



## Japanese Theatre & Language

## Japan

### Program Dates

May 7 - June 17, 2015  
(6 weeks)

### Housing

Program Participants will stay in individual rooms in hostel-style hotels with shared kitchen/lounge space.

### Language

Courses are taught in English; language course in Japanese (beginners welcome).

### Eligibility

Open to all majors. 2.5 GPA required.

**Non-GVSU students** are eligible. Visit the website for details.

### Application Deadline

February 1, 2015

### Learn More

**Padnos International Center**  
www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad  
130 Lake Ontario Hall  
616-331-3898

**TOKYO & OSAKA, JAPAN** — This unique program provides students at multiple language levels the opportunity to immerse themselves in Japanese culture. The six-week program begins with three weeks in Tokyo, the nation's capital and cosmopolitan center, and continues with three weeks in Osaka, Japan's second largest city and center of the historically and culturally important Kansai region. Students will explore Japan's past and present by exploring Tokyo urban centers such as Shibuya, Shinjuku, and Akihabara and ancient shrine and temple complexes in Nikko, Kyoto, and Nara.

The Japanese theatre course focuses on traditional Japanese theater and includes field trips to live theatrical performances of nô, kyôgen, kabuki, and bunraku, but also includes more modern genres and an emphasis on the role of performance in everyday life, with trips to festivals and sporting events. The language course is focused on putting language into active use to complete real-world tasks, and this year is centered on Japanese food culture, including many opportunities to sample, prepare, and explore behind the scenes of Japanese cuisine. And while there are daily classes and regular group outings, students will also have ample time to explore the regions on their own.

### Program Highlights

- Field trips to view live performance, festivals, sporting events, and more
- Multiple excursions in and around Tokyo, Osaka, Kyoto, and Nara
- Balance between formal group outings and free time for independent exploration

### Courses Offered

Students will register for a total of 6 credits:

**EAS 333:** Japanese Theatre (3 credits)

**JPN 285:** Japanese Language in Practice (3 credits)

*Fulfills GVSU's "Issues" and "Culture - World Perspectives" GenEd requirements*

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## Cost

**Program Fee:** \$4,991

### Included in Program Fee:

- Round-trip transportation from Grand Rapids
- Accommodation
- Field trips and fees
- All ground transportation

### Other Expenses:

- GVSU tuition - 6 credits (\$2,826)
- Personal expenses (\$600)
- Additional meals (\$600)
- Passport fees (\$140)
- Textbooks (\$100)
- ISIC card - optional (\$28)

**TOTAL Projected Cost (Program Fee + Other Expenses):** \$9,285\*

## Funding Study Abroad

Students may fund study abroad by using financial aid, scholarships, grants and personal funds. A study abroad adviser can help you create a funding plan.

**FACULTY-LED PROGRAM GRANT (Up to \$1,500):** Students who apply to a faculty-led program by the priority deadline are automatically considered for a grant from the Padnos International Center. Students must have a FAFSA on file.

For information on other study abroad scholarships and grants visit [www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad)



*\*All program information including courses, duration of program, dates and other logistics are subject to change. Fee subject to adjustment based on actual exchange rates and international airfare. Programs may be cancelled due to extenuating circumstances.*

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