

IWATE UNIVERSITY IHATOV SUMMER PROGRAM (IUIS)2026 GUIDELINE

The Iwate University IHATOV Summer Program (IUIS), a new program this academic year, is a 2-week program where students can learn Japanese language and culture. This program is open to students who are enrolled in overseas universities, and offers two Japanese courses, an introductory course, and a lower intermediate course. Participants will be able to deepen their understanding of Japan and Iwate through not only Japanese classes but also Japanese cultural activities and field trips while staying in an international student housing on campus (International House).

◇Program Period

Tuesday, August 18, 2026 – Monday, August 31, 2026 (13 nights and 14 days)

◇Organized by

Iwate University International Education Center

◇Venue

Iwate University and facilities in Morioka city and Iwate Prefecture

◇Accommodation

Iwate University International House (shared rooms, or single rooms in some cases)

◇Program Types

Standard plan: Japanese classes (morning), Japanese culture classes (afternoon), and field trips (weekends)

◇Target Participants

Students enrolled in overseas universities (including partner universities)

Japanese level: ① Introductory / no experience in Japanese

② Intermediate & advanced speaking Japanese / N3 or higher

◇Participation Fee

For students enrolled in one of our partner universities	180,000 JPY
For students not enrolled in one of our partner universities	220,000 JPY

※The participation fee above is partially subsidized by Iwate University for students enrolled in one of our partner universities.

※If the total number of participants exceeds 16, the participation fee will be reduced by approximately 20,000 JPY.

Included in participation fee	Not included in participation fee
① Registration fee ② Japanese classes tuition ③ Accommodation fee (for 13 nights during the program) ④ Course materials fee ⑤ Cultural experience expenses (afternoon) ⑥ Field trip fee	⑦ Travel expenses to Morioka (round-trip air tickets and domestic transportation expenses) ⑧ Food expenses ⑨ Overseas travel insurance

◇Number of Participants

Minimum 10 students and maximum 20 students

- Course A (Introductory Japanese / no Japanese experience): Max. 10
- Course B (Intermediate & advanced speaking Japanese / N2 or above): Max. 10

※Note: In the case of a large number of applicants, priority will be given to students from partner universities.

◇Credits

No credits will be granted. Certificate of completion will be issued to the participants.

◇Insurance

Participants must purchase overseas travel insurance before coming to Japan.

◇Participation Fee Payment Method

Payment by credit card

Iwate University will contact you about payment after your participation is confirmed.

◇Program Video

Please watch the video showcasing the 2025 Summer Program.

<https://youtu.be/lhQKJIc106A>

◇Application procedure

For Students:

Step1: Apply via Microsoft Forms using the following QR code:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/Q4qd5Du8xz>

※The application form is available in Japanese, Chinese, Korean, and English



Step2: Please send an email to iuic@iwate-u.ac.jp with the following documents attached:

- a. A Certificate of Enrollment (PDF)
- b. The ID page of your passport (PDF)

◇Application Deadline

Friday, June 19, 2026 (Japan Time)

◇Inquiries

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«Schedule for Standard Plan»

* The contents of Japanese classes and Japanese cultural activities are subject to change.

Date/Time	Program	Venue
Tuesday, August 18		
All day	Arrival → Narita/Haneda/Sendai → Morioka Station International House Check-in	International House
Wednesday, August 19		
Morning 10:00-11:00	Opening ceremony Orientation	Hokuto Hall
11:30-12:30	Welcome Lunch	
Afternoon 14:00-16:00	Iwate University Campus tour	On Campus
Thursday, August 20		
Morning 9:30-11:45	Japanese classes (120 minutes in total)	Student Center B
Afternoon 13:00 13:30-14:30 15:00-16:00 16:30-17:00 17:30	Morioka City downtown tour Meet in front of Student Center A Houon-ji Hachimangu Morioka castle site park Arrival at Student Center A	Morioka City
Friday, August 21		
Morning 9:30-11:45	Japanese classes (120 minutes in total)	Student Center B
Afternoon 14:00-17:00	Japanese game activities at Global Village	Global Village
Saturday, August 22		
All day 8:00 9:30-11:30 11:30 12:00-13:30 13 : 30 15:00-16:30 16:30 18:00	Field Trip Meet in front of Student Center A “Tono Furusato Mura” Village & Zen meditation Activity Departure from “Tono Furusato Mura” Village “Tono Kaze no Oka” Roadside station (Free time•Lunch at own expense) Departure from “Tono Kaze no Oka” Road side station Iwate Tsunami Memorial Museum Departure from Iwate Tsunami Memorial Museum Arrival at Student Center A	Tono, Rikuzentakata Recommend to bring a towels!!

Sunday, August 23		
All day	Free	
Monday, August 24		
Morning 9:30-11:45	Japanese classes (120 minutes in total)	Student Center B
Afternoon 12:30 13:00-14:30 14:30 15:00-16:00 16:00 16:30	Meet in front of Student Center A Grand Seiko Studio Shizukuishi Departure from Grand Seiko Studio Shizukuishi Matsubokkuri Departure from Matsubokkuri Arrival at Student Center A	Shizukuishi town
Tuesday, August 25		
Morning 9:30-11:45	Japanese classes (120 minutes in total)	Student Center B
Afternoon 14:00-17:00	Japanese Culture Experience Sansa odori dance	Global Village or Multipurpose Room
Wednesday, August 26		
Morning 9:30-11:45	Japanese classes (120 minutes in total)	Student Center B
Afternoon 14:00-17:00	Japanese Culture Experience Tea ceremony activity	Global Village or Multipurpose Room
Thursday, August 27		
Morning 9:30-11:45	Japanese classes (120 minutes in total)	Student Center B
Afternoon 14:00-17:00	Japanese Culture Experience Calligraphy Workshop	Shodo Room
Friday, August 28		
Morning 9:30-11:30	Ikebana Workshop	Student Center B
Afternoon 13:00-16:00 16:30-17:30 18:00-19:00	Meet at free space in Student Center B Kimono activity Closing Ceremony Farewell Party	Global Village or Multipurpose Room On Campus

Saturday, August 29		
All day	Field Tour (World Heritage, Hiraizumi)	Hiraizumi
8:00	Meet in front of Student Center A	
9:30-10:30	Hiraizumi World Heritage Information Center, Roadside station	
10:45-11:45	Motsu-ji	
11:45	Departure from Motsu-ji	
12:00-13:15	Lunch (Free time/ Lunch at own expense)	
13:15	End of the Lunch and Departure	
13:30-15:30	The World Heritage, Hiraizumi Chuson-ji	
15:30	Departure Chuson-ji	
17:00	Arrival at Student Center A	
Sunday, August 30		
Morning	Japanese Culture Experience	Shizukuishi
9:30	Meet in front of Student Center A	
10:00-12:00	Handicraft Activity at Morioka Handcrafts Village Dying Handkerchief/ Tear-Weaving	
12:00	Departure from Morioka Handcraft Village	
12:30	Arrival at Student Center A	
Afternoon	Packing	
Monday, August 31		
Morning	Moving to Tokyo	