

# Application Guidelines for 2024 Saga University Global Supporters

## Idea of Global Supporters

Global Supporters is a group of students who not only have language skills and study abroad experience, but also have a high level of international awareness and a proactive attitude. In cooperation with the Center for the Promotion of International Exchange, Global Supporters will play a role in fostering international awareness among Saga University students and contributing to the internationalization of the campus.

## Purpose and Activities

### **(1) Promote international exchange and cross-cultural understanding and internationalize the campus**

To promote cross-cultural understanding between Japanese students and international students and among international students through the planning and operation of events that enhance international exchange and awareness.

- Planning, operation and facilitation of international exchange events

### **(2) Raise Japanese students' awareness of study abroad**

Utilizing the study abroad experience of the Japanese student members who have studied abroad, the program aims to raise the awareness of study abroad among Japanese students by holding study abroad awareness events and providing study abroad counseling mainly for Japanese students.

- Initiatives to build momentum for studying abroad (study abroad counseling for Japanese students, events to build momentum for studying abroad, etc.)

### **(3) Support for international students' adaptation to Japanese society**

Support international students to adjust to Japanese culture and lifestyle by holding exchange events and language support for international students to help them become familiar with Saga University and the local community.

- Support for international students (support for starting up their daily lives, language support, language exchange meetings, etc.)

### **(4) Disseminate information on Saga University's internationalization efforts**

Create opportunities for people on and off campus to learn about Saga University's internationalization efforts through various projects, including the dissemination of information on the Global Supporters' SNS.

- Publicity activities through posts on the Global Supporters' Instagram and at on-campus information sessions, etc.

### **(5) Growth of the members themselves as international persons**

Improve the members' own abilities and awareness as international citizens through the activities described in (1) to (4) above and participation in training programs, etc.

- The members will improve their own ability and awareness as international citizens through participation in the above activities (1) through (4) and training programs! Participation in SIPS(\*) training organized by the "Tobitate!"
- Participation in meetings
- Assistance for the Center for the Promotion of International Exchange

- Active participation and cooperation in international exchange projects both on/off campus.

\* SIPS (Staff & Student Initiative for Promoting Study Abroad)

The "Tobitate" (Study Abroad Japan) program is a platform project under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) to promote study abroad! Study Abroad JAPAN, a campaign to promote study abroad under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology. This is a new initiative that seeks to maximize the impact of study abroad promotion activities by recruiting "university-specific teams" of staff and students from across Japan who wish to boost the momentum of study abroad, and by creating opportunities for regular inter-university exchanges and information exchange, thereby promoting networking among universities.

### **Term of Office**

April 2024 - March 2025 (In principle, one year. Reappointment is possible.)

**Number of Recruiting** About 2~4 people

**Application Requirements** \* Applicants must meet all of the following

#### **(Common)**

1. Applicants must be undergraduate students or graduate students of Saga University. (Exchange students are not acceptable)
2. Have a cooperative attitude and a willingness to facilitate communication
3. Have an interest in international exchange and a desire to contribute to the promotion of cross-cultural understanding and international exchange.
4. Experience in event planning, public relations through SNS, hosting events, etc., and other skills that can be applied to the team would be a plus.

#### **(Japanese students)**

1. Have studied abroad or strongly desire to do so while studying at Saga University.
2. have no problem communicating in English or be able to converse without hesitation
3. (Japanese students who have not studied abroad before) Applicants must have a TOEIC score equivalent to 500 on the language test.

\*Japanese students who have not studied abroad will be required to use online English learning materials provided by the University for one year to improve their English language skills.

#### **(International students)**

1. Applicants must be able to communicate in Japanese or be willing to learn Japanese.
2. Have no problem communicating in English.

### **Reward**

900 yen/hour (Reward is provided within the budgeted amount, depending on the activity.)

\*Paid in accordance with the attached "Guidelines for Payment of Global Supporters".

## **Activity hours**

In principle, Monday through Friday, 11:00-18:00, about 6 hours/month

\*Note

1. The activity hours will be adjusted in consideration of class hours.
2. Activities may take place on days other than those mentioned above or on holidays during the preparation period for programs or events or when they are held.

## **Location**

Activities will mainly take place at Honjo Campus, but may be conducted online in some cases.

## **Application Procedure, Appointment, and Certificate of Completion**

### **(1) Application (Application deadline: April 22, 3pm)**

\*Apply via the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/r/k9DbUAjFPp>

### **(2) Schedule**

April 12~22 Application period

April 22~23 Application forms screening

April 26 Interview

April 30 Notification of results

May 7 Appointment Ceremony

May 8 Kick-off meeting

### **(3) Certificate of Completion**

After completing one year of activities, members who have received a certain level of evaluation for their activities will receive a certificate of completion from the Center for Promotion of International Exchange.

## **Others**

If a member is judged to be inappropriate as a member, the member may withdraw from the activity even in the middle of the term of office.