

“2010 Japan Studies Academy for Gifted Youth”

Summer Academy for High School Students

San Diego State University

Monday, June 21 – Friday, July 9 (3 weeks)

High school students: Curious about Japanese language and culture? Challenge yourself with college-level instruction. **Add an impressive summer program to your college applications!**

The Program is multi-disciplinary in content and designed for gifted students grades 9-12 with a **GPA of 3.0 or above**. **No previous knowledge of Japanese language and culture is required**. Your keen interest and demonstrated academic skills is a must.

The Academy involves three weeks of college-level language study (three sections: Section I for those with absolutely no background, Section II for those who are taking Japanese in high school, Section III for heritage students), seminars, lectures, readings, films and discussion groups, workshops and cultural activities related to Japanese history, culture, literature, religion, foreign policy, business, language and education. Program includes topics as diverse as *anime* and pop culture, modernization, foreign policy and regional relations, wartime Japan, Japanese Americans in the U.S., Buddhism and Japanese life, business etiquette, art and architecture, *Koto* and *Shakuhachi* music, *Taiko* drums, *origami*, calligraphy, tea ceremony, and flower arrangement.

Classes are held Monday through Friday, from morning until noon except on a few days. Academy faculty will include scholars from SDSU, UCSD, UC Irvine, and the University of British Columbia, artists and community leaders.

The Program Fee: \$880 (price includes a \$105 material fee)

Registration: *Now Accepting*. **Up to 24 qualified applications will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis**. For a registration form, please contact Lois Marsico in the Department of Linguistics and Asian/Middle Eastern Languages at SDSU at (619) 594-0772 (direct line), or by e-mail her at lmarsico@mail.sdsu.edu.

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