

JAPAN

Toyo University



...ABOUT THE PROGRAM

- Spring term (April to August) available
- Easy transfer of credits
- Exchange, you pay tuition to Chatham, Chatham scholarships apply

...WHY TOKYO?

Tokyo, Japan's capital and largest metropolitan area, is a city of contrasts — shrines and temples stand next to massive skyscrapers. It is a modern and fast paced city that retains its historical roots. It is the heart of the country's politics, finance, business, education, and popular culture. With over 12 million residents, this capital city offers a unique learning environment, a wealth of resources for study abroad students, and a central location for students to explore and experience all that Japan offers.

...STUDY AT TOYO UNIVERSITY

Toyo University is one of the largest private universities in Japan with 30,000 students, offering both liberal arts and science courses. Toyo has a long tradition and history lasting for over 125 years. Toyo was founded at Rinsho-in Temple in 1887 because the founder felt that Japanese schools of higher learning were neglecting the philosophy of that time period. Even in the present time, Toyo has a strong focus on philosophy and culture. Its school motto is "The basis of all learning lies in philosophy." The main campus is in the heart of Tokyo, in a culturally rich area, with a quiet, green environment.

...ELIGIBILITY

- Good academic standing (2.75 GPA minimum)
- Must have studied at Chatham for one year prior to study abroad and be 18 years or older
- Knowledge of hiragana and katakana required before arrival

...APPLICATION DEADLINES AND PROGRAM DATES

SPRING 2026 TERM

Application Deadline	October 2025
Entry Date	April 2026

...ACADEMICS

Toyo offers a wide variety of English taught courses as well as thorough instruction in all levels of Japanese. International students who wish to improve their Japanese can enroll in NEST, Toyo University's intensive Japanese program. Japanese language courses are taught at multiple levels in small class sizes with engaging content and enough contact hours to learn the language while having time for a life outside of the classroom. Students with advanced Japanese skills can study content courses in Japanese alongside local students. A wide variety of courses taught in English include subjects such as political science, cultural studies, and communications. See <https://www.toyo.ac.jp/en/international-exchange/prospective/Exchange-Program/>.

...STUDENT LIFE

Toyo has over 50 athletic clubs and 300 student clubs including music, art, science, and theater clubs. There are international symposiums and meetings to discuss and announce academic achievements through an international network, in addition to cultural lectures and arts, music and performing arts presentations. Libraries at each campus hold exhibitions of their collections based on specific themes throughout the year. At University festivals, student associations show and announce results of activities and exhibit their work in open booths. Various performances are given on stage along with stamp rallies, lotteries, pageants, and flea markets.

To assist with language skills, the Language Exchange Partner (LEP) program gives exchange students an opportunity to learn Japanese while building friendships with Toyo University students on and off campus. Throughout the year, several events are held to encourage exchange students to gain a deeper understanding of Japan and its culture. A rice planting event and the Sumo experience are some of the cultural events popular among exchange students.

...ACCOMMODATIONS

AI-House HUB-4 is a new international residence which accommodates 292 residents, half domestic students, and half international students. All rooms are singles with a refrigerator, air conditioner, bed, desk and chair, and closet. The residence has shared kitchens, shower rooms and toilets. Resident Assistants (RAs) help residents with various aspects of dormitory life and hold educational and cultural events. The residence is a 35-minute commute (15 minutes by train plus 20 minutes on foot) to Hakusan campus.

There are several student cafeterias on campus serving a wide variety of food, along with a variety of different restaurants on campus. Because a kitchen is provided in dorm rooms, students can cook their own food as well and take meals off campus. See toyo.749.cc/aihouse/.

...TO APPLY

Students must contact the Office of Global Engagement to apply. For application information see www.toyo.ac.jp/nyushi/en/admission/.

...ESTIMATED COSTS

	SPRING 2026
Tuition & Fees	Chatham tuition
Housing	\$3,500
Additional Expenses	\$5,500-7,000
Approximate Total	\$9,000-10,500 + Chatham tuition

These prices are an estimate and are subject to change. Toyo University program is an exchange, meaning students pay Chatham tuition and fees. Housing will be paid directly to Toyo University. All housing fees and dates should be confirmed with the program. "Additional expenses" is an estimate for airfare, meals, entertainment, visa, health insurance, transportation, and personal allowance. Students are responsible for all expenses.

Chatham is committed to being as transparent as possible with respect to our study abroad financial arrangements. Financial transactions and business dealings are fully disclosed. Foreign currencies can be converted at www.xe.com/currencyconverter/.

