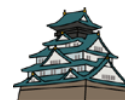


EXCHANGE PROGRAM OKAYAMA (EPOK)



The City and University

★ Okayama City:

- The capital city of Okayama Prefecture in the Chugoku region of Japan and located in the center of West Japan.
- Population (as of April 2016): 719,302
- Climate: Welcome to “The Land of Sunshine!”

Okayama is particularly blessed with fine weather compared to other part of Japan. As the climate is very mild, with low rainfall, this area has thriving agriculture and known as “Fruit Kingdom”

Temperature (°C)

Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
AVG High	8	9	12	19	24	27	31	32	28	22	17	11
AVG Low	1	1	3	9	14	19	23	24	21	13	7	2

- Transportation:
 - A. Bicycle: Since Okayama University is located in a flat area, bicycles are popular means of transportation among students. You can buy a bicycle at a shop nearby campus. (Bicycle registration fee:¥600)
 - B. Bus Services: There are frequent bus services between Kuwanoki Dormitory and Okayama station/downtown Okayama. More lines are available from Okayama station toward many parts of Okayama as well as to other prefectures (even as far as Tokyo!)
 - C. Local Train and Shinkansen: Okayama is a major stop on the Sanyo Shinkansen route. All Shinkansen trains stop at Okayama and some even start or terminate here. The local train services are also available and are conveniently connected to many parts of west Japan.

★ Okayama University:

- Okayama University is one of the largest universities in Japan. It has six campuses. The main Tsushima Campus is located in the heart of Okayama city, just two kilometers from Okayama Station.
- The school was founded in 1870 and it was established as a university in 1949.
- The number of students; approximately 20,000