Overview of the University

Feature and History
Hitotsubashi University (founded in 1875) is the oldest university in Japan to specialize exclusively in the humanities and social sciences. Hitotsubashi has been at the forefront of Japan's economic and social progress. It has become the country's premier institution for education and research in the social sciences and has always maintained its emphasis on practical learning.

Number of Students (as of May, 2017)

| Undergraduate | Commerce and Management | 1,267 |
|               | Economics               | 1,242 |
|               | Law                     | 796   |
|               | Social Sciences         | 1,116 |
|               | (Total)                 | 4,421 |

| Graduate      | Commerce and Management | 276  |
|               | Economics               | 218  |
|               | Law                     | 291  |
|               | Social Sciences         | 398  |
|               | Language and Society    | 246  |
|               | International Corporate Strategy | 328 |
|               | International and Public Policy | 129 |
|               | (Total)                 | 1,886 |

International Exchange and Cooperation
Number of Agreements: 92 (Academic Cooperation) 68 (Student Exchange) *as of May, 2017

Number of international students and program participants in the last three years.
2017: Total 793, Program Participants 10
2016: Total 734, Program Participants 8
2015: Total 732, Program Participants 14

Location Information
Kunitachi is a beautiful city modeled on the academic cities of Europe, and is also home to many schools aside from Hitotsubashi University.

Outline of the Program

Program Aim
(a) A course intended mainly to study about Japan and Japanese culture with supplementary study to improve Japanese language proficiency.

Program Feature
1. Students can participate in a seminar with degree-seeking students.
2. The Career Support Office provides services and resources to help you to prepare to work in Japan/Japanese companies. Internship opportunities might be available.
3. Students can participate in Japanese cultural experience classes which offer learning opportunities such as tea ceremony and Kimono dress-up experience.
4. Students can join club activities related to Japanese culture.
5. Credit recognition
For general education and undergraduate faculty courses, credits will be recognized if the requirements are met. Academic performance is graded A+, A, B and C (passing) and F (failure).

Enrollment quota
15 (Embassy Recommendation: 10, University Recommendation: 5)
④ Qualifications and Conditions of Applicants

We accept only 3rd and 4th year undergraduate students and applicants must have an advanced level proficiency in the Japanese language (equivalent to N1[JLPT]). International students who already possess basic knowledge in the social sciences will find this program more useful in helping them broaden their knowledge in the fields along with the Japanese language and Japanese culture.

⑤ Goal

To write a study report with around 15,000 characters in Japanese and give a presentation.

⑥ Program Period

17/SEP/2018 – Middle of AUG/2019

⑦ Course Overview

1. Special Seminar on Japanese Language and Culture *(Compulsory)
2. Japanese Language Courses **(Elective)
3. General Education/Undergraduate Faculty Courses.Hitotsubashi University Global Education Program **(Elective)
4. Undergraduate Student Seminar in a selected field **(Optional)

* The course specifically offered to the program participants

** Courses and Classes with other Regular Students of the University

On-line syllabi are available at; https://mercas.hit-u.ac.jp

1) Compulsory Course
   Special Seminar on Japanese Language and Culture

2) Courses for Inter-Cultural Understanding;
   Explore Japan Seminar (inter-cultural experience class), plant and company visit

3) Other Elective Classes
   -General Japanese
     Speed Reading, Advanced Reading, Writing, Speaking, Grammar, etc.

   -Academic Japanese
     Reading in Early Modern Japanese, Japanese in Economics, Law and Social Sciences

   -Japanese Affairs
     General Information of Japan

   -General Education
     Introduction to the Study of the Japanese Language, Japanese Culture, Language and Culture in Japan, Japanese Modern Literature, etc.

   -Undergraduate Faculty Courses
     Society and Culture, Japanese Social History

   - Hitotsubashi University Global Education Program (HGP)
     Japanese Corporate Management 1 & 2, Japanese Art 1,2 & 3, etc.

⑧ Annual Events

Middle of September: Orientation
Middle of September: Start of 2nd Semester
January: End of 2nd Semester
April: Start of 1st Semester
July: End of 1st Semester
July: Final Report Presentation
August: Fieldwork

Seminar on Inter-cultural Experience

Class Room

Final Report Presentation

In front of the Kanematsu Auditorium
Teaching and Supporting Staff

Japanese language teachers from the Center for Global Education will be in charge of providing this well-organized program, while teachers from the International Student Advising Office will support them in more general aspects of their life in Hitotsubashi. Members in each faculty can also assist students with enrollment of seminars for undergraduate students. The Director of the Center for Global Education is in charge of the Program.

Requirements for Course Completion

Completion requirement is to pass the compulsory course. After the end of the program, academic transcripts will be sent to each program participant upon application.

Accommodation

Program participants can live in the Residence Hall Ikkyo-Ryo on Kodaira campus. Japanese and International students live together.

Residence Hall Ikkyo-Ryo (Kodaira campus)
1-29-1, Gakuen-Nichi machi, Kodaira, Tokyo, 187-0045

Follow-Up for Alumni Students

The International Affairs Office is trying to build a database of graduated students and develop the alumni network. We can also issue academic transcripts for students who already finished the program and returned to their home countries.

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Club activity: Japanese archery