

Free Consultation for Non-Japanese National (Fukuoka, Kitakyushu, Kurume, Iizuka)

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Fukuoka Multilingual Assistance and Information Center (Fukuoka MAIC)

The Fukuoka Multilingual Assistance and Information Center (Fukuoka MAIC), provides consultations on marriage, children's education, employment, labor and other problems in daily life, residence status, legal advice, etc. in 22 languages, including Japanese, at the counter, by phone or by e-mail.

Location Kokusai Hiroba entrance (3F ACROS Fukuoka 1-1-1 Tenjin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka)

Hours 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. (except Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)

Work duties (1) Direct consultation at the Center's office, by phone or email
Toll free number: 0120-279-906

OE-mail fukuoka-maic@kokusaihiroba.or.jp

(2) Support for multilingual consultation services for foreign residents of municipalities, etc. by utilizing a four-way call and interpretation service

(3) Guidance to specialized organization based on the content of the consultation, and interpretation support via telephone at the destination

(4) Visiting Consultations are held in cities, towns and villages throughout the prefecture



Work Conditions Consultation for Non-Japanese Nationals No Reservations Required

Date Every Tuesday and the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. *Except for holidays.

Content Issues related to working conditions (phone call is acceptable)

Consultant Labor Standards Inspector, Advisor

Languages Japanese and English

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

Contact Fukuoka Labor Bureau Labor Standards Department, Insepection Division 092-411-4862

Work Conditions Consultation for Non-Japanese Nationals No Reservations Required

Date Every Monday and Thursday 9:00-16:00 *except for holidays

Content Issues related to working conditions (phone call is acceptable)

Consultant Labor Standards Inspector, Advisor

Languages Japanese, Chinese

Location Fukuoka Chuo Labor Standard Inspection Office 4F (2-11-1 Nagahama, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka)

Contact Fukuoka Chuo Labor Standard Inspection Office 092-761-5607

Fukuoka City

Consultation on immigration and residency procedures No Reservations Required

Date 1st Monday of each month 16:30-18:30 *Last entry 18:00
4th Saturday of the month: 13:00-16:00 *Last entry 15:30

Content Citizenship, immigration, residency status, bringing in family members, etc.

Consultant Administrative scrivener

Languages Japanese and 21 other languages are available by phone interpretation
*English and Chinese only on the 4th Saturday of the month

Contact Fukuoka Gyoseishoshi Lawyers Association 092-641-4151

Free legal consultation for foreigners Reservations are required *First 4 applicants only

Date Third Sunday of every month 13:00-17:00 Reservation: 0120-279-906

Content Legal matters such as workplace problems, car accidents, housing, marriage, divorce, etc.

Consultant Lawyer

Languages 22 languages including Japanese (if interpretation is required, a telephone interpretation service is available)

Contact Fukuoka Multilingual Assistance and Information Center (Fukuoka MAIC) 0120-279-906

Human Rights Consultation for Non-Japanese Nationals No Reservations Required

Date 2nd Saturday of each month from 13:00 to 16:00

Content Human rights issues related to work, housing, marriage, troubles with neighbors, etc.

Consultant Commissioner for the protection of Fundamental Human Rights with lawyer qualifications

Languages Japanese and English

Contact Fukuoka Legal Affairs Bureau Human Rights Protection Division 092-739-4151

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

Free Legal Consultation for Non-Japanese Nationals

Date The 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month from 13:00 to 16:00 *except for holidays.

Content General civil, labor, family, immigration, and criminal cases, etc. Reservations are required (phone hours)

Consultant Lawyer

Languages (2nd Friday of each month) Japanese, Korean and Chinese
(4th Friday of each month) Japanese, English, Chinese

Location Fukuoka 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 non-Japanese

Date 2nd Sunday of every month from 13:00 to 16:00 *Last entry 15:30 No Reservations Required

Content Residence status and period of stay, inviting family members, permanent residence, naturalization, international marriage procedures, etc.

Consultant Administrative scrivener

Languages Japanese, English, Chinese *For other languages, please contact us in advance.

Free Legal Consultation for Non-Japanese Nationals Reservations are required (by phone or at the office)

Date The 1st Saturday of each month 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and the 3rd Wednesday of each month 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. advance.

Content Legal consultation (45 minutes per person)

Consultant Lawyer

Languages Ask for a translator if you need one when you make an appointment.

Free counseling for Non-Japanese Nationals Reservations are required (by phone or at the office)

Date Mondays 9:00 a.m. to 5:45 p.m., Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., Thursdays 9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Content Interpersonal problems, stress and other psychological issues (60 minutes per person)

Consultant clinical psychologist

Languages Japanese and English

Location 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 (toll free) 0120-66-1799

Kitakyushu City

Work Conditions Consultation for Non-Japanese Nationals No Reservations Required

Date Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 to 16:00 *except for holidays

Content Issues related to working conditions (telephone is acceptable)

Consultant Labor Standards Inspector, Advisor

Languages Japanese and Vietnamese

Location Kitakyushu Nishi Labor Standard Inspection Office (3F 1-5-10 Kishinoura, Yahatanishi-ku, Kitakyushu-shi)

Contact Kitakyushu Nishi Labor Standard Inspection Office 093-622-6550

Immigration, Residence and Nationality Procedures Consultation No Reservations Required

Date 2nd Saturday of each month from 13:00 to 16:00

Content Procedures for change of status of residence, inviting family members, extension of period of stay, re-entry procedures, naturalization, permanent residence, international marriage, nationality, etc.

Consultant Administrative scrivener

Languages If you need an interpreter, reservation is required.

Legal Consultation Reservations are required (by phone or at the office) *Only available to the first 3 who reserve

Date 4th Saturday of each month from 13:30 to 16:30

Content Trouble at work, car accidents, housing, marriage, divorce, etc.

Consultant Lawyer

Languages Ask for a translator if you need one when you make an appointment.

Psychological Counseling Reservations are required (by phone or at the office)

Date As needed. *Please contact us for dates and times.

Content Interpersonal problems, stress and other psychological issues

Consultant clinical psychologist

Languages Japanese, English, Chinese (Please consult for other languages)

Location Kitakyushu International Association (Kurosaki 3-15-3, Yahatanishi, Kitakyushu-shi ComCity 3F)

Contact Kitakyushu International Association Information Center for Foreigners 093-643-5931

Kurume City

Free Consultation for Non-Japanese National No Reservations Required

Date 3rd Saturday of each month from 13:00 to 16:00

Content Status of Residence, international marriage and naturalization, labor issues

Consultant Administrative scrivener, lawyer, labor and social security attorney

Languages Japanese and 21 other languages are available by phone interpretation

Location Kurumeria Mutsumon 6F Minkuru (3-11 Mutsumonmachi, Kurume City)

Contact Kurume City Office public hearing, consultation section foreigner consultation counter 0942-30-9096 sodan@city.kurume.lg.jp

Iizuka City

Administrative Consultation No Reservations Required

Date Every 3rd Tuesday of the month, 13:00 - 16:00

Content Issues such as status of residence, period of stay, bringing in family members, nationality, permanent residence, naturalization, and international marriage

Consultant Administrative scrivener, labor and social security attorney

Languages Japanese *For 21 other languages by phone interpretation

Location Iizuka City Hall 6F Kita Meeting Room (5-5 Shintateiwa, Iizuka-shi)

Contact Iizuka City Economics Department International Policy Division 0948-22-5500 (ext: 1647) kokusai@city.iizuka.lg.jp

The first grant ceremony was held for the FY2022 Fukuoka Satooya Scholarship for International Students from Asian Nations

The first grant ceremony for the 2022 Fukuoka Satooya Scholarship for International Students from Asian Nations was held, and 29 students were awarded scholarships.

This scholarship, which is funded by donations from supporters, was established in 1999 and has supported a total of 872 international students over the past 20 years.

At the ceremony, supporters (foster parents) presented a catalog of scholarship funds to the scholarship recipients, and President Fujinaga of the Foundation presented certificates of appreciation and commendation to the foster parents.

The scholarship recipient said, "Thanks to the support from my foster parents, I can devote more time to my studies. As I live far away from my home country, it is reassuring to have foster parents who always care about me".



Outline for the Fukuoka Satooya Scholarship for International Students from Asian Nations

This scholarship is provided based on donations from supporters, and is a "face to face" scholarship that allows international students to express their gratitude directly to their supporters (foster parents).

- Supporters: 22 companies, organizations, and individuals
- Scholarship students: 29 (FY2022)



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Opening hours 10:00-19:00 Closed Dec 29-Jan 3



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Get the latest information on events
(Japanese, English, Korean, Chinese)

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International Understanding Education Promotion Project

International Exchange Delivery Service - We deliver international exchanges to you!

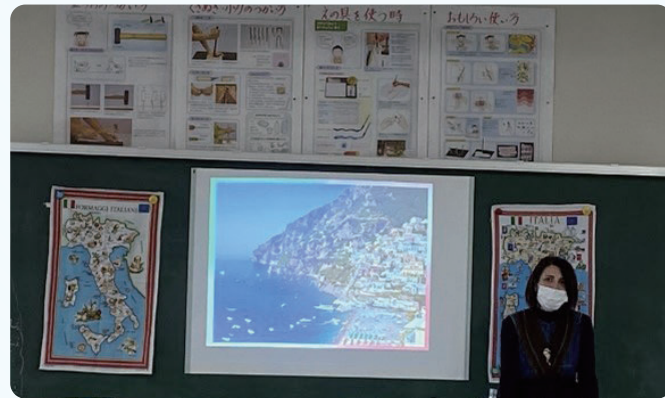
There are people from many different cultures and ethnic groups from throughout the world living in Fukuoka. Furthermore, the world is currently facing numerous serious problems such as environmental issues, poverty, war, and these are closely related to our society and lifestyles.

"Since 2008, the Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation has been conducting the "International Understanding Education Promotion Project" to nurture internationally-minded young people who understand different cultures, have the ability to cope with globalization, and can think and act from a broad perspective.

In order to provide opportunities for people to learn about and think about the world, we regularly dispatch and introduce foreign instructors and Japanese instructors with experience working overseas to schools and community centers in the prefecture, hold skill improvement courses for instructors, and hold international exchange events for children and adults.



Photos of the classes



Instructor Skill Development Seminar

We are looking for schools and organizations that would like to invite lecturers and people who would like to register as lecturers for the International Understanding Education Promotion Project.



Fukuoka Overseas Students Association (FOSA) Report

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On May 3, we participated in the Hakata Dontaku Festival, held for the first time in three years.

FOSA officers and about 50 international students participated in the parade, dressed in traditional costumes of their countries of origin, to share FOSA's activities and foreign cultures with the audience.

Audience members waved to us and took pictures!

It was also a valuable opportunity for exchange among FOSA officers and international students.



Information about Japanese classes, please go Fukuoka International Exchange' home page "Information for Foreign Residents" ▶ "Japanese Classes for foreigners". There are Japanese classes that are implementing restrictions to some prevent the spreading of COVID-19. Please contact the class directly for more details.
<https://kokusaihiroba.or.jp/lifeguide/japanese/>



Preparation courses for the JLPT Japanese Language Proficiency Test Level 1 (N1) was held online

Hey! We are the Fukuoka International Student Support Center! Located within the Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation.

While cooperating with Fukuoka universities and local governments to provide various support to international students, living consultations, job hunting, introducing part time jobs, and exchanges with Fukuoka residents.



Approximately 50 international students studying Japanese participated, solving questions on vocabulary, listening comprehension, and other topics. They listened to explanations by Japanese language teacher, Mr. Urabe, and had a fulfilling lecture in preparation for the exam.

The next session will be held online in November to prepare for the December 4 exam.

All international students who are trying to pass the N1 exam, please join us!

Inquires

Contact the Fukuoka International Student Support Center for Inquires ☎ 092-725-9201
Please check our website for details. <https://www.fissc.net/>

Kokusai Hiroba Café -Around the World-(Online)

Foreign and Japanese instructors with a variety of experiences will introduce the daily life and culture of countries around the world

Vol.71 China (Tibet Autonomous Region) & India ●Date & Time/ September 11, 2022 (Sun) 14:00-15:30

Vol.72 Vietnam & Guinea ●Date & Time/November 13, 2022 (Sun) 14:00-15:30

●Capacity/ 100 people (first-come-first-served basis) ●Participation Fee/ Free

●How to apply/ Please apply from this URL or QR code <https://forms.gle/7hooBbPzYQzVZUJg6>



Looking for Language Volunteers

The Foundation has established a volunteer system to promote multiculturalism and international exchange by utilizing the abilities of prefectural residents.

●Who are Language Volunteer (Interpreter/Translator)

This is a service that provides assistance when interpretation is needed for various projects and events. We provide simple interpretation and translation from Japanese to foreign languages and from foreign languages to Japanese.

●Registration/ Anybody who meets the criteria can register: Interested in language volunteer activities, has language skills and is over 15 years of age.

(For minors - must have graduated from junior high school and have parental consent.)

●Request/ We introduce language volunteers to public organizations, international exchange groups, and individuals and groups who have been approved by the Foundation through an interview.

Inquires

Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation ☎ 092-725-9200 ✉ info@kokusaihiroba.or.jp
Please check our website for details. <https://www.kokusaihiroba.or.jp/>

Fukuoka International Medical Support center

*FKA Fukuoka Asian Medical Support Center (changed NOV 2020)

We will support you when you need help at hospitals.

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

We provide volunteer medical interpreters via temp service when requested by medical institutions. Reservation required, free of charge, advance registration required
●Time: Mon -Fri 9:00-18:00 (closed on weekends, national holidays, Obon holidays, and year-end and New Year holidays)
●Supported languages: English, Chinese, Korean, Thai and Vietnamese

Multilingual Medical Information Service Call Center TEL 092-236-9595

Telephone interpretation service (for foreigners and medical institutions), Assistance on medical information (for foreigners) (Free of charge, callers are responsible for call charges, no prior registration needed)

●Time: 24 hours a day, 365 days a year
●21 Languages (English, Chinese, Korean, Thai, Vietnamese, Indonesian, Tagalog, Nepali, Malay, Spanish, Portuguese, German, French, Italian, Russian, Khmer, Myanmar, Sinhalese, Mongolian, Hindi and Bengali)

One-stop consultation service for medical institutions (for medical institutions) TEL 0570-000-630

We provide information and advice for problem solving to consultations from medical institutions that are struggling with various obstacles associated with treating international patients. (Free)

●Hours: Weekdays 9:00 - 17:00 (Closed on weekends, national holidays, new years holiday)

*For inquiries outside of the operating hours, please call the national "night / holiday one-stop window". (TEL 03-6371-0057)

Contact us Fukuoka International Medical support center
Tel 092-734-3035 URL <https://imsc.pref.fukuoka.lg.jp>
*Fukuoka International Medical Support center is organized by the Fukuoka Prefectural Government

Disaster Prevention Info E-mail MAMORU-kun

Registration and use of service is FREE

An e-mail service that updates you with news and information during disasters
★Weather information and evacuation advisories for earthquakes, tsunamis, typhoons, heavy rain, etc.
★Safety confirmation e-mails during disasters
★Evacuation Support Map of Fukuoka Prefecture
★Information on community safety (suspicious persons, missing persons, air pollution, etc.)

Other helpful information is available too!

Registration

www.bousaimobile.pref.fukuoka.lg.jp/



Disaster Prevention Handbook For Foreigners

The Fukuoka Prefectural Government has made a "Disaster Prevention Handbook For Foreigners" in several languages to help prepare and react when a disaster happens.

(Easy Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean, Tagalog, Nepali and Vietnamese)
www.pref.fukuoka.lg.jp/contents/bousaihandbook-36.html

