

# International Programs

In this age of globalization, one of the University's missions is to produce graduates who can understand the rich diversity of cultures and senses of value in the world, and participate in global society with a broad perspective. To this end, Fukuoka University has formed cooperation agreements with universities all over the world to provide diverse international programs and better foster individuals who can play an active role in the global arena. As of 1 May 2016, the University has academic exchange program agreements with 59 universities and one institute in 20 countries and regions.

Under these agreements, the University's international programs offer one-year



exchange programs, and short-term study abroad programs and intensive language courses (lasting three to four weeks) to cultivate international perspective and hone language skills. We exchange a similar number of students with tuition fees mutually waived and a grant provided for their study overseas. The academic credits our students gain abroad count toward their degrees. All students may take the examination for the short-term study abroad programs, with the university contributing to travel expenses. The University also organizes intensive language courses in spring and summer that do not require an examination and in which students may participate at their own expense. Some faculties offer original programs, such as exchange programs and overseas training programs.



Fukuoka University also accepts exchange students from our sister universities as well as short-term international students, and organizes student seminars to promote exchange with our sister universities in Asia.

## International House

Situated in lush natural surroundings where students can enjoy the changing seasons, International House is a unique complex consisting of a self-catering Residence Hall and a multipurpose building comprised of meeting rooms and short-term accommodation for students and teachers.

In the Residence Hall, overseas exchange students and Japanese students live together under the same roof, ensuring a genuine international exchange experience and helping to promote mutual understanding. The hall can accommodate 100 students (40 overseas students and 60 Japanese students), all in single rooms. It also has spaces for common use: a lounge and Internet access corner on the second floor and a kitchen, dining room, lounge and laundry room on each residential floor.

The adjacent building, known as the Activities Center, has 19 rooms of various sizes and provides overnight accommodation for up to 212 people. The large meeting room here is equipped with audio equipment and can seat 150 people. If necessary, this room can be partitioned into three areas for a variety of uses.

