

Waseda University, Study Abroad 2024-2025

*Waseda CS-R(1Y) (Customized Study Program - Regular Academic) at
Fort Lewis College (Colorado University System)*

Location: Durango, Colorado, USA

Language Requirements:

Min. TOEFL (iBT) requirement at the time of Waseda selection in Oct. 2023: 61
IELTS 5.5

Nationality: Enrollment open to students of any nationality including your own country.

GPA: Fort Lewis does not require a specific GPA for the Waseda University students. Fort Lewis College will accept Waseda students based on Waseda's recommendation alone.

Estimated Tuition: USD 23,300 + 開発費 / whole duration of the program

Dates:

- **Fall Term 2024:**

Registration Available beginning early May 2024

Housing Applications accepted as soon as you are admitted to the program

Arrival in Durango should be no later than the day before Orientation. If you wish to arrive a few days early to get over jet lag and become familiar with Durango, you will need to make your own arrangements for transportation and accommodations.

New Student Orientation – Friday, August 23, 2024

Classes Begin - Monday, August 26

Vacations 1 week at Thanksgiving (Monday-Friday, November 25-29)
4 weeks at Christmas

Last Class – Friday, December 13

Exam Week – December 16-20

- **Spring Term 2025**

Classes Begin – Monday, January 13

Vacations 1 week at Spring Break (March 17 – 21)

Last Class – Friday, April 25

Exam Week – April 28- May 2

- **Summer Term 2025**

Waseda University students are eligible to take summer classes at Fort Lewis College. If students choose to take summer classes, they will be responsible for the payment of tuition, student fees and housing.

Because our semesters are so short, some students might wish to continue their studies in one of our 5 week Summer Sessions. Students usually take one or two courses during a Summer Session.

1st 5-week Summer Session		2nd 5-week Summer Session	
Classes Begin	May 5	Classes Begin	June 19
Class End	June 6	Classes End	July 11

Summary:

Fort Lewis College is located in southwest Colorado in the beautiful four corners region where Arizona, Colorado, Utah and New Mexico join. This is an area with a stunning diversity in landscape, people and lifestyles. Geographically we are close to some of the highest mountains in Colorado yet only hours away from the desert canyon country leading to the Grand Canyon. The area has a rich cultural history with the largest population of American Indian tribes in the U.S. The Navajo, Pueblo, Ute and Zuni people maintain a strong sense of cultural identity yet this area has been greatly impacted by the Spanish and Anglo settlers. It is now a fast growing region with expensive ski resorts, hundreds of square miles of National Forest, scarce supplies of water and a booming population. The area around Fort Lewis College offers a unique opportunity to study the multicultural world of the southwest, to examine the overlaying influences of diverse cultures and to examine contemporary issues of public land, pollution, population, growth and economy. This area offers a microcosm of the larger issues facing the multicultural society of the U.S. and raises many pertinent issues relevant to an increasingly international world where no nation is an island.

In this Liberal Arts program, students will be exposed to the diversity of geology, cultures, languages, lifestyles and issues. Our study of this area will serve as a gateway to understanding many of the larger issues that the U.S. faces in the 21st century. Fort Lewis College offers small classes, close contact with faculty, many opportunities for community interaction and active student clubs and organizations. Through all of their experiences in the classroom, on campus, in the southwest and in the U.S. students will develop a deeper understanding of diversity in U.S. society.

Academic Study - 12 credits minimum each term

Housing and Meal Plan

Fort Lewis College has a variety of on-campus housing options including traditional residence halls (dormitories) as well as student apartments. For full information on Housing and Meal Plans it is best to go to our website:

<https://www.fortlewis.edu/life-at-flc/housing-dining/room-and-board-rates/student-housing-room-rates>

“About” pull-down, then choose *Student Housing* > *Housing Options*. You can see pictures of the buildings, the floor plans of the rooms and the most current prices per semester. The most popular housing option with juniors and seniors are the on-campus apartments.

Residence Halls cost around \$2,606-4,603 per term and Apartments cost around \$3,634-4,016 a term. Students in Residence Halls are required to have a meal plan (either on the 10, 14 or 19 meals, 7 days/week) because there are no cooking facilities. Students living in the apartments can choose a 14 meal plan per week (\$2,922) or fewer meals (25-Block Meal Plan) for a reduced cost (\$535). They can also purchase a “Dining Dollars” which allows them to eat at any of the snack-bars or in the cafeteria.

Students pay the accommodation expenses upon arrival

- 19-Meal Plan + \$200.00 Dining Dollars \$3,061.00
- 14-Meal Plan + \$350.00 Dining Dollars \$2,922.00
- 10-Meal Plan + \$500.00 Dining Dollars \$2,622.00
- 25-Block Meal Plan + \$200.00 Dining Dollars \$535.00 (Apartment Residents only)

Opportunities for Learning Through Experience

Students will have many opportunities for learning through experience. The following are just a few examples of opportunities current students have had:

- Volunteer work in the community including visiting business clubs and organizations, giving presentations to local school children, participating in high school presentations
- FLC has an active International Friendship Club
- Over 50 other Campus Clubs and Organizations
- Inter-mural Sports such as soccer, volleyball and softball
- Outdoor sports and activities. Durango is famous for its mountain biking, kayaking, skiing, snow-boarding, hiking and backpacking. We have equipment available through our Outdoor Pursuits office which lends equipment to students and conducts guided tours for all kinds of interests.
- Many, many more depending on your individual interests

Facilitation Plan

To ensure students' success we plan to build a strong relationship between the program coordinator, the students, groups on campus and agencies in the Durango area. The Coordinator will be in touch with each student as soon as they are accepted to help them choose and register for the courses that are most appropriate for them. The Coordinator will be responsible for special Orientation activities when the students arrive. The Coordinator will monitor their progress and ensure that any tutoring or additional assistance is available. Students will be invited to participate in a variety of activities arranged by the Coordinator including dinner with professors, International Day, Hozhoni Days (American Indian cultural event) and others. Students will be required to meet with the Coordinator throughout each semester to ensure their SEVIS status is maintained and to prevent any problems with visa status.

Credits

Students are expected to enroll in 12 to 15 credits each term during the regular academic year. Classes are usually 3 or 4 credits each. Students can choose to take additional credits during 5-week summer sessions but these are not required. Twelve credits is the minimum for maintaining an international student visa.

Web Page

The Fort Lewis College homepage is www.fortlewis.edu. The "About" menu provides general information about Fort Lewis College. To see the courses being offered, students can go to the A-Z Directory on the homepage, then select "Class Schedule". Other information available at this site are lists of Clubs and Organizations, Housing information, Outdoor Pursuits, Tuition and Fees and Writing Center.