

# Guidelines for Semester Study Abroad at Waseda University Law School, Japan

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The University of Michigan Law School offers a semester study abroad opportunity with Waseda University Law School, Tokyo, Japan for one (and sometimes more than one) student per academic year. Interested students must comply with the General Guidelines for Semester Legal Studies Abroad available in the Center for International and Comparative Law, 300D Legal Research, or on the Law School web site at: <http://www.law.umich.edu/curriculum/studyabroad/Pages/default.aspx>. Please consult the General Guidelines along with this document. They contain important information, including how to apply.

## Curriculum

Waseda University Law School is described on its web sites: <http://www.waseda.jp/law-school/> (Japanese) and <http://www.waseda.jp/law-school/index-e.html> (English). The fall 2011 semester (Waseda's second semester) courses are attached, and a description of the exchange program may be found at: <http://www.waseda.jp/law-school/eng/exchange.html>

The biographies of members of the faculty at the Waseda University Law School may be seen at: <http://www.waseda.jp/law-school/jp/about/faculty/alphabet.html>.

A student's course selection at Waseda University Law School must be approved by the University of Michigan Law School prior to the student's departure. Any subsequent requested changes must be approved in advance by Assistant Dean Virginia Gordan ([vgordan@umich.edu](mailto:vgordan@umich.edu); TEL: 734-764-5269). The acceptance of any credit or grade for any course taken at Waseda University Law School is subject to determination by the University of Michigan Law School.

In addition to the course requirements at Waseda, students will be responsible for fulfilling all the requirements for the transfer of credit described in the General Guidelines for Semester Legal Studies Abroad available in the Center for International and Comparative Law, Room 300D Legal Research.

## Advice

Professor Mark West ([markwest@umich.edu](mailto:markwest@umich.edu)) is available to advise students interested in studying at Waseda University Law School. Prior to submitting a proposal to the Graduate Programs and Foreign Affiliations Committee for semester study abroad at Waseda University Law School pursuant to the process described in the General Guidelines for Semester Legal Studies Abroad, students are required to be interviewed by Professor West.

## **Language**

There currently are ten courses offered in English in the fall 2011 semester at Waseda University Law School, and Waseda has indicated that they likely will be continued. The current English-language courses offered are Japanese Legal Culture, Civil Law in Japan, Criminal Justice in Japan, Human Rights Law in Japan, Business Law in Japan, Pacific Settlement of International Disputes, Comparative Financial Law, International Trade law, Civil Dispute Resolution in Japan and International Entertainment Law. All other courses are in Japanese, and with the exception of first-year non-electives, are open to foreign exchange students with sufficient language ability.

## **Dates of Term**

The first semester at Waseda generally goes from early April through late July. The second semester at Waseda generally starts in late September with classes ending in January and finals in February. The fall 2011 semester (Waseda's second semester) classes begin September 26, 2011. Orientation takes place between September 21-23, 2011. The spring 2012 semester (Waseda's first semester) classes tentatively begin on April 1, 2012. The dates of orientation are to be announced. Waseda has indicated a willingness to be flexible about scheduling final exams; for instance, fall semester (Waseda's second semester) students will be allowed to finish their study at Waseda University Law School by the last class in December and earn full-semester credits for enrolled courses. Appropriate methods of evaluation will be arranged in order to compensate for the missed January classes in consultation with the exchange coordinator of the home institution. See <http://www.waseda.jp/law-school/eng/exchange.html> for further details.

## **Tuition**

Students must pay full tuition and fees to the University of Michigan Law School as described in the General Guidelines. Students will not be charged tuition by Waseda University. Tuition structure and amount are subject to change.

## **Application to Waseda University Law School**

Students who receive approval from the Law School's Graduate Programs and Foreign Affiliations Committee to study abroad at Waseda pursuant to the process described in the General Guidelines for Semester Legal Studies Abroad will then be required to complete a Waseda application form. The Center for International & Comparative Law will send the accepted student's Waseda application and supporting application items to Waseda.

*Waseda reserves the right of final approval of Michigan applicants.*

## **Housing**

When Waseda grants acceptance to a student, the student is asked if he/she wishes to apply for university housing. If Waseda's facilities for foreign students are full, every reasonable effort is made to assist incoming exchange students in finding suitable accommodation elsewhere.

## **Contacts**

Professor Akio Shimizu of Waseda University Law School is the academic and overall coordinator for Michigan students at Waseda. His email is [ashimizu@waseda.jp](mailto:ashimizu@waseda.jp), and his telephone number is 81-3-5286-1214. Please contact Professor Shimizu with your questions.

Mr. Makato Inoue is the administrative contact at Waseda University. His contact information is: [law-school-gakumu@list.waseda.jp](mailto:law-school-gakumu@list.waseda.jp); TEL: 81-3-5286-1678; FAX: 81-3-5286-1720.

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### **For further information about Waseda**

Students are strongly encouraged to read the Student Study Abroad Reports currently available in the Center for International & Comparative Law (Room 300D Legal Research). The reports contain invaluable information about courses, professors, library, computers, housing and so on. They identify the pluses and minuses of the students' study abroad experiences and what aspects they enjoyed and what they found problematic while studying at Waseda.

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*The information about the overseas program contained herein is provided by the host institution and is subject to change. Interested students should confirm all information with the host institution prior to departure to ensure that the opportunity meets their goals.*

Waseda University Law School  
2011 Second (Fall) Semester Courses

漢字科目名	英字科目名
民法Ⅳ	Civil Law IV
民法Ⅴ	Civil Law V
民法Ⅵ	Civil Law VI
基礎民事訴訟法	Civil Procedure
刑法Ⅱ	Criminal Law II
基礎刑事訴訟法	Criminal Procedure
憲法Ⅱ	Constitutional Law II
民法総合Ⅰ	Advanced Civil Law I
民事訴訟法総合Ⅰ	Advanced Civil Procedure I
会社法Ⅱ	Corporate Law II
刑法総合Ⅱ	Advanced Criminal Law II
刑事訴訟法総合	Advanced Criminal Procedure
行政法総合	Advanced Administrative Law
刑事訴訟実務の基礎	Criminal Law Litigation
企業統治と企業金融	Corporate Governance & Finance
リーガル・カウンセリング アンド ネゴシエーション	Legal Counseling and Negotiation
民事弁護実務	Civil Law Advocacy
家事弁護実務	Family Law Advocacy
刑事弁護実務	Criminal Law Advocacy
労働訴訟実務の基礎	Labor Law Litigation
企業法務の実務基礎	Introduction to Corporate Legal Practices
家族法特殊講義	Family Law-Advanced
不動産法特殊講義	Real Estate Law-Advanced
消費者法	Consumer Law
信託法	Law of Trusts
倒産法Ⅱ	Bankruptcy Law II
倒産法演習	Seminar: Bankruptcy Law
倒産法応用演習	Advanced Seminar: Bankruptcy Law
民事特別手続(人事訴訟・非訟事件)	Special Civil Procedures: Domestic Relations and Non-Contentious Procedures
労働法Ⅱ	Labor Law II
労働法演習	Seminar: Labor Law
医事法Ⅰ	Law and Medicine I
労使紛争と法Ⅱ	Law and Labor Disputes II
捜査法	Law of Criminal Investigation
刑事証拠法	Criminal Evidence Law
比較刑事手続	Comparative Criminal Procedure
少年法	Juvenile Delinquency Law
修復的司法	Restorative Justice
法医学	Forensic Medicine
雇用差別と法	Law and Employment Discrimination
社会保障法演習	Seminar: Social Security Law
高齢者と法	Law and the Elderly
子供と法	Law and Children
ジェンダーと法	Law and Gender
都市と法	Law and Urban Planning
手形・小切手法	Bill and Check Law
独占禁止法基礎	Introduction to Antimonopoly Law
非公開企業法	Law of Closed Corporations
保険争訟論	Insurance Dispute
国際取引法	International Business Transactions
国際関係私法基礎	Introduction to International Private Law
国際金融法	International Financial Law
電子商取引法	Electronic Transactions Law
経済法応用演習	Advanced Seminar: Economic Law
経済法実務演習	Seminar: Economic Law Practice

国際私法応用演習	Advanced Seminar: International Private Law
国際法応用演習II	Advanced Seminar: International Law II
アメリカ通商法	U.S. Trade Law
国際私法I	International Private Law I
特許法	Patent Act
不正競争防止法・商標法	Unfair Competition Prevention Act, Trade Mark Law
租税法基礎	Basics of Taxation
租税政策	Taxation Policy
知的財産法応用演習I	Advanced Seminar: Intellectual Property Law I
知的財産法応用演習II	Advanced Seminar: Intellectual Property Law II
国際租税法	International Taxation Law
環境法I	Environmental Law I
国際環境法	International Environmental Law
スポーツ法	Sports Law
環境法応用演習	Advanced Seminar: Environmental Law
マスメディアと法	Law and Mass Media
民事裁判論	Civil Procedure and Practice
法整備支援活動	Technical Assistance in the Legal Field
法解釈の技法と思考	Legal Interpretation and Thinking
法史学I(日本)	Legal History I: Japan
法史学II(ヨーロッパ)	Legal History II: Europe
法社会学I	Law and Society I
外国法基礎(英米法)	Introduction to Anglo-American Law
外国法基礎(EU法)	Introduction to EU Law
外国法基礎(中国法)	Introduction to Chinese Law
外国法基礎(ロシア法・東中欧法)	Introduction to Russian and Eastern European Law
外国法演習(英米法)	Seminar: Anglo-American Law
法思想史	History of Legal Thoughts
法と財政学	Law and Finance
法律家のための会計学	Accounting for Lawyers
英語科目	English course
Japanese Legal Culture	Japanese Legal Culture
Civil Law in Japan	Civil Law in Japan
Comparative Financial Law	Comparative Financial Law
Criminal Justice in Japan	Criminal Justice in Japan
Human Rights Law in Japan	Human Rights Law in Japan
Pacific Settlement of International Disputes	Pacific Settlement of International Disputes
International Entertainment Law	International Entertainment Law
国際通商法	International Trade Law
Civil Dispute Resolution in Japan	Civil Dispute Resolution in Japan
Business Law in Japan	Business Law in Japan
研究論文指導II	Research Paper II
Introduction to American Law(慶應義塾大学)	Introduction to American Law (Keio Univ.)