually welcomes visitors to a wide range of cultural events, including the celebrated Pacific Music Festival. In 1972 the city was chosen as the venue for the first Winter Olympic Games held in Asia.

Spring is a time of blossoms and rich greenery; fair weather from May through June leads into a comfortable summer climate that attracts visitors both from within Japan and abroad. Sapporo is often compared to the premier skiing spots in Switzerland and the world's other "Winter Wonderlands." With excellent conditions and facilities, ski enthusiasts visiting Sapporo head straight for the city's nearby slopes. An international airport and convenient public transportation system make Sapporo's many attractions accessible.

Courses of Study

Beginning Japanese I, II, III
Intermediate Japanese
International Communication
Intercultural Communication
Japanese Studies
International Studies

Living Arrangements

Housing will be arranged in furnished apartments.

Duration

The exchange program lasts two semesters. The spring semester begins in April and ends in mid-December.

Type of Program

The exchange program is based on an agreement between Sapporo University and UNL that allows a reciprocal exchange of students. Exchange students pay regular instructional costs to their home institution and then swap places with the student from the host institution. The number of students selected to participate in the exchange varies from year to year and depends on the balance of the exchange.

Credits earned at Sapporo University are transferable to UNL through department validations. UNL students remain eligible for most scholarships and other forms of financial aid that they would normally receive.



Still have questions?

What does International Affairs Do?

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln is committed to fostering international competence and respect for different perspectives. Many of UNL's faculty have national and international reputations and have formed strong linkages with scholars and institutions around the world. Through International Affairs, UNL brings these resources to bear on the challenges of preparing you for life and work in a rapidly changing and increasingly interdependent world.

To enhance your total educational experience, stop in at UNL's International Affairs Office and discover the many programs we coordinate overseas. Our staff is dedicated to finding just the right program that will fit your style and apply toward your graduation at UNL. And you will gain the unique experience of education through the eyes and ears of another culture.

Am I Eligible to Apply?

Any UNL undergraduate is eligible to participate in the program at Sapporo University. Students applying for the exchange program should demonstrate a genuine interest in Asian studies, languages, or international experience and must display a general interest in the program. Two semesters of previous language instruction are required. A placement exam on arrival in Japan will place students at the appropriate level of instruction.

When Should I Apply?

The application deadline for the exchange program is November 15. A complete application consists of: Form A (bio-statistics); Form B (personal essay); two of Form C (academic reference); Form D (language proficiency); Form E (proposed plan of study); and an official transcript. All forms may be picked up from International Affairs, or downloaded from: www.unl.edu/iaffairs

How Much will it Cost?

The two-semester exchange program costs about \$7,676 for Nebraska residents and \$17,950 for non residents (2007). This includes instructional costs and insurance. The estimate for the apartment rental is \$600 per month. Transportation (about \$1300), books, meals and other personal expenses are not included in this estimate. Scholarships available for this program include a Kawasaki Travel Grant and a TRI-CON scholarship. Financial aid can be applied.

What About Transportation?

A list of suggestions for student discounted airfare is available at International Affairs.

What else will I need?

Passport pictures; passport and visa information; books and materials about living, traveling, and working abroad are available in the International Affairs resource center at 420 University Terrace; 472-5358.

Can I Get More Information?

Complete course descriptions, more program information, and general books about Japan are available in the International Affairs resource center at 420 University Terrace, Lincoln, NE, 68588-0682; 402/472-5358. **Academics:** Students should discuss general academic information about Sapporo and Asian studies with a faculty member of the Asian Studies Committee: Noriko Asato (Modern Languages), Peter Bleed (Anthropology), Parks Coble (History), Edward Nemeth (Educational Psychology), David Rapkin (Political Science), Richard Schmidt (HPER), Robert Stoddard (Geography), and Andrew Wedeman (Political Science). Students also should discuss study plans with their regular academic advisers.

Financial Aid: International Affairs offers limited scholarship assistance to promote diversity in UNL study abroad programs. Contact International Affairs for information. For other types of financial aid contact Caroline Routh in the UNL Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid; 472-2030.

Administrative Details: For applications and details about studying abroad, transferring credit, etc., see additional handout materials or contact a study abroad adviser at International Affairs, 420 University Terrace; 472-5358.

Related Programs: Additional exchange programs in Asia include Senshu University and Nanzan University in Japan and Keimyung University in South Korea; and several sites in Hong Kong and Thailand through the International Student Exchange Program (ISEP), of which UNL is a member institution.

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