

# UMAP Summer Program 2017 in JAPAN

## Program Overview

1. Name of Project: UMAP Summer Program 2017 in JAPAN
2. Organizer: UMAP Japan National Committee  
Toyo University, Japan  
Niigata University, Japan
3. Dates: August 14 - August 27, 2017
4. Venues: Toyo University, Tokyo  
Niigata University, Niigata



The map of Tokyo and Niigata



Tokyo

5. Theme of the UMAP Summer Program 2017:

Doors to Japan

-History and Presence of Japanese Culture, Society and the Environment-

6. Objectives:

- (1) To contribute participating students to be global human resources who have broader perspectives through short-term exchange program.
- (2) To make a contribution to invite more exchange students through promoting more student mobility in Asia and the Pacific regions.
- (3) To implement a distinctive global human resource development program according to the needs of overseas by providing participating students with an opportunity to learn about

Japanese culture, society and environment through the medium of English. The program includes themes such as Japanese language, life style, industrial development, natural disasters, civil society, international development cooperation and environmental protection against industrialization, etc.

#### 7. Contents:

This program will give participating students opportunities where they can learn about:

- Roots of Japanese culture,
- Concepts of value who Japanese people have,
- Disaster prevention,
- Company management,
- Civic movement,
- Development cooperation
- Environmental Policies



Japanese Tea Ceremony



Fireworks and Yukata



Shibuya Hikarie

#### 8. Participants:

- (1) 30 international students (from UMAP Member countries)
- (2) 10 local students from Toyo University (supporting international students) and  
15 students from Niigata University

#### 9. Qualifications and Requirements:

- a. A student of a UMAP Full Member university/college
- b. Age, between 18 – 23 years old, as of 1 April, 2017(preferable)
- c. Must possess a good command of the English language
- d. Friendly personality and willingness to participate and contribute to the UMAP Summer Program 2017 Program
- e. Leadership and enthusiasm for learning new things

- f. Special talents and skills will be an advantage
- g. Physically fit to travel
- h. Students must obtain visas as required entering Japan.

For more details, please refer to the following official website of  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan  
[http://www.mofa.go.jp/j\\_info/visit/visa/index.html](http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html)

#### 10. Prerequisites:

<Toyo University>

Please find one feature common to both Japanese traditional culture and contemporary culture. For example, the Japanese characteristic that common to the Japanese cars, *bonsai* (potted dwarf tree) and *mikoshi* (shrine). Think of the Japanese things that you are interested in beforehand, and try to make some comments in class after your arrival.

<Niigata University>

This class is given in the English language, using English materials. Therefore, capacities to listen to, speak, read and write English are essential. For specific requirements, please read "Course Outline".

#### 11. Program Schedule:

Please refer the Appendix A below.

#### 12. Program Fees:

40,000 JPY

Included: Tuition fees, Accommodation, Activity fees, Welcome/ Farewell ceremonies.

Participants need to pay:

- Round trip airfare to Tokyo and ground transportation between airport and I-House / Tokyo station
- Meals except for welcome/ farewell party
- Oversea travel insurance
- Souvenir
- Oversea remittance fee for program fee.

\* Program Fee is discounted by the financial assistance from UMAP Japan National Committee, Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO), Niigata University and Toyo University.

Actual program fee is 120,000JPY but JASSO provides 80,000JPY to each participant.

Therefore, participants need to pay 40,000JPY by 7th July, 2017 (please refer to 16.Dates to

remember). Participants will be requested to sign JASSO Scholarship Receipt upon arrival in Japan.

13. Schedule of Lectures and Activities:

Please refer the Appendix B below.

14. Expected Outcomes:

- a. Global skills and Cross-cultural communication skills
- b. Multi-cultural competence
- c. Environmental awareness, in relation to environmental issues
- d. Multi-cultural adaptability and climate resiliency

15. Certificates:

Students who accomplished all the program will receive a certificate, and 2 credits from Niigata University and 1 UCTS from Toyo University.

16. Dates to remember:

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| Deadline of Application Submission<br>(through home universities of each country/territory) | 7 <sup>th</sup> June, 2017  |
| Announcement of Accepted Applicants   | 21 <sup>st</sup> June, 2017 |
| Deadline of Payment   | 7 <sup>th</sup> July, 2017  |

For application, visit the following website. <http://umap.org/>

17. Bank Account Details:

Bank Name: Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation

Branch Name: Hakusan Branch

Branch Address: 2-36-5 Hakusan, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo

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### **About Universities**

#### **Toyo University**

Toyo University was established in 1887 by Dr. Enryo Inoue, and started as a philosophy academy. We have three Pillars for Nurturing Globally Talented Individuals, which are Philosophy Education, Career Education and Internationalization. First pillar emphasizes promoting education rooted in philosophy as a study which determines the principles behind all phenomena. Second one implies that offering effective support to help students become established in their careers. Third concept means fostering linguistic proficiency, cross-cultural understanding, and other abilities useful for playing important roles on the global stage.

Toyo University grew into comprehensive university with 13 undergraduate programs and 13 graduate schools. Now there are 5 campuses in Hakusan, Kawagoe, Asaka, Itakura and a new campus in Akabanedai.



#### **Niigata University**

Niigata University is the largest national university with 13,000 students on the Honshu main island along the coast of the Japan Sea (East Sea according to the Korean name).

The bullet train "Shinkansen" takes you from Tokyo to Niigata train station in about two hours passing through mountains in the center of the island. Niigata International Airport has direct flights not only to major Japanese airports such as Narita, Nagoya, Osaka, Fukuoka etc. but also to Inchon (for Seoul), Shanghai, etc. The City of Niigata has a population of 800,000, but it is characterized by various industries including agriculture. Actually the Prefecture of Niigata is

well-known as the producer of the best rice of Japan. Its traditional industries, some of which used to produce hooks, hoes, knives etc. for local use, now produce the case of iPad etc., adjusting themselves to the contemporary needs of the world.

Because of these various industries, living costs are reasonable and the living environment is also agreeable, although those from warm countries may first be surprised by the weather in winter while enjoying snow and skiing in mountainous areas.

