



Kokusai Hiroba

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

International Understanding Education Promotion Project

A step toward learning and thinking about the world!

About 73,000 non-Japanese persons live in Fukuoka Prefecture. Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation runs the International Understanding Education Promotion Project to help non-Japanese people live peacefully across language and cultural barriers, as well as to encourage young people in Fukuoka Prefecture to understand different cultures and develop their ability to respond to the challenges of globalization.

Learning!

We introduce and dispatch foreign instructors or Japanese instructors who have overseas experience.

Experiences!

We offer a wide range of events open to all.

★Around the World with Kokusai Hiroba Cafe

Introduction to instructors' activities in Japan and overseas (held in odd months)

★Sekai e GO!

Multicultural experience program for elementary school kids (held in summer)



Beginning!

★Upskill Program for Instructors

In this program, you will learn how to teach from experienced instructors.

★Model Class Presentation

This program is designed for schools or organizations that wish to offer international education. We will introduce several effective case examples and exchange views on them.

If you have any questions about dispatching or introducing instructors, registering instructors or participating in events, please feel free to contact us.



Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation (FIEF)

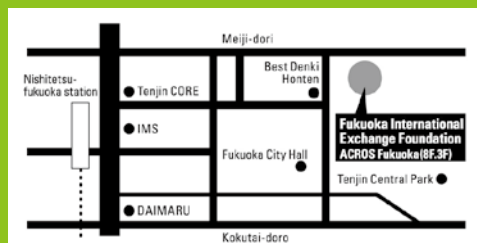
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8F Planning & Exchange Section.

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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





International Education "Model Class Presentation" – First Step: Meeting with Instructors –

- ▶Date / Friday 3rd August 15:00~17:00
- ▶Participants / Educators, organizations/individuals interested in International Understanding Education
- ▶Number of Participants / 50 ▶Cost / Free
- ▶Registration / Req'd (Phone, FAX, email)
- ▶Contact / Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation

This event introduces our International Understanding Education Promotion Project. Participants will be able to experience trial lessons by instructors. The same event will be held at COM CITY in Kurosaki, Kitakyushu on Wednesday, August 22.

Habitat Hiroba UN HABITAT

- ①45th: What kinds of international contributions can be made by high school students?– Applying What's Learned in Nepal to Activities in Japan –
- ②46th:"World Habitat Day 2018 in Fukuoka - Workshop "

- ▶Date / ①Sunday 19th August 17:00~18:00
②Monday 1st October 18:00~20:00
- ▶Number of Participants / ①100②50 ▶Cost / Free
- ▶Registration / Req'd (Phone, FAX, email)
- ▶Contact / UN Habitat Fukuoka Regional 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.

Seminar on Using Educational Materials about Refugees by Japan for UNHCR

- ▶Date / Wednesday 22nd August 13:00~17:10
- ▶Participants / Educators and the general public including students aspiring to become teachers
- ▶Number of Participants / 30 ▶Cost / Free
- ▶Registration / Req'd (Email)
- ▶Contact / Japan for UNHCR 03-4366-7373
- ▶FAX / 03-3499-2273 ▶Mail / school@japanforunhcr.org
- ▶URL / Dedicated site www.japanforunhcr.org/archives/13713/

This seminar will provide basic knowledge on refugee issues and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and assist participants in deepening their understanding of refugees and learn how to disseminate their understanding.

Event Registration

Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation
TEL: 092-725-9200 FAX: 092-725-9206
Email: info@kokusaihiroba.or.jp

Bangkok Youths Mission Program

Experience report meeting from high school program participants

- ▶Date / Sunday 26th August 14:00~15:30
- ▶Number of Participants / 50 ▶Cost / Free
- ▶Registration / Req'd (Phone, FAX, email)
- ▶Contact / Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation Planning and Exchange Section 092-725-9204
- ▶FAX / 092-725-9205

High school students visited Bangkok Thailand in August through Bangkok Youths Mission Program sponsored by FIEF will host a report meeting to share their various local experiences. Please join us and listen to what they have to say.

Upskill Program for Volunteers in the Fukuoka Prefecture Japanese Language Class

- ▶Date / ①Saturday 1st September 10:00~12:30
②Sunday 15th October 13:30~16:15
- ▶Participants / Volunteers in the Japanese language class, anyone interested in Japanese language volunteer activities
- ▶Number of Participants / 70 ▶Cost / Free
- ▶Registration / Req'd (Phone, FAX, email)
- ▶Contact / Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation
- ▶Contents /
 - ①How to teach beginners to elementary-level learners of Japanese language
Instructor: Haruko Yonese, Deputy representative, Tokai Nihongo Network
 - ②How to listen to Japanese language in real-life settings –
Listening materials for Japanese language learners and their use
Instructor: Hisashi Noda, Professor, JSL Research Division, National Institute for Japanese Language and Linguistics

This program is designed for volunteers to develop their skills in supporting non-Japanese persons living in Japan who are studying Japanese language.

Study-abroad Experience Hiroba

①USA ②Canada ③Australia

- ▶Date / ①Monday (Public holiday) 17th September 14:00~15:00
②To be determined
- ②Sunday 18th November 14:00~16:00
- ▶Number of Participants / 50 ▶Cost / Free
- ▶Registration / Req'd (Phone, FAX, email)
- ▶Contact / Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation

Students who have studied abroad will share their experiences from preparation to study and living abroad, as well as their feelings upon returning home. Up-to-date information from each country's embassy or consulate(s) will also be provided.

Around the world with Kokusai Hiroba Café



①vol.47 Russia & China ②vol.48 France & Canada

- ▶Date / ①Sunday 30th September 14:00~16:00
②Sunday 25th November 14:00~16:00
- ▶Number of Participants / 50
- ▶Cost / Supporting Members: Free Non-members: ¥300
- ▶Registration / Req'd (Phone, FAX, email)
- ▶Contact / Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation

Japanese and non-Japanese instructors who actively participate in international education at schools or other places are coming to Kokusai Hiroba! They will introduce their overseas activities. You can talk to people around the world over tea and sweets.

Multilingual support in times of large-scale disaster is available!

~ Establishment of the Fukuoka Prefecture multilingual support center in times of large-scale disaster

Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation will set up the "Fukuoka Prefecture multilingual support center in times of large-scale disaster" in collaboration with Fukuoka Prefecture when a disaster-response headquarters has been set up.

《Assistance》

In response to requests of local governments in affected areas, we will provide interpretation and translation support, dispatch disaster volunteer interpreters and translators, and provide disaster-related information in various languages.

《Available Languages》

Four languages (in general): English, Chinese, Korean, and basic Japanese

★We are looking for disaster volunteer interpreters and translators. If you have any questions, please contact us at 092-725-9200 (Kokusai Hiroba).

An upskill program for disaster volunteer interpreters and translators is scheduled to be held in the future!



An agreement with Fukuoka Prefecture on setting up and operating the support center was signed on April 16, 2018.
Hiroshi Ogawa, governor of Fukuoka Prefecture (left) with Kenichi Fujinaga, president of Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation

Kokusai Hiroba Calendar

A~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

August

September

October

November

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★When events are held at Kokusai Hiroba, classes will be relocated to the Exchange Room.

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

	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	5,000 yen/6 months (first time) *Can use members' card to join any of our other classes	A① : 15 A② : 15	092-662-7690 (Noguchi) chiisanainfo@gmail.com	①Everyday conversation. Pronunciation practice (correction of pronunciation) [Level : Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced] ②Foundation class (characters, sentence patterns, basic conversation, pronunciation practice) [Level : Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]
Wed	B Cosmos Japanese Class	①11:00-12:30 ②13:30-15:00	100 yen/class or 400 yen/month	B① : 15 B② : 30	092-807-7053 (Kishida) ft2941mateno@yahoo.co.jp	①&②Everyday conversation, grammar [Level : Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]
Thu	C F H Japanese Class	13:30-15:30	500 yen/month (first class 200 yen) *extra material fees may apply	30	090-7539-3739 (Aoki)	Everyday conversation, grammar, *textbook will be used JLPT preparation (N1~N4) [Level : Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]
Fri	D Japanese Class Friday Club	14:00-16:00	200 yen/class or 500 yen/month	20	080-3946-8859 (Shiba) torianon-2@com.home.ne.jp *English, Chinese okay	Everyday conversation, grammar, JLPT preparation (N1~N4) [Level : Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]
Sat	E Nihongo Hiroba	10:30-12:30	Free	5 ~ 6	chikushijff@yahoo.co.jp	Everyday conversation *Free discussion with student volunteers from Chikushi Jogakuen University [Level : Intermediate, Advanced]
	F 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 (be able to read and write Hiragana and Katakana), Intermediate, Advanced]
	G Yokoso Japanese Class	16:30-18:20	500 yen/month	30	092-801-2974 (Hirata) nihongo822@hotmail.com	Everyday conversation, grammar, JLPT preparation (N1-N2) [Level : Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced]
Sun	H Sunday Conversation Salon	10:30-12:20	100 yen/class	20	090-4754-6321 (Fukagawa) nichiyoyo2525@yahoo.co.jp	Everyday conversation, free discussion [Level : Intermediate, Advanced]
	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 textbook [Level : Beginner, Intermediate]

※Please visit our home page for volunteer-run Japanese classes around Fukuoka Prefecture (98 locations).



Greetings, this is the Fukuoka International Student Support Centre (FISSC). For the purpose of regional exchange and promotion, FISSC is cooperating with universities and municipalities within the prefecture to support international students regarding to daily life consultation, career development, part time job introduction and other related issues. We will deliver here the first FISSC Report on the latest information about FISSC.

First "Meet up Yokamon International Student Exchange Festival" - International Student Association Networking Event - Held

FISSC provides support for the Fukuoka Overseas Students Association (FOSA) and other international student associations of various countries/regions or universities in Fukuoka Prefecture so that international students can fit in with the community as early as possible. The "Meet Up Yokamon" event was held for all the international student association to meet and share information. On the event day, about 60 current representatives of international student associations gathered. We were able to share valuable time introducing each association, exchanging views in groups, and networking. We hope that each association boosts their activities more vigorously and helps international students interact with each other as well as deepens exchanges with local people.

Fukuoka International Student Support Centre
www.fissc.net



Fukuoka

Immigration and Residency Process Consultations Not Req'd

Date / 1st Monday each month (8/6, 9/3, 10/1, 11/5)
16:30~18:30 *last entry 18:00
4th Saturday each month (8/25, 9/22, 10/27, 11/24)
13:00~16:00 *last entry 15:30

Content / Citizenship, immigration, residency, etc.

Consultant / Administrative scrivener

Languages / Japanese

*Guidance in English or Chinese is available only on the 4th Saturday.

Contact / Fukuoka Gyoseishoshi Lawyers Association 092-641-2501

Human Rights counselling for non-Japanese Not Req'd

Date / 2nd Saturday each month (8/11, 9/8, 10/13, 11/10) 13:00~16:00
Content / Human rights issues relating to foreigners, including employment, housing, marriage, etc.

Consultant / Lawyer Languages / Japanese, English

Contact / Fukuoka Legal Affairs Bureau Civil Liberties Commissioner First Division 092-739-4151

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

Free legal consultation for Non-Japanese Residents Required (phone) Weekdays 10:00~16:00

Date / 2nd and 4th Fridays each month (8/10-24, 9/14-28, 10/12-26, 11/9-23)
13:00~16:00 *Excluding public holidays

Content / General civil affairs, labour or household problems, immigration, criminal cases, etc.

Consultant / Lawyer

Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese *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

Free consultation on Immigration, Residence and Nationality for foreign nationals Not Req'd

Date / 2nd Sunday each month (8/12, 9/9, 10/14, 11/11)
13:00~16:00 *last entry 15:30

Content / Residency status and period, bringing family into Japan, naturalisation & permanent residency, international marriage process, etc.

Consultant / Administrative scrivener

Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese *For other languages, please advise in advance

Free legal consultation for Non-Japanese Residents Required (phone or at the Information Desk)

Date / 1st Saturday each month (8/4, 9/1, 10/6, 11/3) 10:30~13:30
3rd Wednesday each month (8/15, 9/19, 10/17, 11/21) 13:00~16:00

Content / Legal counselling (45min per person) Consultant / Lawyer

Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese *For other languages, please advise in advance

Free Personal Counselling for foreign nationals Required (phone or at the Information Desk)

Date / Monday 8:45~17:45, Tuesday 8:45~11:45, Thursday 8:45~12:45

Content / Interpersonal troubles, stress and other psychological problems, etc. (60min per person)

Consultant / Clinical Psychologist Languages / Japanese, English

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

Contact : Fukuoka City International Foundation 092-262-1799

Work Consultation for Foreigners Not Req'd

Date / Every Tuesday, 2nd and 4th Thursdays each month 9:00~16:00
*Excluding public holidays

Content / Issues related to working conditions (available by phone)

Consultant / Inspector, Advisor Languages / Japanese, English

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

Kitakyushu

Immigration, Residency, Nationality Procedures Consultation

Not Req'd *must book ahead if interpreter is needed (phone)

Date / 3rd Sunday each month (8/19, 9/16, 10/21, 11/18) 13:00~16:00

Content / Processes for change of residency status and period, bringing family into Japan, re-entry procedures, naturalisation & permanent residency, international marriage, nationality and more.

Consultant / Administrative scrivener Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean

Legal Consultation Required (phone) *First 3 reservations

Date / 4th Saturday each month (8/25, 9/22, 10/27, 11/24) 13:30~16:30

Content / Trouble at work, traffic incidents, housing, marriage, divorce, etc.

Consultant / Lawyer Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean

Psychological Counseling Required (phone)

Date / As needed. Please contact us to arrange a suitable date and time.

Content / Interpersonal troubles, stress and other psychological problems, etc.

Consultant / Clinical Psychologist Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean

Venue : Kitakyushu International Association

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

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

Kurume

Free consultation for foreigners Not Req'd

Date / 3rd Saturday each month (8/18, 9/15, 10/20, 11/17) 13:00~16:00

Content / International marriage, naturalisation, nationality problems, etc.

Consultant / Administrative scrivener

Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean

Venue : Kurume City Hall 3F Meeting Room (15-3 Jounamachi Kurume)

Contact : Kurume Convention 0942-31-1717

Become a Supporting Member

Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation are seeking supporting members at all time. Members can receive various benefits such as free entry to our 'Kokusai Hiroba Cafe' events!

Please contact 'Kokusai Hiroba' for membership registration and other inquiries.

*Please see our website for more details and benefits.



● Students : ¥1,000/person (Student ID is required.)

● General : ¥2,000/person

● Corporate : ¥10,000/organization

* valid for 1 year from date of payment

Fukuoka Asian Medical Support Center

We will support you when you need help at hospitals in Fukuoka.

Medical Interpreter Temp Service (For medical institutions) TEL 092-734-3035

Upon request from a medical institution, a volunteer medical interpreter will be dispatched. (Free, with advance reservation)

* Pre-registration required

- Time : Mon.-Fri. 9:00~18:00 (Close on weekend, public holidays, bon festival and end of the year holiday)
- Languages: English, Chinese, Korean, Thai, Vietnamese

Multilingual call center on medical treatment TEL 092-286-9595

Telephone interpretation (For non-Japanese persons, medical institutions), medical services information provided (For non-Japanese persons)

(Free, medical institutions and individual users are responsible for call charges.) * No pre-registration required

- Time: 24 hours, 365 days
- Languages: English, Chinese, Korean, Thai, Vietnamese, Indonesian, Tagalog, Nepali, Malay, Spanish, Portuguese, German, French, Italian, Russian

Contact us Fukuoka Asian Medical Support Center

TEL: 092-734-3035 Website: <http://asian-msc.jp>

* Fukuoka Asian Medical Support Center is run by Fukuoka prefecture and Fukuoka city.

Disaster Prevention Info-mail Registration & Use is free

A free email service that updates you with news and information during disasters through your mobile phone.

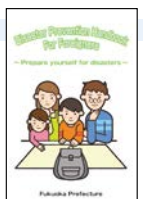
- ★ Disaster prevention weather information and evacuation advisories for earthquakes, tsunamis, typhoons and heavy rains
 - ★ Safety confirmation emails during disasters
 - ★ Evacuation support map of Fukuoka prefecture
 - ★ Local regional safety information (related to suspicious person, missing person, air pollution, etc.)
- * Please register from www.bousaimobile.pref.fukuoka.lg.jp

Other useful information is also available!

Disaster Prevention Handbook For Foreigners

In order to correctly react to sudden disasters, Fukuoka prefecture government has prepared the official 'Disaster Prevention Handbook For Foreigners' in 7 languages. (Easy Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean, Tagalog, Nepali, Vietnamese)

*The PDF versions can be downloaded on FIEF website.



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