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Welcome to Ibaraki University!

Ibaraki University is a national university that was established in 1949. The university has five colleges, five graduate programs, and one diploma program on three campuses (Mito, Hitachi, and Ami). The three campuses are all located in Ibaraki Prefecture, which forms part of the National Capital Region. There are approximately 7,000 undergraduate students and 1,100 graduate students, including 300 international students.
WHERE IS IBARAKI UNIVERSITY
Ibaraki University has student exchange agreements with numerous partner universities around the world. The exchange program is specifically tailored for international students who wish to study at Ibaraki University for one semester or a full year.

### Details of the students exchange agreements

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<th>Tuition Fees</th>
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| Term         | 1. First Semester: April-August  
2. Second Semester: Late September-February  
3. One year (Students can start in either semester) |
2. General Exchange Program: At least JLPT N2 Level  
3. AIMS Program: All Japanese levels (including beginners)  
See details for each program |
| Housing      | University Dormitory (See page # for more information) |

### Academic calendar

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**OVERVIEW OF IBARAKI EXCHANGE PROGRAM**
Ibaraki University offers the following programs for exchange students.

**Program I  Japanese Language and Culture Program**

**Location**
Mito Campus

**Language Requirement**
All Japanese levels (including beginners)
Students who wish to attend a beginner’s courses must have English communication skills.

**Outline**
This program provides students with an opportunity to learn and to improve their Japanese language skills and to deepen their understanding of Japanese culture and society.
Students take Japanese language classes, and classes related to Japan that are taught in English. Intermediate-advanced students may also take college classes taught in Japanese.
A wide range of cultural and educational activities are also provided throughout the semester.

**Program II  General Exchange Program**

**Location**
Mito Campus
(College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Science, Education)
Hitachi Campus (College of Engineering)
Ami Campus (College of Agriculture)

**Language Requirement**
Students must have JLPT N2 level (undergraduate)

**Outline**
Students are enrolled in one of the colleges or graduate schools at Ibaraki University. Almost all undergraduate classes are conducted in Japanese, thus a high proficiency in the Japanese language will be required.
Students who seek to enroll at the graduate level can, upon obtaining the approval of their academic advisor, commence their research studies in English.

**Program III  AIMS Program**

**Location**
Ami Campus (College of Agriculture)

**Term**
September-December

**Language Requirement**
No knowledge of Japanese language required.
For more information: http://ddp.agr.ibaraki.ac.jp/aims.html
01 Japanese language classes

Ibaraki University offers Japanese language classes for all levels (Level 1 through Level 5), ensuring that each student will find themselves in the right learning environment (exchange students will take a placement test upon their arrival).

The following are the Japanese language classes offered. Each class is 90 minutes.

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<th>Japanese Level</th>
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<th>Classes (number of classes per week)</th>
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<td>Level 1</td>
<td>For complete beginners</td>
<td>General Japanese Level 1 (6 classes)</td>
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<td>Pre-intermediate students who have studied Japanese for one year or more. Equivalent to the N5–N4 level of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT).</td>
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<td>Intermediate-advanced students Equivalent to the JLPT N2–N1 level.</td>
<td>General Japanese Level 5 A/B 2 classes Japanese Culture and Society A/B (1 class) Academic Japanese I (1 class)* Academic Japanese II A/B/C (1 class)*</td>
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*classes are offered as regular university courses.
Several courses, particularly related to Japanese culture and society, are conducted in English. Some of the courses can be seen below.

**Japan-related classes in English**

Japanese Pop Culture A/B
Studies in Contemporary Japan
Studies in Particular Field
Geography of Japan
Analyzing Social Issues A/B

Media Effects A/B
Japanese Film History
Media and Politics in Japan A/B
Media and Democratic Citizenship
Diversity and Social Issues in Japan A/B

Note: Some of the above courses may not be offered in a given semester or academic year.

**Model timetable [a student at a pre-intermediate level]**

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- Japanese language classes
- Content classes with Japanese students (instruction is in English)
- Fieldwork learning class for exchange students
The University organizes various activities to promote cultural exchange between international and Japanese students.
2. Student organizations and extracurricular activities

One way to make Japanese friends is to join a club or circle (i.e. society) of your interest. In general, clubs are stricter than circles and require members to attend regularly. There are more than 200 clubs/circles at Ibaraki University, ranging from Japanese cultural circles to sports clubs. We strongly recommend international students to participate in some form of extracurricular activity during their stay at Ibaraki University.

3. Housing

A housing facility (the International House) is provided for students and researchers who arrive at Ibaraki University.

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4. Part-Time Jobs

Exchange students can work part time for up to 28 hours per week with the permission from the Immigration Office. However, if you wish to find a part-time job, be sure to consult your faculty advisor first, and manage your working hours so that it does not disrupt your studies. We encourage you to start working only after getting used to your study load and the cultural norms of Japanese society.
STUDENT SUPPORT

01 Multiple tutor system
You can have an individual student tutor. Your tutor is typically a Japanese student from your home department who will help you with daily life. In addition, you will most likely be in touch with other student tutors as well (dorm tutors, lounge tutors, etc.) who will assist you when you need help at specific locations.

02 Counseling
Each student is assigned a faculty advisor based on the student’s field of study and interests. Additionally, the Center for Global Education can also offer advice and counseling service for international students that experience academic and/or personal issues.

03 University Health Center
The University Health Center is a facility where doctors, counselors, and nurses, provide a variety of health services (e.g. first-aid treatment) to students to ensure their physical and mental well-being.

04 Health insurance
National Health Insurance
Exchange students are required to subscribe to the National Health Insurance. Necessary procedures for registration can be completed upon the student’s arrival. The insurance premium is paid monthly once the registration is completed.

Students Accident Insurance
In addition to the National Health Insurance program, exchange students are required to join the Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research plan. This insurance covers unexpected accidents and injuries that students may unfortunately experience during the course of their stay at Ibaraki University.
WHAT TO DO IN IBARAKI

1 Izura Coast (Kitaibaraki)
2 Hitachi Seaside Park (Hitachinaka) - Kochia
3 Hitachi Seaside Park (Hitachinaka) - Baby blue eyes
4 Oaraki Isosaki Shrine (Oarai)
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6 Ushiku Daibutsu (Ushiku)
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