Discover Your Cool Japan at Meiji University, Tokyo

Ever more people worldwide are captivated by Japanese culture. Nippon, where pop and traditional are brashly juxtaposed: anime and kabuki; manga and maiko; hi-tech dreams and kaiseki cuisine.

Understated design meets audacious fashion. Cutting edge art and soulful shakuhachi. Cinema, tea ceremony, bikers, bunraku, architecture, Zen gardens, Zen itself and much, much more...

Experience Japan's cornucopia of the ancient and up-to-the-minute. You will be swept away, and inspired to a broader vision.

This summer, one of the nation's leading universities, with 130 years of history, will offer its first-ever 'Cool Japan Summer Program' where you will come face-to-face with Japan. Focusing especially on manga and anime, Meiji University has designed a diverse program that entwines the traditional and the avant-garde. Twelve days of engrossing field trips, hands-on studio workshops, and lectures by prominent experts. Included: a four-day journey to beautiful Kyoto, the capital of traditional culture, and a homestay in invigorating Tokyo.

Your eyes will open anew to the true Japan; your mind will fill with new knowledge of the nation and its aesthetics.

Come join us, and discover your own Cool Japan!

Meiji University Cool Japan Summer Program

Dates: August 2nd – 13th, 2010

Number of Participants: 20

Program Fee: 250,000 Japanese yen

(Includes: tuition & field-trips, educational materials, accommodation

fees, welcome & farewell parties)

Language: English

Course Schedule (Tentative)

1st week

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| Aug 2 | Mon | Orientation Lecture①:Akihabara & Japanese Pop Culture | Field Trip①:Akihabara |
| 3 | Tue | Lecture②:Manga Literacy Lecture③:World of Animation | Lecture④: Manga Culture |
| 4 | Wed | Field Trip②: Ghibli Museum | Field Trip③: Nakano Broadway, Suginami Animation Museum |
| 5 | Thu | Lecture⑤ : Movie, Music, and Fashion Trends in Japan | Lecture⑥ : Japanese Art, Design, and Architecture |
| 6 | Fri | Lecture⑦: Japanese Traditional Culture and Pop Art | Field Trip④:Shibuya, Harajuku, Omotesando |
| 7 | Sat | Lecture® : Japanese Aesthetics | FREE TIME with Host Family |
| 8 | Sun | FREE TIME with Host Family | |

2nd week

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| 9 | Mon | To Kyoto | Lecture⑨ : Manga Workshop at Kyoto International Manga Museum |
| 10 | Tue | Field Trip⑤: Kyoto Exploration 1 | Field Trip⑥: Kyoto Exploration 2 |
| 11 | Wed | Lecture® : Kyoto's History & Traditional Culture | Lecture : Japanese Traditional Culture Workshop |
| 12 | Thu | Field Trip⑦ : Kyoto Exploration 3 | Field Trip®: Kyoto Exploration 4 |
| 13 | Fri | Field Trip⑨: Comic Market in Odaiba | Wrap-up and Closing Ceremony |

