

Fact Sheet Academic Year 2020-2021

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Akita International University (AIU) at a Glance	Programs: Language of Instruction: Average Class Size*: Degree-seeking Students*: Non-Degree-seeking International Students:	Faculty of International Liberal Arts (Global Business Program, Global Studies Program, Japanese Language Program, Japan Studies Program) English, excluding Japanese Language Program 18 students per class 871 (undergraduate) Fall 2019: 187 (from 31 countries and regions) Spring 2019: 151 (from 30 countries and regions)	
	Full-time Faculty Members*	63	
	Administrative Staff*:	91	
	Partner Institutions*:	195 in 50 countries and regions	
		*Figures current as of April 1, 2019	

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■ Important Dates

	Summer Program 2020	Fall Semester 2020	Winter Program 2021	Spring Semester 2021
Nomination Deadline	Feb 13, 2020	Feb 28, 2020		Sep 30, 2020
Application Deadline	Mar 13, 2020	Apr 1, 2020	*Only available for those who are enrolled in Fall Semester	Nov 1, 2020
Arrival Dates	Jun 16, 2020	Aug 25, 2020 Orientation Week: Aug 25 - 31, 2020		Apr 1, 2021 Orientation Week: Apr 2 - 7, 2021
Semester/ Program Dates	Jun 16 - Jul 28, 2020	Sep 2 - Dec 22, 2020 Final Exam Week: Dec 16 - 22, 2020	Jan 4 – Mar 2, 2021	Apr 9 - Jul 29, 2021 Final Exam Week: Jul 23 - 29, 2021

Note: The above academic calendar is subject to change.

Academic Information

Academic infori	nation				
Courses Offered to International Students		. Internationa egree-seeking ent course li demic/	I students may not students.	enrol in preparatory E	anguage courses) and are available inglish language courses or required age:
Language of Instruction	English (except for language courses, Teacher's License Courses, and a few courses in the Japan Studies Courses for international students with advanced Japanese language skills)				
		Grade Defin	itions (from Fall s	emester of AY2009)	
		Grade	Score	Grade Points	
		A+	100	4.00	
		A	95-99	4.00	
		A-	90-94	3.70	
		B+	87-89	3.30	
		В	83-86	3.00	
Grading System		B-	80-82	2.70	
Academic		C+	77-79	2.30	
Transcript		C	73-76	2.00	
Παιισστιρι		C-	70-72	1.70	
		D+	66-69	1.30	
		D	60-65	1.00	
		F	59 or lower	0.00	
	Official Academic Transcript An official academic transcript will be sent to the international office of the student's home institution by the Division of Student Records within 2-3 weeks after the end of final exams.				
	Number of Credits Require 124 credits	red for Unde	rgraduate Degree		
Credit System	Standard Number of Credits that Undergraduate Students Complete in One Semester 15 credits (most courses are 3 credits so students will be taking 5 courses per semester) Minimum / Maximum Credits per Semester 12 credits* (Minimum) / 18 credits (Maximum) *Required by Japanese Immigration Law				
7	working on preparation, res Calculation of one credit a) One credit for a lectur	search assign is based on t re class requi erimental, lab	ments or homewor he following condit res 15 class hours oratory or an activi	k.) ions: per semester ty course requires 30	two hours per every one class hour,

■ Accommodation Information

Residence	All international students are required to live in guaranteed on-campus housing .					
Homestay	Not available					
	Accommodation	Fees JPY			<u>Meal Fees</u>	JPY
	Student Housing	Cost /semester			Meal Options	Cost /semester
	Sakura Village Apartment (Utilities included)	184,000 (FA) 180,000 (SP)		Meal	21-Meal Plan (21 meals/week, 3 meals /day)	102,690
Accommodation and Meal Fee (Fall/Spring semesters)	Global Village (Utilities included)	112,000 (FA) 108,000 (SP)		Plan	10-Meal Plan (10 meals/week, Lunch and Dinner, Monday to Friday only)	Approx. 60,000
	<u>University Village</u> (<u>Theme Houses)</u> (Utilities included)	(Theme Houses) 114,000 (FA) 108,000 (SR) Pro poid Cord		i Card	3,000 or 5,000	
	Komachi Residence Hall (Utilities included)	90,000	-	individua		
	Bedding & Cleaning Fee 20,000 *The 10-Meal Plan cost varies based on the num weekdays in the semester.					,
	included in the invoice and must	veb.aiu.ac.jp/en/camp b.aiu.ac.jp/en/campu bay for the first two-w be paid before your a	pus Islif Iee arriv	slife/housi e/dining/ k meal fee val. The m		on the meal

■ Financial Matters

Required Fees	General Deposit: 20,000 JPY at the time of admission (<i>Partly Refundable</i>) International student activity fee: 20,000 JPY per semester (<i>Non Refundable</i>) *9,000 JPY during the winter program Please see details at: http://web.aiu.ac.jp/en/short-term/semester-year-programs/cost-of-living/					
Textbooks	Approxima	ately 15,	000 – 50,000 yen p	er semester		
Transportation	Bus:	AIU to th	ne nearest shopping	mall: 200	JPY	
	Spring Fall Winter Semester Semester Program					
Payment	Billin Date	g	February 1	July 1	Dec 15	*An Invoice will be available in each student's online application account.
Schedule	Paym Date	nent	Last day of February	Last day of July	Last day of December	*The full amount needs to be paid to the AIU bank account by wire transfer.
	Cash and Traveler's Checks Bring enough traveler's checks and/or cash to cover your first 5 - 6 weeks in Japan and be sure to exchange them to Japanese Yen before arriving in Akita. It will take a few weeks to open a bank account and receive international wire transfers.					
Money Matters	Credit Cards You are strongly recommended to bring a valid credit card with you to Japan (Visa, MasterCard, Diner's Club, American Express). Many major banks, hotels, restaurants, etc. accept credit cards, but the majority of local retailers, restaurants, etc. do not accept credit cards. Verify that your contract between you and your credit card company allows you to use your card in Japan before coming.					

Arrival Information

Access to the University	The AIU campus is only an approximately 10-minute drive from Akita Airport and a 30-minute drive from the Akita JR train station. • From Tokyo <u>by airplane</u> (Haneda Airport - Akita Airport) → 50 minutes • From Tokyo <u>by bullet train</u> , Komachi Shinkansen → 4 hours • From Osaka <u>by airplane</u> (Itami Airport - Akita Airport) → 1 hour and 20 minutes • From Seoul <u>by airplane</u> (Inchon International Airport - Akita Airport) → 2 hours and 15 minutes.
Pick-up Service	Available at Akita Airport and Akita Station during the designated time on the arrival date.
Arrival Information	http://web.aiu.ac.jp/en/short-term/semester-year-programs/transportation-and-hotel/

■ Application Procedure

How to Apply	Application information is available at the following webpage: http://web.aiu.ac.jp/en/short-term/semester-year-programs/how-to-apply/		
Application Forms	Your home institution needs to submit the Online Nomination Form to AIU, and then nominees will receive a username and password to access our Online Application System. Applicants are required to send the application forms and supporting documents by airmail in accordance with the guidelines on the website.		
Supporting Documents Required	1) Completed and signed application form with "Confirmation Sheet" 2) Official Academic Transcript from Home University 3) One International Student Reference Form (2 pages each) 4) Proof of English Proficiency (if applicable) 5) Two ID Photos		
GPA Requirement	Applicants must have completed two semesters at an AIU partner institution before applying and have a cumulative GPA (Grade Point Average) of 2.50 (4.0 scale) or higher .		
Level of English Proficiency	Applicants whose first language is NOT English are required to achieve a standard of TOEFL ® Test score 71 (iBT) or its equivalent, or IELTS score of 6.0 or equivalent.		
Requirement	Please refer to the following webpage: http://web.aiu.ac.jp/en/short-term/semester-year-programs/eligibility/		

■ Visa Information

Student Visa Application Procedure	 Submit the following required supporting documents along with the application documents for AIU admission: Copy of Passport Evidence of Financial Support (See detailed instructions at the webpage below) After admission to AIU, each student must submit "Offer Acceptance and Immigration Information Form" online. The Center for International Affairs will submit the application for the CoE to the immigration office in order that admitted students can arrive on AIU campus by our official arrival day. (Please note that AIU may not be able to meet each student's request about the timing of issuance of CoE by the immigration office) The Center for International Affairs will send the CoE to the student's home institution. The student will apply for a visa by submitting the CoE with supporting documents to the nearest Japanese Embassy or Consulate. * Please refer to the following webpage: http://web.aiu.ac.jp/en/short-term/semester-year-programs/how-to-apply/
Work Permit	International students may engage in part time work after obtaining a work permit at their airport of arrival. Instructions on applying for a work permit will be provided along with students' CoEs. Please also refer to the webpage: http://web.aiu.ac.jp/en/campuslife/work-permit-and-re-entry-permit/