

Waseda CS-R(1Y) (Customized Study Program - Regular Academic) at

Wabash College, a Japan Study college

Location: Crawfordsville, Indiana

GPA requirement

2.8 on a 4.0 point scale

Number of Student Placements: 4

Dates: Late August to early May: Fall semester, Spring semester

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.

Founded in 1832, Wabash is a private, liberal arts college for men whose mission is to educate men to think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely. Wabash's special strength lies with a faculty dedicated to teaching undergraduate students; more than 95 percent of the 85 faculty members hold a Ph.D. or equivalent terminal degree. Wabash maintains a student/faculty ratio of 10/1 or lower. The entire campus is served by wireless connectivity. Through these connections, students have access to the resources of the Internet and to on-campus servers. During the Campaign for Leadership, Wabash built Hays Hall, the \$30 million home of the biology and chemistry departments, renovated Goodrich Hall, which is home to the mathematics and physics departments, built a \$2 million Malcolm X Institute for Black Studies, and built the \$20 million Allen Athletics and Recreation Center.

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 13 students or less in each 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.

Wabash offers 21 majors in the following areas: Art, Biology, Chemistry, Classics, Economics, English, French, German, Greek, History, Latin, Mathematics, Music, Philosophy, Physics, Political Science, Psychology, Religion, Rhetoric, Spanish, and Theater.

Wabash College Catalog/Bulletin: <https://www.wabash.edu/bulletin/>

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.

For Wabash men, community service is not something to put off until later. Instead, it is their first experience during freshman orientation. Wabash offers community service opportunities that are as diverse as they are numerous. Students can get involved in Crawfordsville community activities by checking out the website at <http://www.wabash.edu/communityService/> for a full list of the available opportunities.

Facilitation Plan

Students will meet with the coordinator individually and as a group to discuss classes and co-curricular involvement. For most Waseda students, the coordinator will be a professor who has research or scholarly interest in Japan. In addition, the international student advisor will assist Waseda students and set up various events for them.

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:

<http://japanstudy.earlham.edu/>

<http://www.wabash.edu>