

Boston University Study Abroad



TOKYO, JAPAN > EXCHANGE



EXCHANGE OVERVIEW

If you are seeking a highly independent and culturally immersed study abroad program, an exchange may be right for you. On an exchange program, you will enroll directly at one of our parner universities and take your classes with local students. This model offers levels of authenticity and autonomy that are not often available through other study abroad programs. Our exchange partners include prestigious institutions in several countries and most offer courses in English.

Participating in an exchange is affordable and simple: while you are participating on an exchange program, you will pay regular BU tuition to BU and your financial aid will apply as usual. Courses you take abroad will appear on your transcript as BU credits. Explore the exchange options below and contact Marisa Crowley to begin planning for your exchange.

Tokyo: Keio University Exchange Program

HOST INSTITUTION

Tokyo's **Keio University** has a proud history as Japan's very first private institution of higher learning, which dates back to the formation of a school for Dutch studies in 1858 in Edo (now Tokyo) by founder Yukichi Fukuzawa. Since the school's inception, the students of Keio have risen to the forefront of innovation in every imaginable academic field, emerging as social and economic leaders. www.keio.ac.jp/index-en.html

EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Boston University students have the opportunity to take classes through either the Keio International Program (classes in English) or the Japanese Language Program for the spring or academic year. Upon successful completion of a semester at Keio, students earn 12 to 18 Boston University Credits.

JAPANESE LANGUAGE PROGRAM

For students who want to focus on Japanese language learning at any level, the Japanese language program offers a focus on improving speaking, listening, reading, and writing in Japanese. In addition to Japanese language courses, students can also enroll in an International or Japanese Studies course taught in English. A language placement test will be administered at the start of the semester to determine the level of language coursework. www.ic.keio.ac.jp/nncenter/index.html

KEIO INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM

The Keio International Program is for students who prefer to focus on international studies. Various courses taught in English are offered in all aspects of Japanese history, society, culture as well as courses with a focus on international relations, commerce, and governance. Students enroll in one of a limited number of Japanese language courses. A complete listing of international courses is available at: www.ic.keio.ac.jp/en/study/exchange/courses.html

HOUSING

Students live in dorms arranged through Keio. Arrangements for housing will be made in advance of travel to Japan.

ADMISSIONS

- · Boston University students only
- A foundation in Japanese is strongly recommended
- · Refer to our policy on eligibility/admissions at: www.bu.edu/abroad/admissions

PROGRAM DATES

Academic Year: September-July Spring Semester: late March-July

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Academic Year: March 15

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Spring Semester (if space is available):

September 15

PROGRAM COST

Students will pay Boston University tuition for the semester or academic year that they are abroad. Participants pay separately for housing, board, airfare, and other incidentals. Emergency travel assitance coverage and overseas medical insurance are provided for the students.