

BUNKA FASHION COLLEGE
APPLICATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
2018

1. Programs and Courses

Department	Courses		Years	Notes
Fashion Creation Department	Garment Creation		2	
	Intensive Garment Creation		1	For University and/or Junior College graduates
Fashion Technology Department	Foundations of Fashion Technology	Creative Apparel Design	3	First year students all participate in the same general curriculum and then, according to their 1st year performance and aptitude test, separate into their respective specialties in the 2nd year.
		Apparel Design Technique	3	
		Industrial Merchandising	3	
		Knitwear Design	3	
	Creative Design (Advanced Diploma)		4	
Fashion Marketing and Distribution Department	Global Business Design (Advanced Diploma)		4	
	Foundations of Styling and Distribution	Fashion Styling	2	This program has the same curriculum system as the Fashion Technology Department for first two years.
		Fashion Advising	2	
		Retail Planning	2	
		Fashion Modeling	2	
		Fashion Make up	2	
Fashion Textiles		3		
Fashion Accessories and Textiles Department	Foundations of Fashion Accessories	Millinery and Jewelry Design	3	This program has the same curriculum system as the Fashion Technology Department
		Bag Design	3	
		Footwear Design	3	

2. Qualification for Application

※ International applicants must have acquired (or be qualified to acquire) a student visa.

If the applicant enrolls without a student visa, he/she must switch to a student visa right after completing registration.

- (1) Applicants must not be of Japanese nationality, and must be of 18 years old by the end of March of the expected year of entrance into Bunka Fashion College.
- (2) Applicants are required to have completed a regular course of secondary education (more than 12 years full time) in any country and/or be qualified to apply for a university in their home country by the end of March of the expected year of entrance to Bunka Fashion College.
Applicants designated by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, are also qualified to apply.
- (3) If the applicant has attended a Japanese language school certified by the Ministry of Justice, attendance in said institution should be 80%* or more.
*It is not the number of days, but the number of hours.
*If the applicant attended a Japanese language school with temporary visitor visa or designated activities visa, the attendance rate cannot be included.
*If the applicant's attendance is less than 80% due to any force majeure event, we may consider accepting the application.
*Even if the applicant's attendance at Japanese language school is less than 80%, as long as he/she has completed another school after it and the attendance is 90% or more, we may consider accepting the application.
- (4) Applicants must have a good enough command of Japanese to understand lectures held in Japanese at Bunka Fashion College. To prove this, applicants must fulfill at least one of the following qualifications ①～⑤ :
 - ① Pass the Level 2 (N2) or higher of Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) given by Japan Educational Exchange and Services (JEES) and the Japan Foundation.
 - ② Achieve a score 200 or more on the subject "Japanese as a Foreign Language" in the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU) given by the Japan Students Services Organization (JASSO).
*The term of validity of EJU is 2 years.
 - ③ Achieve a score 400 or more on Business Japanese Proficiency Test (BJT) given by The Japan Kanji Aptitude Testing Foundation.
 - ④ Have studied 6 months or more in a Japanese language institution certified by the Ministry of Justice.
*It does not apply to the applicant who attended a Japanese language school with temporary visitor visa or designated activities visa.
 - ⑤ Have received at least 1 year of education at a Japanese primary school, junior or senior high school, or university (including junior college, Japanese language program for overseas students at university/junior college).
- (5) Applicants must prove they have the financial ability to live and study in Japan.

3. Schedule of Application and Examination (For the 2017 academic year)

	Term of Application	Date of Exam	Date of Announcement Result	Deadline of Payment Tuition
1st Exam	Oct. 2~Oct. 13, 2017	Nov. 11, 2017	Nov. 20, 2017	Dec. 4, 2017
2nd Exam	Nov. 13~Nov. 24, 2017	Dec. 9, 2017	Dec. 18, 2017	Jan. 5, 2018
3rd Exam	Jan. 5~Jan. 12, 2018	Feb. 3, 2018	Feb. 13, 2018	Feb. 26, 2018

※ Applicants who live outside of Japan must take the 1st or 2nd Examination to ensure that they are able to get the Certificate of Eligibility from the Immigration Bureau.

Applicants who don't have student visa can't take the 3rd Exam.

4. Application Documents

(1) Application form.

(2) Emergency contact information (designated form) which should be signed by the applicant's emergency contact person in Japan.

※ Student cannot be an emergency contact person.

(3) Financial support statement (designated form).

(4) Address label (with the applicant's mailing address).

※ If the applicant changes the address thereafter, he/she must inform us right away.

(5) The certificate of graduation issued by the last school (high school, college or university) and/or the certificate of qualification to apply for university.

The academic record and attendance record issued by the last school (high school, college, or university)

※ Copy of certificate is not acceptable.

※ Downloaded certificate from the website is not acceptable.

※ If applicant has attended any schools in Japan, he/she must submit also certificate of every school he/she has attended in Japan.

※ These certificates must be originally in Japanese or English.

※ If any certificate is not in Japanese nor English, the applicant must attach a translation in Japanese or English.

The translation must be issued by a translation agency and with an official seal on it.

Otherwise, the translation should be notarized by a notary or notarizing officer at the embassy.

The translation is not acceptable if it is issued by the applicant, an acquaintance or the Japanese language school.

(6) Japanese language proficiency certificate

If the applicant has attended a Japanese language school, he/she must submit the academic record and attendance record.

If the applicant has taken one of the following examinations, he/she must submit the certificate of passing it.

- Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT): level 2 (N2) or above
- Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU): score 200 or above on the subject “Japanese as a Foreign Language”
- Business Japanese Proficiency Test (BJT): score 400 or above

(7) Income certificate of the one who pays for the applicant's tuition.

※ If any certificate is not in Japanese nor English, applicant must attach a translation in Japanese or English.

(8) Application form for dormitory (only for those who would like to apply).

(9) Copy of passport

(10) Copy of Residence Card.

(11) Copy of health insurance card.

(12) Application fee (33,000 yen).

※All documents must have been issued within 3 months of your application. But if they are issued outside Japan, they must have been issued within 6 months.

※Submitted documents cannot be returned.

※The application will not be accepted unless all the above documents are correctly completed and submitted.

※We may ask the applicant to submit some additional documents.

5. How to Apply

(1) Admission is in April only.

(2) The application documents should be submitted all together. Applicants should come and submit them directly to our staff of Student Affairs Department. Or the guarantor should act for the applicant if he/she is not in Japan at that time.

(3) The application form and documents should be submitted to our office during the designated period. All courses have the limitation of acceptance.

(4) Applicants should take the entrance examination of our college. The examination contents are all in Japanese (Writing:Vocabulary, Reading:Grammar, Listening), composition (in Japanese), and a group interview.

(5) If the applicant is approved to enroll, he/she should pay all fees (see the table of tuition and other costs) by transferring to Bunka Fashion college's bank account by the designated deadline.

The Confirmation of Enrollment will be issued after we confirm the receipt of the total amount is paid.

※ The wire transfer must be made in Japanese yen.

※ Do not send cash by mail to our office. We will not accept it.

※ If the payment is not done by the deadline, it will be considered as a cancellation of enrollment.

(6) There is no refund for any fees which are paid already. However, if the applicant would like to cancel enrollment under the following conditions, the fees may be refunded.

- If the applicant cannot successfully get the required visa, the fees will be fully refunded. (supporting document required)
- If the applicant completes cancellation of enrollment before the day of entrance ceremony, the fees will be refunded except the entrance fee.

(7) The applicant who would like to apply for Bunka Fashion College dormitory should submit the dormitory application form with the other documents. The initial entrance fee and rent for the dormitory should be paid at the same time with other fees and costs.

6. Tuition Fee and Other Costs

(1) Tuition Fee and Other Expenses (Japanese Yen)

	Costs you must pay when you enter							2nd Term Tuition	Annual Tuition
	Entrance Fee	1st Term Tuition	Facilities Cost	Training Cost	Material Cost	Student Association Fee	Sub Total		
Garment Creation	260,000	325,000	220,000	90,000	40,000	4,500	939,500	325,000	1,264,500
Intensive Garment Creation	260,000	325,000	220,000	90,000	48,000	4,500	947,500	325,000	1,272,500
Creative Design (Advanced Diploma)	300,000	352,500	220,000	90,000	40,000	4,500	1,007,000	352,500	1,359,500
Foundations of Fashion Technology	300,000	340,000	220,000	90,000	40,000	4,500	994,500	340,000	1,334,500
Global Business Design	300,000	360,000	220,000	90,000	40,000	4,500	1,014,500	360,000	1,374,500
Foundations of Styling and Distribution	260,000	337,500	220,000	90,000	40,000	4,500	952,000	337,500	1,289,500
Fashion Textiles	300,000	340,000	240,000	90,000	40,000	4,500	1,014,500	340,000	1,354,500
Foundation of Fashion Accessories	300,000	340,000	240,000	90,000	50,000	4,500	1,024,500	340,000	1,364,500

(2) Other Expenses

- ① Students should pay school supply expenses (approximately 50,000 yen - 130,000yen for each course) .
- ② Students should prepare for materials approximately 3,000 yen-10,000 yen per month depending on its design.

7. Status of Residence (VISA)

International students need to get “Status of Residence for study abroad” to register at Bunka Fashion College. If international students cannot get it before registering, they should finish the procedures as follows before the entrance ceremony.

(1) Change of Status of Residence

“Certificate of admission” will be issued to foreign students who have completed the entrance procedures. They should change to “Status of Residence for study abroad” with the certificate and other necessary documents to the Immigration Office.

(2) Getting the “Status of Residence” for the first time

International students who enter Japan for the first time (not having “Status of Residence” in Japan) need to get a visa for studying abroad at an Embassy of Japan or Consulate General of Japan. In such a case, if the student has been granted a “Certificate of Eligibility” in advance by the Immigration Bureau, judgment to issue a visa will go smoothly. In the case of having the student’s relatives as guarantors in Japan, the relatives should apply for a “Certificate of Eligibility” by proxy at the Immigration Bureau.

BFC can apply for a “Certificate of Eligibility” by proxy for the student. The students who require this service from us, should make contact with our Student Affairs Department and hand in the necessary documents after registration.

※ The Immigration Bureau of the Ministry of Justice judges about giving a “Status of Residence”.

Our college cannot be responsible for any problems that may arise should the student be denied a visa.

8. Dormitory

- (1) Please note that the capacity of dormitory is limited.
- (2) The dormitory is occupied by both international students and Japanese students.
- (3) A single room is available for each student.
- (4) International students who intend to live in the dormitory, must obey the dormitory rules and regulations, and follow the Japanese life style, common sense and customs.

9. Entrance Ceremony and Opening Day at Bunka Fashion College

Entrance Ceremony: April 6, 2018

Opening Day: April 9, 2018

10. Notice concerning Residence in Japan during Studying Abroad

(1) Part-time Job

International students are permitted to stay in Japan for the purpose of getting an education. If international students plan on pursuing other activities while they are here, they should be given "Permission to Engage in Activities Other Than That Permitted by the Status of Residence Previously Granted" by the Immigration Bureau in advance.

Bunka Fashion College can assist a student in applying for the above permission as an agent if necessary.

International students who want to work while studying at Bunka Fashion College need to keep the following conditions in mind:

- ① Students must not have any problems with their school record and attendance while working.
- ② Working hours must be less than 28 hours per week.
- ③ The employer must not be involved in the entertainment and/or amusement trades.

(2) Application for Permission to Extend a Period of Stay

International students can get "Status of Residence" for studying abroad. If their visa runs out, they cannot stay in Japan and if they are on the register of our college after the period is over, they have to apply to the Immigration Bureau to extend the period of stay before the current period is over.

BFC can perform the above procedure as an agent for the student.

11. Cautions and Information

(1) Please note before submitting your application that your financial status or that of the person who is financially supporting you has prepared the amount which is required to cover not only the course tuition fees but also the living expenses required for the duration of the course you wish to enroll in. We ask that you be realistic when budgeting for living in Tokyo. Under the Japanese Immigration Law it is possible to receive special permission as a student to work a part-time job though do not rely on these funds alone to support you during your time in Japan.

(2) In regard to preparation of Student Visa and Passport, students are to take care of these application and processes by themselves or with the assistance of your guarantor in Japan.

The college's administrators can only assist in issuing the Admission Certificate to Bunka Fashion College and Student ID Cards.

(3) For those students who may not yet have the Japanese language ability required to be admitted into Bunka Fashion College though wish to study Japanese language in Japan we would like to highly recommend Bunka Institute of Languages. This Japanese language institute is situated under the Bunka Gakuen Education Foundation and is located on the same campus as Bunka Fashion College. This language institute is one of the most reliable and well structured Japanese language schools for foreigners. For further information, please inquire to the contact details below.

BUNKA INSTITUTE OF LANGUAGE

3-22-1, Yoyogi,
Shibuya-ku, Tokyo,
Japan 151-8521
Tel 03(3299)2011
www.bunka-bi.ac.jp/en/

12. Overseas Offices

Please make inquiries to the following offices about recruitment of new students and applications.

Bunka Fashion College : Student Affairs Department

3-22-1 Yoyogi, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo Japan 151-8522
Tel : +81(0)3-3299-2216 / Fax : +81(0)3-3370-9545
<http://www.bunka-fc.ac.jp/>

■ Taipei Office

Full Building 4 floor, No.57, Sec.1, Chongcing S. Rd., Taipei City 100
Tel : +886(0)2-2375-1951 / Fax : +886(0)2-2375-1145

■ Seoul Office

Rm 1715, Champs Elysees Center B/D, A-Dong 889-5, Daechi-Dong, Kang Nam-ku,
Seoul, KOREA, 135-280
Tel : +82(0)2-561-6708 / Fax : +82(0)2-565-0179

■ Bangkok Office

90 Ekamai 12, Sukhumvit 63, Klongton-Nua, Wattana, Bangkok 10110, Thailand
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