Waseda CS-R(1Y) (Customized Study Program - Regular Academic) at DePauw University, a Japan Study college

Location: Greencastle, Indiana

Number of Student Placements: 4

GPA requirement 2.8 on a 4.0 point scale

Dates:

Fall Semester: Late August to mid-December

Winter Term: 3 weeks in January (optional for exchange students)

Spring Semester: Early February to mid-May

All international (exchange and degree-seeking) will undergo additional language assessment during the mandatory International Student Orientation week; students will be placed into an English language course appropriate for their language level. *

*Subject to change

Summary

Liberal arts colleges are known for their small and challenging courses, active learning, cooperation among students, diverse teaching styles with an emphasis on discussion and writing, student-faculty contact, extensive co-curricular offerings, and friendly students. Upon graduation, many graduates of the Japan Study liberal arts colleges enter the nation's best graduate, business, law, and other professional schools.

DePauw was established in 1837. For students interested in communications and journalism, the college offers opportunities to be involved in an award-winning student newspaper, in addition to student-run radio and television stations. DePauw's music and performing arts department also welcome international students. DePauw offers strong programs in Economics & Management, English Literature and Writing, Political Science, Computer Science and Psychology. They also have unique curricular offerings in the fields of Conflict Studies, Black Studies, Religious Studies, Environmental Studies, Women's Studies, and more.

Visit our "Academic Programs" page for more information about DePauw's programs at http://www.depauw.edu/acad/programs.asp, and find specific course offerings in DePauw Schedule of Classes: https://www.depauw.edu/academics/catalog/courses/.

Academic Study

Liberal arts colleges have competitive entrance requirements and rigorous academic standards. Former Waseda participants have commented on the importance of small class size (about 12 students/course) in helping them improve their English skills. Communication with the professor is an important part of a liberal arts education. Professors know their students by name and encourage students to work together.

Liberal arts colleges take pride in their rich array of courses, offered in a variety of disciplines and at different levels. All students may select courses from the entire curriculum. The college catalog contains a list of the college's courses, but it is important to remember that not all of these classes are offered each semester. Working closely with their academic advisor, Waseda students will select their courses each semester.

In January, DePauw students enroll in a one-month intensive course. Diverse course offerings often include academic travel abroad and within the United States. Winter Term In-Service courses provide opportunities for service-learning through community-based engagement and reflection. (Additional fees required for off-campus courses.)

Nationality

Is enrollment open to students of any nationality including your own country? Yes

Housing and Meal Plan

Dormitory/standard meal plan

Opportunities for Learning Through Experience

Liberal arts colleges provide many co-curricular options such as clubs, sports, community service, field trips, music and fine arts, and volunteer opportunities. Because most students live on campus, these activities are a vibrant part of campus life during the week and on weekends.

A sample of activities includes a variety of sports (examples: soccer, tennis, golf, rugby, basketball, volleyball and swimming); music lessons (group and individual), ballet and ballroom dancing are available, but sometimes at an extra cost. A student may try out for theatre productions, different choirs or join the Festival Chorus at no expense. Gospel Choir is popular and several Waseda students have sung in it in the past. There are also many community service projects serving children, the elderly, and animals at the shelter. Student organizations are a highly significant part of DePauw's campus culture. Exchange students frequently get involved in student organizations and make friends through these groups. Students have the opportunity to learn about the student organizations on campus during the first weeks of the semester at the Student Activities Fair. For a list of all recognized student organizations, visit: http://depauw.edu/student/organizations/RECOGNIZED/index.asp.

Internships: Two Japanese companies are located in Greencastle: Chiyoda and Heartland Automotive. For interested students, there may be opportunities to do translation work and help at the company office with the required work authorization. There are also a number of Japanese families in Greencastle.

Facilitation Plan

All exchange students are assigned to an academic advisor (faculty member) within their field of academic interest and/or who has research or scholarly interest in Japan. In addition, students will have an international student advisor at from the office of *Multicultural and International Life* who will help them with all of their immigration and personal needs; this person will help the student understand how to access the on-campus resources they need

throughout your year at DePauw. *Multicultural and International Life* also coordinates some cultural events and programs and housing for international students over official university breaks.

Credits: 12-16 credit hours per semester; 24-32 credit hours per year (totaling both semesters)

Web Page

Detailed information for Waseda Students is on the Japan Study web page: https://japanstudy.earlham.edu/america-study-abroad

DePauw University: https://www.depauw.edu/