

North Central College D-Term 2018 Study Abroad

JAPAN

Home Runs, Fast Food, and Contemporary Culture

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NOVEMBER 27 - DECEMBER 12, 2018



Itinerary:

Tuesday, November 27: Travel to Japan

Wednesday, November 28: Arrival in Tokyo

Thursday, November 29: Tokyo visits

Friday, November 30: Tokyo visits

Saturday, December 1: Travel to Nagano

Sunday, December 2: Travel to Kanazawa

Monday, December 3: Travel to Osaka

Tuesday, December 4: Osaka visits

Wednesday, December 5: Kobe visits

Thursday, December 6: Travel to Amano no Sato (home-stay)

Friday, December 7: Travel to Kyoto

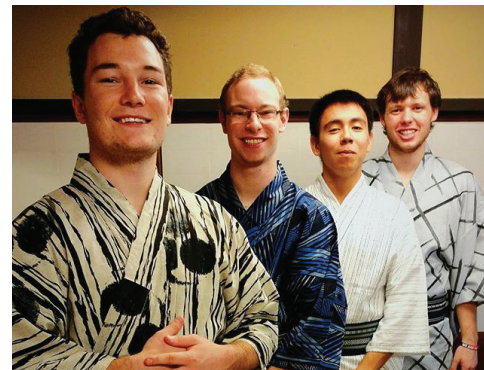
Saturday, December 8: Kyoto visits

Sunday, December 9: Kyoto visits

Monday, December 10: Travel to Tokyo

Tuesday, December 11: Tokyo visits

Wednesday, December 12: Return to Chicago



The Course (GLS 260-D8: Study Abroad in Japan)

This course will explore how life in Japan, however similar it may look to life in the U.S., is distinctively Japanese. Students will be challenged to think about how traditional Japanese values impact various aspects of contemporary Japan and how these have changed over time. In particular, they will learn how Japanese people engage with sports through participation and spectating (including diverse media outlets). A selection of pre-trip materials will introduce the concept. Visits to renowned sport venues as well as religious and historical sites will demonstrate how both are reflections of Japanese society and culture. The modernization of society will also be on display as students travel to more contemporary facilities and cultural centers, reminding them of the important contrast of old and new that exists in Japan today.

Enrollment Instructions

To enroll in GLS 260-D8, Study Abroad in Japan, students are required to:

- Meet with the faculty leader(s).
- Confer with their academic advisors.
- Complete a green "Add a Course/Instructor Consent" form and have it signed by the appropriate faculty leader.
- Bring the consent form to the Center for Global Education, Abe House, 48 E. Jefferson Ave., and fill out a brief application.
- Pay \$400 nonrefundable airfare deposit by April 20, 2018.

Registration Procedure: March 1-April 20, 2018

Beginning March 1, the Center for Global Education will enroll each student as each deposit is received, March 1-April 20. After April 20, students will be placed on a waiting list and notified if spaces become available. Students with

the highest number of credits earned at the College will be given first priority. Final registration will appear in the student's Merlin account.

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Initial Deposit due April 20, 2018

Scholarships: Deadline March 9, 2018

A limited number of scholarships (up to \$1,000) will be awarded to selected sophomores, juniors and seniors with 3.0 or better GPA and demonstrable financial need. Applications are available in the the Center for Global Education and must be submitted by March 9, 2018.

Statement of Conditions

1. Estimated cost and minimum number of participants:

\$3,800 - \$4,050 based on a minimum of 15 registered students. The course will not be offered for less than 10 students. The price includes:

- Airfare: estimated \$1,250
- Program fee (land costs): estimated \$2,550 - \$2,800

2. Accommodation and meals:

Twin accommodations in three-star hotel, one night with homestay, breakfast included; some other meals may be included.

3. Payment schedule:

- \$400 nonrefundable airfare deposit due April 20, 2018.
- Balance of the airfare due no later than September 14, 2018, according to payment schedule determined by the faculty leaders; most deposits will be due during the summer.
- \$500 nonrefundable program fee deposit due October 12, 2018.
- Program fee balance is billed to the student's account in late November as part of the invoice for winter term 2019.
- In addition to these airfare and program fees, tuition for this course will be billed as part of each student's winter 2019 invoice.

4. Cancellation and refund policy:

- Refund schedules for airfares depend on individual airlines; faculty leaders will inform all participants of the relevant deadlines and policies.
- If the student participant drops the course before November 1, 2018, 50 percent of the remaining balance of the program fee will be refunded.
- If the student participant drops the course after November 1, 2018, 100 percent of the program fee is forfeited.

5. Exclusions:

The following items are NOT included in the fees listed above:

- Meals other than those included in the itinerary
- Optional entertainment and excursions
- Excess baggage charges
- Personal items, including telephone calls, laundry fees, room service
- Departure taxes (except U.S.)
- Passport fees

6. Other matters:

- **Proof of a valid passport is due May 9, 2018: EITHER a color copy of the photo ID and signature pages of a passport valid through June 20, 2019, OR a receipt from applying for your passport.**
- All North Central College students are covered under a secondary insurance policy (EIJA) and will be given emergency information and telephone contacts by the lead professor.
- Every student participant is required to abide by College policies as outlined in the North Central College Student Handbook and by the rules listed on the course syllabus. If, in the judgment of a faculty member leading the course, a student has violated the course rules or College policy as stated in the Student Handbook, the student may be sent home at his or her own expense. In such circumstances, a student's parents may also be notified and additional disciplinary action may be taken by the College upon a student's return to the United States.
- All courses include required pre-departure sessions on campus and at least one follow-up session in January 2019 upon return.
- Final course assignments are due as specified on each course syllabus but no later than week 4 of winter term 2019.