



AOYAMA GAKUIN UNIVERSITY (TOKYO)

Fact Sheet for Student Exchange Program 2026

General Information	
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Contact Persons at Aoyama Campus	Inbound Exchange (Partner University students coming to AGU) Inbound Exchange Team Email: exchange@aoyamagakuin.jp Outbound Exchange (AGU students going to Partner Universities) Outbound Exchange Team Email: agu-outbound1@aoyamagakuin.jp
Locations of the Campuses and Academic Departments	<u>Aoyama Campus</u> 4-4-25, Shibuya, Shibuya-Ku, Tokyo, JAPAN 150-8366 - 8 Academic Schools/Colleges: Literature; Education, Psychology & Human Studies; Economics; Law; Business; International Politics, Economics & Communication; Cultural and Creative Studies. <u>MBA (Aoyama Business School)</u> <u>Sagamihara Campus</u> 5-10-1, Fuchinobe, Chuo-Ku, Sagamihara, Kanagawa, JAPAN 252-5258 - 4 Academic Schools/Colleges: Science & Engineering; Social Informatics; Global Studies & Collaboration (Japan Studies Program); Community Studies
Related Websites/Videos	Inbound Exchange Program Website: https://www.aoyama.ac.jp/international/fro_m_overseas/exchange/ [Japanese] https://www.aoyama.ac.jp/en/admission/exchange/ [English] University Website: http://www.aoyama.ac.jp/ [Japanese] https://www.aoyama.ac.jp/en/ [English] Introduction of AGU Students: Interviews AGU LiFE–Spotlighting AOGAKUJIN– Campus Tour (YouTube Videos): 1) Aoyama Campus (in Tokyo) 2) Sagamihara Campus (in Kanagawa Prefecture) The New Library at Aoyama Campus (YouTube Video) https://youtu.be/sOzi2hLgqUY Aoyama Gakuin Website: https://www.aoyamagakuin.jp/ [Japanese]
Academic Information	
Academic Calendar	<u>Spring 2026 (1st Semester)</u> End of March: Arrival in Japan End of March to Early April: Orientation week Early April to End of July: Classes are held End of July to Early August: Final Exam Period <u>Fall 2026 (2nd Semester)</u> Early September: Arrival in Japan Mid-September: Orientation week Mid-September to End of January: Classes are held End of January to Early February: Final Exam Period https://www.aoyama.ac.jp/en/campuslife/academic_calendar.html

<p>Japanese Courses for Exchange Students (optional courses)</p>	<p><u>Aoyama Campus</u> Japanese Language & Culture Classes - Japanese (A),(B),(C), and (D) subjects: Maximum 4 classes/week (accredited) - Society and Culture of Japan (accredited) - Japanology: 1 class per week (accredited) - Japanese class for beginners conducted in English (non-accredited)</p> <p><u>Sagamihara Campus</u> Japanese Language & Culture Classes - Japanese (A),(B),(C), and (D) subjects: Maximum 4 classes/week (accredited) - Society and Culture of Japan (accredited) - Japanology: 1 class per week (accredited) - Japanese class for beginners conducted in English (non-accredited, at Aoyama Campus)</p> <p>IMPORTANT NOTES: 1) Taking Japanese language courses is <u>optional</u>. AGU will conduct a Japanese placement test before students' arrival. Based on the placement test result, the level of the class will be determined. 2) A certain level of Japanese proficiency (Japanese CEFR--A2 Level or equivalent) is required to register for <u>credit-earning</u> Japanese language courses. 3) <u>Non-credit-earning Japanese language courses for beginners taught in English are offered at the Aoyama Campus (free of charge).</u></p>
<p>Course Syllabuses</p>	<p>http://syllabus.aoyama.ac.jp/ * For every School Year, course information and the English course list are updated at the end of March.</p>
<p>Course Information for Exchange Students (Undergraduate)</p>	<p>https://www.aoyama.ac.jp/en/admission/exchange/course.html Exchange Students can take courses at the Aoyama and Sagamihara Campuses, except for some classes, such as the accredited Japanese language class. However, please note that commuting between the campuses takes about 80 to 90 minutes. https://www.aoyama.ac.jp/outline/campus/?wovn=en</p>
<p>Course Restrictions for Exchange Students</p>	<p>Physical education classes, Teacher's Certificate Courses, foreign language courses for degree-seeking students, some courses offered by the Department of Education, and courses that are not open to exchange students.</p>
<p>Nomination of a Graduate Student</p>	<p>If a student wants to enroll in one of AGU's Master's Programs, they must belong to a graduate school <u>at the time of application</u>. Graduate students may be accepted on a limited basis, subject to approval from the graduate school based on the student's academic objectives and backgrounds. Please contact the International Center before nominating a graduate student.</p> <p>Some Graduate Schools require a high level of Japanese language proficiency (JLPT N1 level). A few, such as International Politics, Economics & Communication, Aoyama Business School (MBA), and the Graduate School of Business, do not.</p> <p>NOTE: Graduate students from our partner institutions are eligible to enroll in AGU's undergraduate program. However, they can only take courses for undergraduate students and are NOT allowed to take classes for graduate students in this case.</p>

Nomination of a student who receives reasonable academic accommodations	If the nominated student is receiving reasonable academic accommodations at their home university due to a disability or medical condition, <u>please contact the International Center, to the extent possible, at least four weeks before the nomination deadline.</u> AGU will assess if we can provide the reasonable accommodations the student needs. <u>Please note that there may be a case where AGU is unable to accept the student, depending on the reasonable accommodations they require.</u>
Minimum Number of Credits	14 credits per semester (undergraduates)
Course Registration	Register online during the registration period after attending the course registration orientation upon arrival.
Transcripts Issuance Timing	<p>Spring (1st Semester) Grade Report (in Japanese, on the student portal): Early September Official Transcript (in English): Late September</p> <p>Fall (2nd Semester) Grade Report (in Japanese, on the student portal): Early March Official Transcript (in English): April</p> <p>IMPORTANT NOTE: AGU cannot issue an official transcript before the specified months above.</p>
Application for Inbound Exchange Program	
Duration of Exchange	One semester or one full year (two semesters)
Required G.P.A	<p>G.P.A. 2.5 (4.0 scale) or above</p> <p>NOTE: If G.P.A. is not on a 4.0 scale, please submit a 'Verification of Academic Standing' written by the International Office Director that states that the student has scored at average or above average in their official grades.</p>
Required Language Proficiency	<p>Aoyama Campus</p> <p><u>(1) Literature; (2) Education, Psychology & Human Studies(*1); (3) Economics(*1); (4) Law(*1); (5) Business; (6) International Politics, Economics & Communication; and (7) Cultural and Creative Studies</u></p> <p>A) The applicant has studied Japanese for more than one year and has the JLPT N5 or equivalent OR B) Japanese Proficiency is NOT REQUIRED if the applicant will take only English-taught courses. Instead, applicants must demonstrate the following English proficiency: a TOEFL iBT score of 68 or an IELTS score of <u>5.5 or higher</u>, unless they are native English speakers. (*2)</p> <p><u>(8) MBA Program (Aoyama Business School)</u></p> <p>A) If a student plans to take courses offered in Japanese, ABS requires the JLPT N1 test score at the time of application. OR B) Japanese Proficiency is NOT REQUIRED if the applicant will take only English-taught courses. Instead, applicants must demonstrate the following English proficiency: a TOEFL iBT score of 68 or an IELTS score of <u>5.5 or higher</u>, unless they are native English speakers. (*2)</p> <p>Sagamihara Campus</p> <p><u>(1) Social Informatics(*1), (2) Science & Engineering (undergraduate) (*1), (3) Community Studies(*1)</u></p> <p>- The applicant has studied Japanese for more than 1 year, and has the JLPT N5 or equivalent</p>

	<p>(4) Global Studies and Collaboration (Japan Studies Program)</p> <p>A) The applicant has studied Japanese for more than 1 year and has the JLPT N5 or equivalent OR B) Japanese Proficiency is NOT REQUIRED if the applicant will take only English-taught courses. In this case, they must have the following English Proficiency: <u>TOEFL iBT 68 or IELTS 5.5 or higher</u> (*2)</p> <p>(5) Graduate School of Science & Engineering</p> <p>Currently reviewing the Japanese language requirement. English Proficiency: <u>TOEFL iBT 68 or IELTS 5.5 or higher</u> (*2)</p> <p>IMPORTANT NOTES:</p> <p>(*1) indicates colleges/schools require high-level <u>Japanese language proficiency</u>, as most of the courses offered by the colleges/schools are provided only in Japanese. It is highly recommended that students who primarily plan to take courses offered in English choose other colleges or schools.</p> <p>(*2) In case TOEFL or IELTS tests are not held in your country, please submit:</p> <p>1) the official English Test Score, along with an official conversion table of the IELTS or TOEFL iBT score, as issued by the test organization. OR 2) the '<u>English Proficiency Report</u>' (download the form from the website below) completed by a full-time faculty member teaching English language classes or a full-time faculty member who has obtained a degree from a university where the instruction was in English.</p> <p>If an undergraduate student wishes to take courses in the College of Science and Engineering and has no prior Japanese language learning experience, they may choose Global Studies and Collaboration and enroll in courses offered by the College of Science and Engineering. However, the number of courses offered in English in the College of Science and Engineering is very limited. Please review the list of courses offered in English.</p>															
Student Application Materials	<p>https://www.aoyama.ac.jp/en/admission/exchange/material.html</p> <p>* For the details, please refer to the Application Instructions for the semester sent by the International Center.</p>															
Nomination Deadline (from partner institutions to AGU)	Spring (1 st Semester) 2026	Fall (2 nd Semester) 2026														
	October 31, 2025	March 31, 2026														
Student Application Deadline	November 10, 2025	April 10, 2026														
* Please note that AGU accepts applications only from students who were nominated by our partner institutions during the nomination period.																
Housing and Other Information																
Student Facilities and Support:	https://www.aoyama.ac.jp/en/campuslife/facilities.html															
Housing Information	https://www.aoyama.ac.jp/en/admission/exchange/housing_exchange_program.html															
Estimated Living Costs	<p>The following is an estimate of the living costs of attending AGU as an Exchange Student for a full academic year (12 months).</p> <table><tr><td>Room & Board</td><td>¥ 1,260,000</td></tr><tr><td>Books and Materials</td><td>¥ 60,000</td></tr><tr><td>Transportation</td><td>¥ 35,000</td></tr><tr><td>Extracurricular activities</td><td>¥ 70,000</td></tr><tr><td>National Health Insurance</td><td>¥ 25,000</td></tr><tr><td>Miscellaneous</td><td>¥ 100,000</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>¥ 1,550,000</td></tr></table>		Room & Board	¥ 1,260,000	Books and Materials	¥ 60,000	Transportation	¥ 35,000	Extracurricular activities	¥ 70,000	National Health Insurance	¥ 25,000	Miscellaneous	¥ 100,000	Total	¥ 1,550,000
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Health Insurance and Travel Insurance	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Japanese National Health Insurance (NHI) is compulsory (approx. JPY2,000/m /m. The amount varies according to the city/ward where the student resides). The student must apply on arrival at the local city/ward office. 2) In addition to the above, students must arrange appropriate overseas travel insurance in their home country, which should cover their study period in Japan.
International Commons (at Aoyama Campus)	<p>The International Commons, located on the Aoyama Campus, features a Chat Room, an English counseling service, and a lounge space where international students and local students can gather to socialize, play games, and more. Various social and cultural events are also held there.</p> <p>AGU International Commons Instagram 《Special Feature》 Bringing a Global Perspective to University Life at the "International Commons" Aoyama Gakuin University</p>
University Fitness Center	The membership fee is JPY 3,000/per academic year. Students must complete a Fitness Center orientation and undergo a university health check-up to use the center.
Support for Exchange Students	
Tutor (Buddy) System	Student volunteers (mostly local Japanese students) will be assigned to provide peer support for school and day-to-day matters.
Aoyama Gakuin Chat Room	<p>The Chat Room is a space on campus where international and Japanese students teach their languages to each other (free of charge).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Japanese Sessions: Japanese students teach international students conversational Japanese · English Sessions: English-speaking exchange students can work as chat leaders to teach Japanese students conversational English (will be paid per hour) <p>https://www.aoyama.ac.jp/en/campuslife/chat_room/ https://youtu.be/QWRgK1U6ws8</p>
Counseling Services on Campus	<p>An English-speaking counselor is available three days a week at the Aoyama Campus. Counseling in Japanese is also available on weekdays at the Student Counseling Centers at Aoyama and Sagamihara Campuses.</p> <p>* Advanced reservation is required. Free of charge</p>
Social and Cultural Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · The Meet Up Café (International Coffee Hour) at the International Commons · Other optional events include a tea ceremony, watching Kabuki, visiting historical sites, etc.

* Please note that the information on this sheet is correct as of July 24, 2025. It is subject to change.