

# Kokusai Hiroba

A place for local and foreign residents to meet and exchange information.



In order to establish the flexible use of the global human resources within Kyushu, the 7 prefectures of Kyushu, Kyushu Bureau of Economy Trade and Industry, and Kyushu Economic Federation have cooperated together to construct the employment matching website "Work in Kyushu", for the sole purpose of uniting enterprises and international students in Kyushu.

The website "Work in Kyushu" was designed to support the recruitment and employment activities between enterprises and international students within Kyushu. (University, Junior College, College of Technology)

# The advantages of a website for international students

#### Available in English

- The website can only be used by international students who are studying in Kyushu area. (University, Junior College, College of Technology)
- You are allowed to view and search for the possible match with enterprises in Kyushu by desired criterions and related recruitment information.
- ◆The function for video submission was installed! You will be able to actively appealing yourself to the recruitment coordinator regarding to your Japanese language proficiency, major field, desired employment, special ability and other features by sending a video about yourself.
- ◆You are allowed to communicate via messages with the enterprises within the website, online interview is also available.

Please register at the website and meet the enterprises that matches your need!
⇒⇒⇒ Registration begins here
http://blog.kghrpc.org/candidate/



# The advantages of a website for enterprises

- Only enterprises within Kyushu area are able to use the website!
- You are allowed to view and search for the possible match with the international students in Kyushu by their job seeking information and desired employment standards.
- The function for video submission was installed! By looking through the videos created by the international students, you will be able to view the real features of the international students that articles cannot deliver through self-promotion reports.
- You are allowed to communicate via messages with the international students within the website, online interview is also available.

Please register at the website and meet the international students that matches your need!  $\Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow$  Registration begins here http://blog.kghrpc.org/company/



The website is full of useful information regarding to job hunting events as well as recruitment activities hosted by Kyushu prefectures and organisations. Registration and the use of the service is completely free!

Please contact the following number if you have any questions regarding to registration.

Inquires contact Fukuoka International Student Support Center TEL:092-725-9201 Email: fissc@kokusaihiroba.or.jp

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# **Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation (FIEF)**

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8F Planning & Exchange Div.

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Opening hours: 8:30-17:45 Closed: Weekends, Public Holidays, Dec 29-Jan 3

3F Kokusai Hiroba

TEL:092-725-9200 FAX:092-725-9206 Opening hours: 10:00-19:00 Closed: Dec 29-Jan 3 Meiji-dori

Nishitetsufukuoka station

■ Tenjin CORE

■ IMS

■ IMS

■ IMS

■ Ikukuoka City Hall

■ DAIMARU

Kokutai-doro

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# Kokusai Hiroba Event Information

April, May, June, July





Smartphone Accessible

See our homepage for the latest event information www.kokusaihiroba.or.jp/

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### Habitat Hiroba UN@HABITAT

 ①37th: International cooperation activities seen by University Students in Myanmer
 ②38th: Sustainable urban planning

- ▼Date=①Saturday 1st April 14:00~15:00 ②Thursday 1st June 18:30~19:30
- ▼Number of Participants=50 ▼Cost=Free
- ▼Registration=Reg'd (Phone, FAX, email)
- ▼Contact=UN Habitat Fukuoka Head Office 092-724-7121
- ▼FAX=092-724-7124 ▼URL=www.fukuoka.unhabitat.org/

Joint lecture series by UN Habitat Fukuoka Regional Office and Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation. Staff members of UN Habitat will introduce activities around the world. It is a precious opportunity to be able to directly communicate with them. \*\*Content and lecturer may change, visit our website for details.

#### Around the World with Kokusai Hiroba Cafe

# ①vol.39 Iraq & Kazakhstan ②vol.40 Indonesia & Micronesia

①Sunday 28th May 14:00~16:00 ②Sunday 30th July 14:00~16:00

- **▼**Number of Participants=50
- ▼Cost=Supporting Members: Free General: ¥300
- ▼Registration=Req'd (Phone, FAX, email)
- ▼Contact=Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation

Foreign and Japanese guest teachers who are active at schools around the prefecture as part of International Understanding Education come to Kokusai Hiroba! Speakers from various backgrounds introduce foreign countries and their life in Japan. Enjoy some tea and sweets with people from around the world.

**Event Registration** 

#### **Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation**

Tel: 092-725-9200 FAX:092-725-9206 E-mail:info@kokusaihiroba.or.jp

### 2017-18 Support Program for Activities Promoting Regional Internationalization

We provide support for activities by private organizations based within Fukuoka Prefecture that aim to progress regional internationalization by promoting grass-roots level international exchange amongst citizens. Application guidelines are outlined below.

#### Eligible Organization(must satisfy all of the following)

- (1) Activities are based in Fukuoka Prefecture
- (2) Not receiving regular assistance from national or local Public Organizations
- (3) Non-Profit Organization
- (4) Not related to political or religious activities
- (5) Not a member of or closely to criminal organizations

#### Details of Support

- Provision of venue: the 'Kokusai Hiroba' open space or conference room
- (2) Financial support: up to half of the relevant expenses, to a maximum of 200,000 yen per project. Relevant expenses are staff, transportation, accommodation, venue, PR and printing costs.
- (3) PR assistance

#### Eligible Project

- (1) Exchange projects or support/consultation for foreign residents (including students)
- (2) Projects aiming to develop international understanding amongst youth
- (3) International understanding/exchange projects aiming to create a more multicultural society
- (4) Other projects contributing to regional internationalization

#### Application

Ongoing. Generally, applications should be made at least 3 months prior to the project. Please contract us prior to applying. Please bring the application form when meeting with our staff. 

\*\*Note: Applications will be closed if the total amount of grants issued reaches the budgeted limit for a given financial year.

# Become an 'International Understanding Education' guest teacher!

Through the Project for the Promotion of International Understanding Education, FIEF creates an opportunity to consider and learn about the world by sending foreign and Japanese guest teachers with experience living abroad to schools and community centers around the prefecture. Interested in sharing your home country/region, and your own history, with children and local residents?

To get started, please contact the Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation.



[Foreign Guest Teachers]

- Reside in Fukuoka Prefecture
- Be able to communicate in Japanese
- Hold a working visa or permission to work

[Japanese Guest Teachers]

- Reside in Fukuoka Prefecture
- Have experience working/living abroad long-term

#### Also seeing class/workshop organizers!

If you would like to be introduced to a teacher or learn about examples of past classes and workshops, we are available for consultation via phone, email or in person. To get started, Please contact us.

# Kokusai Hiroba Calendar

- $A \sim I$  indicate Japanese classes. Please check the table below for the class schedule.
- 🛨 Kokusai Hiroba Cafe 🛨 Habitat Hiroba
- Human Rights Counselling for non-Japanese
- Immigration and Residency Process Consultations

April						May							June					July									
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★When events are held at Kokusai Hiroba, classes will be held in the Exchange Room.

★As the schedule for Japanese classes is subject to change, please visit our home page for the latest information.

# Japanese Classes @ Kokusai Hiroba

	Name of Class	Time	Participation Fee	Number of Acceptance	Contact (TEL/E-mail)	Details					
Tue	A Chiisana Kokusai Koryu no Kai	①10:00-12:00 ②13:00-15:00		A①:30 A②:15	092-662-7690 (Noguchi) chiisanainfo@gmail.com	(i) Everyday conversation. Pronunciation practice (correction of pronunciation) [Level: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]     (iii) Foundation class (characters, sentence patterns, basic conversation, pronounciation practice) [Level: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]					
Wed	B Cosmos Japanese Class	①11:00-12:30 ②13:30-15:00	100yen/class or 400yen/month	B①: 15 B②: 30	092-807-7053 (Kishida) nayutami_bien@yahoo.co.jp	①&@Everyday conversation, grammar [Level: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]					
Thu	C F H Japanese Class	13:30-15:30	500 yen/month (first class 200yen)	30	090-7539-3739 (Aoki) fukuoka_high_acros@yahoo.co.jp	Everyday conversation, grammar, JLPT preparation (N1-N4) [Level: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]					
Fri	<b>D</b> Japanese Class Friday Club	14:00-16:00	200 yen/class or 500 yen/month	20	080-3946-8859 (Shiba) torianon-2@jcom.home.ne.jp *English, Chinese okay	Everyday conversation, grammar, JLPT preparation (N1~N4) [Level: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]					
	E Nihongo Hiroba	10:30-12:30	Free	5~6	chikushijfl@yahoo.co.jp	Everyday conversation *Free discussion with student volunteers from Chikushi Jogakuen University [Level: Intermediate, Advanced]					
Sat	<b>F</b> Meeting for Learning Japanese	13:30-15:30	500 yen/month	20	090-4779-6816 (Hamachi) nihongowomanabukai@hotmail.co.jp	Everyday conversation, grammar, JLPT preparation. [Level: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]					
	G Yokoso Japanese Class	16:30-18:20	16:30-18:20 500 yen/month		092-801-2974 (Hirata) nihongo822@hotmail.com	Everyday conversation, grammar, JLPT preparation (N1-N2) [Level: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]					
	H Sunday Conversation Salon	10:30-12:20	100 yen/class	20	090-4754-6321 (Fukagawa) nichiyo2525@yahoo.co.jp	Everyday conversation, free discussion [Level : Intermediate, Advanced]					
Sur	I Nihongo Hiroba Ichi · Ni · San	13:30-15:30	200 yen/class (500 yen/month) *extra material fees may apply	20	nihongohiroba123@yahoo. co.jp	Everyday conversation, grammar *using textbookR11:U33s [Level: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]					

\*\*Please visit our home page for volunteer-run Japanese classes around Fukuoka Prefecture (94 locations).



Greetings from Fukuoka International Student Support Center (FiSSC).

Together with universities and local governments within the prefecture, FiSSC assists international students by offering consultation, employment support, part time work introduction and promotion of exchange with local residents.

In this issue we bring you the 2nd instalment of useful information about FiSSC.

# Did you know about the Japanese Culture Seminar and the Omusubigumi?

The Japanese Culture Seminars began in 2008 for the purpose of letting international students to study Japanese culture as well as achieve common growth along with Japanese youth and local residents. The seminars provide different kinds of themes including Flower Arrangement, Calligraphy, Hot Spring Culture, and other culture experiences. Members of the Omusubigumi (Volunteer staff members including both international students and Japanese students from universities within Fukuoka Prefecture) have always supported the management of these seminars. Let us cross the barrier of country, region and university to actively and vigorously make friends.

Event information can be found on FiSSC Facebook as well as flyers distributed at the reception counter:

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/fukuoka.fissc



▲Japanese Culture Seminar 'Kakizome (the first calligraphy of the year) experience

### Free consultation for foreigners (Fukuoka, Kitakyushu, Kurume)

#### Fukuoka ······

#### Human Rights counseling for non-Japanese

- ●Date / 2nd Saturday each month (4/8, 5/13, 6/10, 7/8) 13:00~16:00
- Content / Human rights issues relating to foreigners, including employment, housing, marriage, etc.
- Contact / Fukuoka Legal Affairs Bureau Civil Liberties Commissioner First Division
- 092-832-4311

#### **Immigration and Residency Process Consultations**

- ●Date / 1st Monday each month (4/3, 5/1, 6/5, 7/3)16:30~18:30 \*last entry 18:00 4th Saturday each month (4/22, 5/27, 6/24, 7/22) 13:00  $\sim$  16:00 \* last entry 15:30
- ■Content / Citizenship, immigration, residency, etc.
- ■Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean ※Korean is only available on 1st Monday
- ●Consultant / Administrative scrivener ●Registration / Not Req'd
- ●Contact / Fukuoka Gyoseishoshi Lawyers Association 092-641-2501

Venue: Kokusai Hiroba Exchange Room (3F ACROS Fukuoka 1-1-1 Tenjin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka)

W e b : www.kokusaihiroba.or.jp/english/project/infomation/consultation.html

#### Free consultation on Immigration, Residence and Nationality for foreign nationals

- ●Date / 2nd Sunday each month (4/9, 5/14, 6/11, 7/9) 13:00~16:00 \*last entry 15:30
- ●Content / Residency status and period, bringing family into Japan, naturalisation & permanent residency, international marriage process, etc.
- Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese \*For other languages, please advise in advance
- ●Consultant / Administrative scrivener ●Registration / Not Reg'd

#### Free legal consultation for Non-Japanese Residents

- Date / 1st and 3rd Saturdays each month (4/1·15, 5/6·20, 6/3·17, 7/1·15) (1)10:30~ (2)11:15~ (3)12:00~ (4)12:45~
- ■Content / Legal counselling (45min per person)
- ●Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese \*For other languages, please advise in advance
- ●Consultant / Lawyer ●Registration / Required

#### Free Personal Counselling for foreign nationals

- ●Date / Monday 10:00~18:00, Thursday 10:00~13:00, Saturday 14:00~19:00
- ●Content / Interpersonal troubles, stress and other psychological problems, etc. (60min per person)
- ■Registration / Required

#### Free Health Consultation for foreign nationals

- ●Date / Every Wednesday 17:00~19:00
- ●Content / Health-related issues. However, medical treatments, medications or prescriptions are not issued due to legal restrictions.
- ●Languages / Japanese, English ●Consultant / Volunteer Japanese doctor
- Registration / Not Req'd \* occasionally not held so please check in advance via phone, etc.

Venue: Fukuoka City International Center Meeting Room (Fukuoka City International Center 1F. 4-1, Tenyamachi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka City)

Contact: Fukuoka City International Foundation 092-262-1700

W e b: www.rainbowfia.or.jp/foreigner/

#### Work Consultation for Foreigners

- ◆Date / Every Tuesday, 2nd and 4th Thursdays each month (4/13·27, 5/11·25, 6/8·22, 7/13·27) 9:00~16:00
- ●Content / Issues related to working conditions (available by phone)
- ●Registration / Not Req'd

Venue: Inspection Division, Fukuoka Labour Bureau 4F Fukuoka National Government Building ANNEX (2-11-1 Hakataekihigashi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka)

Contact: Fukuoka Labour Bureau Labour Standards Department, Inspection Division 092-411-4862

#### Free legal consultation for Non-Japanese Residents

- Date / 2nd and 4th Fridays each month (4/14·28, 5/12·26, 6/9·23, 7/14·28) 13:00~16:00 \*excluding public holidays
- Content / General civil affairs, labour or household problems, immigration, criminal cases, etc.
- ●Languages / Japanese, Chinese, English \*English only on 4th Fridays

Venue: Fukuoka Prefectural Bar Association Tenjin Attorney's Center

(2F Minami Tenjin Bldg., 5-14-12 Watanabe-dori, Chuo-ku Fukuoka)

Contact : Fukuoka Bar Association 092-737-7555

W e b : www.fben.jp/whats/gaikokujin.htm

# introducing members of Fukuoka Legal/Affairs Bureau CivilLiberties





We hold a free consultation session at Kokusai Hiroba on the 2nd Saturday each month. Please come and talk to us about human rights issues relating to foreigners, including employment, marriage, neighbourhood disputes etc.

#### Legal Consultation

- ●Date / 4th Saturday each month (4/22, 5/27, 6/24, 7/22) 13:30~16:30
- ●Content / Trouble at work, traffic incidents, housing, marriage, divorce, etc.
- ●Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean
- ●Consultant / Lawyer ●Required (via phone) \*First 3 reservations

#### Immigration, Residency, Nationality Procedures Consultation

- ●Date / 3rd Sunday each month (4/16, 5/21, 6/18, 7/16) 13:00~16:00
- ●Content / Processes for change of residency status and period, bringing family into Japan, re-entry procedures, naturalisation & permanent residency, foreigner registration, international marriage, nationality and more.
- ■Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean
- ■Consultant / Administrative scrivener
- ●Registration / Not Req'd \*must book ahead if interpreter is needed (phone)

#### Psychological Counseling

- Date / 4th Saturday each month (4/22, 5/27, 6/24, 7/22) 9:30~12:30
- Content / Interpersonal troubles, stress and other psychological problems, etc.
- ●Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean ●Consultant / Clinical Psychologist
- ●Registration / Required (via phone) \*First 3 reservations

Venue: Kitakyushu International Association

(3F COM City, 3-15-3 Kurosaki, Yahatanishi-ku, Kitakyushu)

Contact: Kitakyushu International Association Foreigners Information Center 093-643-6060

W e b : www.kitaq-koryu.jp/en/lifeinfo/freeadvice.html

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#### Free consultation for foreigners

- ●Date / 3rd Saturday each month (4/15, 5/20, 6/17, 7/15) 13:00~16:00
- ●Content / International marriage, naturalisation, nationality problems, etc.
- ●Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean
- ■Consultant / Administrative scrivener ■Registration / Not Req'd

Venue: Kurume City Hall 3F Meeting Room (15-3 Jounanmachi Kurume) Contact: Kurume Convention 0942-31-1717 kokusaikoryu@ktie.or.jp





Get useful information in four languages (Japanese, English, Korean, Chinese) via Facebook! Click 'Like' to keep up with the



#### **Disaster Information Service** Disaster Prevention Mail **Mamoru-kun**

- Disaster-prevention weather bulletins by email
- Confirmation of well-being sent to family and friends in case of disaster







## Fukuoka Medical Interpretation Service

- Support when you need help at hospitals in Fukuoka.
- Phone Interpretation Service, Medical Interpreter Service, Medical Information Languages: English, Chinese and Korean
- Fukuoka Asian Medical Support Center TEL:0570-006-626
  - \*Fukuoka Asian Medical Support Center is a joint project by Fukuoka Prefecture and Fukuoka City.



#### Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation

# Become a Supporting Member (join any time)

- Our "Kokusai Hiroba" newsletter delivered 3 times a year, and free entry to our "Kokusai Hiroba Cafe" events (held every 2nd month, normally ¥300)
- Usage of the Exchange Room inside Kokusai Hiroba (fits up to 30 people). Can be booked by corporate members, or individual member groups of 5 or more.
- One free set of ID photos (including passport) per year (normally ¥1,200 per set of 2: individual members only)
- Discounts at supporting organizations, including World Gourmet Hiroba registered stores, the Fukuoka Prefectural Museum of Art, travel agencies and hotels.

Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation always seeks to carry out projects with the understanding and cooperation of as many people as possible. We are seeking members who agree with our Founding Objective.

Utilizing Fukuoka Prefecture's special geographical and historical characteristics, Founding Objective Utilizing Fukuoka Prefecture's special geographical and instance organizations to FIEF cooperates with other prefectural international exchange organizations to promote international exchange amongst citizens. As well as strengthening Fukuoka Prefecture's position as a focal point for international exchange, this deepens relationships with Asian countries and the rest of the world, contributing to greater mutual prosperity and world peace. [Establishment Date: 27th June 1989]



Application documents are available by post. Please contact Kokusai Hiroba.

\* Members also receive various other benefits Please check our website for details.

Find the latest on our Facebook!



Annual Membership (valid for 1 year from date of payment) Students:\(\pm\)1,000/person General:\(\pm\)2,000/person Corporate:\(\pm\)10,000/organization