Department of International Japan Studies Admission Policy

We seek people who understand the educational goals and academic requirements of Showa Women's University, those who aspire to obtain advanced language skills and a global mindset, those who want to cultivate their understanding of Japanese society and culture from an international perspective, and those who have the conviction to live as independent women with practical knowledge and professional skills. Furthermore, we accept people who are prepared to succeed in the department's course of study. We therefore recruit applicants through various comprehensive entrance methods.

- (1). Recommended fields of study and subjects to learn before entrance
- Foreign Language: By developing her speaking, listening, writing, and reading skills in English, the student should gain the ability to communicate actively.
- Language Arts: The student should have interests in Japanese culture and literature, and have the ability to clearly communicate her own thoughts and feelings.
- Geographic History: The student should have basic knowledge of Japan and various regions of the world, and she should make efforts to pursue her interests.
- Civics: The student should have basic knowledge of politics, economics, and society domestically and internationally, and she should make efforts to pursue her interests.

(2) Learning habits to have before entrance

- The student should earnestly work to improve her speaking, listening, writing, and reading ability in English through studying English in the classroom, with various English media and by communicating with English speakers.
- The student should actively and eagerly take examinations which are a tool to measure one's own ability.
- The student should be broadly interested in social issues and cultures in Japan and around the world, pay attention to diversity, and consider how they are discussed and evaluated in both Japanese and English.
- In addition to conventional reading, the student should actively engage in practical learning by visiting relevant locations and engaging in hands-on activities.