

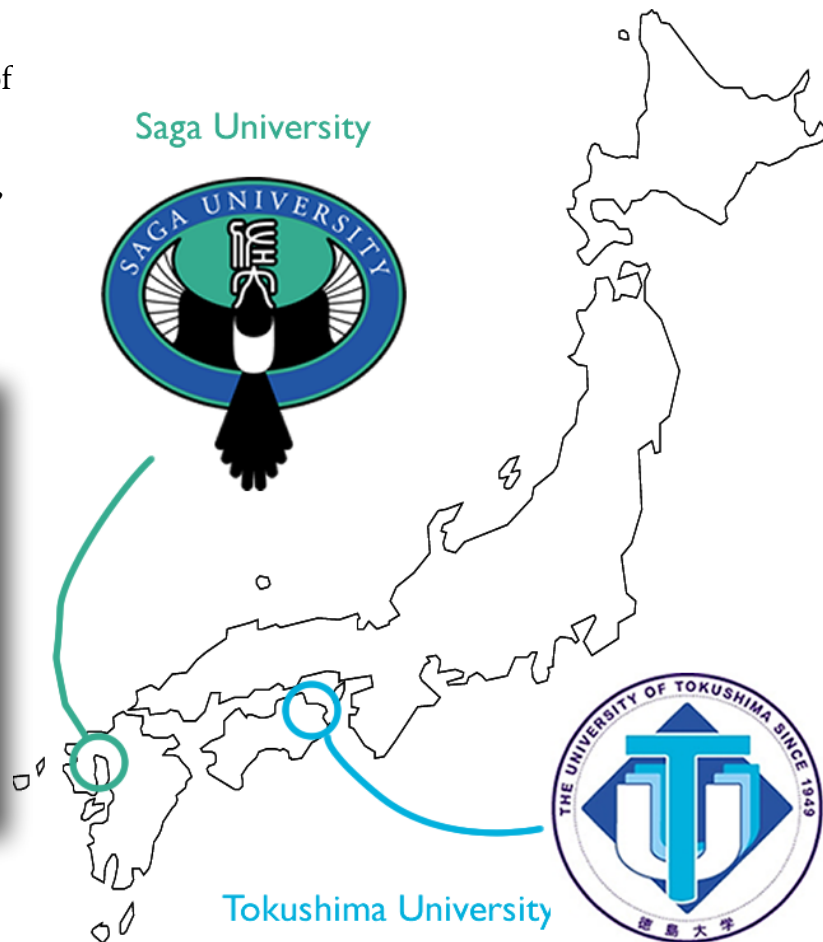


Visit by Saga Univ. and Tokushima Univ. in Japan on Thur, November 19 and Fri, November 20, 2015

The KAKEHASHI Project - The Bridge for Tomorrow are youth exchange programs intended to create a bridge between Japan and the United States. In 2013, LaGuardia Community College participated in this project, in which nearly 50 CUNY students went on a 10-day fully-funded trip to Japan. The goal of the project was to promote students' global experience, with a special focus on contemporary Japanese society, attractions, and cultural values.

On Thursday, November 19 and Friday, November 20, 2015, LaGuardia will be hosting a reciprocal visit by 50 students and faculty members from Saga University and Tokushima University, two regional national universities in Japan. During their visits, students will have opportunities to see their presentations about different social and cultural aspects of contemporary Japan (in English), interact with Japanese students in small groups, and introduce the complexity of the American society and culture with reference to the topics of their presentations.

If you are interested in participating in the event, please sign up at <http://bit.ly/lagccEventReg>. These are whole-day events, but you can also participate in only part of the day.



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Tokushima and Saga Universities: Activity Plan

Activity Schedule (Thur, November 19 and Fri, November 20, 2015)

Thursday, November 19, 2015

- 10:00am Meet in the Poolside Cafe (in E-building) & Light Refreshments
- 10:05am Welcome Remarks by Dean Ann Feibel
- 10:10am Brief introduction of LaGuardia and CUNY by a student (by LaGuardia students)
- 10:20am Brief introduction of Saga University and Tokushima University (by Japanese students)
- 10:30am Introduction of Japanese heritage students at LaGuardia (Mr. Faheem Hoosain-Kudo and Mr. Keinosuke Taga)
- 10:40am Self-introduction by Saga University and Tokushima University students (in English)
- Name, major, year in school, and one thing you liked (or didn't like) about New York so far. Please keep it brief.
 - Feel free to ask questions
- 11:30am Gift exchange
- 11:45am Lunch
- Lunch (sandwich, snacks & drinks) will be served in Poolside Cafe
- 1:00pm Group presentations by Saga University students
Presenters: Ms. Aki Kimura, Mr. Jun Matsuse, and Mr. Toshiyuki Yamamoto
- **Japanese Pottery and Tea Ceremony**
 - The group will introduce *Arita* pottery and its 400-year history. Demonstration of painting and pigmenting potteries followed by a traditional *Pottery Dancing*. The presentation will be concluded by a demonstration of tea ceremony, using the Arita potteries.
 - **Demonstration of Arita pottery, Japanese tea, and Japanese sake**
 - The group will present the brewing process of Japanese sake and introduce locally brewed sake in the Saga Prefecture.
- 2:00pm Group presentations by Tokushima University
- **Introduction** (Presenters: Mr. Niro Ogino, Ms. Yukiko Manabe, Ms. Mika Kanatani, Mr. Takuya Agui)
 - **Japan and Tokushima** (Presenters: Ms. Yoko Narasaki, Ms. Haruka Hakoi, Ms. Shiho Mikawa)
 - The group will introduce the history and traditional culture in the Tokushima Prefecture. The other festivals in Japan are also introduced.
 - **Awa Odori Dancing** (Presenters: TBD)
 - The group will introduce Awa Odori Dance from geographic, historical, and ethnographic perspectives. Demonstrations of the Awa Odori Dance will follow.
- 3:00pm Break into six small groups (groups of 6-7 Japanese and US students each) and move to classrooms
- Group T1: Local Cuisine in NY and Tokushima @ Room E-135 (Moderator: Prof. Rieko Ishibashi)
 - Group T2: Local Festivals in NY and Tokushima @ Room E-145 (Moderator: Prof. Kyoko Toyama)
 - Group T3: College Life in NY and Japan @ Room E-221 (Moderator: Prof. Tomonori Nagano)
 - Group S4: Language Education in NY and Japan @ Room E-222 (Moderator: Prof. Hiroko Miyashita)
 - Group S5: Folk Art in NY and Japan @ Room M-108 (Moderator: Ms. Yukari Izumiyama)
 - Group S6: Tableware and Food Culture in NY and Japan @ Room M-155 (Moderator: Ms. Atsuko Mabuchi)
- 4:00pm Come back to Poolside Cafe and each group make short presentations about their discussions
- 4:45pm Closing remarks
- 5:00pm Leave for sightseeing

- LaGuardia students are NOT allowed to taste Japanese Sake (for an obvious reason)
- Tokushima students need two changing rooms (use the changing rooms at the gym)



Friday, November 20, 2015

- 2:00pm Meet at LaGuardia Community College
- 2:15pm Sightseeings (e.g., Radio City Music Hall, the New York Stock Exchange, City Hall, Rockefeller Center, Grand Central Terminal, Hard Rock Café, the Statue of Liberty (Battery Park), 9/11 Tribute Center, Brooklyn Bridge)
- 5:00pm Saga/Tokushima students will leave for dinner