

# 2018 Summer School in Okayama, 01-14 July

## SETOUCHI

Its natural environment and society



### Introduction

The Setouchi region which consist six prefectures (Okayama, Hiroshima, Kagawa, Yamaguchi, Ehime and a part of Hyogo) is located in the central part of western Japan, facing the stunning Seto Inland Sea. There are three thousand islands of various size in this area, where the inhabitants of the region have established their own ways of life since ancient times. The sea, surrounding islands, coves, ports, mountains, villages, towns and people who live there have created a congenial accord. Thanks to its rich natural recourse, beautiful nature and convenient shipping routes connecting Japan to foreign countries, the culture and economy in Setouchi had flourished, too.

From this perspective, we will examine the Setouchi region and advance the SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals) defined by the 193 Member States of the United Nations in 2015.

The Okayama ESD (Education for Sustainable Development) Project, a multi-stakeholder platform including Okayama City and Okayama University, has been awarded the UNESCO-Japan Prize on ESD 2016 and Okayama City has received the UNESCO Learning City Award in 2017.

With this foundation, this two-week-summer program at Okayama University is designed on the basis of the main concepts of SDGs, aiming to provide students with an opportunity to think about what the Sustainable Development is by exploring Setouchi's past, present and future through a lecture series concerning the revitalization of mountain villages, community involvement in the historic town of Kurashiki, the well-known Setouchi Art Festival and the transformation of people's ways of life in the whole region.

### Important information and dates

Program Tuition and fees: 108,000JPY(approx.983 USD) Includes application, tuition, and field trip fees

Scholarship: 80,000JPY(approx. 727 USD)

For students with GPA 2.3 or higher according to the JASSO scale from partner universities

Accommodation Options: Twin room 48,000JPY(approx. 439USD) Single room 50,400JPY(approx. 459USD)

For further information and application: <https://v3.appllon.nta.co.jp/OkayamaCAMPUS>

The 1st deadline: February 14 Wednesday / The 2nd deadline: 7 March Wednesday, 2018

Apply early, the application for JASSO Scholarship is limited !



Bizen Satoyama



Kurashiki Town



Seto Inland Sea



Setouchi Museum



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