

Waseda University, Study Abroad 2015

> Waseda Customized Study Program (Regular Academic Program) (2 <u>Quarters</u> [6 months]) at University of Washington (UW)

Location: University of Washington; Seattle, WA

Title: Global Connections

Language Requirements: TOEFL iBT 92 +

GPA Requirements: Students must be in good academic standing.

Nationality: International*

Is enrollment open to students of any nationality including your own country? If "No", please specify all restrictions.

*International refers to non-U.S.students

No: International (non-U.S.) students only. Students with U.S. dual-citizenship (U.S. and another country) may enroll.

Other Requirements: Students must be at least 18 years old and must have completed 1 year of university-level coursework.

Dates: September 22nd, 2015 – March 18th, 2016 (two academic quarters)

Summary:

The Global Connections program offers international students an outstanding study abroad experience. Our high-quality academic courses allow students to focus on current global challenges from different perspectives, explore creative ways to solve problems and discover how to produce positive change. Students, if interested, will have the opportunity to volunteer at local non-profit organizations. This program is offered jointly by the UW Jackson School of International Studies and UW International & English Language Programs.

Academic Study

(Please provide a one to three page overview by academic term of all regular courses add WO (Waseda students Only), IS (International students may also enroll), or OE (Open enrollment, for all students); include availability of optional or elective courses)

	TOEFL iBT 92 or higher
Autumn quarter	• Advising seminar (WO/IS)
	• International Studies course (OE)
	• UW elective course (OE)
	• UW elective course (OE)
Winter quarter	• International Studies course (OE)
	• UW elective course (OE)
	• UW elective course (OE)

Housing and Meal Plan

Students are responsible for making their own housing and meal arrangements. Students

may apply to live in a UW dormitory; on-campus housing placement is on a space-available basis and is not guaranteed. Alternatively, students may choose to live with a homestay family, or in an apartment or house off-campus.

Opportunities for Learning Through Experience

Each quarter, interested students will have the opportunity to enroll in a special type of International Studies course that incorporate service with the local community alongside structured preparation and reflection opportunities. In these "service learning" International Studies courses, students will volunteer with local area non-profit organizations over the course of a quarter. Service opportunities will be tied to academic coursework and intended to address concerns that are identified and articulated by the community.

Students also have many opportunities to participate in student organizations, intramural sports, and extracurricular activities. They may also attend events led by the Foundation for International Understanding Through Students (FIUTS), a campus organization that brings together international students and domestic UW students interested in international friendships.

Facilitation Plan

Waseda students will meet regularly with the program coordinator and an academic advisor regarding registration, academic progress, and area activities. Students will be invited to weekly coffee hours over the course of the program to meet with the coordinator and other program staff for casual conversation, games, activities and discussions about studying abroad and current news topics. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in a quarterly social activity and a closing ceremony at the end of the program.

Credits (24-30 semester credit hours):

(Waseda will issue final credits for study done abroad. We assume this will be 24-30

semester credit hours and that students will take at least the minimum number of courses required to qualify as a fulltime international students. Please let us know if this raises any difficulties.)

Autumn quarter:

15 academic credits, plus 3 continuing education units

Winter quarter:

15 academic credits

Web Page

(If you have created a local web page for the program please list it – as well as your university web page)

Program website: <u>http://www.ielp.uw.edu/programs/study-abroad/global-connections/</u> University of Washington website: <u>http://www.washington.edu/</u>