Kyoto Consortium for Japanese Studies (KCJS) Summer Programs in Modern and Classical Japanese



Activities

Course-related field trips, guest lectures, and cultural activities are organized to provide opportunities for students to strengthen their language skills and deepen their understanding of Japanese language, history, and culture.

Housing

Students live on their own in small furnished apartments, in a group guest house or with carefully selected host families.

Academic Program

The KCJS summer programs offer highly motivated undergraduate and graduate students the opportunity to complete one full year of modern Japanese or classical Japanese in one intensive summer. Small class sizes provide the optimal language learning environment and each participant is paired with a conversation partner, a student from one of the local universities who provides authentic language practice as well as access to a broader network of Japanese peers.

Courses are taught by KCJS language instructors and visiting faculty from KCJS member schools. Credit is awarded on a Columbia University transcript upon completion of the program.

Students enroll in one of the following courses:

Intermediate Japanese

prerequisite: one year of Japanese or the equivalent

Advanced Japanese

prerequisite: three years of Japanese or the equivalent

Classical Japanese [in English]

prerequisite: three years of Japanese or the equivalent



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Practice session with Naginata-hoko musicians for Gion Festival.