

2009 NBI Summer Exchange Program

Everett Community College Nippon Business Institute was honored to conduct an **educational summer exchange program** July 25 – August 8 for students and chaperones from Iwakuni City, sister city to the City of Everett. This year program chaperones included **Mr. Akihiko Takata** the Director of International Affairs for the City of Iwakuni and **Ms. Chisato Shimizu** a former NBI summer program participant and future teacher.

During their visit, students stayed with host families, attended classes and participated in activities from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm on week days. Program activities included ESL classes with instructor Kim Caskey, a guided Nature Walk on Jetty Island,

Junior Streamkeeper Training at the NW Stream Center, visits to Everett City Hall and the Port of Everett offices, a Seattle Mariners baseball game, cross-cultural activities with the Boys and Girls Club of Arlington and the Marysville YMCA Teen Center, and a panel discussion on “Life in the USA” with members of the local Japanese community.

One of the most memorable aspects of the exchange program is a home-stay experience. Students learn more about American culture and our people by living and interacting with their host families than possible in a classroom setting.

Many, many thanks to the wonderful families who volunteered to host students this summer, treating them as family members:

Kim Caskey, Larry & Sandra Countryman, David & Cheri Green Family, Grey & Caroline Robinson Family, Bruce and Jennifer Morton Family, and Alysia White & Chris Hoover.



Cheri & David Green talk about hosting summer program exchange students Shuna Fujii and Manami Oki at the end of program Sayonara Host Family / Student Dinner and Awards Ceremony.

Chado Urasenke Tankokai Program - Fall 2009

During October, the NBI is very fortunate to welcome **Ms. Hiroko Yamashita** as our seventh Japanese Culture & Traditional Arts Internship participant. Ms. Yamashita, from Karatsu, in Saga Prefecture, Kyushu, Japan, is a long-standing member of the Chado Urasenke Tankokai tea school.

This unique internship and home-stay program for Chado Urasenke Tankokai members promotes the study of Chanoyu (the tea ceremony) and traditional Japanese culture in the USA.

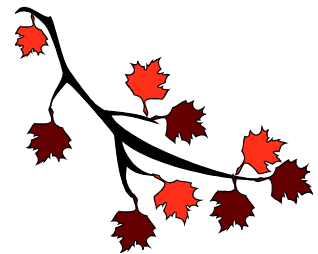
Members of the Chado Urasenke Tankokai come to Everett Community College's NBI to participate in the program which encourages participants to share their expertise in traditional

Japanese arts with special emphasis on the tea ceremony. The program allows them the opportunity to conduct the Japanese Tea Ceremony in both English and Japanese, an experience not usually available in Japan.

During October the NBI will conduct several tea ceremony events featuring Ms.

Yamashita. **Two free events**, one on **October 14 at 2:00 P.M.** and another on **October**

15 at 3:00 P.M. take place at the NBI tea room and are open to public. Both events are free but, require pre-registration due to limited space. Please call Kathleen Koss at 425-388-9195 or email: kkoss@everettcc.edu to reserve a place at either event.





2010 Japan Study Abroad Trip

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cultural activities, visit Japanese companies, and have the opportunity to see many of the sights in and around the Nagoya area.

Participation in this program is competitive and limited to fifteen participants. Participants need to be at least 18 years old, successfully completed a minimum of 45 credits at EvCC including two quarters of Japanese language and achieved a minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Prospective trip participants should submit a copy of their EvCC college

It's not too early to start planning for the next biannual NBI Japan Study Program. Travel to Aichi Toho University, EvCC's sister college Nagoya, Japan from June 12-26, 2010 with NBI Director Mayumi N. Smith to experience the wonders that are Japan. Students stay with host families, take part in a variety of

transcript and a letter of application to Mayumi N. Smith. The letter of application should describe personal academic goals and how this study abroad trip will help in achieving those goals.

Students must attend mandatory pre-program planning sessions. Students not meeting program criteria will be considered on an individual basis.

The program fee is \$1,750 (subject to change) plus the cost of airfare at the time of the program.

Application & Payment Schedule:

3/29/10: Submission of application form

4/9/10: Letter of Application and unofficial copy of student transcript along with \$100 non-refundable deposit are due. The Letter of Application should include a brief personal introduction, personal academic goals, and how this study abroad trip will help in achieving those goals.

4/30/09: Balance of fee and proof of purchase of the round-trip airline ticket to Japan. (Program fee is non-refundable after April 30, 2010)

Program Contact:

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mnsmith@everettcc.edu



FALL QUARTER 2009 Japanese Language, History & Culture

EvCC's Fall Quarter 2009 begins September 21!! For enrollment and admission information please call 425-388-9208 or go to: www.everettcc.edu

College Credit Courses

Japanese 121 A	Daily	10:00 - 10:50 am
Japanese 121 B	Daily	11:00 - 11:50 am
Japanese 221 CE1	Daily	Noon - 12:50 pm
(Prerequisite: Japanese 123 or instructor's permission)		
Japanese 221-A	Daily	Noon - 12:50 pm
(Prerequisite: Japanese 103, 123 or instructor's permission)		
Humanities 160D-A	Daily	9:00 - 9:50 am
(Japanese Culture/History)		

Special Interest & Continuing Education Classes

For registration and course information, please call Continuing Education at 425-267-0150.

Japanese Conversation & Culture- Item #9371
Wednesdays 9/23 - 12/2 7:00 - 9:00 pm \$149

Explore a conversational approach to the language that will help with business, travel or in social settings. Emphasis is on words, patterns and expressions that are immediately useful. Instructor: Ms. Hiroko Goto



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Admission is Free!**

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