

JS3229 Field Studies in Japan

Special module in Semester 3

Join the Department of Japanese Studies field study module!

The 2013 theme is tourism and regional revitalization.



Schedule (tentative)



May 13-17

At NUS we will learn about tourism, revitalization, and qualitative research methods. Students will prepare case studies of the locations we will visit.

May 18-28

Then, we will travel to Kyushu, where students will conduct research in communities undergoing revitalization and talk to locals about their projects.

Students will experience a homestay and farmstay, try hot springs, go hiking and rafting, and visit sites connected to the theme. We might also have an exchange with university students.

Eligibility

Preference will go to Japanese Studies majors who have completed at least LAJ2202 or JLPT Level 3 or N4. However, other students with some language ability will be considered.

Cost to each participant

Up to \$1500; but likely to be less

Theme

Japan's postwar economic miracle was not experienced evenly. Industrial pollution, wasteful construction projects, and rural depopulation damaged human health and the physical landscape of many regions around the country.

Two decades after the collapse of the bubble economy, many places continue to struggle. However, there is hope, with many people fighting to revitalize their communities in the face of economic and demographic problems.

In this module students investigate the revitalization efforts of a handful of communities in Kumamoto Prefecture, particularly through tourism. Students will meet government officials, citizens, and business owners who care deeply about their communities and strive to develop ways to share the places they love with tourists.



Submit the application by 8 February.
Email questions to Dr. Chris McMorran: mcmorran@nus.edu.sg

DEPARTMENT OF JAPANESE STUDIES
Application Form

Attach photo

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Application deadline – 5pm, 8 February
Drop application in the mailbox of Dr. McMorrان
Department of Japanese Studies, AS4, Level 3

PERSONAL PARTICULARS

Full Name : _____
(Write in **BLOCK** letters and underline surname/family name)

Chinese Characters (if any) : _____

Student Matric. No. : _____ Year : 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 (circle)

Faculty : _____ Major/Dept : _____

Gender : Male / Female Age : _____ Date of Birth : _____

Nationality : _____ NRIC/Passport No. : _____

Home Address : _____

Contact No. : _____ (H) _____ (HP)

Email Address : _____

Current Japanese Studies and Japanese Language Modules (Sem 2, 2012-13), e.g.

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Note: Please attach photocopies of results of **ALL** NUS examination(s) taken so far.

Languages Spoken

Language	Poor	Fair	Good

Other Japanese language course(s) taken *OR* qualification(s) obtained outside NUS (e.g. JLPT) :

Food / Drink requirements (e.g. Halal, vegetarian) : _____

Other restrictions (e.g. pets, allergies – for homestay) : _____

Hobbies/interests/sports/other : _____

Have you been to Japan on any exchange programme? : Yes No

If yes, please specify the programme and period _____

Why do you want to attend this programme? (use a separate sheet if necessary)

DECLARATION

I declare that the information stated in this application is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I have not willfully suppressed any material fact. I understand that if I am selected to participate, I will be required to attend the entire program, including the pre-departure classes at NUS and the entire study program in Japan.

Signature of Applicant

Date