

Student Exchange Program Fact Sheet 2026



Musashi University is located in a quiet residential neighborhood in Nerima Ward, central Tokyo—just 20 minutes from major hubs like Ikebukuro and Shinjuku. The area around campus offers a charming shopping street with various stores and restaurants serving local residents.

We are actively building and expanding our international network, with a particular focus on our East Asian Studies (EAS) Program, which is taught in English and serves as the main hub for exchange students.

General information	
Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Campus Environment: Our campus offers a peaceful, green oasis in the heart of busy Tokyo. The intimate layout and beautiful landscaping make for a comfortable and well-connected environment.• English-Taught Courses: The EAS Program includes courses in business, economics, foreign policy, history, media studies, politics, religion, and sociology.• Japanese Language Courses: No prior knowledge of Japanese is required. Students are placed into one of five levels based on a placement test taken during orientation.• Musashi Communication Village (MCV): A space for international and local students to practice languages and share cultural experiences.
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Exchange and Study Abroad (incoming and outgoing Program coordinators)	Global Education Center, Office of International Student Mobility Incoming: (Ms.) Mari Yoshizaki , (Mr.) Tatsumasa Torii Outgoing: (Ms.) Chisato Murashima, (Mr.) Hirotooshi Oka
Courses offered for international students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East Asian Studies (EAS) Course • Japanese Language Course • Study Abroad Preparation Course • Other open courses (availability varies) <p>Overview: https://www.musashi.ac.jp/english/gec/options/index.html Course listings for 2026 will be available in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mid-February: EAS and Japanese Language Courses • Late March: Other available courses <p>*Refer to the 2025 syllabi here: East Asian Studies Program</p>
Full-time Credits	Required full-time load: 12+ credits
Webpage	https://www.musashi.ac.jp/english/ (English) https://www.musashi.ac.jp/ (Japanese)

Semester Dates and Academic Calendar	
Spring Arrival & Residence Move-in	Late March
Semester 1 (Spring)	April 1 – End of July
Summer Break	August 1- Early September
Fall Arrival & Residence Move-in	Late August
Semester 2 (Fall)	September 1- End of December
Winter & Spring break	Late December- March 31
Webpage	https://www.musashi.ac.jp/english/life/calendar.html

Application procedure	
Application process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students must be nominated by their home university and will receive application instructions via email via e-mail through their study abroad coordinator. <p>【Application Timeline】</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring 2026: From 30th September to 7th November • Fall 2026: From 3rd February to 13th March <p>【Required Documents】</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Application Form

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Copy of Passport 3. Certificate of Enrollment /Certificate of Student Status 4. Official Transcript (with grading scale) 5. Letter of recommendation with (signed) 6. Medical Clearance 7. Financial Statement★ 8. Photos for ID★ <p>★: Hard copies need to be sent to Musashi University by postal. *A detailed checklist will be provided with the application instructions.</p>
Possible Exchange period	One or two semesters
Academic Requirement	GPA:Minimum 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale)
Language requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ English: IELTS 6.0 equivalent recommended for non-native speakers (no official score required, but strong English skills are expected). ○ Japanese: JLPT N2 or higher required to take courses in Japanese.
Visa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will receive a <i>Certificate of Eligibility (CoE)</i> and must apply for a student visa at the Japanese Embassy/Consulate in their home country. <p>Visa Information https://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/long/visa6.html</p>
Insurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students must join Japan's National Health Insurance (NHI)—covers about 70% of most medical expenses. • It is highly recommended to also purchase private health/travel insurance

Accommodation	
University accommodation	<p>University Accommodation: NEM House</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closest to campus (1-minute walk) • Private rooms (approx. 15 m²) with fridge, bathroom, shower • Rent: ¥80,000/month (includes utilities & Wi-Fi) <p>* More information: https://www.musashi.ac.jp/english/gec/for_students.html</p>

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Private accommodations	<p>• Apart from Musashi University's accommodation students can also select the following two dormitories.</p> <p>Rikko Kaikan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walking distance from campus • Shared kitchen/bathroom; private rooms (8 m²) • Rent: ¥56,000/month • Non-refundable management fee: ¥3,900 x months of stay <p>Website: http://rikkokai.or.jp/?lang=en</p> <p>DK House</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25 minutes from campus by train + walking • Mix of Japanese students and working adults • Private rooms (7.8 m²) • Rent: ¥67,000/month (¥55,000 + ¥12,000 fee) <p>Website: https://www.e-guesthouse.com/eng/tokyo_nerima/</p> <p><i>* Students arranging private housing must provide address details to the Global Education Center before arrival.</i></p>
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Estimated Living Costs (Monthly)	
Housing + Utilities + Meals	Approx. 100,000 - 120,000 yen (≒ USD 641-770)
Travel, Books, personal expenses	Approx. 30,000 - 40,000 yen (≒ USD 192-256)