



Consulate Updates

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Office Opening Hours

Monday to Friday
9:00am – 12:30pm
1:30pm – 5:00pm

Consular Section
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9:00am – 12:00pm
1:30pm – 4:00pm

Visa Applications
9:00am – 11:00am
1:30pm – 3:00pm

Visa-free travel to resume for Australian tourists visiting Japan



Go Nagano ©

It's time to make those ski holiday dreams a reality! From **October 11, 2022**, Australian citizens will no longer require a visa to enter Japan for tourist purposes. They will also no longer be required to book their trip with a travel agency.

Entry requirements into Japan may be subject to change. For more information and the latest requirements on entering Japan relevant to your circumstances, please make sure to [visit our website](#).

[View requirements](#)

Recommended Websites

Embassy of Japan, Canberra
<http://www.au.emb-japan.go.jp>

The Japan Foundation,
Sydney
<http://www.jpfa.org.au/>

Japan National Tourism
Organization
<http://www.jnto.org.au/>

Japan External Trade
Organization
<http://www.jetro.go.jp/>

Japan Exchange Teaching
(JET) Programme
<http://www.jetprogramme.org/>

Ministry of Foreign Affairs
of Japan (MOFA)
<http://www.mofa.go.jp/>

2023 Japan Exchange and Teaching Programme Applications open now



Deadline: Friday, 11 November 2022

The Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Programme invites university graduates from around the world to live and work in Japan. Participants are employed as Assistant Language Teachers (ALTs) and Coordinators for International Relations (CIRs), participating in internationalisation initiatives and assisting with foreign language education at schools and local governments offices around Japan.

The JET Programme, which has been running since 1987, is administered by the Japanese Government and has gained high acclaim both domestically and overseas for being one of the world's largest international exchange programmes. It seeks to enhance internationalization in Japan and promote mutual understanding.

Apply Now

2022 Office Closure Dates

DECEMBER

26 – 27, 29 – 31
(New Year holiday period)

For the full list,
please click [here](#).

JET Programme Information Sessions

These info sessions provide a great opportunity to learn more about the Programme and how to apply for 2023, hear about the experiences of former JETs, and ask questions about JET and living in Japan.



Online at the Australia Japan Society of Queensland's Career Evening

Thursday 6 October at 7:00 – 8:30pm, online

Register: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/japan-careers-evening-tickets-404437321917>



University of Queensland, St Lucia Campus

Tuesday 11 October at 2:30 – 3:30pm, Room 121 Modwest Building

Register: <https://languages-cultures.uq.edu.au/event/session/9099>



Griffith University, Gold Coast Campus

Thursday 13 October at 11:00am – 12:00pm

Room 1.15 Building G30

Recent Events



The Japan community has started spring off with a bang, with **Brisbane Seinendan's Matsuri Brisbane** and the **Australia-Japan Society of Queensland's 50th anniversary Evening in the Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens**, along with Riverfire, all happening on Saturday 2 September!

Consul-General Ono was also delighted to learn more about a range of exciting **future technologies** and **carbon reduction strategies** that are being developed in Queensland. Mr Ono recently visited **Rio Tinto's** Control Centre to meet with Japanese university students in Brisbane and learn about the company's operations as it continues to bring market materials critical to the transition to a **low-carbon economy**. In addition, Mr Ono had the opportunity to test drive a **Toyota Mirai**, one of the world's first hydrogen fuel electric vehicles. These emerging industries will see our strong and complementary **bilateral economic relationship** continue to flourish well into the future.

There has also been much happening in the sporting world this month. In the lead up to the **Virtus Oceania Asia Games 2022** in Brisbane this **5-11 November**, Mr Ono met with representatives from **Sport Inclusion Australia** and **All Nippon Intellectual Disability Sport Association**, the latter of whom have donated masks and judo uniforms to the Games. Mr Ono also attended The **Gold Coast International Open** hosted by **Judo Australia**, which is ramping up its engagement in preparation for the **2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games in Brisbane**. It is wonderful to see such positive and inclusive engagement between the people of our two nations through sports.

2022 Japanese Film Festival



The Japanese Film Festival is back, and will be touring Brisbane this **11 – 27 November!**

This year's line-up will be announced on **5 October**, so make sure to subscribe to the JFF newsletter to stay up to date on all the latest film news.

[Sign up for the newsletter](#)

What's on in Queensland



JET Alumni Association of Queensland Hanami

Sat 7 October | Community event

Enjoy a picnic under the jacarandas at the City Botanic Gardens with JET Programme alumni.

[Save the date](#)

MENTAL HEALTH FOR JAPANESE
「健やかな心と身体作り」

Mental Health for Japanese - 健やかな心と身体作り

Wed 12 October | Community event

This Japanese language community event is aimed at supporting mental health in the Japanese community and is run as part of Queensland Mental Health Week.

[Find out more](#)



Japanese Language Education Seminar with UNSW

Sat 15 October | Webinar

This webinar will explore the theme of raising Japanese-speaking children in Australia, and include a panel discussion with four Australian parents who are raising children with Japanese as community language.

[Register now](#)



Japanese internment in Australia during WWII **[Rescheduled]**

Sun 30 October | Seminar

Learn about Japanese civilian internment in Australia during WWII from esteemed researcher Dr NAGATA Yuriko, honorary senior research fellow with the School of Languages and Cultures at University of Queensland.

[Details here](#)

Temporary change in reception hours for visas



Our visa processing times will be temporarily changing from **4 October, 2022**.

From this date, we will be accepting **visa applications** between **9am – 11am** and **1:30pm – 3pm**.

For passports and any other reception enquiries, our **reception hours** will remain **9am – 12pm** and **1:30pm – 4pm**.

For more information and the latest updates, please make sure to [visit our website](#).

We are currently experiencing a high volume of enquiries. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

[View opening hours](#)

The Consulate-General of Japan newsletter features people-to-people exchanges and friendships between Japan and Australia. If you are involved in sister school friendships, exchanges or Japan-Australia related programs such as the JET Programme and would like to submit an article to be published in our newsletter, please email us at: culture@bb.mofa.go.jp

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Consulate-General of Japan – Cultural Loans Program

The Consulate-General of Japan, Brisbane offers a Cultural Loans Program!

We have a wide range of Japanese cultural items available for teachers or persons/organisations in Queensland promoting or teaching Japanese culture. Items include DVDs on a wide range of Japanese subjects, toys, CDs, games, calligraphy sets, plastic food, traditional clothing, musical instruments and more! The items are free to borrow; the visual and tactile experience of a cultural prop contributes to a richer classroom experience.

For further information, please visit the link below to access catalogues and forms or call our office on (07) 3221 5188: <http://www.brisbane.au.emb-japan.go.jp/en/jicc/resources.html>

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If you know of any upcoming Japan-related events and would like to publicise them in our e-newsletter, please e-mail the details through to us at: culture@bb.mofa.go.jp

The final choice of articles will be at the discretion of the Consulate-General of Japan, Brisbane.