Thi Cam Huyen
Vietnam National University, Hanoi (Vietnam)

No words can express my love for Chuo. Chuo is full of so many opportunities, and quite frankly the academics are excellent. This university is big, but Chuo has never made me feel like just a number. Chuo has a beautiful campus that has everything you need, including a coffee shop, convenience store and a huge library. The library is open until 10pm during the term so it is very useful. There are several different types of learning areas, silent study, group study rooms you can book and single-use carrels for complete quiet and concentration. I have used all of these areas for different types of work and they have been really helpful. In particular, I want to send my gratitude to all my lecturers. The lectures all have their own specialty and they were all willing to give me time and help me out. I want to thank them for challenging me to be my best and instilling in me a passion for learning. Moreover, Chuo brought me the most sincere friends I’ve ever had. I would never have met them if we hadn’t gotten together to attend this University. We’re from different corners of the world – Japan, Denmark, France, German, Korea, Taiwan, and Malaysia, and Chuo brought us all together. Lastly I want to thank the International Center for all its hard work for me. With the help of the International Center, I was able to enjoy my life in Japan and experienced many awesome Japanese culture events. Thank you for being part of my youth, Chuo! I am proud to be your student!

Kuo, Ting-Hsiao
National Taipei University (Taiwan)

I’m so glad and thankful for studying in Chuo University as an exchange student. Studying here has been an amazing and memorable experience in my life. The staff working in the International Center are so kind and always help with problems about courses and life. Chuo also provides a variety of Japanese language courses. Exchange students can easily find courses that suit their Japanese level. The courses are not only interesting but also useful. They help me to improve my Japanese language skills quickly. In addition, I’ve been taking some courses taught in Japanese and had the opportunity teaching with more in-class exchange. Experiencing Tokyo is definitely something you have to try, and Chuo University gave me the perfect setting to do that (and the cafeterias are really good!).

Cornelis, Claudia Marie G.
Free University of Brussels (Belgium)

I had a wonderful experience at Chuo University and would recommend it to any future exchange students. The campus is situated in a quiet area but places like Shinjuku and Shibuya are still fairly accessible thanks to the efficient transportation system. The people working at the International Center were very kind and always ready to help. Along with the many cafeterias serving delicious foods there is even a lounge called G-square where exchange students can meet each other as well as meet Japanese students and take part in intercultural events. I also learned a lot about Japan in the lectures I attended, which were in English but in which many Japanese students participated. And last but not least, the campus is beautiful and full of greenery, and on clear days you can even see Mt Fuji! So you definitely won’t regret it if you apply to Chuo!

Kacem, Mohammed Reda
University of Geneva (Switzerland)

Having a semester in Japan and especially in Tokyo is definitely something you will not regret. I had the opportunity to live in some other big cities, such as London, but Tokyo is a city with something special that will certainly miss once you return home. Japanese culture is probably one of the best in the world and you will realize it immediately during your first interactions with the International Center. Even if living in a big city can be scary, you are going to be helped through every step of your exchange. The framework for studying is perfect, the university is large and surrounded by trees and gardens. There is something for everyone, a lot of different sport clubs, such as boxing, dancing and music clubs. There is even a building on campus dedicated to exchange students and managed by Japanese students that organize meetings, parties, and language classes and exchange. In short, whether you join a club or participate in exchange orders, it is going to be easy to get in touch with both Japanese and foreign students. In addition, the teachers are really good, passionate and dedicated, and you will enjoy a different way of teaching with more in-class exchange. Experiencing Tokyo is definitely something you have to try, and Chuo University gave me the perfect setting to do that (and the cafeterias are really good!).
Our Exchange Programs (one year or one semester)
Chuo is one of the largest and most prestigious private universities in Japan, boasting 135 years of history. Chuo Exchange Programs offer opportunities to take courses or conduct research for one year or one semester, which can include comprehensive Japanese language study as an integral part of your degree program at your home institution. Exchange Programs give students exciting opportunities to study at one of Japan’s leading universities and experience the best of Japan through academic studies and cultural immersion. Upon completion of an Exchange Program, exchange students can transfer credits and/or academic achievements gained at Chuo to their home institutions. One year or one semester at Chuo will undoubtedly enhance your degree work and your life.

Academic Courses
Exchange students can take Japanese language courses as well as academic courses taught in English or Japanese. Although most academic courses are taught in Japanese, Chuo offers a wide variety of courses taught in English in the following fields: Law, Environmental Studies, International Relations & Politics, Cultural & Social Studies, Economics, History, Philosophy & Religion, Language & Linguistics, Literature, and Psychology. Courses taught in German, French and Chinese are also offered. For more details, please refer to the “Selected Courses” section.

Japanese Language Courses
Chuo offers comprehensive Japanese language courses specially designed for exchange students. There are 8 levels, from beginner to advanced, taught in small classes. Students will take a placement test and be assigned to courses based on their proficiency. At the Korakuen Campus, only 1 level of Japanese language is offered.

Eligibility for Application
Your Current Academic Status
※ Applicants for admission to undergraduate or graduate exchange programs must have completed secondary education and be currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program at a partner institution of Chuo.
※ Exchange applicants must have completed at least one academic year of study at their home institutions before starting at Chuo.
※ Exchange applicants are eligible to study in undergraduate or graduate programs of Chuo for only a limited period (one year or one semester) as an integral part of their degree programs at their home institutions. Only students who are on track to complete their degree programs following their studies at Chuo (i.e., they will complete further requirements at their home institutions on their return) may apply.
※ Exchange applicants for admission to graduate programs must have completed their undergraduate studies and obtained an undergraduate university degree (bachelor’s degree) or equivalent from their home institutions.

Japanese Language Proficiency
There are no specific requirements for Japanese language proficiency for exchange students except for those applying to the Faculty of Science and Engineering which requires students to have at least the equivalent to the N3 level of the JLP test. However, we recommend applicants to all faculties to have language proficiency equivalent to the N3 level, so that you can fully benefit from your experiences in Japan.

Tuition Waivers
Exchange students from institutions with which Chuo has signed reciprocal student exchange agreements with mutual tuition fee waivers are exempt from Chuo registration fees and tuition fees in general. Students from partner institutions with no mutual fee waiver arrangements are required to pay registration fees and tuition fees to Chuo. For details of arrangements, please contact the exchange program coordinator at your home institution.

Academic Schedule
Exchange students are generally accepted for a full academic year starting in April. However, the three options stated below with an asterisk (*) are also available for students from partner institutions.
※ Full academic year: April 1, 2021 - January 2022 (recommended)
※ First (spring) semester only: April 1, 2021 - July 2021
※ Second (fall) semester only: September 21, 2021 - January 2022
※ Second (fall) semester, and first (spring) semester of the following academic year: September 21, 2021 - July 2022

Application Procedure
※Application/Nomination deadline for Graduate Program is one month earlier than Undergraduate Program.

Application period
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Number of Incoming Exchange Students
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Living Costs
The approximate cost of living (including accommodation and utilities, as well as other expenses) for students in a Chuo Exchange Program is about 80,000 yen ~ 100,000 yen per month. For more information about living in Japan, we recommend you check the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) website: (https://www.studyinjapan.go.jp/en/life/livingcost-price/).

Visas
Students in a Chuo Exchange Program need to obtain a Student Visa. For more information, please ask the exchange program coordinator at your home institution.

Health Insurance
Exchange students who study at Chuo must join the National Health Insurance system regardless of the duration of their stay in Japan. By paying a monthly premium (about 1,200 yen per month), 75% of medical treatment and medication fees will be covered.

Events and Activities
Chuo has various annual events and social gatherings especially organized for international students to promote intercultural exchanges. These include welcome parties, BBQ parties, sports days, seasonal events, farewell parties, and more.

Housing
There are 2 types of accommodation available for exchange students.

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*Utility fees included. Rent can be subject to change without notice.

Total
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* For coordinators only