## Department of History and Culture Admissions Policy

The Department of History and Culture seeks students who are interested in the history and culture of Japan and the world, and who recognize the educational goals and academic requirements of Showa Women's University. We look for students who demonstrate a passion for learning different cultures, are eager to participate in fieldwork such as cooperative programs with local communities and overseas training programs, and who aim to use the knowledge acquired through these experiences to build better societies. We admit students who have the qualities and abilities to succeed in our program through a comprehensive admission process.

## (1) Recommended courses prior to enrollment

- History: Understand the history/culture/art of Japan and the world at a level that allows for analytical examination of and comparison between various regions and express original ideas.
- Geography: Adopt a global mindset through an understanding of the ethnic groups and customs found in Japan and the world.
- Foreign Language: Attain a basic command of grammar and vocabulary for effective communication.
- Japanese Language Arts: Demonstrate the ability to think logically, speak and write clearly, and read and listen critically.

Note: We recommend students take courses in a variety of fields of study to enrich their interests and perspectives.

## (2) Learning strategies for success

- Gain a modern perspective of history through critical reading of books, newspapers, and other sources.
- Practice effective and efficient cross-cultural communication, engaging with those who hold different viewpoints to cultivate a better understanding of different cultures and societies.
- Develop a well-rounded knowledge of history and culture through regular museum and gallery visits, and hands-on interactions with cultural artifacts.