



Tokyo University of Agriculture

Comprehensive International Education Program(CIEP)

Your guide to program activities, site visits, workshops, lectures, and reflections from past participants



2026 Application Deadline: May 11, 2026



About CIEP

The Comprehensive International Education Program (CIEP) is one of Tokyo NODAI's key initiatives to promote international education, continuously implemented since 2008. This program offers participants from Tokyo NODAI's partner universities around the world a unique opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of agriculture and food systems in Japan and across Asia. Through hands-on field activities conducted alongside local farmers, students explore key agricultural practices and technologies, experience the structure and function of Japan's agricultural cooperatives (JA), and learn about national efforts in environmental conservation. The program is further enriched by the unique cultural and agricultural characteristics of the field locations visited. Special lectures and workshops that emphasize critical thinking in a diverse international setting enhance the academic depth of the experience. Working collaboratively from start to finish, students build strong cross-cultural connections and lay the foundation for future academic and professional collaborations. Participants in this program are eligible to receive four(4) undergraduate level academic credits from Tokyo NODAI upon successful completion of the program.

Program Locations

Cross-regional academic programs focusing on education, sustainable agriculture, and cultural exchange between Hokkaido's agricultural environment and Tokyo's urban innovation



Hokkaido, Okhotsk Campus

The Okhotsk region of Hokkaido features rich soils, clean air, and abundant water, supporting large-scale agriculture of major commodities such as onions, wheat, and sugar beets. Cool summers and sustainable farming practices coexist with vast fields, forests, and the unique drift-ice coastline of the Sea of Okhotsk.



Tokyo, Setagaya Campus

Tokyo is Japan's dynamic capital, where advanced technology, global business, and rich cultural heritage coexist. As a center of education, innovation, and international exchange, the city offers a unique blend of modern urban life and traditional values.



What to expect during CIEP

An immersive **one-week** academic and cultural experience that connects sustainable agriculture, global learning, and international exchange.

CIEP Program Highlights

Field Study

Featuring visits to renowned farms in Hokkaido, including Shiretoko Ezoshika Farm, where participants gain hands-on exposure to sustainable agriculture.

Workshops & Lectures

Conducted in Tokyo, with group-based workshops alongside expert-led lectures (Hokkaido in parts) delivered by our CIEP Advisors.

Cultural Exchange Events

Cultural exchange events unite participants from around the world, fostering global perspectives through interaction with Tokyo NODAI students and students from partner universities. The experience is enriched by a High School Poster Session and an English Café, encouraging open dialogue and cross-cultural understanding.

Field Study: Overview

A 5-day long field study is conducted in Hokkaido region. The contents are as follows:

- ◉ **Farm practicum: introduction and immersion to Japanese rural community farming**
 - ◉ **Visits of segments of the value chain (e.g., agricultural cooperatives, farmers' and wholesale markets, packaging and trading facilities, processing plant, and cold storage facility)**
 - ◉ **Briefings on the nature and operations of the business, success stories, challenges, and action plan**
 - ◉ **Bonus - (i.e., visit Japanese museums, Shop at the “Michi-no-Eki”)**
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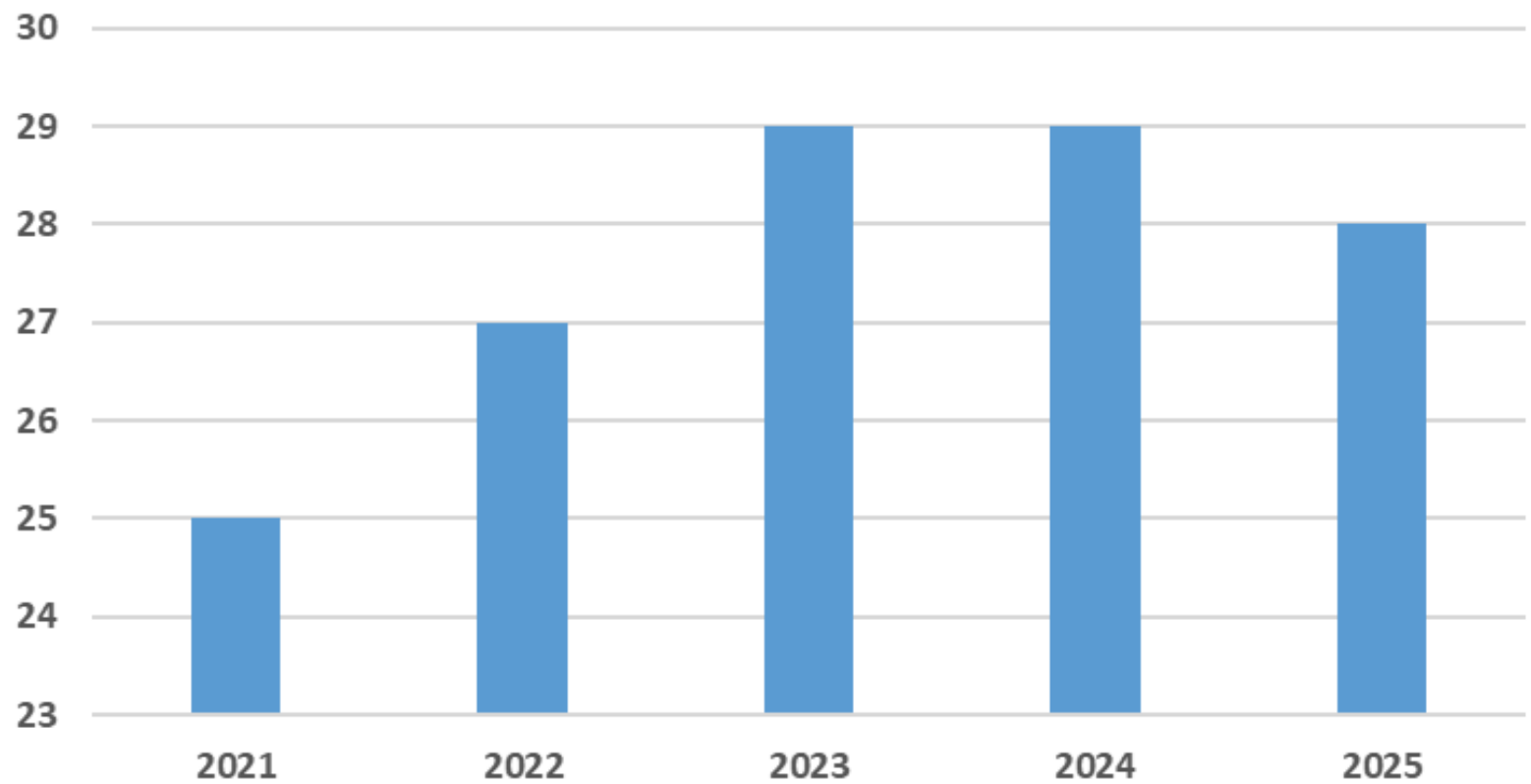
Lectures: Overview

Topics are related to the following

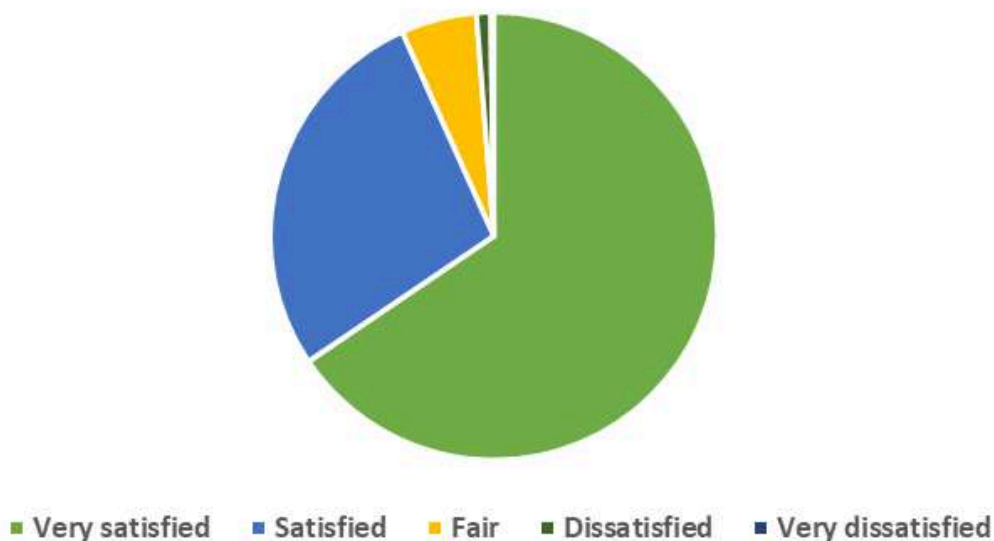
- ◉ **Agroecology: sustainable agriculture and post-production systems**
- ◉ **Agriculture, production systems, and sustainable development**
- ◉ **Current and emerging problems in food, agriculture, and environment**
- ◉ **Issues with allied disciplines**

CIEP in Numbers

Number of Participants for the Past 5 years



Overall Participant Satisfaction Across Program Activities in 2025



93.2% positive satisfaction
Only 1.3% negative responses
Strong overall program performance

2026 Tentative CIEP Schedule

Date	Time	Contents	Place	Accomodation	Meals(B/L/D)
Jul. 24(Fri.)	all day	Arrival day	Setagaya campus, Tokyo, Japan	Students' dormitory	-/-/-
Jul. 25(Sat.)	13:00-16:00	Orientation	International Center, Setagaya campus	Students' dormitory	-/-/-
Jul. 26(Sun.)	Free day	-	-	Students' dormitory	-/-/-
Jul. 27(Mon.)	Morning	Departure from Tokyo to Hokkaido	Haneda Airport	Toyoko inn Abashiri	-/-/D
	15:00~17:00	Workshop and lecture at Okhotsk	TBD		
	17:30	Welcome Party	Cafeteria		
Jul. 28(Tue.)	Morning	Field study	Abashiri Prison Museum	Toyoko inn Abashiri	B/L/-
	Afternoon	Field study and lecture	Agriculture in Okhotsk (No. 26 Farming Group)		
		Campus tour and Field study	Experimental Plot		
Field study	Okhotsk Ryuhyo Museum				
Jul. 29(Wed.)	Morning	Field study	Shiretoko Nature Center	Nonkey Land Higashimokoto	B/L/-
	Afternoon	Field study	Ezo Deer Farm		
Shopping		Supermarket			
Jul.30(Thu.)	Morning	Field study and lecture	Shibetsu Salmon Science Museum	Nonkey Land Higashimokoto	B/L/-
	Afternoon	Field Study	Kiyosato Shochu Distillery		
Jul. 31(Fri.)	Morning	Field study	Lake Tofutsu Waterfowl and Wetland Center	Students' dormitory	B/L/-
	Afternoon	Field study	Kin-jirushi Wasabi Co., Ltd. – Okhotsk Factory		
	15:05~17:00	Departure back to Tokyo	Memambetsu Airport		

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Aug. 1(Sat.)	Morning	Free time	-	Students' dormitory	-/L/-
	12:30~13:15	Lunch time	International Center, Setagaya campus		
	13:30~15:30	High school poster sessions and English Café	International Center, Setagaya campus		
	Evening	Free time	-		
Aug. 2(Sun.)	All day	Free time	-	Students' dormitory	-/-/-
Aug. 3(Mon.)	All day	Workshop	International Center, Setagaya campus	Students' dormitory	-/-/-
Aug. 4(Tue.)	9:00~13:30	Workshop(rehearsal)	International Center, Setagaya campus	Students' dormitory	-/-/D
	14:00~16:00	Final Presentations			
	16:30~18:00	Closing ceremony and farewell party			
Aug. 5(Wed.)	-	Departure	-	-	-/-/-



Program fee

Estimated Cost: Approximately **JPY 100,000**, which includes round-trip airfare from Tokyo to Hokkaido, accommodation, and entrance fees to facilities.

A portion of the total participation fee (**JPY 53,630**) will be collected in advance as a non-refundable **application deposit**. Further details regarding the payment method and deadline will be communicated to all successful applicants in due course

Note 1: The program fee does not include round-trip airfare between the participant's home country and Tokyo, Japan.

Note 2: The program fee, as well as any bank charges, transaction fees, or related costs, shall be borne by the participant or their home university.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellation fees will apply from the moment the application deposit is paid. The cancellation fee will be equivalent to the full amount of the application deposit.



How and where to apply

Invitation letters are sent to all global partner universities, and interested students must apply through their home universities via the office responsible for CIEP or related international programs. Please consult the relevant office at your university for detailed application procedures and deadlines.

Tokyo University of Agriculture (Tokyo NODAI) will review applications from nominated students and conduct a screening process to select suitable participants for the CIEP Program. **Please note that, due to limited accommodation capacity, we may not be able to accept all nominated applicants.**