International Christian University (summer)
Homestay Option: Yes
Maximum Language Credit: 1

Strong Points:

- The teachers and students at ICU are ones of the nicest and kindest people I’ve ever met. The teachers are so genuine and patient, and they made the classes interesting. The Japanese students at ICU are welcoming and always love to help us practice Japanese. Students who were participating in the program were also super nice and fun to be with. I became good friends with a lot of them. The Cultural Programs included in this program helped us learn about Japanese culture and people, and they were very fun to attend. (2017)
- Excellent instruction and overall management of the program. Beautiful campus and comfortable dorms. Located in a very quiet and pleasant town, relatively close to the main city. (2012)
- Program caters to the students very well with language buddies, weekly tutorials, cultural excursions, and updates on your well-being. (2012)
- Very thorough immersion experience besides in-class instruction, also was able to make friends with Japanese college students. (2011)

Weak Points:

- I wish there could be more practice time with the Japanese students at ICU and our teachers in the program. The textbooks could also be improved. (2017)
- The program is quite intensive and rigorous at the advanced levels. Lots of work. (2012)
- Placement portion was not very good at deciphering each student’s experience and skills. (2012)