

# JS3229 Field Studies in Japan

## Module in Special Term

The theme for the 2018 Department of Japanese Studies field study module is “Heritage and Tourism”



### Schedule (tentative)



May 14-28

The module begins with classes at NUS, where we will learn about heritage, tourism, rural Japan, "hidden Christians," and qualitative research methods.

Then we travel to Kyushu, where we will speak with locals and visit locations where heritage and tourism intersect, including Fukuoka, the Aso region, Kumamoto City, and Amakusa.

Students will experience a farmstay, hot springs, and hiking, and they will conduct research at a variety of field sites.

### Eligibility

Preference given to Japanese Studies majors and minors who have completed at least LAJ2202 or JLPT Level 3 or N4. However all students with some language ability will be considered.

### Cost to each participant

Less than \$500 (covers airfare, ground transport, hotels, and most other costs)

## Theme

How is heritage defined? Who decides what is preserved and remembered? How is heritage packaged for tourist consumption? What controversies and possibilities surround the future of heritage in Japan? Heritage is a vital concept for understanding Japan, with UNESCO adding Mt. Fuji, Japanese cuisine, and float festivals to its list of World Heritage. This theme is particularly timely in recent years, with UNESCO's potential addition of sites related to Japan's so-called "hidden Christians" and Martin Scorsese's film on the topic, "Silence." Such events bring new attention to questions about what is forgotten and remembered in the past, preserved in the present, and enjoyed in the future.

This module will investigate the intersection of heritage and tourism in Japan and what role they play in the construction of local and national identity. Join this unique chance to study about Japan *in* Japan!

Application due 2 February, 2018.  
For more info, read the module FAQs at [blog.nus.edu.sg/mcmorran](http://blog.nus.edu.sg/mcmorran)  
Email questions to [mcmorran@nus.edu.sg](mailto:mcmorran@nus.edu.sg)



**DEPARTMENT OF JAPANESE STUDIES**  
**Application Form**

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**JS3229 Field Studies in Japan**

Application deadline – 5pm, 2 February  
Drop application in the mailbox of Dr. McMorrان  
Department of Japanese Studies, AS8, Level 5

**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 : \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality : \_\_\_\_\_

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Current Japanese Studies and Japanese Language Modules (2017-18, Sem 2), 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) :

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