

Kagoshima University Global Initiative Center  
'Study Japan Program' Regulations

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**1. Overview**

The following will provide information on the Kagoshima University Global Initiative Center Study Japan Program (SJP) and outline how to complete the course including the evaluation of examination results.

**2. Objective**

The SJP aims to promote and expand Kagoshima University's Study Abroad Program by giving foreign students the basic skills in Japanese language and culture which will provide them with the stable base they need for their university life.

**3. Semesters**

The SJP is run over two semesters

Spring semester: 1<sup>st</sup> April – 30<sup>th</sup> September

Autumn semester: 1<sup>st</sup> October – 31<sup>st</sup> March

**4. Subjects**

The SPJ curriculum is divided into the following areas

(1) Japanese language

(2) Japanese culture

2 Class names, credits and contents are decided separately.

**5. Structure**

The SPJ curriculum is divided into compulsory and elective subjects.

**6. Credit Points**

Credit points are calculated according to the Kagoshima University Charter (2004, Article 86) clause 40-1 and are as follows.

(1) Lectures - 15hrs of class time is worth 1 credit

(2) Seminars – 30hrs of class time is worth 1 credit

**7. Registration**

Students are required to register for the classes they wish to take at the Global Initiative Center during the set time period.

2 Students cannot attend or take the examination of subjects they have not registered for.

**8. Examination Period**

Examinations are conducted at the end of the semester; however this is subject to change if necessary.

**9. Eligibility Requirements for the Final Examinations**

As a general rule, students must attend 2/3 of the overall lesson hours in the class they have taken in order to be eligible for the final examination.

**10. Examination Methods**

There are both practical and essay style examinations

(1) The practical tests consist of both written and oral parts. However some seminar classes do not have examinations and are graded on prior class work.

(2) The essay examinations take place at the end of the studies with the student creating a written report based on a subject given to them by the instructing lecturer, which is then submitted and graded.

**11. Assessment of Results**

All examinations have a total of 100 points, with a passing grade of 60.

2 The grading system will follow the criteria defined in each class syllabus.

3 Passing grades of A (a score of 90 and above), B (80 - 89), C (70 - 79), D (60 - 69) and failure with F (59 and under)

**12. Accreditation**

Credit points are given to only those who have passed the final examination.

**13. Announcement of Results**

Results will be announced at the end of the semester, with the student receiving a grade as previously outlined in article 11-3.

**14. Supplementary and Re-examinations**

(1) Students who were unable to sit the exam due to unavoidable circumstances may take a supplementary examination within 1 week of the end of the examination period. Students who have missed the test due to illness must have a doctor's certificate and those who missed it due to an accident must provide some sort of proof, which is to be presented to both the class teacher and the head teacher of the Global Initiative Center.

(2) As a general rule, re-examinations are not conducted, however when deemed necessary by the teachers a student can re-sit an examination they failed to pass. In this case the student will not receive anything higher than a C grade.

**15. Completion**

A student who at the end of semester has completed the required classes and received the accompanying credit points will be recognized by Kagoshima University Global Initiative Center Steering Committee as having officially completed the Study Japan Program and will receive a certificate of completion.

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