

Department of International Studies
Admission Policy

We seek broad-minded, independent, and motivated students who constantly strive to improve their abilities, and who wish to become active and contributing members of international society. Candidates are required to have a good understanding of the educational goals and graduation requirements of Showa Women's University. Our various admission procedures are designed to comprehensively test and screen qualified candidates.

1. Recommended fields of study prior to admission

- Foreign Language: a solid foundation in all four skills of English, and the ability to use them; a willingness to study one of the following foreign languages: Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, German, French, and Spanish, based upon a genuine interest in the culture in which it is spoken
- Literacy: critical thinking and its expression through speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills
- Geography and History: an interest in the history, society, and culture of various regions of the world as well as of Japan, and a willingness to further expand your knowledge

Note: study of foreign language, Japanese, world history, and Japanese history are particularly recommended for study.

2. Study habits to be developed before admission

- To understand your level in each of the four skills in English and to make efforts to improve them
- To make efforts to take an active interest in the country or region in which one of the following languages is spoken: Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, German, French, and Spanish
- To read newspapers or magazines regularly to understand the politics, economy, society, and culture of various countries in the world and of Japan
- To actively learn about different cultures and societies