Overview

**Semesters Available:** Spring or Academic Year  
**GPA Requirement:** 2.5 GPA or higher  
**Language of Instruction:** English (limited course selection) or Japanese  
To make living in Tokyo enjoyable, a background in Japanese language study is recommended, even if taking courses in English. Prefer students to have equivalent of one year of college-level Japanese.

**Academic Calendar**  
**Spring:** April to August; or academic year (September to August)

This special program is built upon an integrated approach to agriculture, food and environment, focusing mostly in on Japan and Asia. The food problem generally refers to problems of food production, distribution and consumption. Food production is conducted by the agriculture and the food processing industry, and thus is closely related to natural environment, and agricultural and food processing technologies. Distribution of food is determined by political and economic mechanisms, but improved storage and distribution technologies has have been widening the scope of marketing. Food consumption reflects not only the level of income, but also the culture and customs related to food.

The increased food production in relation to population increase in recent decades has been a significant achievement of modern agricultural science. However, such problems as environmental destruction and endangered food safety have also emerged. The urgent necessity of environmental conservation and safe food supply is now recognized in the world.

Therefore, this program is offered for the study of food and environment in the broader field of agricultural science.

Areas of Study

- Agriculture  
- Applied Biosciences  
- Regional Environment Science  
- International Agriculture and Food Studies  
- Bioindustry

Campuses

There are three campuses at NODAI; Okhotsk Campus, Setagaya Campus and Atsugi Campus.

Student Reports

What do other CALS students have to say about studying at NODAI? Links to student reports can be found on the main Exchange Partner webpage. Be sure to check them out!

Language Classes

Japanese language and Japanese culture courses are both available. There are supplemental course for those who have never learned or studied Japanese in their own country and are not confident in the language.

Assessments & Grading Classes

To support international students, there is a tutor system. Tutors offer extracurricular guidance to the international students. The tutor is a Japanese student in the field of study that is usually related to that of the international student.

On completion of study at Tokyo NODAI, visiting students are required to hand in a report on their results of their study at Tokyo NODAI. The report may be posted on Tokyo NODAI website or printed in Tokyo NODAI publications.
Accommodation

NODAI has student dorms that students need to apply for.

Working

Employment, including part-time work, is not allowed during the stay in Japan.

Student Visa

NODAI manages the student VISA process.

Program Costs

Students are billed their regular CALS tuition, with no added administrative fees. Students purchase plane tickets and pay remaining costs such as housing, meals, student visa application fees, local travel, and personal expenses. Some partner institutions charge student activity fees and/or health insurance plans which students are also responsible for.

Financial aid travels with students going abroad. Students must complete with grades equivalent to a Cornell “C” or better. Financial aid for study abroad is need-based, consistent with university and government policies and covers all costs relevant to study abroad, including tuition, all mandatory program fees, housing, meals, books, personal expenses, and round-trip airfare. If you are currently receiving financial aid, your aid package will be adjusted based on your determined level of need and the projected costs for your study abroad program. University grant aid and loan awards may be either increased or decreased to meet study abroad need. The normal work-study component of aid packages will be converted to student loans.

How to Apply

You will apply to the exchange after meeting with the CALS study abroad and exchange advisor in 140 Roberts Hall. All application materials will be returned to CALS-not the university directly.