1. **Brief Introduction**

**Dr. Yoshiko Higurashi** (yhigurashi@sdsu.edu, 594-1005)
Director, Japan International Programs
Director, Japanese Language Program
Professor Emerita of Japanese

**Program #1: SDSU Japan Direct Exchange Programs for All Majors**

- Aoyama Gakuin University 青山学院大学 (Tokyo) – private - Y 1 year
- Chuo University 中央大学 (Tokyo) – private - S or Y 1 year
- Doshisha University 同志社大学 (Kyoto) – private - Y 1 year
- Gifu University 岐阜大学 (Gifu) – national - Y 2 years
- Gunma University 群馬大学 (Gunma) – national - Y 2 years
- Hirosaki University 弘前大学 (Aomori) – national - S or Y 2 years
- Hokkaido University 北海道大学 (Sapporo) – national - S or Y 1 year
- Hosei University 法政大学 (Tokyo) – private - S or Y 1 year
- Kyoto Sangyo University 京都産業大学 (Kyoto) – private - Y 1 year
- Kyushu University 九州大学 (Fukuoka) – national - S or Y 1 year
- Meiji University 明治大学 (Tokyo) – private - S or Y 1 year
- Nanzan University 南山大学 (Nagoya) - private - S or Y 1 year
- Oita University 大分大学 (Oita) - national - Y 1 year
- Osaka International University 大阪国際大学 (Osaka) – private – Y 1 years
- Osaka University of Arts 大阪芸術大学 (Osaka) – private – Y 3-4 years
- Rikkyo University 立教大学 (Tokyo) – Private - S or Y 1 year
- Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific U. (APU) 立命館アジア太平洋大学 (Beppu) – Private S/Y 1 year
- Ritsumeikan University 立命館大学 (Kyoto) – Private - Y 1 year
- Tokyo University of Foreign Studies 東京外国語大学 (Tokyo) -national – S or Y 1 year
- Toyo Eiwa University 東洋英和学院大学(Yokohama) – private – Y 4 years
- Yokohama National University 横浜国立大学 (Yokohama) – national – Y 1 year
Japanese Majors & Minors:

For Priority Seating:
See Below

International Business Majors:
Contact: Ms. Maribel Franco (mf Franco@sdsu.edu, 594-4504)
IB Senior Advisor and Study Abroad Coordinator

All Majors except IB Majors:
Contact: Dr. Yoshiko Higurashi
and
Mr. Ryan McLemore (r mcle more@sdsu.edu, 594-1970)
International Student Center

Program #2: Exchange Programs for IB Majors

• Akita International U. 国際教養大学 (Akita) - public
• Osaka U. of Commerce 大阪商業大学 (Osaka) – private
• Sofia University 上智大学 (Tokyo) – private
• Yokohama City University 横浜市立大学 (Yokohama) – public

All applicants:
Contact: Ms. Maribel Franco (mf Franco@sdsu.edu, 594-4504)
IB Senior Advisor and Study Abroad Coordinator

Program #3: International Student Exchange Programs (ISEP)

• Chukyo University 中京大学 (Nagoya) – private
• Kansai Gaidai University 関西外国語大学 (Osaka) – private
• Tokyo International U. 東京国際大学 (Saitama) - private
• others

All applicants:
Contact: International Student Center

Program #4: California State University Int’l Programs (CSU-IP)

• University of Tsukuba 筑波大学 (Tsukuba) – national – Y
• Waseda University 早稲田大学 (Tokyo) – private – Y

All applicants:
Contact: International Student Center
Application Deadline: January 15, 2021 Waseda University
February 15, 2021 University of Tsukuba

2. Special Guests

International Student Center
Mr. Ryan McLemore, Study Abroad Advisor rmclemore@sdsu.edu
Ms. Karina Araiza, Inbound Exchange Program Coordinator and Study Abroad Advisor karaiza@sdsu.edu

International Business Program
Ms. Maribel Franco, Senior Advisor and Study Abroad Coordinator mfranco@sdsu.edu
3. Japanese Language Majors and Minors: Priority Application
SDSU Japan Direct Exchange Programs

a) Selection Committee
- Dr. Yoshiko Higurashi (Chair)
- Dr. Ryu Kitajima (rkitajim@sdsu.edu, 594-5524)
  Japanese Language Program
- Ms. Asuka Kuratani (akuratani@sdsu.edu, 594-5352)
  Japanese Language Program
- Professor Kotaro Nakamura (nakamur1@sdsu.edu, 594-4761)
  School of Art and Design
- Dr. Atsushi Nara (anara@sdsu.edu, 594-1305)
  Department of Geography
- Dr. Junichi Satoh (jsatoh@sdsuedu, 594-1966)
  School of Art and Design

b) Application Requirements and Selection Criteria:
See the Announcement

c) Application: Electronic Submission of Paper Application
- 1 original set of complete application packet except letters of recommendation
- Letters of recommendation from faculty must be sent directly to Dr. Higurashi
- Dr. Higurashi’s e-mail address: yhigurashi@sdsu.edu

d) Interview
An applicant must have a favorable interview with the Selection Committee.

e) Important Dates
**Friday, October 16, 2020**
Paper application due at Dr. Higurashi’s e-mail address (yhigurashi@sdsu.edu).
Send all requirement documents as e-mail attachments. Due at 3:30 p.m.

**Friday, October 23, 2020**
A sign-up sheet for interviews will be available.

**Friday, November 6, 2020**
Zoom Interview: All Japanese major & minor applicants by the Selection Committee
(Tentative Schedule: 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.)

Please note that this is the preliminary step for the selection of nominees to participate in the SDSU-Japan Direct Exchange Programs. Final decisions will be made by the host institutions and announced by the Assistant Director for Education Abroad.
f) Withdrawal from Exchange Programs
If you decide to withdraw after being nominated, please notify both Mr. Ryan McLemore (rmclemore@sdsu.edu) and Dr. Yoshiko Higurashi (yhigurashi@sdsu.edu) by e-mail, not via Aztec Abroad.

g) How to Transfer Units from Japanese Universities
For general advising, please contact:

Ms. Kathy Baxter (kbaxter@sdsu.edu, 594-6668)
Ms. Arlene Elane (aelane@sdsu.edu, 594-1751)
International Academic Advisers
Office of Advising and Evaluations

For Upper Division GE Transfer:
“Students should submit all transcripts directly to Enrollment Services. In the majority of cases, the work will be used to clear relevant GE categories. If, when the student reviews the results on their on-line evaluation, a course has not been used in GE, the student can come in to the advising center and talk to a study abroad specialist.”

h) What to expect when you come back from Japan
Exchange partners send official transcripts directly to SDSU's Office of Enrollment Services. They are instructed to send them to: SDSU Enrollment Services Transcript Unit, 5500 Campanile Dr. San Diego, CA 92182-7416

- Submit your new contact information to: Mr. McLemore and Dr. Higurashi
- Meet with Prof. Kitajima for Placement Test(s)
- Take Placement Test(s) at the Test Office
- Meet with Dr. Higurashi (unofficial copies of SDSU transcript + Japanese university’s transcript) when the test results are available
- Presentation at the Information Session (September 2022)

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4. Questions and Answers
5. Presentations by Students: Regular Programs

<Part 1> Live Presentations

Hosei University (法政大学)
Shelby Cunningham (シェルビー・カンニングハム) scunningham@sdsu.edu

Rikkyo University (立教大学)
Taylor Yu (タイラー・ユー) yu.taylor.james@gmail.com

Tokyo University of Foreign Studies (東京外国語大学)
Garrett Mestemacher (ガレット・メスタマーカ) garrett.mestemacher@gmail.com

Yokohama National University (横浜国立大学)
Xiomahara Solis (シャオマラ・ソリス) xiomaharasolis@gmail.com

Questions and Answers with Live Presenters

<Part 2> Video Presentations

Doshisha University (同志社大学)
Liam Redo (リアム・リードー) redoliam@gmail.com

Rikkyo University (立教大学)
Melody Benjamin (メロディー・ベンジャミン) dancastro410@gmail.com

Ritsumeikan University (立命館大学)
Megan Haberstroh (メーガン・ハーバーストロー) yaviiniia@gmail.com

Sophia University (上智大学)
Richard Amaechi (リチャード・アミチ) richardamaechijr@gmail.com

<Part 3> List of Institutions

 Frag = unable to give a presentation but glad to answer any questions if contacted

1. Aoyama Gakuin University (青山学院大学) www.aoyama.c.jp
   SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Tokyo

2. Chukyo University (中京大学) www.chukyo-u.ac.jp
   Available through ISEP, a private institution in Nagoya
3. Chuo University  （中央大学）  www.chuo-u.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Tokyo.
SDSU student studied at Chuo:
🐦 Garrett James Lam  gjlam725@gmail.com

4. Doshisha University  （同志社大学）  www.doshisha.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Kyoto
SDSU student who studied at Doshisha
Liam Redo  （リアム・リードー）  redoliam@gmail.com
Video Presentation

5. Gifu University  （岐阜大学）  www.gifu-u.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a national institution in Gifu, Gifu.
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6. Gunma University  （群馬大学）  www.gunma-u.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a national institution in Maebashi, Gunma
SDSU student who studied at Gunma:
🐦 David Tan  （デイビッド・タン）  dwt750733@gmail.com

7. Hirosaki University  （弘前大学）  www.hirosaki-u.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a national institution in Hirosaki, Aomori
On Hold / Imbalance SDSU students

8. Hokkaido University  （北海道大学）  www.oia.hokudai.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a national institution in Sapporo.
SDSU student who studied at Hoku-Dai:
🐦 Hannah Berke  （ハンナ・バーク）  hannah.berke.17@gmail.com

9. Hosei University  （法政大学）  www.hosei.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Tokyo
SDSU student who studied at Hosei:
Shelby Cunningham  （シェルビー・カンニングハム）
Live Presentation  scunningham@sdsu.edu

10. Kansai Gaidai University  （関西外国語大学）  www.kansaigaidai.ac.jp
Available through ISEP, a private institution in Hirakata, Osaka

11. Kyoto Sangyo University  （京都産業大学）  www.kyoto-su.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Kyoto

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12. Kyushu University (九州大学)  www.kyushu-u.ac.jp/english
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a national institution in Fukuoka.

13. Meiji University (明治大学)  www.meiji.ac.jp/cip/english/
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Tokyo.

SDSU student who studied at Meiji:
Teri Handa (テリー・ハンダ) thanda279@gmail.com

Please view a video clip at: http://www.meiji.ac.jp/cip/english/meiji_guide/movies/

14. Nanzan University (南山大学)  www.nanzan-u.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Nagoya.

15. Oita University (大分大学)  www.oita-u.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a national institution in Oita, Oita
On Hold / Imbalance

16. Osaka International University (大阪国際大学)  www.oui.oui.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Osaka
On Hold / Imbalance

17. Osaka University of Arts (大阪芸術大学)  www.osaka-geidai.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Osaka
On Hold / Imbalance

18. Osaka University of Commerce (大阪商業大学)  www.ouc.daishodai.ac.jp
Available for IB majors only, private institution in Osaka.

19. Rikkyo University (立教大学)  http://english.rikkyo.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Tokyo.

SDSU students who studied at Rikkyo:
Melody Benjamin (メロディー・ベンジャミン) dancastro410@gmail.com
Video Presentation
Taylor Yu (タイラー・ユー) yu.taylor.james@gmail.com
Live Presentation

20. Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU) (立命館アジア太平洋大学) www.apu.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Beppu, Oita
21. Ritsumeikan University （立命館大学） www.ritsumeikan.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Kyoto.

SDSU student who studied at Ritsumeikan: (2016-2017)
Megan Haberstroh （メーガン・ハーバーストロー）
Video presentation yaviiniia@gmail.com

22. Sophia University for IB Majors only （上智大学） www.sophia.ac.jp
Available for IB majors only, private institution in Tokyo.

SDSU student who studied at Sophia:
Richard Amaechi （リチャード・アミチ） richardamaechijr@gmail.com
Video Presentation

23. Tokyo University of Foreign Studies （東京外国語大学） www.tufs.ac.jp/english

SDSU student who studied at Tokyo Gaigo:
Garrett Mestemacher （ガレット・メスタマーカ）
Live Presentation Garrett.mestemacher@gmail.com

24. Toyo Eiwa University （東洋英和女学院大学） www.toyoeiwa.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a private institution in Yokohama

25. University of Tsukuba （筑波大学） www.tsukuba.ac.jp
CSU-International Program, a national institution in Tsukuba

26. Waseda University （早稲田大学） www.waseda.ac.jp
CSU-International Program, a private institution in Tokyo

27. Yokohama National University （横浜国立大学） www.nyu.ac.jp
SDSU’s direct exchange program, a national institution in Yokohama

SDSU student who studied at Yokohama National:
Xiomahara Solis （シャオマラ・ソリス） xiomaharasolis@gmail.com
Live Presentation

⇒ Chrisopher Burch（クリストファー・バーチ） chrismmburch@gmail.com

6. Questions and Answers
7. Student Organizations on Campus

Japanese Student Association (JSA)
Chelsea Barrero President jsasdsu@gmail.com

Nikkei Student Union (NSU)
Marissa Lee President sdsu.nsu.president@gmail.com

8. Study Abroad Scholarships

Association of International Education in Japan (AIEJ) Scholarships www.aiej.or.jp
⇒ Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) (formerly AIEJ)

¥80,000 (approximately $800.00) monthly for living expenses ($1 = 100 yen)
Japanese universities make their own selection.

Bridging Scholarships
c/o Association of Teachers of Japanese, University of Colorado www.colorado.edu
$4,000 for one academic year, $2,500 for one semester

Gilman International Scholarship
$5,000.00 per semester or academic year
for students currently receiving federal Pell Grants

Council for International Education Exchange (CIEE)
up to $1,000.00

Freeman Scholarship for Students Studying in Asia
$5,000.00 per semester
for students currently receiving federal Pell Grants

The National Security Education Program (NSEP)
$2,500.00 for summer
$4,000.00 - $10,000.00 per semester
$6,000.00 - $20,000 per academic year

Rotary International Scholarship
amount varies

Watanabe Scholarship
Amount varies

Women in International Trade, San Diego
9. SDSU Japanese Language Program’s Scholarships  
(As of May 7, 2019)

35th Annual Kyocera Japanese Scholarship ($1,500)

33rd Annual Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Japanese Scholarship  
Category III ($250 x 2 winners)

13th Annual Union Bank Scholarship for a Japanese Major’s Study  
in Japan ($500)

10th Annual SDSU Office of International Programs (OIP) Japanese Scholarship  
($750 per winner x 3 winners)

9th Annual IACE Travel Scholarship (Hotel Voucher)

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2nd Annual McLeod Best Student Awards (Gift Certificate)

20th Annual Japanese Language Program’s Honorable Mention (Certificate)