

To SUSP Students

We wish to extend a heartfelt welcome to all of those students who are coming to Japan to participate in the Saga University Summer Program (SUSP) 2015. For your reference, please find information on the program and life in Japan as follows:

1. Information Required by SUSP <Important>

All information should be addressed to the Center for Promotion of International Exchange of Saga University at:

1-1. Travel Itinerary

As soon as your travel itinerary has been confirmed, please fill out the specified form and notify us no later than Friday, June 5, 2015.

1-2 Travel Insurance

We request all the participants to purchase travel insurance that covers your medical fee during your stay in Japan. Please send us a copy of the insurance policy along with confirmation form of your insurance as soon as you have purchased.

2. Passport <Urgent>

Those students who have not yet applied for a passport are urged to do so as soon as possible.

3. Visa

If your country is listed in the nationals of countries with reciprocal exemption arrangements with Japan, you can enter Japan without a visa. If your country is NOT listed, please apply for a short-term stay visa at the nearest Japanese visa authority (embassy or consulate) or through a local travel agency. Details of Japanese visa are available at: http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html

4. Travel Arrangements

4-1. Arrival in Japan

All students are required to arrive in Japan on Monday, June 29th, 2015. Please ensure that your flight lands at Fukuoka International Airport or Saga International Airport no later than 15:00. Alternatively, if you plan to land at another airport and travel to Saga by train, make sure that your train arrives at Saga Station no later than 17:00. We recommend you to travel together if there are several participants from your University.

Please Note!

- 1) After we receive your arrival information, you will be provided with detailed directions and timetable for getting to Saga Station. Student supporters will be waiting for you at Saga Station.
- 2) Please bring minimum of 30,000 yen with you when you enter the country (preferably in Japanese currency) to help defray initial expenses.

4-2. Departure from Japan

SUSP regards your participation throughout the program from June 30th to July 14th as essential. If you do not complete the program or are absent without permission, you will be asked to return the scholarship.

If there are any problems with your flight arrangement, please contact us before confirming your reservation.

5. Opening Ceremony and Orientation

The SUSP opening ceremony and orientation will be held on Tuesday, June 30th, 2015. All students must ensure that they do not miss them.

6. Money

Japanese Currency: Yen (¥)

Coins: 1、 5、 10、 50、 100、 500 yen

Banknotes: 1,000、 2,000、 5,000、 10,000 yen

A) Credit Cards and Currency Exchange:

You can withdraw money by credit card (Visa, Mastercard, or any other card with Plus or Cirrus symbols) at ATMs displaying an 'International ATM Service' sign. These ATMs are accessible at banks, post office, Saga Station, and convenience stores. Currency can be exchanged at international airports (USD, GBD, EUR, KRW, and AUD) and also at post offices and banks.

B) Food:

Breakfast can be served at your hotel and fee is included. The University has three dining facilities at which lunch can be bought for ¥400 - ¥800. If eating out, dinner upwards of ¥800.

7. Accommodation "Business Hotel Sun City" 1 go-kan"

Address: 2-1-11 Jino-higashi, Saga city, Saga Prefecture, 840-0804

Phone: +81-952-31-8888

URL: <http://hotel-suncity.net/hotel1/> (Japanese only)

Access to Saga University: Bus 10-17 minutes, 200 yen / way

Your accommodation is located in the city center, a few minutes of walk from Saga Station. Students will be provided a single room with the following facilities: en-suite toilet, shower, bathtub, washbasin, air-conditioning, writing table and chair, full-height wardrobe, refrigerator, and TV. The hotel provides breakfast. Free internet access is available in all rooms, but a computer must be prepared by each student.

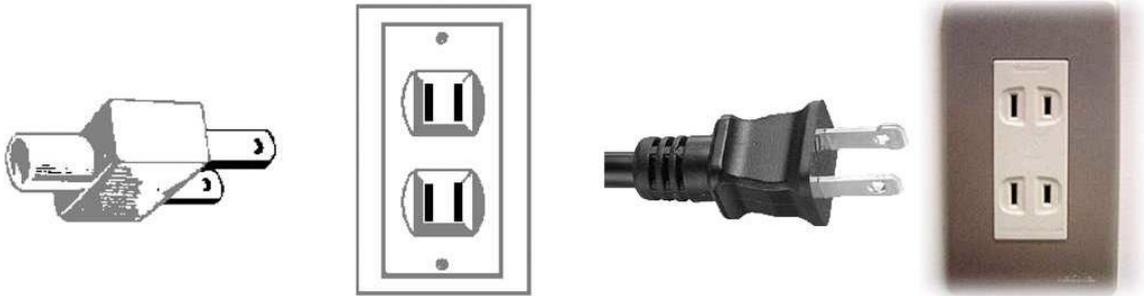
8. Life in Japan

A) Computer Access

SUSP students have access to computers on the Microsoft Windows operating system, located on campus in the Student Center. You may also bring your own laptop. After arrival we will provide you ID and password for the wireless LAN service and internet connection.

B) Electricity

The electrical voltage in Saga is 100V. Plug Type A



C) Climate and Clothes

Summer in Saga is very hot and muggy. Temperatures peak at around 38°C. Please bring several long-sleeved shirts for activities in mountain regions.

D) Miscellaneous

You may consider bringing traditional costumes and items, as well as photographs from your countries to introduce yourselves and share your culture with new friends in Japan.

We hope the above information is helpful to you. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact:

In the meantime, we look forward to meeting you here at Saga University!

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