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CESA
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Abroad

Okazaki 2012



Okazaki is home to 370,000 inhabitants, famous as a historic castle town and is a brilliant place to live and study Japanese. Built around the Sugo and Iga rivers, in Aichi Prefecture, only a short train ride south east of Nagoya, it has a real sense of community. Mild winters and hot summers (but less humid than other cities) add to its attraction. Drink in the New Year with sake, celebrate the cherry blossom in April, relax in a beer garden in July, marvel at the spectacular firework festival in August and watch the "Koyo" (autumn leaves) fall in late October.

With over 10 years of teaching experience, and between 125 /220 students studying each month the college in Okazaki offers a superb language learning environment for ALL linguistic needs.

Centrally located the college campus consists of two main buildings. Facilities include 20+ classrooms (with air con), free internet access, 3 computer labs, a library and a lecture hall. Accommodation in villas and student village is modern and computer friendly, hosts can also be arranged.

The college offers general Japanese language courses to meet all study needs (long term courses cater for all levels including those at JLPT Level 2 or above) and private tuition. So whether you have just a week or two, or several months to dedicate to your studies, Okazaki has plenty to offer.



Star Courses:

Academic Term/Year, Standard Courses & Japanese & Culture Programmes.

Course Prices In Yen (please ask CESA for Sterling conversion)

Student Visa application fee: Y 21,000

CESA Fee: Y 5,250 per person

Late booking fee (applied to courses booked less than 44 days in advance): Y 13,000

Books & Materials: Academic Term only. Costs vary (from Y 4,500 for 1st 3 months/max of Y 15,000).

Academic Term/Year	12 wks Y 305,419	24 wks Y 567,788	36 wks Y 737,625	48 wks Y 934,500	60 wks Y 1,141,875		
Standard Course	2 wks Y 91,875	3 wks Y 109,200	4 wks Y 130,900	5 wks Y 154,400	6 wks Y 182,400	8 wks Y 222,700	12 wks Y 289,380

Accommodation Prices

Futon Hire: Four weeks Y 10,000 Extra week Y 1,875

Futon Purchase: Y 32,000

Extra accommodation: Y 375 per night (four nights extra are always added as students arrive early and leave 2 days after course ends)

Deposit required: Y 50,000 or Y 70,000 for Academic Term students, depending on style of accommodation.

Option 1 /

Single	2 wks Y 37,400	3 wks Y 56,100	4 wks Y 74,800	6wks Y 112,200	8 wks Y 149,600	12 wks Y 224,400	24 wks Y 429,000
Shared	2 wks Y 19,800	3 wks Y 29,700	4 wks Y 39,600	6 wks Y 59,400	8 wks Y 79,200	12 wks Y 125,400	24 wks Y 250,800

Option 2 /

Single	2 wks Y 47,300	3 wks Y 70,950	4 wks Y 91,600	6 wks Y 141,900	8 wks Y 189,200	12 wks Y 283,800	24 wks Y 323,400
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Travel: Fly to Nagoya and take the limousine bus to Okazaki. Bus fee (approx Y 1750) refunded on arrival by college. Personal transfers can generally be arranged from Nagoya airport if preferred (Y 6,800 to Y 12,000, depending on the day of arrival).

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Minimum age: 18
Minutes per lesson: 50

Courses Available

Standard Course

23 lessons per week
Class size: max 15 people.
Ideal for all age groups (18yrs+) and language abilities. Short term programmes are perfect for those who want to study key grammar and conversation skills, with a communication focus. Even beginners will be reading & writing in Japanese with "furigana" study aids, not "Romaji", intermediate+ students use "Kanji". Most class work will be discussion based so lesson preparation and private study are essential.

Academic Term/Year *

20 lessons per week*
Plus workshop classes
Class size: max 15 people.
* May be reduced depending on student numbers.
An intensive & academic course covering all aspects of the language. Especially popular with GAP students prior to post University, and adults looking to take a serious career break.
Offered for 12, 24, 36 wks+ duration.

University Student Course

30 group lessons per week - including 1 private lesson with advisor, 1 workshop, 1 computer assisted study session & 2 semi-private lessons on Friday PM. Aimed at Undergraduate & Graduate students wishing to boost their Japanese language skills over the summer holidays
Minimum age: 18yrs+
Max 8 students per class

Visa rules:

Immigration rulings.
If you are a EU or US citizen, most long and short term courses only require a tourist visa, from 2 to 24 weeks.
Student Visas for 24 wk+ courses:
You MUST apply for an October start date by early May and for an April start date by early November, at the very latest.

Accommodation

Arrive: **Two days in advance** Depart: **Saturday AM**

NB: Accommodation in Okazaki generally involves a small commute, allow 15/30 mins to college (on bike or by bus).

- Option 1 Student village residence, single (or shared) room, shared facilities, self-catering. Highly recommended (around 20 mins walk to college).
- Option 2 Villa apartments (various studio styles), single or shared room, self catering (15/30 mins to college).
- Option 3 Host family, single room, half-board (30 mins+ plus to college).



Bret: Academic Term
 “The staff and school were fantastic. Students at the school are welcomed warmly (with an introduction ceremony during your first week) and help is always easy to find.”

Joanna: Academic Term
 “I loved the wide use of materials to help us learn; newspapers, TV dramas, anime and even some manga! We learnt a lot about Japanese culture and way of thinking I think this was important because otherwise you can’t truly understand the language.”

Colin: Languages for Life
 “You don’t just learn kanji and grammar, everything is in Japanese, so your spoken and listening skills improve loads as well.”



Course Start Dates

Standard Courses:

month	dates			
January '12	05	12	19	26
February	02	09	16	22
March	01	08	15	22
April	05	12	19	26
May	10	17	24	31
June	07	14	21	28
July	05	12	19	26
August	02	16	23	30
September	06	13	20	27
October	04	11		
November	22	29		
December	06	13	20	
January '13	10	17	24	31
February	07	14	21	28
March	07			

Academic Term/Year 2012/13 start dates:

2012: 10 Jan, 04 Apr, 03 Jul, 02 Oct, 2013: 08 Jan

University Courses:

Details to be announced in 2012

Public holidays: Where possible holidays are moved to a Friday to minimise class disruption, to be confirmed in 2012

August’s Obon festival is as important as Christmas is in Europe.

Other holidays are moved into the breaks between the term dates given above.

CESA Plus Points:

Okazaki:

A friendly city built on a human scale ~ high standard of living and (for Japan) negligible commuting required ~ plenty of community and cultural activities to enjoy ~ must sees include Tokugawa Ieyasu’s castle (it’s a replica as the original was destroyed in the Meiji period but it’s still a must in Okazaki) & the “Noh” Theatre ~ karaoke (has to be done or no one will believe you were in Japan) ~ excursions to Nagoya, Kyoto, Nara, Toyota make great day or weekend trips ~ or try skiing in Nagano in winter, hiking up Mount Fuji in summer or white-water rafting in Gifu-ken in Spring.

Okazaki College:

Excellent quality language courses to suit a range of personal & linguistic needs ~ ideal for Gappers, graduates and adults looking for intensive tuition ~ a wealth of modern college facilities and first-class teachers ~ very popular with past CESA students.