Facilities available in G Square

Up front we have a multi-screen panel, with BBC, CNN and other foreign channels broadcasting live. You can borrow headphones for free at the reception desk, so feel free to come by and watch the latest news from all over the world (We will hold your student card while you borrow headphones).

We have 5 laptops available for use in G Square. Please log in with your student ID. Internet access and the Chuou library database are available, and of course we have WiFi! No printers are available.

We have all sorts of good things to read for everyone! We have books on Japanese culture, such as Japanese sweets, traditional Kabuki dances, and so much more! We also have the Ryugaku Journal, a magazine with all the study abroad information you need, and books on IELTS, TOEFL, and TOEIC proficiency tests. We have all you need!

Laptops and Wifi

Books and Magazines

G² (G Square)

Established: March 28, 2013
Location: Chuou University, Tama Campus, Hilltop (Cafeteria) 2nd floor
Business hours: Weekdays (except during school holidays)
10am–5pm
Number of seats available: 86 seats
 Aim: Cross-cultural exchange Space
Activities:
1. Seminars on study abroad exchange programs/experiences from the students themselves
2. Cross-cultural exchange events and support
3. Student-led language-exchange classes
4. Information on learning foreign languages and all you need for studying abroad

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What is G Square?

G Square is the cross-cultural exchange space on the Chuou University Tama Campus. In G Square, we have language-exchange opportunities, cross-cultural events, and information on all the study abroad activities you need to know about! It is also a space for both Japanese and international exchange students to be able to meet and communicate with each other. We have countless events and seminars held in G Square and also our popular daily Language Labs as well. We, the G Square student staff, plan events with others’ help, including volunteer staff.

Comments from our guests

G Square is a place where people can get together and is the perfect place for everyone to open their worlds, because you break down personal and language barriers to meet new people. G Square is not just a place to improve your Japanese and hang out. It’s something you keep for the rest of your life and it really helps you grow as a person. Everyone is great and our little family group with each and everyone because people who don’t come to G Square often see the appeal and how fun it is there. Besides that, being a host for my own Language Lab allowed me to challenge myself when I taught others. When people ask me about my culture or language, it really allows me to reflect on who I am, so I think doing the language lab helps in broadening our horizons.

The University of Arizona, exchange student
Mindy Leng

With very few opportunities to use English in Japan, G Square helps everyone to use English on a daily basis, which can be a very crucial point for those going to study abroad. By speaking to native speakers while learning English, it helped me build confidence in speaking English. Also, with so many exchange students from so many different countries, it creates various opportunities to be able to experience the culture of other countries.

Faculty of Law, 3rd year, Sofia Shej
Global Café

The Global Café is an event where international students become our waiters and waitresses to serve coffee and snacks to Japanese students. While doing so, international students get to chat with the students they are serving! This is a great way to make Japanese friends and practice your Japanese. Be global with us and join our café!

Language Lab

At Language Labs, or “LanLabo”, students become teachers and teach their home country’s language to other students, and vice versa! We hold LanLabo weekly and everything is free and easy: explore cultural exchange with not only Japanese students but students from around the world through language, videos and first-hand learning from native speakers themselves! So far we’ve had English, French, German, Korean, Italian, Turkish, Thai, Spanish, Malay, and Ainu LanLabo. There are just so many to choose from! And for international students, we have Japanese LanLabo classes as well. Join us and become a host of your own LanLabo class, to share your nation’s language with everyone! Contact any of our staff for more details.

Events and Activities in G Square

Japan Day

On Japan Day we explore Japanese culture, such as music, calligraphy, dance and so much more with the international students! This event is also open to Japanese students, so it’s a great way to make friends while learning about Japanese culture!

Welcome Party, Farewell Party

G Square holds Welcome and Farewell parties every term for Chuo international students. At the Welcome Party we have ice-breaking games and food, so it’s a great way to make new friends at the start of your Chuo life new life! At the Farewell Parties we have food and a special graduation ceremony, where we give out G Square graduation certificates to celebrate your time in Chuo and G Square.

Cross Border Exchange

Current Chuo students studying abroad connect with G Square through Skype during our Cross Border Exchange, also known as “Crobo”! Students living abroad tell us all about their classes, their daily lives, and what their campuses are like. We also have discussions on topics such as politics, economics and culture, all done live on Skype! Friends of the Chuo students studying abroad also join in and everyone gets to know each other! Exchange students of Chuo, don’t forget to join in and keep in touch with us via Skype even after you go back home!

We’re active on social media!

G Square is on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, giving you the best information daily! We show you daily activities in G Square, special interviews on cross cultural trips abroad by Chuo students, and a special column showcasing international students from around the world at Chuo University. Check it out: we update our social media daily on events and seminars, so watch out for those!

Hakumon Festival

The Hakumonsai, also known as the Hakumon Festival, is Chuo University’s annual school festival, and, of course, G Square takes part every year! Remember watching anime with school festivals? This is the real deal! The international students and the G Square staff will plan all sorts of activities to make our Hakumonsai booth the best at Chuo!