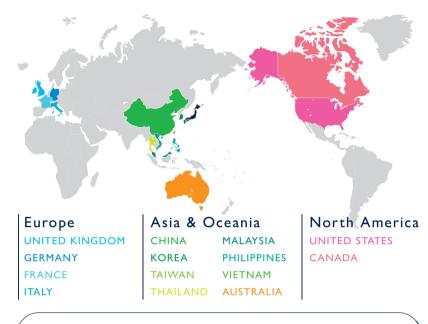


EPOK Partner Universities are in 14 countries and regions. Students across the globe are participating in EPOK.



### THE VOICES OF STUDENTS

### 🗱 A student from Australia

My Okadai experience became even more interesting when I found the Kendo club and immediately joined in with their daily training. Going through the EPOK course allowed me to follow my interest in Samurai Bushido; connecting it to my Kendo experience was a very unique task which I enjoyed every moment of.

### A student from the UK

By working at L-café, as well as helping out as a teaching assistant in English classes, I was able to help many Japanese students improve their English ability, making many friends along the way. I'm immensely proud of what I've accomplished during my time here in Okayama, and I will never forget the memories that I have made.



### ABOUT OKAYAMA

### WELCOME TO OKAYAMA-THE LAND OF SUNSHINE!

Okayama Prefecture is located in the center of West Japan and is particularly blessed with fine weather. As the climate is very mild, with low rainfall— a typical Seto Inland climate, this area has thriving agriculture, specializing in fruit products such as Muscat grapes and white peaches. Rich marine products are provided by the Seto Inland Sea, which offers picturesque view in the region. Conveniently located, Okayama has thrived, and is known for its history and cultural achievements.



OKYO

AIRLINE

SHINKANSEN

ΟΚΑΥΑΜΑ CITY

Institute of Global

Human Resource Development

TSUSHIMA

SHIKATA

SAPPORO

On the bullet train, it takes 60

minutes to Kyoto, and 3.5

hours to Tokyo. Okayama

"Momotaro" Airport has both

Okayama University is located

close to Okayama central

railway station. You can get to the beautiful campus in only

ten minutes by car. The

Airport is only 25 minutes

away by bus from the campus.

KORAKU

internal and external flights.

Great Seto Bridge Okavama Castle Okayama Korakuen Garden

### ACCESS

Easy access to anywhere around Japan!





### Τοκύο 🖝 Οκαγάμα

➤ from Haneda Airport: 1h20min by Nozomi Shinkansen: 3h20min

Οςακα 🖝 Οκαγαμα ⇒ by Nozomi Shinkansen: 45min

**TSUSHIMA CAMPUS** 25min, by bus from Okayama Airport 7min, by bus from Okayama Station

SHIKATA CAMPUS 5min, by bus from Okayama Station

岡山大学

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# EXCHANGE PROGRAM OKAYAMA



**OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY GLOBAL GATE FOR LEARNING** 

## ENHANCE YOUR JAPANESE LANGUAGE SKILLS

The wide variety of classes caters to the students' various needs.

Take intensive Japanese language classes which suit your own level from beginner to advanced.

Supplement these with unique classes such as Japanese Through Films, Japanese Culture and Society, Media Literacy, Extensive Reading, and etc.

## LEARN ABOUT JAPAN IN A GLOBAL CONTEXT THROUGH INTERDISCIPLINARY CLASSES

A wide-ranging courses are offered in English. Courses taught in Japanese are also available.

Take classes in a wide array of areas including the three sections of Japanese Culture and Society, Global Communication, and Millennium Nature and Science. The EPOK courses encourage your active learnings with fieldwork such as in *Study of Japan* and many more, and interactive learnings with Japanese students.

**Certificate of Study Japan EPOK** can be issued to the students who fulfil the EPOK requirement.



For the course list see: http://www.okayama-u.ac.jp/user/ouic/epok/curricurum.html



"Study of Japan" class

### EPOK RESEARCH PROJECT

Pursue your interests through independent study with the aid of an academic advisor.

Spend your time researching a topic of your choice, and creating a final project to present in front



TOP-CLASS NATIONAL RESEARCH UNIVERSITY WITH OVER 140 YEARS OF HISTORY.

# LEARN ABOUT JAPAN IN JAPAN, @OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY

We have 11 faculties, 8 graduate schools, and offer a variety of stimulating programs for students interested in all fields of study.



EPOK APPLICATION TIMELINE	SPRING [Quarter-1 and Quarter-2] (April – August)	FALL [Quarter-3 and Quarter-4] (October – February)
Application Deadline	Middle of November	Middle of May
Acceptance Notice Information for Visa procedures	By the end of January	By the end of June
Housing (Dorm) Arrangement Notice	By early March	By the end of August
Certificate of Eligibility and Acceptance Letter	By middle of March	By middle of September
Preparation for Departure - Arrange your flights etc.	By middle of March	By middle of September
Designated Arrival Date	Beginning of April	End of September

### ACADEMIC SCHEDULE Each Quarter = 8 weeks

SPRING	Q1	Q2	Summer Break
SEMESTER	April – June	June – August	mid August – September
<b>FALL</b>	Q3	Q4	Spring Break
SEMESTER	October – November	December – February	mid February – March

### LIVING IN OKAYAMA

# ACCOMMODATION





All EPOK students stay at the International Student Shared House on campus. Students share a unit with one Japanese student and two other international students. Every unit is single sex, has a common room with kitchen facilities, a bathroom, a toilet, and four private rooms. Not only is it within ten minutes walking distance from Tsushima Campus, it also offers a great opportunity to experience customs and cultures of both Japan and other parts of the world.

### ESTIMATED MONTHLY LIVING EXPENSES

• Rent (dormitory)	¥23,000
<ul> <li>Utilities</li> </ul>	¥15,000
• Food	¥30,000
<ul> <li>Transportation</li> </ul>	¥0
<ul> <li>Miscellaneous</li> </ul>	¥12,000
Total	¥80,000



• SCHOLARSHIP: JASSO Scholarship may be applicable under a condition.

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This is a great social learning space to make new friends, take part in trips to explore Japan, teach English as part time work, and learn Japanese at the weekly "Sakura" Café.

