

September 8, 2022

Dear Partner,

On behalf of Hokkaido University, I am pleased to inform you about the application for our exchange programs, HUSTEP (Hokkaido University Short Term Exchange Program), and JLCSP (Japanese Language and Culture Studies Program) for 2023 Spring Semester Course.

### **HUSTEP 2023 Spring Semester**

Regarding the HUSTEP application forms and other required documents, you can download them from the HUSTEP website:

<https://www.global.hokudai.ac.jp/admissions/exchange-student-admissions/exchange-programs-in-english-hustep/>

The outline of **HUSTEP** 2023 Spring Semester Course is as follows:

1. Period of Enrollment: April 1, 2023– August 31, 2023 (5 months)
2. Application Deadline: **October 28, 2022 (JST) (Cannot be extended)**
3. Admission notification: mid-December, 2022

**Please email the entire application as a PDF to [hustep@oia.hokudai.ac.jp](mailto:hustep@oia.hokudai.ac.jp) before sending the hard copy.**

4. Program Features:

- Designed for **undergraduate students** both in the field of Art and Science
- Courses in English (Japanese language ability is not required)
- Admission and tuition fee waiver
- Being eligible to apply for the Japan Student Service Organization (JASSO) scholarship

5. Important Details:

- Applications received **after the deadline will not be accepted.**
- Non-native English speakers must have a score of at least TOEFL iBT 79 or IELTS 6.5.
- Due to the capacity of the program, there is a screening process to select the participants. Not all students who apply will be accepted.

**-Many students will be unable to receive the scholarship when there will be a large number of outstanding JASSO applicants.**

6. The impact of COVID-19 on HUSTEP Spring 2023

Although the COVID-19 pandemic situation remains unstable in Japan, we are planning to hold HUSTEP 2023 as scheduled. Please note that HUSTEP students are required to enter Japan on the conditions that the Japanese government approved. Given the situation, if the schedule and some conditions may change, we will inform you about this once the details are decided before the semester starts,

If you have any questions, please contact NONAKA Maki, an administrative coordinator of HUSTEP program at [hustep@oia.hokudai.ac.jp](mailto:hustep@oia.hokudai.ac.jp).

## JLCSP (Japanese Language and Culture Studies Program) 2023 Spring Semester

Regarding the JLCSP application forms and other required documents, you can download them from the JLCSP website:

<https://www.global.hokudai.ac.jp/admissions/exchange-student-admissions/exchange-programs-in-japanese-jlcsp/>

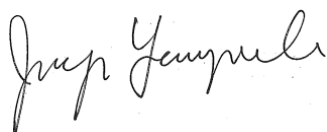
The outline of JLCSP Half-Year (2023 Spring Semester) is as follows:

1. Period: April 1, 2023 - August 31, 2023 (5 months)
2. Application Deadline: Friday, October 28, 2022 (JST) **(Cannot be extended)**
3. Admission notification: Mid-December 2022
4. The objectives of this program are:
  - (1) to improve students' Japanese language proficiency in order to enable them to interact with Japanese speakers and to conduct research in Japanese.
  - (2) to acquire basic knowledge and methodology for Japanese studies - especially relating to Japanese general and applied linguistics.
  - (3) to gain a deeper understanding of Japanese language and culture through various courses.
5. Important Details:
  - Qualification of applicants  
Those who major Japanese language and culture in the undergraduate courses of the university-wide agreement partners of Hokkaido University. (Department-wide agreement partners not eligible) First-year students are not eligible to apply.  
Those who have finished introductory level and reached intermediate level of Japanese language study at the time of submission: those who passed N3 or above level of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test or have equal ability with successful applicants of the test.
  - How to submit application  
Application materials need to be sent to Hokkaido University by email and posting.
  - How we will manage the program  
In light of the unceasing spread of COVID-19, we may be obliged to consider providing our programs unordinary ways.

If you have any questions, please contact SAGAWA Kota, an administrative coordinator of JLCSP program at [jlcsp@oia.hokudai.ac.jp](mailto:jlcsp@oia.hokudai.ac.jp).

It would be appreciated if you could recommend your outstanding and highly motivated students to participate in our program. We sincerely appreciate your collaboration and supports.

Sincerely Yours,



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