Department of Japanese Language and Literature

Admission Policy

We seek people who understand the educational goals of Showa Women’s University, those who are interested in Japanese language and literature, those who are trying to acquire the skills to express themselves, and those who look to contribute to society by cooperating with various people utilizing the skills acquired. Furthermore, we accept people with the capacity and ability to engage successfully with the course of study of this department. We therefore recruit applicants using a variety of comprehensive entrance methods.

1. Recommended field of study and subjects to attain competence in before entrance.
   • Japanese Language: The student should have a basic understanding of Japanese language and literature, be able to interpret and consider coherent sentences, and express opinions logically.
   • Foreign Language: The student must learn the four skills of English required before high school graduation and be able to utilize the language.
   • Geography and History: The student must understand Japanese and global history/culture, and be able to consider cultures from a broad perspective.
   Note: We strongly encourage learning subjects related to Japanese classics.

2. Learning habits to have before entrance
   • Read a wide range of Japanese and foreign works, and have a basic knowledge of Japanese language and literature.
   • Learn to read and comprehend various genres of literature (for example: ideology, philosophy, sociology).
   • Write logically and communicatively using a wide range of vocabulary effectively.
   • Understand people from different cultures and social backgrounds, and work with them efficiently and effectively.