

**SILS Study Abroad Program (SP3)  
Fall Semester 2019**

*\*Please kindly note that this schedule is subject to change without advanced notice.*

Date	Time	Venue	Event / Program	Applicable To
<b>BEFORE</b> August 31 Saturday		Online	J-CAT (Japanese Placement) Test <b>*See Note 1 (Page 4)</b> *Please complete the J-CAT test <u>BEFORE</u> <u>the deadline</u> (August 31, JST).	All Students
September 10 – 11 Tuesday - Wednesday			Expected Date of Arrival	All Students except students in the GLCA/ACM, Oregon IE3, CSU Programs
<b>You must visit your ward or city office within 14 days after you arrived in Japan to register your address and be enrolled in the National Health Insurance. Please bring a photocopy of your residence card (both sides) after you have completed your address registration to the SILS Orientation.</b>				
September 12 Thursday	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Building 14, Room 201	Center for International Education (CIE) General Orientation	All Students except students in the GLCA/ACM, Oregon IE3, CSU Programs
September 16 Monday			Respect for the Aged Day (Holiday)	
September 17 Tuesday	Please come between 10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Building 11, 5F Room 501	SILS Orientation Packet Collection * Please bring an identification card (e.g. passport, residence card, etc.). * The package will be used at the orientation.	All Students except students in the GLCA/ACM, Oregon IE3, CSU Programs
	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Building 11, 5F Room 501	SILS Orientation - Information Session	All Students
	3:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Building 11, 5F Room 501	SILS Orientation - Academic Orientation	All Students
	After Orientation	MyWaseda	MyWaseda Initial Setup <b>* Please complete your MyWaseda Initial Setup before the 1st Course Registration</b>	All Students
September 18 Wednesday	1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Building 11, 7F Rooms 703, 710, 711	Japanese Language Course Individual Consultation by the Center for Japanese Language (CJL)	Students are strongly encouraged to attend.
September 19 Thursday	9:00 am	MyWaseda	1st Course Registration (- 9/21 5 pm)	All Students
September 20 Friday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm	Building 11, 5F Rooms 506, 507	Course Registration Consultation (By SILS Sempai Project)	Attendance Not Compulsory Encouraged to Attend

September 21 Saturday	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	International Conference Center, Ibuka Memorial Hall	SILS Entrance Ceremony	Interested Students Only
	11:00 am - 4:30 pm	Building 11, 6F Room 606	Picking Up Your Student ID Card	All Students
	5:00 pm	MyWaseda	1st Course Registration Deadline	All Students
September 23 Monday			Autumnal Equinox Day (Holiday)	
September 25 Wednesday	11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Meet at Building 11 5F, Room 505	Campus Tour by Sempai Project	Encouraged to Attend
	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Okuma Garden House	Welcome Party by Sempai Project	Encouraged to Attend
	Late Evening	Waseda Mail	1 <sup>st</sup> Course Registration Announcement of Results (Email)	All Students
September 26 Thursday	9:00 am	MyWaseda	The 1st Course Registration Announcement of Results will be reflected on the course registration of your MyWaseda.	All Students
	TBA	Building 22 Room 201	Information Session for Opening a Bank Account (CIE)	Interested Students Only
September 27 Friday	<b>Fall Semester Classes Begin</b>			
	9:00 am	MyWaseda	2nd Course Registration (- 9/28 5 pm)	All Students
September 28 Saturday	5:00 pm	MyWaseda	2nd Course Registration Deadline	All Students
October 1 Tuesday	Late evening	Waseda Mail	2nd Course Registration Announcement of Results (Email)	All Students
October 2 Wednesday	9:00 am	MyWaseda	2nd Course Registration Announcement of Results (MyWaseda)	All Students
October 3 Thursday	9:00 am	MyWaseda	3rd Course Registration (-10/4 5 pm)	All Students
October 4 Friday	5:00 pm	MyWaseda	3rd Course Registration Deadline	All Students
October 7 Monday	Late evening	Waseda Mail	3rd Course Registration Announcement of Results (Email)	All Students
October 8 Tuesday	9:00 am	MyWaseda	3rd Course Registration Announcement of Results (MyWaseda)	All Students

October 9 Wednesday	9:30 am - 4:00 pm	Global Network Center (GNC) Building 11, 4F	Add-Only Course Registration You can add <u>SILS Lecture courses</u> only. (Intermediate and Advanced Level) * <u>Paper-Based</u> * <u>First-Come-First-Served Basis</u>	If Applicable
	Late evening	Waseda Mail	Add-Only Course Registration Announcement of Results (Email)	If Applicable
October 14 Monday			Classes will be held as usual although it is a National Holiday (Sports Day)	All Students
October 22 Tuesday			Enthronement Ceremony (Holiday, No Class)	All Students
November 1 Friday			Special Holiday (No Class)	All Students
November 2 & 3 Saturday & Sunday			Waseda Festival (No Class)	All Students
November 4 Monday			Substitute National Holiday (No Class)	All Students
November 23 Saturday			Classes will be held as usual although it is a National Holiday (Labor Thanksgiving Day)	All Students
December 24 Tuesday - January 5 Sunday			Winter Recess	All Students
TBA	TBA		Closing Ceremony for One Year/ Semester Program	Encouraged to Attend
January 28 Tuesday			End of 15 <sup>th</sup> Week	
January 29, Wednesday - February 4 Tuesday			16 <sup>th</sup> Week * Make-up classes in the event of cancellation earlier in the semester * No more classes after February 4, 2020	
March 2 Monday	9:00 am	MyWaseda	Grade Announcement	All Students

## **Notes**

### **1. J-CAT test**

SILS SP3 students (\*SP3 = Study Plan 3 = Study Abroad Program at SILS) are required to take Japanese language courses, depending on the Japanese proficiency level.

(Curriculum: <https://waseda.box.com/v/Curriculum>)

You are requested to take the Japanese placement test known as the “J-CAT”. It is to assess your Japanese language proficiency before your arrival in Japan. The J-CAT ID, password, and the test guide has been sent to you by e-mail in early August. Please follow the instructions and complete the test before August 31, 2019 (JST).

When you are placed at level 6 or higher, you will be exempted from taking the Japanese language courses. The number of credits waived will differ depending on the level acquired.

If you are a new Japanese language learner and are certain that you will be taking the courses at level 1 (beginners), you do not have to complete this test. Please refer to the following information.

## **IMPORTANT: Preparation for taking Japanese Language courses**

SILS SP3 students (\*SP3 = Study Plan 3 = Study Abroad Program at SILS) are required to take the Japanese language courses depending on your proficiency. **If you do not have any Japanese language learning experience, we would strongly encourage you to obtain at least read-write capability of hiragana and katakana BEFORE arriving in Japan.**

At Waseda University, the Japanese language courses at level 1 are taught based on the knowledge of hiragana and katakana. You will have difficulties to keep up with the courses without the read-write capability of hiragana and katakana even for a level 1 course. Please also be informed that the **Japanese language classes are taught in Japanese, even at the beginners' level.**

Here are some recommended websites.

- japanese-lesson.com (fundamental skills)  
<http://japanese-lesson.com/index.html>
- nihongo-e-na  
<http://nihongo-e-na.com/>
- Marugoto plus  
<https://a1.marugotoweb.jp/en/>
- Japanese e-learning Minato  
[https://minato-jf.jp/CourseDetail/Index/KC17\\_HRGS\\_A100\\_EN01](https://minato-jf.jp/CourseDetail/Index/KC17_HRGS_A100_EN01)

※Students who are planning to take the following courses offered by the CJL, please be reminded;

Intensive Japanese 1-2 (10 credit course)

→Open only to the students in the Center for Japanese Language (CJL). It **CANNOT be taken by SP3 students.**