



# I-Talk

## Title: Live and Study in Japan

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# Japanese Studies Route

- 2 years of Special Preparatory Program to Japan (RPKJ) at Ambang Asuhan Jepun, University of Malaya
- 4 years of bachelor's degree program and 2 years of master's degree program at Mechanical and Intellectual Systems Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, University of Toyama, Japan
- 4 years of PhD's degree program at New Energy Science, Graduate School of Science and Engineering, University of Toyama, Japan



# Japanese Foundation Studies in Malaysia

- 2 years (4 semesters) special preparatory programme to Japan at Ambang Asuhan Jepun, University of Malaya
- Japanese inspired infrastructure
- Malaysian and Japanese teachers
- 1<sup>st</sup> semester – Japanese language and foundation science studies in English
- 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> semester – Japanese language and high school science studies in Japanese



# Japanese Foundation Studies in Malaysia

- Japanese language learnings
  - 12 Japanese characters per day – daily quiz and weekly & monthly test
  - +2000 Japanese characters by the end of program
  - Daily conversation with Japanese teachers
  - Japanese movie/anime screening once a week
  - Japanese speech, poem, poster, video and kanji writing contest
  - Level 4 Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT)
  - Examination for Japanese University Admission (EJU)
- Hiragana – 46 characters
- Katakana – 46 characters
- Kanji - >50,000 characters



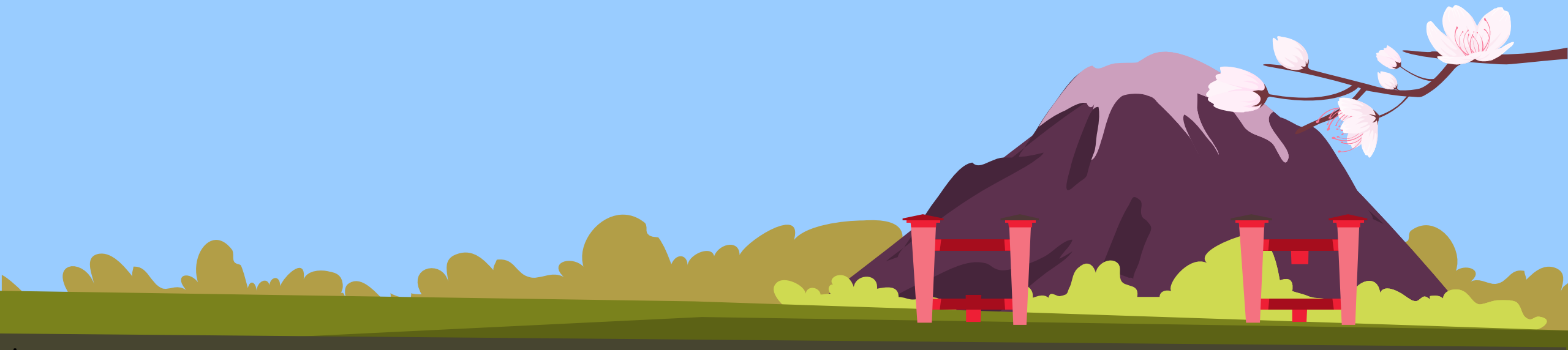
# Undergraduate & Postgraduate Studies in Japan

- April (spring) or October (autumn) intakes
- All subjects are in Japanese except for English subjects
- Japanese entry level language classes and tutoring program available for foreign students
- Bachelor's program (4 years)
  - Credit hours requirement for graduation is supposedly to be accomplished in 3 years
  - Final year project starts in the final year (2 semesters)
  - Final year project thesis writing in Japanese or English
  - Final year
    - Job hunting starts in the 1<sup>st</sup> semester throughout the year
    - Further studies and scholarship applications start in the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester



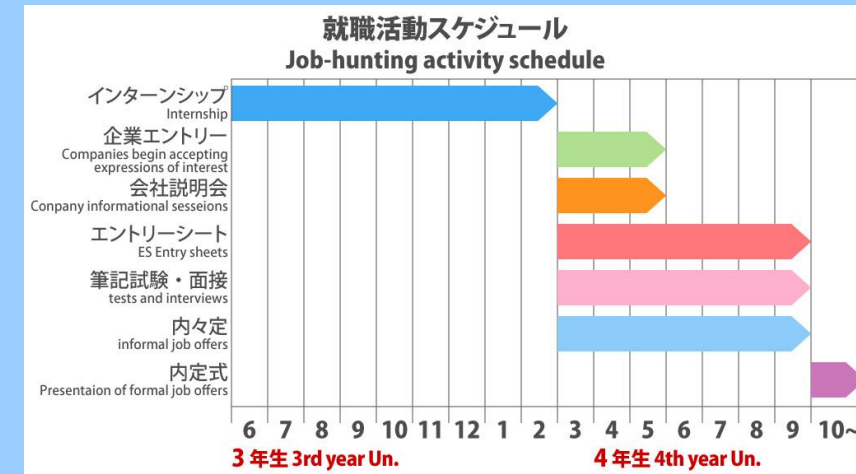
# Undergraduate & Postgraduate Studies in Japan

- Research projects
  - Research laboratories introductory visitations before selection
  - Research laboratories are selected by students according to academic rankings
  - Most topics are pre-assigned by supervisors
  - Equipment handlings and research activities are assisted by seniors in the 1<sup>st</sup> semester
  - Research activities should be completed by the 2<sup>nd</sup> last semester
  - Last/final semester is only for thesis writing and paper publications



# Postgraduation routes

- Job-hunting
  - Job-hunting activity starts in the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of final year
  - In most cases, students secure jobs within 6 months
  - Resume/CV is hand-written on given templates
  - Suits are commonly worn during interviews
- Further studies
  - Further studies application opens in the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of final year
  - Scholarships application open in the mid of 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of final year
  - Some scholarships are exclusively for foreign students



# Currency and Financial

- 100 yen = RM 4.00
- Average one room apartment monthly rent 50 000 yen = RM 2000
- Public university annual tuition fee 540 000 yen = RM 21 400
  - 50% or 100% discount according to academic performance
- Full scholarships are mostly around 140 000 yen = RM 5 500 per month
- Part-time job (arubaito) salary 1000 yen = RM 40 per hour
  - Foreign students max 28 hours per week



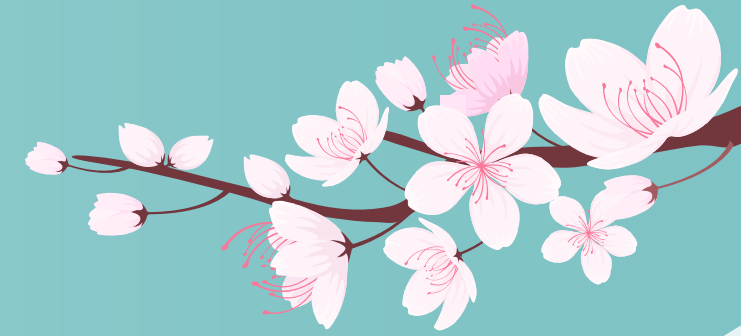


# Social Activities

- Extra-curricular clubs in universities
  - Clubs (bukatsu) – financially backed by universities,
  - Circles (sa-kuru) – no financial aid from universities
  - Senior (senpai) - junior (kohai) hierarchy
- International students center in university
  - Tutor in Japanese language and academic studies
  - Language exchange
- Regional intercultural center
  - Country representatives for intercultural activities



# Last Words



- Studying abroad gives the chance to experience different country with new outlooks, customs, cultures and daily activities
- We should cherish our differences in human characteristics and personalities to ensure harmonic living and environment
- Graduate study is a journey to become a better self in terms mental strength and social skills
- Determination, perseverance, willingness to sacrifice, ability to adapt with new environment and good financial management are keys to survive and succeed in a foreign country





**Thank You**