

# Exploration of Japanese Culture and Society 2013

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This study tour aims to provide opportunities to students who have deep interests in Japanese culture and society to do fieldwork research study in Japan. Cooperating with Josai International University (JIU), you will be working with local students from the Faculty of Tourism and Faculty of Media Studies of JIU in Tokyo during the study tour. Fieldwork and cultural exchange meetings will be conducted with JIU students. In turn, you will have to cooperate with JIU students for their research in Hong Kong next academic year.

## What you have to do:

- \* Choose a research topic at your own interest. You may choose one of the following topics or select one of your own. Possible research topics are:
  - Fukushima Daiichi nuclear disaster
  - Sino-Japanese relations (Sovereignty dispute)
  - Part-time and temporary employment in Japan
  - Decreasing birth rate and aging population
  - Pollution problem in Japan
  - Youth subculture (Animate, game, cosplay, voice artist)
  - Female in Japan
  - Japan's media at present
  - ROBOTECH (Robot technology)
  - Traditional culture of Japan (tea ceremony, flower arrangement, traditional performance art, architectures)
- \* Plan a preliminary plan and schedule for fieldworks and cultural exchange activities to work with JIU students during your stay in Japan. The fieldwork can be done by individual or in group with other Hong Kong students.
- \* Conduct a presentation in English. It will be conducted on the final day of the tour, in which feedback will be provided by the teachers
- \* Submit an individual research report and a self-reflection report, also attend the sharing session soon after the return of the study tour.

\* Assist the JIU students to do their research in Hong Kong next semester

Remarks: The tour is conducted in ENGLISH. NO JAPANESE ABILITY IS REQUIRED.

### General Information

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| Destination    | Tokyo, Japan   |
| Duration       | 23 December – 29 December 2013 (tentative)   |
| Partner School | Josai International University<br>Address :3-26 Kioicho, Chiyoda ward, Tokyo, 102-0094, Japan<br>Website : <a href="http://www.jiu.ac.jp/englishite/aboutjiu/index.html">http://www.jiu.ac.jp/englishite/aboutjiu/index.html</a> |
| Expenses       | Total fee is about HK\$10,000.-<br>(The actual amount is subject to change.) The fee includes a round-trip air-ticket, and accommodation.<br>Payment should be made in October.  |

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| Target Participants and sponsorship                                    | Maximum : 20 undergraduate CLASS students<br>UGC-funded local full-time undergraduate CLASS students are eligible to receive sponsorship up to 60% of the total fee.<br>*Students are also encouraged to apply for subsidy from Student Development Services (SDS).   |                   |
| Duties   | Each student is requested to submit TWO reports in English (an individual research report and a self-reflection report) within two weeks after returning from Japan. Students have to attend a sharing session after return.<br>Students will also be responsible in assisting the JIU students to conduct their fieldwork in Hong Kong the next academic year. |                   |
| Application<br>(please download the application form the CTL homepage) | ❖ Start for application   | 25 September 2013 |
|  | ❖ Deadline  | 5 October 2013    |
|  | ❖ Interview & selection   | 7 October 2013    |
|  | ❖ Announcement  | 8 October 2013    |
|  | ❖ First Meeting   | 11 October 2013   |
|  | ❖ Drop Box  |                   |