Beginning Japanese, Osaka University Instructions

STEP 1: Application Documents

1. **Application Form.** Please type, except for signature section.
   - Photo on p.1: Prepare one passport-type photo following our photo instructions. Attach the digital photo where indicated. You are not required to submit a hard copy of the photo; however, bring it with you to Japan since it is often requested for various purposes.
   - Section I: Select 2016-2017 Summer J-ShiP.
   - Section II: Your name and nationality must match your passport. For the email address under “6. Current Address,” make sure to put an address you check regularly.
   - Section III—7. GPA: Please put your cumulative GPA at UC. If you are a transfer student, do not include your community college grades in your GPA calculation.
   - Section V JASSO Scholarship: Financial Aid students should be aware of their aid package before applying for this scholarship. In some cases it is not beneficial to accept this award, if it will replace existing scholarships through Financial Aid.
   - Section VI: If you do not have Japanese background, check “poor” in Language Self Evaluation, and do not take the Japanese Proficiency Level Check test. If you have studied Japanese before, take the test Level 200 (Beginner), and indicate your score.
   - Section VII: Leave the “Coordinator/Officer’s Section” blank.
   - Essay on p.4: Must be typed, one page, and double-spaced.
   - Print out the completed form (4 pages), SIGN and date the section VII, Certification.

2. **UC Transcript.** Must include Fall 2015 grades. An unofficial transcript is acceptable.

3. **Passport Copy.** Even if you already submitted one to your Campus EAP Office, submit a clear copy of the photo and signature pages of your passport.

4. **Housing Survey.** Review the homestay information before deciding on your housing request. The homestay option is popular and the number of host families is limited (5~8 families), so it is offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

STEP 2: Submission of Application Materials

Email the application materials above as pdf attachments directly to the UC Tokyo Study Center at ktakahashi@sc.eap.ucop.edu by March 15, 2016. The email subject should indicate Osaka Beginning Japanese, your home campus, and your full name (e.g. Osaka Beginning Japanese, UCSB, Jane Smith). Questions? Email or call us at 805-893-2831.

Note on Japanese Language Learning:
Some programs in Japan do not require previous Japanese language study; expose yourself to learning the language now so that you have an idea of what learning Japanese is like. Students with learning disabilities may find learning another language challenging. If this is the case, provide a letter from your campus Disabled Students Office to document your learning disability.