

Application Guidelines for e-START Program for the 2nd semester AY2022

1. Program Objectives and Overview

(1) Objectives

The e-START Program is a new type of international collaborative program in which Hiroshima University students work together with students from overseas universities and other institutions to tackle problems. The purpose of the program is to help students become future professionals who are fluent in working across cultural and geographical boundaries by using foreign languages and collaborating with people from different cultural backgrounds online.

(2) Overviews

The e-START program is mainly conducted during the holidays (some courses may start before the holiday). For each course, participating students will attend lectures given by faculty members of Hiroshima University and overseas universities during which they will work on topics related to themes related to the countries/regions in which the overseas university are located. After that, students from Hiroshima University and students from overseas universities will form groups and work on assignments together. The course will conclude with each group presenting their work.

The e-START program will be offered as a part of Liberal Arts Education courses registered either as "Collaborative Online International Seminar A" (1 credit) or "Collaborative Online International Seminar B" (2 credits).

2. Courses to be implemented

In the second semester of AY2022, courses will be offered as shown in the attached "Course List". For details, please refer to the attached "Course Details".

3. Application Requirements

Year	Undergraduate students and/or Graduate students* (Those on leave of absence cannot apply. *Differs by course. Please refer to course details.
School	All schools
Capacity	Differs by course. Please refer to course details.
Others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Participants must have a high level of interest toward international communication and studying abroad, as well as a clear purpose for participation. ● Participants must have obtained an adequate level of English ability and be willing to actively communicate in English and other foreign languages (no English score is required) ● Participants will be asked to cooperate in program evaluation and PR activities after the completion of the program

4. Program Fees

Students are responsible for the purchase of textbooks and other materials as instructed by their professors, and for any communication fees required to participate in the program.

5. Application

If you wish to apply for the courses in this program, please fill out the online form at the following URL and submit any required documents **by the due date(differs by course)**.

<https://forms.office.com/r/961D21UBSW>



(Points to be noted before applying)

- Please submit a score report for TOEIC IP* (implemented by Hiroshima University), a TOEIC test (implemented elsewhere), or other English proficiency test (TOEFL, IELTS or EIKEN etc.) If your first language is English, and don't have such score or certificate, please mention it in the application form.

※1 TOEIC IP (Online ver.) is also accepted. If you do not have any of these scores or certificates, please report it in the text field of the question regarding English proficiency.

- After entering your application information, please make sure to check the box “自分の回答について確認メールを受け取る(Receive a confirmation email)” to verify the content of your application. If there are any mistakes in the information you received, please reapply with a new online application form. If more than one application is received from a single person, the latest one will be treated as the correct one.

6. Selection process and the announcement of selection results

- (1) Participant selection for the courses in the program will be conducted on a course-by-course basis.
- (2) The selection process may differ from course to course. Some courses may have an interview in addition to the document screening process and evaluation of academic achievements.
- (3) The results of the selection process (program participation and course) will be announced on Momiji **approximately one week after the application period for the course has ended**.

7. Course Registration and Grading

- (1) Once you have been notified of the course selection results, you will be registered for either "Collaborative Online International Seminar A " or " Collaborative Online International Seminar B". You do not need to do the course registrations yourself.
- (2) Once the registration is complete, neither changes nor cancellations will be accepted for any reason.
- (3) Grading is based on the student's attitude during lectures and inter-cultural training sessions, their approach and contributions in group presentations, and final report.

8. Schedule

Period	Events
From Monday, December 5 to the application due date specified for each course	Application period
After the due date	Selection process

Approximately one week after the end of the application period.	Announcement of successful applicants
Course period for each course (During summer vacation)	e-START course conducted ※Detailed schedule will be informed by course professor

9. Frequently asked questions

Q. I have participated in the e-START program in the past. Can I participate this time also?

A. Yes you can. There are no enrollment restrictions regarding possible previous participation in the program.

Q. How many times can I participate in e-START?

A. Students may participate in the program up to a maximum of six times, once per semester. This means that students can earn a maximum of 6 or 12 credits in the liberal arts courses (Collaborative Online International Seminar A or B).

Q. Can I apply if I already took a maximum number of credits for the academic year?

A. This course is categorized as an intensive course and may not be included in the count toward maximum number of credits. However this rule may differ between schools. Please contact the Student Support Office of your school to find out if you are eligible to take this course.

10. Contact information

● About call for applications

Global Initiatives Group, International Office (2F, Student Plaza)

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● About the contents of a specific course

The professor in charge of each course (see course details for email addresses)