

JAPAN

Doshisha Women's College of Liberal Arts



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...ABOUT THE PROGRAM

- Two four-week summer sessions and fall term are available
- Easy transfer of credits
- Direct enrollment (You pay tuition to DWCLA)

...WHY KYOTO?

Kyoto is the cultural and historical heart of Japan. Located on the island of Honshu, Kyoto was the capital city of Japan for over 1,000 years. Numerous cultural assets cultivated throughout its long history remain all over the city, while traditional artisan techniques and traditional culture have been passed down through the ages to the modern era. Kyoto is a city where you can encounter and learn about Japanese cultural history in your daily life. Famous for its classical Buddhist temples, gardens, imperial palaces, Shinto shrines, and traditional wooden houses. Kyoto is an education center, and the city is extremely convenient for students, with many restaurants and stores. Kyoto enjoys an abundance of nature all around it, with the beautiful Kamogawa River flowing through the urban areas which are surrounded by mountains, and the northern area facing the sea.

...STUDY AT DOSHISHA WOMEN'S COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Doshisha Women's College of Liberal Arts (DWCLA) was established in Kyoto in 1876 by American missionaries. Dedicated to core principles of Christianity, internationalism, and liberal arts, the college has a history of constant innovation. It has grown to include eleven departments in six faculties and four graduate schools on two campuses in Kyotanabe

...ELIGIBILITY

- Open to female undergraduate students
- Good academic standing (2.5 GPA or higher)
- Six months Japanese language experience required prior to program start
- Must have studied at Chatham for one year prior to study abroad and be 18 years or older

...APPLICATION DEADLINES AND PROGRAM DATES

SUMMER SESSION A 2026

Application Deadline	Mid-February 2026
Entry Date	Mid-May 2026

SUMMER SESSION B 2026

Application Deadline	Mid-February 2026
Entry Date	Mid-June 2026

FALL 2026

Application Deadline	April 2026
Entry Date	Mid-September, 2026

and Imadegawa. Total enrollment is currently approximately 6,500 students. Kyotanabe Campus is in the Kansai Science City area, a center of cutting-edge research, while Imadegawa Campus is in the middle of historic Kyoto. The two campuses typify the exciting city of Kyoto, where enterprise and tradition coexist. Both are within walking distance of the private railway lines or subways.

...ACADEMICS

The Japanese Studies Program (JSP) during the fall term consists of Japanese language courses and Japanese culture and society courses: Four 90-minute classes, plus one supplementary class with teaching assistants, per week. The Japanese language classes are divided into three levels, Elementary A, Elementary B, and Intermediate C. Participants take a placement test on the day of orientation and are placed in the appropriate class with 2-5 students in each class. Japanese culture and society classes are taken with current DWCLA students and are delivered in English. The JSP offers four courses in which participants are required to enroll.

During the Japanese Language Immersion Course (JLIC) offered in the summer term, students participate in ten 90-minute classes each week that will help develop each student's Japanese language skills. In addition to the classes, students can experience Japanese culture through various activities such as Kimono wearing, tea ceremony, calligraphy, flower arrangement and Japanese confectionary making. Students will also have the chance to visit temples and shrines in Kyoto and Nara.

...STUDENT SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

Activities offered during the semester JSP include a welcome party, club visits to various DWCLA club meetings (these include the calligraphy club, kimono club, tea ceremony, Japanese music club and flower arranging), and field trips to interesting locations such as Tokyo, Nara, and Kyoto area temples.

The summer program JLIC includes field trips in the Kyoto region and intercultural communications sessions with DWCLA students.

...ACCOMMODATIONS

DWCLA offers two types of accommodations:

- **Homestay (two meals per day):** Live with the family of a DWCLA or Doshisha University student or graduate. Host families reside within 90 minutes from Imadegawa Campus.
- **Mukaijima Gakusei Center (a single room and no meals):** Single rooms are available in the Kyoto municipal housing for international students. No meals are included in the fee. Free internet access is available. The dormitory is located 30 minutes by train from the Imadegawa campus and a 15-minute walk from Kintetsu Mukaijima station.

Decisions about accommodations will be made based on availability and each participant's request. Grants are available to Chatham University participants to cover accommodations expenses. See www.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp > International Exchange > Inbound Programs for International Students.

...TO APPLY

To apply, submit your complete application to the Office of Global Engagement. See program details and applications at www.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp > International Exchange > Inbound Programs for International Students.

...ESTIMATED COSTS

	SUMMER 2026 (4-WK TERM)	FALL 2026
Tuition & Fees	\$1,250	\$3,700
Housing	\$300-600	\$1,700
Additional Expenses	\$2,000- 3,000	\$4,000- 5,000
Approximate Total	\$3,550-4,850	\$9,400-10,400

Tuition and fees vary according to the program in which the student enrolls. All tuition and housing fees and dates should be confirmed with the program. These prices are an estimate and are subject to change. Tuition and housing shall be paid directly to DWCLA. "Additional expenses" is an estimate for airfare, meals, health insurance, entertainment, transportation, visa fees, and personal allowance. Students are responsible for all expenses.

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