



# Information and Advice on Attending Summer/Winter School in Japan

Japanese Language  
Programme (JLP)  
Mapping Committee

# Have you thought of going for a summer/winter school (intensive language programme) in Japan?

I heard there will be opportunities to join a **summer school organised by Centre for Language Studies** after Japanese 2 onwards.  
I plan to apply for one of them!



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I heard from my friend that we can **find a summer/winter school on our own** and join a course at universities such as Tohoku, Waseda, etc. I can also apply for course mapping. I might do that, too!



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# Immersion Programmes Organised by NUS Centre for Language Studies Japanese Language Programme

- Summer Programme at Juntendo University  
Students successfully completed **Japanese 2 or Japanese 3**
- Summer Programme at Kyoto Women's University  
**Female** students successfully completed **Japanese 2 or Japanese 3**
- Summer Programme at Tamagawa University  
Students successfully completed **Japanese 4 and above**
- Aomori Global Advance Project  
Students successfully completed **Japanese 5 and above**
- ★ Partially accompanied by a Japanese language lecturer from NUS.  
NUS Scholarship (NASA AWARD) opportunity available.

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## Purposes of Immersion Programmes:

- ✓ To **use your knowledge** learnt through NUS Japanese language courses **in more authentic situations**.
- ✓ To have **new experiences** (cultural events or social interactions) which you may not have had opportunities at NUS.
- ✗ **NOT** to obtain **course units** to fulfill your **graduation** or **minor requirements**.



# Precaution from the past cases attending Summer/Winter Schools in Japan (Not Organised by NUS Centre for Language Studies)

## Case 1

- Student A attended a summer school in Japan to skip Japanese 2 at NUS.
- Student A applied for a mapping request and was fully approved (4 Units).
- However, student A **did not reach the level to take Japanese 3 at NUS.**
- Student A took a placement test and **was recommended to take Japanese 2 and void the mapping result.**



# Precaution from the past cases attending Summer/Winter Schools in Japan (Not Organised by NUS Centre for Language Studies)

## Case 2

- Student B attended a winter school in Japan to skip Japanese 2 at NUS.
- Student B applied for a mapping request and was fully approved (4 Units).
- However, the content, textbooks, etc were different from NUS.
- Student B took a placement test and was recommended to take Japanese 3 with conditions.
- Student B took Japanese 3, but **struggled to catch up with other students** who took Japanese 2 in NUS.



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## Case 3

- Student C attended a summer school in Japan.
- Student C applied for a mapping request but had not received the outcome when the semester started.
- Student C enrolled in Japanese 2 and was informed that **the mapping request was fully approved for Japanese 2 in week 3.**
- Student C **had to withdraw Japanese 2** as it is not allowed to take the same course.



# Our advice for joining Summer/Winter Schools in Japan (Not Organised by NUS Centre for Language Studies)

## Our Advice!

**Plan carefully** when choosing and applying for a summer/winter school in Japan, especially if you plan to continue taking Japanese at NUS. You might end up wasting one semester at NUS depending on the course mapping result and your placement result. Please note the content, textbooks, teaching methods etc at the summer/winter schools in Japan will be different from NUS.





# Our advice for joining Summer/Winter Schools in Japan (Not Organised by NUS Centre for Language Studies)

- If you wish to continue to learn Japanese language at NUS, **you must take an online placement test** whether or not you have applied for mapping as the outcome of the mapping are not yet available at the time of course registration.
- Placement tests are conducted before the semester starts (Please check CLS Website (QR code ↗) for the information).
- You do not need to take a placement test if you participated in our Immersion Programme organised by NUS Centre for Language Studies Japanese Programme.

