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Center for Japanese Studies (CJS) Exchange Program AY 2026 – 2027

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROGRAM OUTLINE

Offered Program	Intensive Japanese Program (IJP): https://www.nanzan-u.ac.jp/English/academics/cjs/ijp/ Modern Japan Program (MJP): https://www.nanzan-u.ac.jp/English/academics/cjs/mjp/
Application Length	Fall Semester Applicants : Semester or Full-Year Spring Semester Applicants : Only Semester
Period of Study	Academic Year: September - May Fall Semester: September - December Spring Semester: January - May

ACADEMIC CALENDER

	Fall 2026(Tentative)	Spring 2027 (Tentative)
Arrival date	September 4 – 5	January 8 – 9
Placement Test / Orientations	September 7 - 11	January 12 – 15
Entrance Ceremony	September 11	January 12
Classes	September 14 – December 15	January 18 - May 13
Final Examinations	December 16 - 22	May 14 – 20
Program Ends	December 23	May 21
Other Important Academic Information	Winter Holiday: December 23, 2026 - January 11, 2027 Spring Holiday: March 17-22 , 2027	



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ADMISSION SCHEDULE

	Fall 2026	Spring 2027
Nomination	We will notify partners via email once the nomination period and method have been determined.	
Application Period	March 1 – 20, 2026	August 22-September 12, 2026
Application Deadlines	March 20, 11:59 pm, 2026 (JST)	September 12, 11:59 pm, 2026 (JST)
Acceptance Notice (Sent by Email)	May 11, 2026	October 9, 2026
Confirmation of Enrollment	May 15, 2026	October 15, 2026

APPLICATION & ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Application Requirements	<p>Applicants for the CJS program must meet the following application requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have completed, at the time of application, at least 12 years of formal education or the equivalent, and qualified to enroll at a university. 2. Have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 (B) or better on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent at the most recent level of study. (Exchange students with lower GPA may be considered; however, if the number of applications exceeds the capacity, their priority in the selection process may be lowered.) 3. Have a level of Japanese or English ability sufficient to undergo education at Nanzan University. 4. MJP applicants must possess the following English ability or the equivalent : Minimum TOEFL iBT 75 over or IELTS 5.5 overall over
Required Documents	<p>The admission information, including a link to the Online Application System, is provided via email to coordinators of exchange partners approximately two weeks before the beginning of the application period in each semester.</p> <p><u>Application Materials</u></p> <p><Submission through Online Application System></p> <p>◆ Official Transcript</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Official Bank Statement ◆ Photo for Student ID card/Certificate of Eligibility(CoE) ◆ Casual Photo ◆ Copy of Passport ◆ Essay ◆ Japanese Study Information ◆ Application for Certificate of Eligibility (CoE) ◆ TOEFL iBT or IELTS Transcript (Only MJP applicants from non-English speaking countries must submit the English proficiency transcript.) <p>< Submission through email directly from a recommender ></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ One Letter of Recommendation (LoR)
Webpage for the Application guidelines	<p>Details of each application materials and requirements can be found at; https://www.nanzan-u.ac.jp/English/admissions/applicationguidelines.html</p>

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Course Information	https://www.nanzan-u.ac.jp/English/academics/cjs/			
Course Registration Requirements & Placement Test	<p>Both IJP and MJP full time students are required to register for a minimum load of 14 credits and a maximum load of 18 credits per semester.</p> <p>All students enrolled in IJP must take an 8-credit load Japanese language course a semester, and all students enrolled in MJP must take a 4-credit load Japanese course, 2-credit Modern Japan course and 2 of the 3-credit load among Japan Studies courses. * Subject to change without notice.</p> <p>Students register courses after their Japanese level is confirmed by the Japanese placement test administered during orientation in their first week.</p>			
Course Restriction	<p>All courses offered in IJP and MJP are open to exchange students. Courses, such as Japanese seminar courses, require certain Japanese language levels, which are decided based on the above-mentioned placement tests, to register. Please note that some courses have enrollment capacity.</p>			
Grading Scale	<p>All students receive grades on a letter grade basis with scores out of 100, and it can be changed to pass-failure scale by submitting an application with his/her home institution's permission.</p>			
	Grade	Score	Grade Point (GP)	Pass or Failure



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	A+	100-90	4.0	Pass
	A	89-80	3.0	
	B	79-70	2.0	
	C	69-60	1.0	
	F	59-0	0	Failure
Credits	<u>Class Hours (Contact hours):</u> 1 Class Hours (Contact hours) = 50 minutes <u>Calculation:</u> Japanese Language Course: 1 Credit Hours= 30 Class hours + 15 Outside-Class study hours = 45 Hours of workload Other Courses (except Japanese Language Course) 1 Credit Hours = 15 Class hours + 30 Outside-Class study hours = 45 Hours of workload			
Transcript	Transcript of Academic Record (an official transcript) is provided via email to the exchange student's home institution within one month (or two months) after the end of the semester. <i>*NOTE: The official transcript does not include GPA.</i>			

ESTIMATED PROGRAM FEES

Tuition & Fees	Tuition, application & admission fees are waived for exchange students. Students should also budget for additional costs such as insurance, security deposit, books and supplies, housing, meals, local transportation, and personal expenses. An invoice will be issued to each student, if not to the home institution, after the acceptance announcement. Payments can be done online, via credit card, or by international wire transfer.
Insurances	All exchange students are required to enroll in the Japan National Health Insurance (JNHI* ¹) program and other insurances* ² designated by Nanzan



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	<p>University.</p> <p>*1 JNHI: 1,500-3,000 yen/month (costs will vary according to the resident area)</p> <p>*2 Around 6,870 yen for both semester and full-year students</p>
Webpage	https://www.nanzan-u.ac.jp/English/admissions/tuition/cjs.html

ACCOMMODATION

Housing Options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dormitories (Shared / Independent Campus Dormitories or Shared off-Campus Dormitories) - Home Stay Program - Self-Arranged
Application procedure	<p>Students are required to select their housing preference from the available options: dormitory, homestay or self-arranged, along with their admission application through the Online Application System.</p> <p>The final announcement of their housing placement will be included with the acceptance notice.</p>
Housing Fees	<p>The housing fee is collected in advance each semester from all students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall semester: (4 months): 244,000 yen~ • Spring semester: (5 months): 305,000 yen~ <p><i>*NOTE: There may be additional costs for those placed in our Home Stay Program, Janssen International Residence, or Foyer Nanzan. Specifics will be provided to the students after acceptance.</i></p>
Webpage	https://www.nanzan-u.ac.jp/English/studentlife/accommodation/