

# Welcome to Hiroshima University!

## Guide to visitors to Dept. Math.

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## How to ask question to Japanese in English

Most Japanese are rather shy, but they understand some English (in particular often younger persons do). Sometimes hearing is harder than reading for a typical Japanese, so one way to ask a question to a Japanese is “to write down the question in English on a paper, and show it while you are asking the same question.”

## 1 On Campus

### 1.1 Department of Mathematics

Department of Mathematics is in the Science Building B, see Map-1. At the 7th floor, there is a secretary office of Department of Mathematics, from where you may get necessary information.

Usually, a workshop will be held B707 at the seventh floor of this building. Sometimes, it will be held in “Gakushi-Kaikan” (Faculty Club) mentioned below.

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There is a wireless LAN system in B707. To use this, you need to set a pass-number (WEP) for the network in your computer, please consult with a staff.

## 1.2 On Campus Accommodation

There is an on-campus accommodation, named “Faculty Club,” but Japanese often does not recognise this name. In Japanese it is “Gakushi-Kaikan.” 3800 yens per night for a single room. There is one twin room and a Japanese style family room, whose fee depends on how many persons stay, please ask the faculty staffs.

You need to ask some faculty member to reserve, to pay the fee, etc., in advance. There is a card key, which is used to enter the room, and during the night, to enter the Gakushi-Kaikan building (at the entrance of the building, look to the right: you will find a place to insert a card). The card works when you insert and remove. The room has a TV, a refrigerator, a bath with shower, toilet, a pot, so it is like a simple hotel.

There is a (wired) LAN system in the accomodation. You need to fill in a form at the reception desk of Gakushi-Kaikan. A limited number of LAN cables can be rent.

A problem with this accommodation is “no breakfast, no dinner”. A restaurant “Boheme” is inside the Gakushi-Kaikan, which is something like French restaurant with price 1000 yens–, but it is open only at lunch time of weekdays, and often occupied.

There is an instant rice bowl: it’s dried and by pouring water, waiting 3 minutes, you can eat it. This is in the building of Gakushi-Kaikan.

You can not phone from your room. There is a public phone (you need to by a prepaid-card there) at the first floor, for which International call should be available.

## 1.3 Food/Daily

Breakfast is available at a cafeteria “Coop cafeteria” (see the left Map in “restaurant.pdf,” right to Central Library) from 8:00–, by 300 yens, but weekdays only (not on Sat, Sun, and holidays). Western style and Japanese style are there. The cafeteria also serves lunch and dinner, but please remind that the taste is student-cafeteria level.

There is a Cafe in Campus, see the left map in “restaurant.pdf.” It is open for weekdays from around 8:00. It’s western style.

Five minutes walk to the North will bring you to Shitami-area, where there are several restaurants, and a department store “You-Me-Town” open 9:30–23:00, where you can buy foods, drink, wears, etc. Inside You-Me-Town, there is a food court, a white-noodle (UDON) shop, and McDonald.

A 24-hours convenience store “Seven-Eleven” is near “You-Me-Town.” On Saturday, Sunday, and Holiday, this might be the unique place where you can buy breakfast around the university.

## 1.4 Transportation

There is a bus connecting University and Saijo Station. Note that there are other destinations on the same bus stop, so pay attention to the destination sign at the head of bus (it is written in alphabets “Hiroshima University” and “Saijo Station”, if they are appropriate ones).

It would be easy to use the bus stop “Hirodai-Chuoguch” only. Please use the bus which goes to “Saijo Station.” Basically, this bus starts from Saijo-Station, go to University, then going around the University anti-clockwise, then go to Saijo-Station. Thus, you will get-on and get-off at the same bus stop (not the opposite of the road). Time table is attached here. It costs 280 yens for one way, and takes 20 min.

There are buses that goes to the central of Hiroshima city from the same bus stop, too, roughly every hour.

## 2 Saijo Station

There are hotels around Saijo station, which costs around 7000 yens per night. In Saijo, there are more restaurants and cafes than near the University. A traditional “Japanese Sake Brewery Street” is there.

The bus stop at Saijo station, which goes to Hiroshima University, is at the south exits of the station.

## 3 Hiroshima Station

Hiroshima Station is a large station, where every Shinkansen stops. By JR train, it takes 35 min. from Hiroshima station to Saijo Station. The fee is

570 yens.

There are many hotels around Hiroshima Station.

## **4 Atomic Bomb Museum**

From Hiroshima Station, use a tram (Train on the road), to the tram-stop “Genbaku-Dome Mae” (Atomic Bomb Dome Front). Then, you can walk to the Atomic Bomb Museum. You might feel depressive, but anyway you can see how it was like right after the bomb and how it is now.

## **5 Miyajima-Shrine**

From Hiroshima Station, use JR train to “Miyajima-Guchi” (Miyajima entrance) station. Then use ferry to Miyajima. If you go from Saijo Station, some trains go directly from Saijo Station to Miyajima-Guchi, some require transit at Hiroshima Station. From Saijo to Miyajima-Guchi, it takes roughly one hour.