

# **Cultural Exchange Program for Students From Russian Universities July 1 – July 17, 2019 Kanazawa University**

## **Overview**

Cultural Exchange Program for Students from Russian Universities is the specially developed program by Kanazawa University as part of the Inter-University Exchange Project.

This program offers the unique experience to learn about eco-entrepreneurships in UNESCO's Mount Hakusan Biosphere Reserve. Participants will learn about the natural resources in rural mountain areas and regional issues of Biosphere Reserves, as well as experience the traditional lifestyle by making community-services activities. At the end of the course all students need to present their own models of eco-entrepreneurship. Besides, during all courses participants will conduct the survey towards the regional sustainable development by using the UN's 2030 agenda to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly Goal 8 and Goal 15, with all its targets. This program will also offer lectures on survival Japanese language.

Detailed program schedule will be provided after the acceptance notification.

## **Dates**

The program will start on July 1 (Mon.) and end on July 17 (Wed.), 2019.

## **Number of Students**

Approximately 15 students

## **Scholarships and Fees**

Each participant in this program will receive a scholarship of 80,000 JPY, and will be provided a round-trip flight ticket to and from Japan arranged by Kanazawa University. **If a participant arranges his/her air ticket by themselves, the person must bear its costs.**

Participants will be responsible for accommodation fees, meals, domestic transportation, and other personal expenses through the program. The estimated living expenses during the program are approximately 80,000 JPY. Actual expenses may vary depending on the student's lifestyle and extra activities.

## **Eligibility**

Applicants must satisfy all of the following requirements. They must

1. be currently enrolled in the undergraduate program at universities in Russia,
2. be interested in natural and socio-cultural studies (ecology, biology, geography etc.),
3. be willing to contribute for the regional sustainable development of the home country and be familiar with the concept of Biosphere Reserves and Sustainable Development,
4. be interested in Japanese culture and language,
5. be proficient in English in order to understand lectures,
6. go back to their home universities and continue their education after finishing the program,

7. be able to obtain appropriate visa status in Japan,
8. be in good health.

## **Application Procedure**

Step 1: Fill out the application form and prepare the additional documents below.

- An official or unofficial transcript from your home institution (PDF format)
- Your ID photo (4cm\*3cm) in JPEG or other digital format
- A photocopy of the ID page of your passport (PDF format)

Step 2: Submit the completed application materials to the international office of your home institution. Note that we only accept applications through your home institution. Applications from individual students will not be processed.

Step 3: Your home institution will send the application materials by the following deadline:

Application Deadline: March 21(Thu), 2019

## **Notification of Acceptance**

Kanazawa University will notify the acceptance to the international office of your home institution by May 2019.

## **Grading System and Credit Transfer**

Kanazawa University will deliver a "Certificate of Completion" to the student who has completed this program. Your home institution may certify the credits as your home institution course, based on the certificate of completion.

## **Visa**

Depending on his/her nationality, participants in the program may be required to obtain a "Temporary Visit (Tourist)". The procedure for obtaining visa will be notified after the acceptance notification. For more information, please see the link below:

[http://www.mofa.go.jp/j\\_info/visit/visa/](http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/)

## **Housing**

Participants will stay in a student dormitory on Kakuma campus of Kanazawa University. During the field trip, participants will stay in the accommodations arranged by Kanazawa University.

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