

## Important Notes about the Course Registration for School of International Liberal Studies (SILS) 1-Year/Semester Study Abroad Program

### ■ Curriculum

In SILS, the one-year/semester program is called Study Plan 3 (SP3).

SP3 students are required to take at least **8 credits of SILS lecture courses** and **6 credits of Japanese language courses**. For more detail, please refer to the following link; <https://waseda.box.com/v/Curriculum>

### ■ Important notes regarding course registration

Here we have listed some of the most important notes regarding course registration schedule and rules. For further information, please also take a look at our web site (including course list):

<http://www.waseda.jp/fire/sils/en/oneyear/registration/>

#### 1) General information of course registration

**Course registration will start AFTER you come to Japan.** Detailed information will be given to the students during the orientation period which is scheduled in mid-September / mid-March.

**General Flow of Course Registration:** <https://waseda.box.com/v/generalinforcourseSP3>

At Waseda University, course registration is NOT conducted on a first-come, first-served basis. Each course has its capacity, and if the number of applicants exceeds its capacity, computer system randomly chooses the students to be registered. Please note that **there are possibilities that you cannot take some of the courses of your choice even if they are the courses open to SP3 students.**

#### 2) SILS lecture courses

**Only Intermediate/Advanced level lecture courses are open to SP3.** Introductory level lecture courses and SILS seminar courses (introductory, intermediate, and advanced level) are NOT open to SP3 students. If you are planning to come to SILS in your sophomore year or to graduate soon after the exchange year is over, please keep it in mind that you need to take introductory level courses in your home institution if necessary.

Q. How do I know which courses are open to SP3?

☞ Check the course list and make sure that the course you want to take are indicated as “open to SP3”.

Spring 2018 course list: <https://waseda.box.com/v/sp3courselist2018spring>

Fall 2017 course list: <https://waseda.box.com/v/sp3courselist2017fall>

Each year, the fall course list is released in mid-July and the spring course list in early-March.

Until then, please refer to the course lists from the previous years (there may be some changes).

Q. I would like to know details of each course.

☞ Please use Online Syllabus Search and read through the syllabus of each course carefully.

Current year courses (2018): <https://www.wsl.waseda.jp/syllabus/JAA101.php?pLng=en>

Previous year courses (2017 or before):

<https://www.wsl.waseda.jp/syllabus/index.php?ControllerParameters=JAA102SubCon&pLng=en>

Q. What is the language of instruction for each course?

☞ SILS lecture courses are basically taught in English. **Japanese language courses are taught in Japanese.** Japanese learning experience is not an absolute requirement for admission, but is preferable as even the beginner level courses are taught in Japanese. For other courses including Other Foreign Language courses, please check the “Main Language” indicated on the online syllabus.

### 3) Courses offered by schools/centers other than SILS

① Japanese language courses by Center for Japanese Language

<https://www.waseda.jp/inst/cjl/en/>

\* 10-credit course titled “Intensive Japanese 1-2” is not open to SP3.

② University-wide Open courses offered by

- Global Education Center courses (conducted mostly in Japanese)

<https://www.waseda.jp/inst/gec/en/undergraduate/registration/>

- Center for International Education courses (“Global courses” only, conducted mostly in English)

<http://www.waseda.jp/inst/cie/en/course/class>

- Schools other than SILS (some courses are conducted in English)

\* You can take the courses offered by schools other than SILS only if the course is designated as “University-wide Open courses”. However, please keep in mind that the number is quite limited.

Q. How do I search for these courses?

☞ For ①, please follow the instructions on the following webpage:

<https://waseda.box.com/v/jpnlanguagecourseSP3>

To look for ②, please follow the instructions on the following webpage:

<https://waseda.box.com/v/uwopencourseSP3>

### ■ Rules regarding course registration

**Special considerations regarding course registration can never be given at Waseda under any reasons/circumstances.** Even if you need to take specific courses to fulfill your graduation requirement in your home institution, Waseda University can never give you special considerations such as the followings:

- To receive a priority registration opportunity so that you can secure a seat in the course that you'd like to take
- To receive a permission to register for a courses that are closed or over-enrolled
- To register for the courses conducted by schools/departments which are not University-wide Open courses
- To register for the SILS courses that are not open to SP3 students
- To drop or withdraw from the courses after the registration period

### ■ FAQ

Please check our website for frequently asked questions and answers;

<http://www.waseda.jp/fire/sils/en/oneyear/registration/>

If you have any other inquiries, please feel free to contact the SILS office at **[sils-one@list.waseda.jp](mailto:sils-one@list.waseda.jp)**