SHINWA FOREIGN LANGUAGE ACADEMY

進和外語アカデミー

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President's Greeting

Kyung Seok Jeon
President

In the quickly globalising 21st century, the demand for international talent is increasing. Our globalising society seeks those who can accurately speak their own opinions and feelings, not only in their native language but also in a foreign language. For that purpose, advanced learning of a foreign language is becoming increasingly indispensable. As we acquire a foreign language, we learn that country's culture and life customs, which deepens our overall concerns and understanding. Meanwhile, we also develop ourselves and find ourselves with new opportunities and possibilities.

As a result, we have a simple educational philosophy, to recognise that as we understand Japanese language and culture, we can contribute globally and thrive on the international stage.

Our teaching staff supports you in developing as a contributor in our global society!

Features of Shinwa

Classes are tailored to student's levels
Teachers carefully select the materials and language that students can benefit from. This enables our students to have more confidence in their everyday life in Japan, whether it be socialising or working.

Experienced teachers
Our enthusiastic and detailed student counselling is available to help students successfully enter Japanese colleges, universities and specialised schools. University and college admission recommendations are given to outstanding students.

JLPT Test practice
These classes aim to help enable students enter university undergraduate and master's degree programs by counselling students to help them enter the ideal university or graduate school.

EJU preparation classes
Students wishing to attend Japanese universities can take complimentary EJU classes to help them better prepare for the entrance examination. Class start in June for high level students.

Comprehensive student visa application
Our staff help and guide students to apply for admission and proper accommodation arrangements for students, to provide students with comfortable living conditions.

Work-study programs
For students with current undergraduate and graduate degrees, we can recommend job positions in a variety of fields to suit student's needs and experience.

Native support
Shinwa staff offer native support for English, Chinese, Vietnamese and Korean speakers to make communication easier between teachers and students.

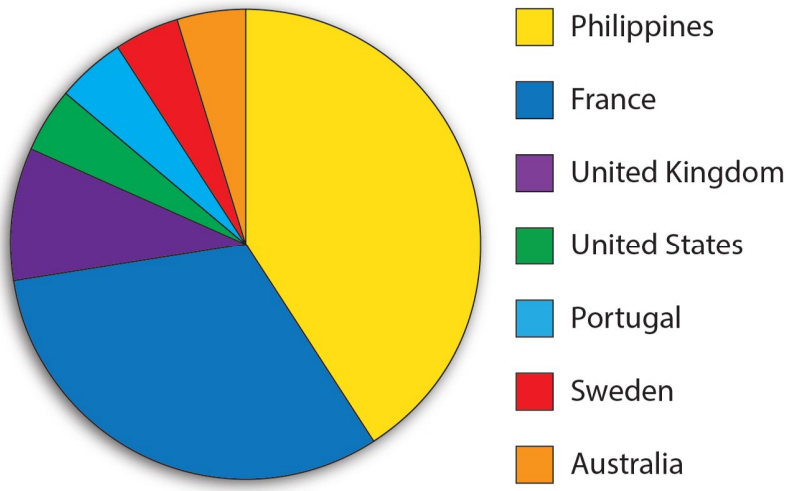
School Information

- Shinwa is authorized by the Association for the Promotion of Japanese Language Education, authorized by the Minister of Justice.
- Capacity: 1080 students.
  We have students from Cambodia, Canada, China, France, Philippines, Portugal, South Korea, Sweden, Taiwan, United Kingdom, United States, Uzbekistan, Vietnam and many more.
- Staff: 90 people (*9 Office staff and 80 teachers*)
  Native speakers of Chinese, English, Japanese, Korean and Vietnamese.
- We have 3 buildings with a total of 29 classrooms as well as a study room and academic offices. There are also computers with internet for students to use freely and a counselling room for students to discuss their concerns and future plans with teachers.
- All classes at Shinwa are taught by our professionally trained instructors and tailored to individual student's level and goals.
- We have fully equipped dormitories located near the school for students to make their stay in Japan as comfortable and convenient as possible.
- Shinwa Academy is a 5 minute walk from Takadanobaba Station on the JR Yamanote Line and easily accessible from Tokyo and the surrounding areas.

Diverse Classes

We diversify our classes by ensuring there are a mix of different nationalities per class. Since we are able to cater to most nationalities, we try our hardest to rotate classes each semester to give students a chance to engage with people from other parts of the world.

English Speaking Student Nationality



School Guidance & Support

Experienced teachers prepare a curriculum tailored to the student's needs and objectives. Each class is organised by the students ability through meticulous tests upon enrolment, at the course's opening ceremony. Our new students will then attend an induction to prepare them for their life in school and Japan, giving them the opportunity to ask any questions or raise concerns they may have.

Our teachers counsel each student to help advise and decide what to major in and which Japanese university or vocational school to attend. Then, we will set up a learning plan that suits each person with regular follow up meetings to help keep students on track. We are also able to offer additional classes to students who wish to further their knowledge and prepare for university with our professional teachers.

Each class has up to 20 students studying Japanese daily. Classes are decided by a test during enrolment and their own ability.
At the beginning of each day there is a kanji (Chinese characters) test taken from vocabulary learned the day before. There is also a weekly review test and at the end of each semester there is a final test that enables successful students to graduate the class and move up to the next class. Classes are broken down into four parts a day, reading and writing, speaking, listening, and vocabulary. Students also receive daily homework assignments to help them retain and practice the Japanese they learnt. The faculty will always guide and support students who need help.

▲ Student's daily kanji test

Enrolment meetings are held regularly. Professional school and university representatives visit the school to help guide students who wish to attend graduate school. This is a special class to help students to decide on a course tailored to their interests and goals. There are also presentations given by various schools and universities to help students decide on the type of courses they want to take.

EJU Prepatory Course

For JLPT N2 and above learners, Shinwa has classes tailored to giving students experience from teachers who have graduated from famous universities in Japan. We have implemented special comprehensive evening classes to higher-level students to prepare for entering graduate school that focus on guidance and the entrance preparation exam, the EJU. These classes give students the opportunity to further their knowledge on university enrolment and aid students in making sure they are well prepared, easing the stresses and possible anxiety students may feel. Students are also able to discuss their queries or concerns with any of the teaching or office staff regarding their application or any aspect of their life in Japan to make sure their time is as stress-free as possible to enable them to focus on their studies.

Additional Support

Students arriving in Japan will receive full support from our staff where we will escort them to city hall, banks and phone shops to help them get registered, set up a bank account and get a mobile telephone. In the event a student is sick, we also escort them to hospitals so they don't have to worry about a language barrier.

In addition to regular classes, student's who are having difficulty are able to take extra private classes with teachers at no extra cost. These classes are generally arranged by the homeroom teacher if they feel the student needs some extra help. Additonally, our native speaking office staff are also able to offer assistance on class materials if student's are having trouble understanding class content.

Graduate School & Careers

Besides participating in Japanese classes, graduate school exam preparation lectures can be given to students wishing to take the entrance examination for University. Students also practice Japanese skills used in research, writing essays and research plans, and are given the necessary information to help them prepare for entering University. Teachers are able to give advice and help the students in writing their application forms as well as interview practice to best prepare students for their transition to their vocational school or university of choice.

School Progression

When you graduate from Shinwa there are a few options available to you. You can either continue your education by entering college or graduate school, or depending on Japanese ability, graduates can join the Japanese workforce.

Practice interview

College & Graduate School

Students wishing to further their education in Japan and attend college or graduate schools are given individual counselling and supplementary classes to prepare them for entrance exams. Our highly-skilled teachers also help students to prepare documents, forms and other necessities to help them ready themselves for their new school to make sure their acceptance and entrance is a smooth process.
Additional classes are also available to high-level students who wish to take the EJU (Examination for Japanese University Admission) to enter Japanese universities. Specialised counselling classes and EJU classes are then organised for students who will prepare to enter university to continue their education.

Intensive Classes Jul ~ Sep	Japanese N1 guidance counseling.
	Guidance for writing PR text, a research essay and research reports.
	Training in data analysis capabilities and gathering research material for reference.
	Instruction on how to create school records, communication with a professor and gather relevant information on the Internet.
	Assist students in selecting appropriate schools, understand the characteristics and content of research in graduate school, by providing information about the school and organizing lectures in schools.
Guidance Oct ~ Dec Jan ~ Mar	Determine the subject of study and graduate school students wish to attend.
	Check the application materials and documents are ready for submission.
	Contact the professor for guidance on things that may need attention for the application.
	Interview skills training and preparation.

Careers

For students who wish to graduate and begin a career in Japan, our teachers and executive office staff can help them prepare themselves to join the workforce. Our staff will search for positions based on the student's requirements and skills to help enable them to be accepted for a suitable position. Many of our students have joined large companies in Japan after graduation to go on to have successful careers.
Students who are accepted into Japanese companies are often given longer visas (5 years) and all the same benefits as Japanese staff within the company.

Qualified to enter Chiba National University

Qualified to enter Tokyo Medical & Dental University

Field Trips & Activities

Theme Parks

Class Presentations

University Guidance

Speech Contests

Graduation Ceremony

Cultural Activities

Scholarship Awards

Field Trips

Class Parties

Calligraphy Classes

Awards

Tanabata

Yukata wearing

Summer Barbecues

Class Activities

Field Trips

Curriculum

Shinwa has several courses designed to cater to the individual needs of our students. Courses generally include reading, writing, speaking and listening but there are also specialist courses that help to prepare students for university in Japan.
Each day students take four classes either in the morning or in the afternoon.
Morning classes begin at 9:00am until 12:25pm and afternoon classes begin at 1:00pm until 4:25pm.
The classes are broken up into segments of daily activity covering specific aspects of Japanese language for various levels.

Beginner 1 & 2 Course	
JLPT N5 & N4	Hiragana, katakana and kanji practice
	Vocabulary, explanations and grammar
	Speaking and listening practice
	Review, listening, practice and activity

Intermediate 1 & 2 Course	
JLPT N3	Kanji practice and explanations
	Vocabulary, explanations and grammar
	Speaking practice
	Review and listening practice

Advanced Course	
JLPT N2 & N1	Kanji and explanations
	Vocabulary, explanations and grammar
	Pronunciation, speaking and listening
	Review and guidance

EJU Preparation Course	
JLPT N2 & N1	Kanji practice and explanations
	Vocabulary, explanations and grammar
	Speaking practice and exercises
	Review and comprehension practice

Other Class Activities

Other classroom activities not listed above include; calligraphy, speech contests, class presentations, recitals, social activities, research projects, parties and more.
In addition to standard classes there are also field trips students will participate in as well as the annual summer barbecue and Christmas party. Students will visit museums, cultural districts, theme parks and places of interest with their teachers to learn more about Japan and Japanese culture.

EJU Course

In addition to standard classes, Shinwa also has a specialised EJU Class (Examination for Japanese University admission preparation). This class is focused on helping students prepare for the examination by teaching them the Japanese needed to pass the test based on the previous year's tests. This course is only available for advanced level students and is completely free.

Students first meet with their teachers to discuss their intentions and which university they would like to attend, where teachers then check eligibility and document requirements to help students prepare. More counselling meetings are held where students can discuss their concerns and preparation with teachers throughout their time at Shinwa. Counselling is generally held after classes on a monthly basis. But if students need to get advice, they can visit the education office at any time and speak to one of our teachers about their concerns. Our teachers are professionally trained to be able to guide all students towards their goals of studying or working in Japan after they graduate.

The EJU course generally begins in June and is held during the last two classes of the day. Since not every student wants to take the EJU, classes are split to accommodate the needs of students who want to prepare for EJU and for those who just want to continue their regular course.
Many of our EJU course students have been accepted into some of Japan's most prestigious universities with the best students getting scholarships.

Employment Counselling

As well as teaching Japanese, our staff are also able to assist students in their careers. For students wishing to work in Japan we can offer a few guidelines as well as giving full support in the recruitment process to help ease the stress or anxiety of finding work in Japan.

- Target: Four-year university graduate students are able to receive employment counselling with our experienced teachers if they wish to begin working in Japan.
- We can provide job information for careers in Japan and overseas, matching student capabilities and goals, ready for when they graduate from Shinwa.
- Internship employment guidance and conducting partnerships are available during student's time at Shinwa.
- Resume (CV) and application writing guidance is offered to all capable students who wish to work in Japan, during and after their course.
- Company briefings are held at the school for students wishing to do interviews on the spot, learn about the kind of jobs available as well as gain information about potential employers.

Study & Work

Students who speak fluent English have an advantage of being able to join the workforce early on in their stay in Japan. Many positions are available to students to work with a basic Japanese ability using English.
When you arrive in Japan you can work part-time while you study enabling you to earn while you learn. All our students have a part-time working visa to help them lift the financial burdens to support themselves.

Japanese speaking students have the beneficial advantage of being able to work in higher paid jobs allowing them to gain valuable experiences of working in Japanese companies, enable them to practice speaking Japanese with native speakers as well as earn a good salary and enjoy many benefits that larger companies offer their workers. Many of these companies will also offer full time contracts and visa support for graduating students with good career options and all the benefits that regular Japanese workers get. Something that non-Japanese speakers cannot achieve.

Dormitory & Life in Japan

Shinwa manages and maintains our own dormitory for students on a long stay programme in Japan. Currently we own more than 20 apartments that are fully equipped to give students a comfortable learning atmosphere during their time in Japan. The dormitory is located a short 8 minute walk from the school.

Facilities included in every dorm room:

- Bed / Futon
- Microwave
- Rice Cooker
- Washing Machine
- Air Conditioner
- Floor Tables
- Refrigerator
- Gas Cooker
- Shower
- Bath
- Heater
- Wi-Fi Access

There are two room types available, 2 person rooms and 4 person rooms and all are fully equipped to meet students' needs during their stay.
For pricing and other information, please email us.

Life Support

When students arrive in Japan it can be daunting to do tasks such as registering at city hall, getting health insurance, a bank account and a mobile phone. At Shinwa we provide support for all our students. When students arrive we escort them to city hall to help them get registered and get health insurance as well as opening a bank account, getting a mobile phone and searching for a part-time job.

Support doesn't end there as all while students are enrolled in our school we continue to support them by helping in such ways as taking them to hospitals, dentists or other health matters to communicate with healthcare professionals on the student's behalf, arranging visa renewals, translating documents and guiding them on what they need to be prepared for while living in Japan.

In addition, when a student graduates from our school we can help to find them employment, enter college or graduate school and even help with their new visa application.

Detailed Orientation

On the day of the opening ceremony, students participate in an orientation with experienced staff on a native level where they can learn about life in Japan, school rules and policies as well as important cultural and life advice. This is the perfect opportunity for new students to ask any questions or concerns they have about the school, rules or general life in Japan. Orientation is presented in English, Chinese, Korean or Vietnamese, depending on the language of the attending students.

Topics cover; school life, student life, school rules and policies, procedures for city hall registration, visa guidelines, Japanese culture, events, moving house, getting a mobile phone, finding a part-time job, who to contact in the event of an emergency and so on.

Testimonials

Many of our graduates have gone on to college, graduate schools or find employment in Japan with our help and support. Students can rest at ease that our teaching staff have the well-being of students in mind that they can guide every student in the right direction to achieve their goals.

We have a number of reviews on Google, Facebook and other websites from both current students and graduates from all over the world. Here are what a few have had to say about their time at Shinwa Academy.

Philippines

I've been studying in Shinwa Academy for a year now, and I must say there are three reasons why I'm really loving it.
First, all the staff will assist you even with the unrelated school staff like translating you things from the bank or bills (based from my experience).
Second, advisers and teachers will make sure that you understand each topic, and will do their best to explain it to you so that you will not get behind from your class.
Lastly, you will truly feel that they care not just about your academics but your condition if you gone sick or not feeling well. I'm glad I've chosen Shinwa Foreign Language Academy and I definitely recommend this school!

Shinwa has a welcoming environment allowing you to settle right in to classes with little to no knowledge of Japanese. The people around you are there to learn, knowing that you and your classmates have the same goal can be very helpful when they understand something and you don't. There has been a few times I have interacted with other students and been able to get to the answer I was looking for. Even at times when I am really confused asking a teacher has always been a good way to get a better understanding as they try their best to explain what things mean in a simplistic way that allows for easy understanding. In addition, the office staff were always helpful and supportive, translating documents and conversations for me and helping me get established in Japan by registering me at city all, opening a bank account etc.

United Kingdom

America

I studied at Shinwa Foreign Language Academy for 2 years and started from total beginner that I don't even know how to write my name in Japanese.

It was hard at first as I fell behind from the first lesson, but because all of the teachers were very friendly and supportive, I learned how to read and write in a short period of time. The teachers even help you to find a job and assist you to enrol in a University or College. It is Located in the heart of Tokyo that makes it convenient for living as well as sightseeing.

I feel Shinwa is a highly recommended school.

I came to Shinwa for a six month intensive course with a working holiday visa. The office staff member in charge of English speaking students is British and very helpful. He helped me get registered at city hall, got me a mobile phone, helped me with my apartment bills and even translated to a doctor when I needed to go to hospital. The support didn't stop there. The teachers were also very kind and courteous since I joined a little late and was behind in classes. They gave me some free private classes after my regular classes to help me catch up. They also guided me to help me find a job so I can practice my Japanese more while I studied. I thoroughly enjoyed my time at Shinwa and praise the staff and teachers for their attentiveness and care for their students.

Portugal

4.6 facebook
Based on 22 reviews

Google 4.9 ★★★★★ 12 reviews

CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE

School Information

- Address: 2-14-30 Takadanobaba, Shinjuku ku, Tokyo 〒169-0075 Japan
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- FAX: 03-6233-8176
- Email: info@shinwajpn.co.jp
- Homepage: http://www.shinwajpn.com
- Student Capacity: 1,020
- Staff: 90 teachers and executive office staff
- Enrollment: 4 times a year (Jan, Apr, July & Oct)
  See our website for more detailed dates to enroll.

Short Course Fees

Duration	Registration	Tuition	Textbooks	Total
1 Month	¥10,000	¥61,000	¥4,000	¥75,000
3 Months	¥10,000	¥160,000	¥4,000	¥174,000
6 Months	¥10,000	¥310,000	¥8,000	¥328,000

Short courses are subject to students providing their own visa and organizing their own accommodation for their stay in Japan.

We are able to recommend guest houses or other accommodation options to applicants if help is needed to prepare them for their stay in Japan.

Regular Course Fees

Duration	Registration	Entrance	Tuition	Facilities	Tax (10%)	Total
First Year Deposit	¥20,000	¥50,000	¥660,000	¥20,000	¥75,000	¥825,000
1 Year 3 Months			+ ¥175,000	+ ¥5,000	+ ¥17,000	¥1,012,000
1 Year 6 Months			+ ¥330,000	+ ¥10,000	+ ¥34,000	¥1,199,000
1 Year 9 Months			+ ¥495,000	+ ¥15,000	+ ¥51,000	¥1,386,000
2 Years			+ ¥660,000	+ ¥20,000	+ ¥68,000	¥1,573,000

* Fees include textbooks, papers & materials. * Tuition, facilities & textbook fees are not refundable after payment has been made.

Once we have the Certificate of Eligibility from Immigration we send an invoice for the first year deposit. Once received we send out all documents and required certificates for applicants to collect their visa at their local Japanese Embassy. The remaining fees are generally paid bi-annually before the first year of study is finished.
Example: The 1 year 6 month course would require the remaining ¥374,000 to be paid on the 11th month of study at our school.

Eligibility Requirements

- Please check the following for eligibility to apply
  - Applicant must be aged between 18 and 28 years old
  - Applicant must have graduated university within the past 3 years or graduated high school within 1 year of application
  - Applicants from outside of Australia, Canada, Europe, New Zealand & USA must have a Japanese learning certificate.
  - Applicant must have never been denied an application for a certificate of eligibility or visa application.

Sponsorship Documents

- For sponsors living outside Japan & self-sponsorship
  - Letter of financial sponsorship (*found on our homepage*)
  - Official bank statement showing the balance of the account
  - Proof of employment (*stating job title, company address & telephone number*)
  - Certificate showing the relationship between the sponsor and student.
  - Photographic identification (*passport, drivers license etc.*)
  - Proof of income for past 3 years
  - Certificate of tax payments for past 3 years

Required Documents (*from applicant*)

- Application form (*found on our homepage*)
- Resume (*found on our homepage*)
- Six 40mm x 30mm passport photos
- Certificate or diploma of graduation from the last educational institute (*the diploma will be returned afterwards*)
- Certificate of proficiency in Japanese if you have previously studied Japanese or a certificate of completion from a Japanese language school with at least 180 hours stated.
- Photographic identification (*passport, drivers license etc.*)
- An official document to certify the kinship of a sponsor with the applicant.
- Certificate of enrollment from the school the applicant belongs to, if currently enrolled in a high school, vocational school or university.
- Job certificate from current employer (*if applicable*)
- Copy of passport
- Documents about your financial sponsor

* All documents must be completed by the applicant.
* Application form and Resume can be found on our homepage.
* All documents and pictures should be issued within 6 months from the date the documents are submitted to the immigration office by us.
* All documents must be in English or with an official English translation.

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