



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.

Please visit the website for details:
<https://www.okayama-japan.jp/en/>



Great Seto Bridge Okayama Castle Okayama Korakuen Garden Shizutani-school

ACCESS

Easy access to anywhere
around Japan!



On the bullet train, it takes 60 minutes to Kyoto, and 3.5 hours to Tokyo. Okayama "Momotaro" Airport has both internal and external flights.

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.

TOKYO ← OKAYAMA

✈ from Haneda Airport: 1h20min
🚄 by Nozomi Shinkansen: 3h20min

OSAKA ← OKAYAMA

🚄 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



Discover Okayama, Discover Nippon.
岡山を知る、日本を知る。

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EXCHANGE PROGRAM OKAYAMA



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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/curriculum.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 of your peers.



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

LIVING IN OKAYAMA

ACCOMMODATION INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SHARED HOUSE



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
• Utilities	¥15,000
• Food	¥30,000
• Transportation	¥0
• Miscellaneous	¥12,000
Total	¥80,000



ENJOY THE BIKE LIFE!

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



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.



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"Sakura" Café