



# Japan Center for Michigan Universities

## Semester Programs

### Take 10 credits of Japanese language in one semester!

The JCMU semester programs are designed for students who want to concentrate on Japanese language study while experiencing life in Japan. Intensive study of a language in its country of origin is one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences one can have in a short period of time. Unlike foreign language study in the U.S., students have an immediate context in which to apply and develop their skills.



Each semester, students take 10 credits of Japanese language, plus at least one elective course totaling at least 13 credits/semester. The program involves several hours of daily instruction, supplemented by time in the language lab and with Japanese conversation partners. The instruction emphasizes all four basic skills: speaking, listening, reading and writing.

Students are placed into one of four Japanese language levels based on placement exams given at the beginning of the program. Beyond classroom training, JCMU students are able to apply their improving language skills in the local community and throughout Japan. Field trips, demonstrations, and other activities, whether organized by the JCMU staff or initiated by students, complement the language study. Optional homestays with local families offer the ultimate opportunity to meet and interact with Japanese people.



Students may either live with families (“homestays”) or in the JCMU apartments. Homestays are an important part of the Japan experience. JCMU arranges homestays of various durations, based on family availability and student preferences. Student apartments are designed for double occupancy, each with a private bedroom/study, shared kitchen, dining area and bathroom. The residential building also contains a computer lab, wireless internet, laundry, television room, weight room and lounge.

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**Dates:** Spring (winter) 2010: Jan. 4 - April 18 & Fall 2010: Sept. 1 - Dec. 19

**Academic Focus:** 10 credits of intensive Japanese language + elective(s)

**Requirements:** No prior Japanese language study is required.

Students in various fields and majors may apply.

**Costs\*:** Program Fee - \$7,100 (tuition, books, health insurance)

Housing Fee - \$2,080 (homestay or JCMU apartment)

**Scholarships:** Consortium member university students receive an automatic \$1,700 scholarship.

**Application Deadline:** Fall semester - First Friday in March

Spring (winter semester) - Third Friday in September

\* JCMU reserves the right to adjust fees at any time.

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