



# LAW IN JAPAN

A TWO-WEEK JAPANESE LAW PROGRAM IN TOKYO

This intensive two-week program is designed for foreign nationals who would like to study Japanese law in its social and cultural context. The program consists of lectures and field trips. Each lecture will present a number of important contemporary issues for discussion. Participants will also learn how the law is actually practiced through the field trips.







#### **Dates**



**OVERSEAS UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE STUDENTS ONLY** 

JUL 3-JUL 14, 2017 (MON-FRI, 10 DAYS)

SESSION 2 **ALL ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS** 

JUL 28-AUG 9, 2017 (MON-FRI & JUL 29, 10 DAYS)

Overseas undergraduate and graduate students can apply for both sessions, but you can only study one session. If you apply for both sessions, please specify your first and second choice.

#### **Eligibility**

#### Overseas university students or degree holders from an accredited overseas university

•Must be 18 years old or over as of July 3/ July 28, 2017

•No previous knowledge of Japanese Law / Language is required (We welcome participants from both law and non-law backgrounds.)

#### **Number of Participants**

Language used

Session 1: 23 Session 2: 23

**English** 

#### **Program Fee**

### 100,000 yen (Graduate / Undergraduate Students : 85,000 yen)

- \* Tuition fee, travel expenses for field trips, educational materials, welcome & farewell parties, course completion certificates and the registration fee are included.
- \* Travel expenses in and outside of Tokyo, accommodation in Tokyo and other expenses while in Tokyo are not included.

Site Meiji University Surugadai Campus (Tokyo)

#### **Application Period**

FEB 1(WED) - FEB 28 (TUE), 2017 (Japan Standard Time)

#### **Application Process**

Online Registration www.meiji.ac.jp/cip/english/programs/law/

**Screening** 

Notification of Acceptance

Payment of Program fee

## **Main Course Descriptions**



## **Business Law** and Practice

A private enterprise is the main vehicle of business and also the driving force of Japan's economy. This class will show an outline of the organization of a private company in Japan and also analyze the function of law and lawyers in business.



#### **Civil Justice**

This class will provide an overview of Japanese civil dispute resolution mechanisms including court proceedings and dispute resolution out of the court. Participants will learn legal, social, and cultural aspects of Japanese civil dispute resolution.



#### **Competition Law**

The Japanese Anti-Monopoly Act 1947 regulates the business activities of corporations by prohibiting certain kinds of trades. This class will show an outline of the law and its characteristics and also analyze the recent changes brought about after the 1990s.



#### **Constitutional Law**

The purpose of this class is to offer a new perspective of seeing Japanese society by learning the history and characteristics of the Japanese Constitutional law. This class will focus on the institutions of government, human rights and equality.



#### **Criminal Law**

Japanese criminal law defines "crime" in a highly theoretical way. The Penal Code is comprised of a list of basic elements of crimes with several exemptions based on principles of legality and culpability. Criminal legal theory will be examined by reference to actual cases and examples



#### **Family Law**

This class seeks to provide an outline of Japanese family law by illustrating some unique features of the laws concerning family matters including historical background of the traditional family law, the structure of current law, and the family court system.



#### Intellectual Property Law

What is Japan best known for? Manga? Anime? Technology? This lecture is designed to give participants an overview of Japanese intellectual property law by focusing on the current copyright law and patent law. The relationship between culture and intellectual property law will form an integral part of this lecture.



#### **International Law**

This class will examine how international rules are implemented through domestic law and institutions in Japan. The leture focuses on up-to-date topics such as territorial and maritime disputes, free trade agreements and terrorism.



#### **Judicial System**

This class will be an introduction to the Japanese legal system. In a mock trial classroom, the features of Japanese law and its judicial system will be discussed from historical and social perspectives.



#### **Labor Law**

Japanese employment relations are no longer characterized by the three well-known principles of lifetime employment, seniority and enterprise labor unions. This class will show labor and employment law in Japan and discover the contemporary features of employment in Japan.



#### Law and Information Technologies

Information technologies have a great impact on our society and law. Many legal problems like SPAM and ID theft arise from information technologies. This class provides an overview of the many laws designed to address these issues in Japan.



#### **Legal Profession**

The Japanese legal profession developed as a divided profession: besides judges, public prosecutors and attorneys-at-law, there are also judicial scrivener lawyers, patent attorneys, and tax accountants etc. playing an important role. This class will give an overview of the history and contemporary practice of the Japanese legal profession.



#### **Prison System in Japan**

This class intends to outline the main features of the prison system in Japan by examining the current state of the system together with its underlying principles. Recent developments, such as the use of private companies to manage prisons, are also discussed.



#### Tax Law

This class will provide an overview of Japanese tax law including the basic structure of the personal/corporate income taxation and VAT. Participants will study how non-residents are subject to tax in Japan, if they live and work in this country.

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

\* Each sessions is separate: the applicant can enroll only one session. \* Changes to the program descriptions may occur.



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\* This session is suitable for complete beginners.

#### **Approximately 38 hours in total**

#### Lectures (26 hrs)

Business Law\*, Business Law and Practice, Civil Justice / Contract, Comparative Law\*, Competition Law, Constitution, EPA and Japan, Intellectual Property Law, International Public Law, International Tax Law, International Trade Law, Judicial System, Law of Enterprises, Law and Disaster, Law and Information Technologies, Law and Linguistics, Legal Ethics and Legal Philosophy

#### Field Trips (12 hrs)

Bank of Japan, Tokyo Stock Exchange, Intellectual Property High Court, Japan Patent Office, a Law Firm, the Legislative Bureau of the House of Representatives and the National Diet



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\* Prior knowledge of law is helpful for some classes.

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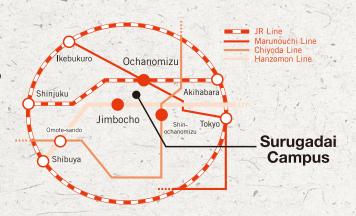
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Tokyo District Court, Tokyo District Public Prosecutors Office, a Law Firm, a Company Legal Division, a Prison, the Legislative Bureau of the House of Representatives and The National Diet

## **Our Location**

Meiji University Surugadai Campus is located on the heart of Tokyo with quick access to Japan's political, economic and cultural core. (One train ride to Akihabara,

10-minutes subway ride to government offices)





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<sup>\*</sup>Participation in Regular Class