



Genki

JAPANESE & CULTURE

SCHOOL

Fukuoka
Tokyo
Kyoto



Learn Japan

学校 | the school

GenkiJACS is one of the first Japanese schools in Japan to teach communicative Japanese for everyday life, rather than academic Japanese. Everything in our schools is organized around this central philosophy. That's why lessons focus not just on what to say, but on why, how and when to say it. We have multiple programs and events to help our students make friends with Japanese people. Our class size is by far the smallest of any accredited Japanese school in Japan. We call this "the GenkiJACS difference". It's a big part of the reason why we were the first Japanese school to be voted Star World Language School, the highest award available to a language school,

and why students come back to study with us again and again. We believe in treating every student as a member of our family. We have helped students to arrange birthday parties, ship medicine or rent a studio for music practice. We adapt our lessons to the needs of each student, while keeping them practical and exciting, to give them not just the skills, but also the confidence to use these skills. Classes involve real-world situations, guest instructors, field trips and more. For all these reasons, we are regularly ranked highest amongst all Japanese schools. If you only have one chance to study Japanese, make sure you do it right: learn it with GenkiJACS!

GENKIJACS IS A REVOLUTIONARY JAPANESE SCHOOL



Evan Kirby
Director

“ We created GenkiJACS to be a place where people can enjoy learning the wonderful Japanese language in a relaxed and friendly environment, while also experiencing the absolute best of Japanese culture. We are incredibly proud of what we've accomplished, and the fact that we are the only Japanese school ever to be voted one of the top language schools in the world multiple times is a testament to how much people love our student-centered classes. We can't wait to help you achieve your dreams in Japan!



Small class size

With an average of five students per class and a maximum of nine, everyone is involved in the class.



Exciting courses

Learn about cosplay culture with a professional otaku teacher, or the ancient arts such as sword-fighting and Zen meditation.



Flexible schedules

Most courses start every Monday all year round. You can study for as long as you want, from one week to a year or more!



Great teachers

We hire only the best native Japanese staff and perform regular training.



OUR FACILITIES

- Comfortable, welcoming classrooms with big-screen projectors and smart display software
- A large lounge for students to relax; PCs, games, TV, drinks and more!
- A study and theater room, with a giant screen
- Free wireless Internet access
- Library with textbooks, mangas and more
- Game console with large selection of games
- Portable DVD and CD players for independent study
- Fully featured language lab with tablets (some schools)

Our family-sized classrooms accommodate up to 9 people and are all air-conditioned. Our Tokyo school is in the grounds of the beautiful Hanazono shrine, minutes from the central Shinjuku Station. In Fukuoka, our school is a mere 5 minutes walk from the main station while in Kyoto we're a few minutes on foot from the center of the city.



Lots of class levels

You're sure to be placed in a group that is right for you.



Proven quality

Multiple accreditations and awards, including being selected as the top language school in the world. A guarantee of a great education.



Standard Japanese

 10 grammar lessons | 10 practice lessons

You won't get far in Japan without being able to speak the language. With this course, you will be using Japanese on a daily basis from the very first day. No matter how long you choose to study with us, our incredibly individualized approach to teaching will allow you to focus on improving your Japanese ability. We call it Standard Japanese, but there is nothing standard about it!

Plus Conversation Module

 Adds 5 conversational lessons

This module adds five extra-small group lessons per week that focus on specialized, communicative Japanese, current affairs and vocabulary that can be hard to cover in standard classes. It will give you the tools you need to actually communicate with Japanese people daily.

Traditional Culture Module

 Adds cultural activities on Saturdays

This module offers an opportunity to learn about Japanese culture while studying the language. You will experience things such as kimono-wearing, pottery, tea ceremony, calligraphy, Zen meditation, aikido, katana sword fighting, Shinto, Japanese customs and more!

Pop Culture Module

 Adds cultural activities on Saturdays

This module combines Japanese study with the best of our fun excursions to local pop culture hot spots, centers of anime, manga and music. You'll attend cosplay events, learn how to draw manga; you'll also learn modern Japanese slang, and master the intricacies of Japanese youth culture.

Select any combination of courses to suit your own study goals and interests! Our Standard Japanese Course is quite intensive and comes with daily homework and frequent tests. Add any of the above modules to create your own all-encompassing learning experience.

"GenkiJACS is really fun and has a casual environment where you can learn at your own pace." ~Hannah, USA



nextGEN



10 grammar lessons | 10 practice lessons
6 hours of activities

NextGEN is a special package program offered only during summer. It combines the best, most fun activities of our Traditional Culture and Pop Culture modules with special services only available to minors. Younger students are sure to love nextGEN!



GenkiLINK



10 grammar lessons | 10 practice lessons

GenkiLink is a very special 10-month student visa course facilitating opportunities for interaction with Japanese high school students. You will have a chance to join volunteer outreach programmes, attend game nights and participate in sports clubs' activities.



"GenkiJACS was amazing. The two weeks I was in Japan were the best two weeks in my entire life. I will return to Fukuoka next year." ~Allen, Germany

What is a student visa?

The student visa lets you stay in Japan for a year or more, and allows you to work part-time while you study. We will handle most of the process for you and provide support in English for any parts you have to do on your own.

Note: The student visa is only offered at our Fukuoka school. If you are eligible for any other kind of long-term visa, such as a Working Holiday visa or spousal visa, you are welcome to study on this course in any school. Contact us for more details!

The course

The course is booked and paid in advance for 12 months; you'll have 20 classes per week - four per day. Two focus on grammar and the other two on applying your skills to real-world situations. There is a maximum limit of 9 students per class: by far the smallest of any accredited Japanese school. The course is only available to students at or below pre-intermediate level.

Starting dates and application deadlines

The course has 4 intakes each year: January, April, July and October. The student visa application also has very strict deadlines, but with 4 intakes, we are sure to have the time of the year that suits you!

Start Date	Application Deadline
January	August 20 of the previous year
April	November 20 of the previous year
July	February 20
October	May 20

You can study up to 2 years!

All classes are held on a rolling start basis meaning that when you arrive at GenkiJACS, you are placed into the ongoing class that is most appropriate for you. Your placement is decided based on an on-line test, followed by a confirmation test and an interview by a Japanese teacher on your first day at the school. If your Japanese ability is slightly below the level of your class, we will provide free

materials and extra homework to raise you to the appropriate level. As your study continues, you move up automatically through the class levels. For as long as you study with us, when you complete the material for one level, you will advance to the next level. Because we offer so many different class levels at any time, we can place you into a class that matches YOUR current ability level.



教師陣 | teachers

**Our teachers and staff:
The heart and brain of our
schools.**

All of our teachers are graduates of a rigorous 420-hour Japanese teacher training course: the standard qualification for professional Japanese language school teachers. It is equivalent to a university minor, and the result is a very high standard of teaching. Most teachers are bilingual, speaking English as well as Japanese of course. While the lessons are entirely in Japanese from day one, it still means you will be able to ask questions in English if needed. You'll spend more time with the teachers than almost anyone else you meet in Japan, so we only hire the best!



**Tomoe
Yoshiguchi**
HEAD TEACHER

“ Learning has no end and that is why it is fun, and that is why it is difficult. Let us be the friends and family who will share the fun times and be there when the going gets tough.



**Yuuki
Yamazaki**
HEAD ADMINISTRATOR

“ One click of the mouse and you can study languages whenever, wherever. But to truly know the language you need to feel it, need people around. We offer you a chance to learn, find and live the spirit of Japan.

AWARDS, ACCREDITATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS



The International Association of Language Centers is a network of high-quality, independent language schools. The IALC Quality Scheme and Code of Ethics ensure that all IALC schools provide language services of the highest quality. GenkiJACS is only the third Japanese school ever to be accepted by IALC.



GenkiJACS has been short-listed by popular vote as one of the top five world language schools ten years in a row. We were also lucky to win the prestigious Star Travel Magazine's annual Star Awards in 2016, 2018 and 2019! We are proud to be the first Japanese school to have ever won this award.



The Centrala studiestödsnämnden approves and grants Swedish financial aid for studies in Sweden and abroad. GenkiJACS is accredited by the CSN, allowing Swedish students to receive financial support to study with us.



GenkiJACS is part of the Japan Tourism Agency's program that provides support for foreigners coming to Japan.

"The best thing is the warm atmosphere and the kindness of teachers, staff, and other students." ~Agnel, France

JAPANESE GOVERNMENT ACCREDITATION

GenkiJACS Fukuoka is fully accredited by the Japanese government to provide student visas for long-term study. You can trust that our teachers and courses meet the government's high standards. The benefits of studying on a student visa include longer stays, work rights, and student discounts.

UNIVERSITY CREDIT

Your study with us may count toward your degree! We can meet many requirements your university may have: regular testing, grading; official transcripts and letters of recommendation.

BILDUNGSURLAUB

We are recognized by most German state authorities as eligible for up to an extra 10 days of educational leave, for courses of more than 30 hours per week

EXTRA ACTIVITIES

We offer a full program of social events and activities to make sure your free time is as fun as your study time! Here are some examples:

- City tour: Once a week new students are taken on a free tour around the city.
- Friday party: Every Friday we organize an event for our students. We could be going to a local restaurant, watching a movie at a cinema or attending a local night market...
- Outings: On some weekends we organize excursions to local festivals, shows and places interest. As an example, we regularly arrange private bus tours to nearby tourist destinations.
- Movie/game night: Once a week, students gather to watch a Japanese movie, or learn traditional Japanese games such as "hanafuda" from Japanese people.



SAMPLE EVENT SCHEDULE

Monday



Orientation



Free city tour

Tuesday



Free language lessons
by Japanese volunteers

Wednesday



Movie at the school



Free language exchange lessons by
Japanese University students

Thursday



(Fukuoka) club activities
at a Japanese high school

Friday



Graduation ceremony



Party with Japanese locals at a
Japanese restaurant



INTERNSHIPS

Our partnership with work placement organizations in Tokyo and Fukuoka means that you can have an opportunity to find an internship position for up to three months in a field of your choosing. Who knows, you might even be hired at the end of it! Our partners provide resume and interview support, business skill classes and assistance throughout your internship.

HELP OUTSIDE OF THE SCHOOL

We are confident we offer an unparalleled level of support, thanks to our small size and to the close relationship we have with our students. We can help posting or receiving packages, reviewing Japanese resumes, booking transports and accommodations, making travel plans, opening a bank account and more. Being away from home can be scary, but we are here to make sure that it is not!

SERVICES FOR MINORS

- Airport pickup: Upon request, a representative from the school can be waiting at the airport to pick the student up and take them to their accommodation (extra charge applies).
- Weekly reports: For parents who require it, we provide weekly updates on student progress. These include information on academic achievement, interactions with the host family; activities that week and our observations.
- Personal alarm: Japan is very safe, but students under 16 are provided with a free personal alarm to alert others in case of danger. Students are asked to carry this when walking alone.
- Emergency contact numbers: We offer a 24-hour line that can be used by the student or parents calling from overseas.

滞在先 | accommodation

We offer a variety of accommodation options to meet your particular needs. Not all accommodation types suit everyone, but our accommodation coordinators will make sure that your lodgings match your preferences. Whether you follow a vegetarian diet, have an allergy, or like cats; we will do our best to find a place that suits you! Most accommodation options offer a private room, and we check in with you regularly during your stay to make sure everything is going smoothly.

City	Accommodation Type	Weekly cost	Privacy	Community	Distance	Description
Tokyo, Fukuoka, Kyoto	Home stay					Reasonable but more expensive in Tokyo and Kyoto Family may decide on a curfew, guest rules, etc You are a member of the family Around 40 min for Fukuoka, an hour for other schools
Tokyo, Fukuoka, Kyoto	Guest house					Generally inexpensive Private room, shared facilities Live with GenkiJACS and Japanese students Around 30 min away for all schools
Fukuoka	Supervised residence					Best value for money Private room shared facilities Live with GenkiJACS students Around 40 min away
Tokyo, Fukuoka, Kyoto	Apartment					Most expensive Private, fully furnished apartment Make yourself at home Around 20 min away for all schools

"My host family was wonderful! Friendly, welcoming, great food, and easy communication. They went well above and beyond what I expected." ~Karen, Canada

Home stay

The opportunity to stay with a Japanese host family is the best way to immerse yourself in the culture and practice at "home" what you learned at school that day. We take into account your needs or preferences when arranging a host family for you. Your host family members are likely to be the people you become closest to during your stay, which is why we are extremely thorough when looking through all host family applicants, ensuring that they can provide a suitable environment to assist your learning and to allow you to experience Japan fully. You will have a private bedroom, but share the central facilities such as kitchen, bathroom and laundry with the apartment owners or the family. Available to students of all ages!

Guest house

A private room in a shared house with other GenkijACS students and Japanese residents or university students, gives you the freedom to enjoy the city life, but also the chance to make lots of friends. We offer many guest houses dotted around the city in a variety of locations. Some are mixed-gender, some male or female students only. Guest houses are perfect for university students or young adults on a budget. Any student over the age of 18 can stay at a guest house.

Supervised Residence (Fukuoka only)

Our Supervised Residence is the perfect way for our younger students to experience a bit of independence while still being looked after. Breakfasts and dinners can be added so you have one less thing to worry about! You will have a private room but shared bathrooms and laundry facilities with other GenkijACS students and some local Japanese students as well! Our Supervised Residence is perfect for students under the age of 18!

Private Apartment

Private one-room apartments are similar to a hotel room in quality, but much more spacious! They include a bed, living area; kitchen area, bathroom and all amenities needed for a simple life. Most private apartments are very centrally located and in Fukuoka, they are within easy walking distance of our school. Students over the age of 18 are welcome to stay in a private apartment.



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FUKUOKA

Fukuoka was ranked the best city in Asia by Asiaweek magazine several times over, was chosen by Newsweek as one of the world's top 10 boomtowns, and has been ranked multiple times by Monocle Magazine as one of the most liveable cities in the world. Fukuoka is the capital of Fukuoka Prefecture and has a population of approximately 1.5 million people. It is situated on the Sea of Japan (or the East Sea), and is well protected from the harsher elements of Japanese weather; earthquakes and typhoons are rare, summers are warm and the people are friendly. Our school is centrally located just minutes from Hakata Station, in the heart of Fukuoka City - a small, relaxed city with few foreigners, creating the perfect environment for immersion, letting you use your Japanese as much as possible.



TOKYO

Tokyo does not need much introduction. It offers the best of the modern Japanese culture, an incredible range of entertainment choices not to mention places to visit: Tokyo Sky Tree, Akihabara, Harajuku and of course Shinjuku to name a few.

The population of Tokyo metropolis currently stands at around 39 million people, making it the biggest urban zone in the world.

The school overlooks the famous Hanazono Shrine, and students pass through the traditional shrine gates to enter the building. Despite being in the center of the busiest part of Japan, the school's location is quite peaceful and relaxing, a perfect environment to learn Japanese.



WHICH CAMPUS IS RIGHT FOR ME?

There's no need to choose! We pride ourselves on our flexibility, so you can divide your time in Japan between our Fukuoka, Tokyo or Kyoto schools as you like. In fact, why not follow the Genki Route and study at all three schools while visiting Japan at the same time? Every city has a personality, and we're sure one of them will suit you perfectly.

KYOTO

Though no longer the capital of Japan, it remains her heart. Buddhist temples, Shinto Shrines, castles and gardens: to name all of them would take quite some time. Kyoto continues to be one of the best-preserved cities in the whole of Japan, which makes it a great destination if your goal is to touch the history of Japan. However, with a population of almost 1.5 million and because it is incredibly well connected to Osaka and Kobe, if you are looking to see modern Japan, Kyoto can offer that as well.

Our school is minutes away on foot from the beautiful Gion and downtown Kawaramachi districts, and a short ride to Kyoto Station. A 25-minute stroll and you will reach the world-famous Kiyomizu-Dera.



TOKYO

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FUKUOKA

Why not try all three schools?
Follow the Genki Route on the
journey of a lifetime!

Want to learn more?

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 ST star awards

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Winner 2018

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Winner 2016

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