INTRODUCTION OF SAGAMIHARA CAMPUS FOR EXCHANGE

School of Global Studies and Collaboration - School of Social Informatics - College of Community Studies

1. Campus Size and Beauty

The Sagamihara campus boasts a vast and lush green landscape. You can study in a relaxing environment surrounded by beautiful scenery. In addition to the library, many open spaces are available for students to study or discuss. Exchange students have shared videos introducing the campus facilities and student life.

Check out the campus introduction video: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R9cw6PVqal8</u>



Based on 2023Fall survey by Sagamihara campus exchange students



Sagamihara Campus

2. A Wide Range of Courses Taught in English at School of Global Studies and Collaboration

Especially at the School of Global Studies and Collaboration, many courses delve deeply into Japanese culture and are available in English. The discussion-based and experiential classes are particularly popular and provide numerous opportunities to interact with Japanese students, allowing you to broaden your international perspective.

School of Social Informatics and School of Community Studies does not have English courses. Only a few courses are held in English at College of Science and Engineering.

Among them, these are the courses highly recommended for exchange students.

Please note some courses may not be offered every year. You can check the syllabus from here. (<u>https://syllabus.aoyama.ac.jp/</u>)

Recommended courses by exchange students

Course title	Lecturer	Reasons	
Approaches to International Cooperation [in English]	HORIE Masanobu	These courses really encouraged me to think and do m reading on my own. It might be that my interests happer align with the content, but I think both senseis way of teach	
Global Opinion Trend [in English] [in English]	FUKUHARA Naoki	and conducting the class inspired me to do so. I also really like the content of Horie sensei's class, it feels the most 'GSC' to me amongst other courses offered in English.	
Cool Japan Contextualizing Contemporary Popular Culture [in English]	OSAWA Yoshimi	I appreciated learning about the cultural aspects necessary for living in Japan.	
Global Opinion Trend [in English]	Naoki	The professors were very knowledgeable and fluent in English. It was the most enjoyable class because I could learn about international affairs and general global knowledge.	
lananoso	MORI Sachiho	It was fun	
Japanese	TAKAHASHI Yuko	I was able to learn a lot of Japanese.	
Japanology B	MORI Sachiho	The traditional Japanese dance lessons and all the experiential sessions were excellent. The professors' knowledge was very extensive.	
Interculturalism [in English]	KAMEI-DYCHE, Andrew Terence	The teaching was fantastic.	
Society and Culture of Japan G [in English]	SHIRATORI TOMOMI	Because I can watch movie and engage in discussion with other exchange students. Besides that, the instructor is kind and good at explanations. Overall, this course is very engaging and fun.	

3. On-campus dormitory available from April 2026!

From April 2026, Aoyama Gakuin University Student Dormitory (Sagamihara Campus) will also be open to exchange students! As it is an on-campus dormitory, students can go to class in five minutes! You will be living with other AGU students so you will have more opportunities to make friends. The living costs are less expensive than off-campus dormitories or private apartments. Meals are provided but convenient stores and supermarkets are also close-by, and it takes less than 10 minutes to reach the nearest train station! The dormitory offers furnished single rooms and several common spaces to share with other students.

4. Cultural Events

We hold many events inside and outside the University so that students may have the opportunity to talk to other people or to appreciate Japanese culture. Field trips in the region are organized once a semester which allows students to discover parts of Japan they may have not heard of before.

We also have a Chatroom where exchange students can be chat leaders and help Japanese students to practice their English. They can also go to the Japanese sessions to improve their own language abilities. Many events are also organized inside the chatroom so there is always something to do!

Each year in October, AGU students hold the Sagamihara Campus Festival, which is also open to the public. The local students prepare many food booths, stage performances, exhibits etc...

5. Accessibility to Yokohama and Kamakura

The Sagamihara Campus enjoys excellent access to popular tourist destinations such as Yokohama and Kamakura. Students, both Japanese and international, can easily visit historical landmarks and beautiful coastlines during weekends or holidays, providing a refreshing break amidst their academic pursuits.



the Great Buddha of Kamakura"



The hydrangeas of Kamakura





Yokohama Chinatown

Minatomirai

6. Local Culture and Events

Throughout the year in Sagamihara City, traditional festivals like the Kite Festival and fireworks are held, offering opportunities to directly experience Japanese culture. By participating in these events, you can engage with the regional culture of Japan.

For Sagamihara City event information, you can visit: Sagamihara Events



Kite festival

7. Collaboration with Advanced Educational and Research Institution

We actively collaborate with local businesses and government entities to promote advanced education and research. Students have the valuable opportunity to freely access the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) and engage in cutting-edge research.

8. Convenience of Living Environment

From recommended off-campus student dormitories, you can access the campus within an hour, if you choose not to live in our on-campus dormitory. This allows you to live close to campus even if you choose to find housing on your own, reducing the burden of commuting and ensuring a comfortable student life.

<AY2025 SAGAMIHARA CAMPUS Courses conducted in English>

Semester	English text Course Title	Instructor	Department
1st Semester(Spring)	Society and Culture of Japan A	MORI Sachiho	General Education
1st Semester(Spring)	Society and Culture of Japan B	NAGAMATSUYA Yuki	General Education
1st Semester(Spring)	Mechatronics	LOPEZ, Guillaume Florian	College of Science and Engineering
1st Semester(Spring)	Digital Media Design	YUE, Yonghao	College of Science and Engineering
1st Semester(Spring)	Information Network	TOBE Yoshito	College of Science and Engineering
1st Semester(Spring)	Sociology of Gender	KANNO Misako	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	Cross-National Comparison	KUMAGAI Naoko	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	Tourism in Asia	FUKAWA Naohiro	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	Special Lecture M (III)	KABASHIMA Eiichirou	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	Global Media and Communications	KIKUCHI Hisayo	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	News Writing	IKEHATA Shuhei	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	Corporate Social Responsibility	KURODA Kazutaka	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	Economic and Industrial Development Policy in Postwar Japan	KOBAYASHI Toshiyuki	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	International Cultural Relations	MORI Shoko	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	Introduction to Japanese Culture	OGAWA Tadashi	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	Modern Japanese History: From Samurai Age to Modernity	KAMEI-DYCHE, Andrew Terence	School of Global Studies and Collaboration

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1st Semester(Spring)	Tourism Management	MIURA Tomoko	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	Surveying and Cartography in Japan	SATO Jun	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	Traditional Art and Culture in Modern Japan	KANNO Misako	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
1st Semester(Spring)	Japanese Economic Cooperation with Developing Countries	SHIGA Hiroaki	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	Society and Culture of Japan E	MORI Sachiho	General Education
2nd Semester(Fall)	Society and Culture of Japan F	NAGAMATSUYA Yuki	General Education
2nd Semester(Fall)	Discrete Mathematics I	DURST, Martin Jakob	College of Science and Engineering
2nd Semester(Fall)	Issues in Modern Japanese Education	HASHIMOTO Sayaka	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	War Memory in Modern Japan	KUMAGAI Naoko	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	Hospitality Management	OGAWA Yoshiko	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	Practical Essay Writing II	KAMEI-DYCHE, Andrew Terence	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	Financial Systems and Economic Development in Postwar Japan	KOBAYASHI Toshiyuki	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	Practical Essay Writing I	KIKUCHI Hisayo	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	Introduction to Japanese Politics and Society	KAMEI-DYCHE, Andrew Terence	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	Global Opinion Trend	IKEHATA Shuhei	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	International Business and Strategic Management	MATSUNAGA Eric Masanobu	School of Global Studies and Collaboration

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2nd Semester(Fall)	Interculturalism	KAMEI-DYCHE, Andrew Terence	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	Travel and Tourism in Contemporary Japan	MIURA Tomoko	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
Second Half of Second Semester	Special Lecture B (II)	OHTOMO Takafumi	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	Cool Japan: Contextualizing Contemporary Popular Culture	KANNO Misako	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
Second Half of Second Semester	New Frontiers in Geospatial Gaming	YAMAGUCHI Yusuke	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	Infrastructure for Asian Connectivity	SHIMAMURA Masumi	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
2nd Semester(Fall)	Lifestyle and Society in Japan	KISHI Yu	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
First Half of Second Semester	Approaches to International Cooperation	HORIE Masanobu	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
Second Semester - No Set Class	Advanced Resilient Communities against Disaster	STEWART, Kelsie Decole	School of Global Studies and Collaboration
Second Semester - No Set Class	Drone Journalism	ANDO Noboru	School of Global Studies and Collaboration