Japanese – Off-Campus Study

Modern Language students study abroad to perfect their language skills, to develop cross-cultural skills, and to deepen their understanding of cultures, societies and histories of the people who speak the language they study. More information: Office of International Education: oie@beloit.edu  http://www.beloit.edu/oie/

Note: Language programs are open to students in all disciplines. Prerequisites for language are the minimum required for the program, more language study is highly recommended. Students must be enrolled in an appropriate language course the semester or summer before study abroad.

Study Abroad

Japan – Akita University, Akita City  
**Language:** Liberal arts classes taught in English, Japanese language and culture courses in Japanese.  
**Prereqs:** Beloit requires 2 years college Japanese, 2.5 cumulative gpa and gpa in Japanese; previous coursework focused on Japan such as art history, history, politics or other subjects.  
**Housing:** On-campus accommodations with Japanese students, meal plan.  
**Details:** Liberal arts education focused on either Global Studies or Global Business. Residential campus with excellent facilities and Japan’s only 24-hour library. Nearly all students live on campus in a region of north Japan known for its natural beauty. Exchange students enroll in Japanese language and cultural courses for international students as well as regular university courses with Japanese students; English is the medium of instruction for these. Course credits range from 1-6 credits with most earning 3 credits or .75 Beloit units; minimum course load is 12 credits. Academic calendar meshes with U.S. calendar: semester 1: March – July; semester 2: September – December. Exchange students may begin either semester. Akita International requires all of its students to study abroad for one semester.  
https://www.beloit.edu/oie/off_campus/find_program/beloit/

Japan – Kansai Gaidai University, Hirakata City, Osaka  
**Language:** English, Japanese language courses in Japanese  
**Prereqs:** Beloit requires 2 years of college-level Japanese, 3.0 cumulative gpa and gpa in Japanese; previous coursework focused on Japan such as art history, history, politics or other subjects.  
**Housing:** Host family (strongly recommended), dormitory or apartments with international students. Students provide their own meals.  
**Details:** Asian Studies Program courses focused on Japan and taught in English; intensive Japanese language study; orientation program; Speaking Partner Program; courses with other international students and a few Japanese students; most courses are .75 Beloit units; students may take study art class. Academic calendar is the same as the U.S. calendar.  
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Japan – ISEP: Nanzan University, Nagoya  
**Language:** English and Japanese  
**Prereqs:** Beloit requires 2 years of college-level Japanese, 3.0 cumulative gpa and gpa in Japanese; previous coursework focused on Japan such as art history, history, politics or other subjects.  
**Housing:** Host family (with a commute to campus); private dormitories with meals; University international halls of residence with apartments, shared kitchen facilities; students may find own apartment.  
**Details:** Intensive Japanese language courses from elementary to advanced. The Center for Japanese Studies offers courses in Japanese for advanced language proficiency, lecture courses in Japanese area studies taught in English, plus courses in traditional Japanese arts. Students take a language class and carry a course load of 14-18 credit hours; course credits range from 2 credits (arts) to 8 credits (intensive language). Academic calendar is the same as the U.S. calendar. Recommended for students planning to attend graduate school in Japanese.  
http://www.isep.org/students/Directory/member_site.asp?CSID=86&ID=240

Scholarships available for study in Japan. See Scholarships page on the OIE Study Abroad website.

Note: students studying abroad in Japan may elect to spend the academic year at one university or combine a semester of study at one with a second semester at a different university.  
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