

## SUMMER TRAINING PROGRAM AT NAGOYA UNIVERSITY

### Frequently Asked Questions

Q1. To whom this program is directed and caters for?

A. Senior undergraduate (3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year) and graduate students in Engineering currently studying or will be studying Automotive Engineering, or intending to go on to a career in Automotive Engineering.

Undergraduate students should have ideally finished their Junior year prior to the program.

Q2. How long is this summer training program?

A. The program is for 40 days

Q3. The start and end dates of the visit?

A. It is anticipated to take place June 14 to July 20, 2017

Students are expected to arrive in the assigned hotel a day before the first day of program and to leave the university housing by noon a day after the last day of program.

Q4. How many instruction hours per day?

A. It depends on the day. Maximum would be two ninety-minutes classes of Japanese and three 45-minute classes of Automotive Engineering.

Q5. How many hours of Japanese language instruction are offered?

A. 34.5 hours (23 class meetings, each class lasting for 90 minutes)

Q6. Who are the Instructors for the course?

A. Automotive engineering classes:

Faculty member at the Graduate School of Engineering, Nagoya University, and a researcher or engineer from an automobile company or research center teach in pairs in omnibus style.

Japanese language:

Experienced part time lecturers

Q7. Are postgraduates welcome in this summer program?

A. Yes

Q8. How many industrial visits are offered in 2017 program?

A. To be decided. In past years, students visited the following organisations:

- (1) Toyota Motors Factory (Production line)
- (2) Mitsubishi Motors Factory (Production line)
- (3) Yokohama Rubber (Tire production)
- (4) Toyota Higashifuji Lab. (Top research institute in Toyota)
- (5) Suzuki Plaza (Car Museum of Suzuki Motors)
- (6) National Traffic Safety and Environmental Laboratory
- (7) Toyota Commemorative Museum of Industry and Technology.
- (8) SCMAGLEV and Railway Park (Museum of Japan Railway Central)  
<http://museum.jr-central.co.jp/en/>

Q9. Will the participants get a certificate at the end of the program?

A. Yes. A certificate of completion will be provided.

Q10. What is the fee of joining the program and what will that fee cover?

A. Since the University of Toronto and Nagoya University have concluded an agreement for academic exchange and cooperation, the fee for students from the University of Toronto is US\$2,000.00 in 2017.

Q11. Is accommodation shared?

A. Students will stay in their own room.

A Unit consists of eight single rooms, and 8 students of the same gender share the kitchen/dining room, bathroom (3 toilets and 2 showers) and laundry facility.

Q12. Are meals and local transport covered in this program?

A. The meals covered by the fee include:

- (1) Meals offered at the welcome party and good by party,
- (2) Breakfast offered at the hotels they will be staying for  
the cultural/factory tours,
- (3) Lunch during the tours.

Fare for chartered bus and admission fees (if any) for the cultural/factory tours

are also covered by the fee.

**Q13. Does Nagoya University offer travel scholarships to cover the fare or the partial fare of flights to foreign students?**

A. No. Nagoya University does not offer scholarships. But Nagoya University will apply for the JASSO (Japan Student Services Organization) scholarship for students from our partnership universities. If we are successful, qualified students may get two months worth of stipend (80,000 yen per month). Requirements specified by the JASSO differ every year. The scholarship result does not usually come until after the NUSIP deadline. Therefore, we do not discuss scholarship possibilities and disappoint the students later on. Only after we get the good result, the students are informed of scholarship.

**Q14. What are the detailed steps needed to apply for the program?**

A. Please follow the application procedures found on our website.

<http://www.engg.nagoya-u.ac.jp/en/nusip/application.html>

The deadline for application is February 28, 2016.

Interested students must apply to their host university and not to Nagoya University.

**Q15. Do Canadian and foreign students need to apply for visas to enter Japan. How do we go about this?**

A. Canadian nationals do not need a visa to come to Japan for the duration of NUSIP.

To find out whether or not students of other nationalities need a visa, the site by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan is helpful:

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

If they need a visa, they need to apply for a short-term stay visa.

What documents are necessary seems to differ by the nationality, and it seems Nagoya University needs to provide them with "Letter of Guarantee", "Letter of Reason for Invitation" and "Schedule of Stay". We can provide them, but the students need to (1) exactly find out what documents the Embassy of General Consulate where they are going for visa application requires from Nagoya University, and (2) pay the program fee.

Q16. Will anyone meet the students at the airport upon arrival to Japan?

A. Nagoya University will book a hotel in Nagoya city. Students are asked to reach the hotel on their own and spend the night of prior to the course commencement. Detailed directions to the hotel from Centrair Airport and from JR Nagoya train station will be provided. Students in the past with no knowledge of the language have managed to get to the hotel, so we believe students will be able to manage. The accommodation fee for the hotel (room and breakfast only) is included in the program fee.

Q17. Is local transport in Japan expensive and can I get student discount?

A. 870 yen from Centrair Airport to Nagoya Station by Meitetsu Train,  
270 yen from Nagoya Station to Nagoya Daigaku (Nagoya University) Station  
by subway  
US\$1.00 is roughly 120 yen.  
There is no student discount for non-degree seeking students.

Q18. What is the students status in Japan during that visit? Visiting student or what exactly?

A. Their status at Nagoya University is a special auditing student, but they do not possess a student visa.

Q19. Are they assigned to supervisors from Nagoya University?

A. Since NUSIP students will not be writing a graduation thesis during their stay at Nagoya University, they will not be assigned an academic advisor, but every NUSIP student will be under the supervision of faculty members in the NUSIP Committee members.

Q20. Do non-native speakers of English need to show proof of English language proficiency?

A. If they are currently studying at a university where the medium of education is English, there is no need for such a proof.

Q21. In the second page of the application form, we are asked to provide the information of a faculty member who can be contacted in case of emergency. Who will this person be for my case as an international student?

A. Professors Shaker A Meguid, Professor Matthew Mackay and Professor Jean Zu. All three are happy to be contacted.

Q22. [We are asked to provide a health certificate, how can we obtain this document?](#)

A. You can speak to a doctor at UofT Health & Wellness Centre to obtain the document.

Q23. [Is hand-writing permitted in this application?](#)  
[The application form is not editable digitally.](#)

A. Of course, please make sure that your hand-writing is neat and legible.

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