



UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY



# An Opportunity to Study Abroad

## USIU-Africa/SOKA University (Japan) Exchange Program

Applications are being accepted from undergraduate students desiring to study abroad **at SOKA University in Japan for two semesters (16 weeks), i.e. in Fall 2017 through Spring 2018** (August 2017 – May 2018 in each semester). **Two (2) Students Will Be Selected.**

SOKA University was founded in 1971 on the principles of humanistic education. Its unique and innovative approaches in education have been recognized by the Japan's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology. The university has been promoting international exchanges since its inception and now has one of the most active exchange programs in Japan. (visit: <http://www.soka.ac.jp/> for more information).

### Eligibility

Undergraduate students studying Japanese are encouraged to apply. However, all undergraduate majors are eligible to apply. Students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above (with 30 units or more) and no history of disciplinary infractions (Student Code of Conduct). Student will be responsible for the following:

1. Deposit of Kshs. **352,000 (by students from E.A.) and 398,000 (by other Int'l students)** into your USIU-Africa Student Account (2 semesters of Tuition, Fees, Room, Computer Lab and 2 Official Transcripts fee)\*. **Deposits to be made by Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017.**
2. Purchase of a return airline ticket.
3. Valid Passport
4. ***(Provide current Bank Statement indicating US\$ 9500 or Kshs. 967,000 to cater for Room Security Deposit, Health Insurance, Books & other personal expenses for two semesters).***

***(US\$ were converted to Kenya Shillings on 14<sup>th</sup> Nov., 2016 using conversion rates at <http://www.xe.com/ucc/full.shtml>). Please note: Fees are subject to an annual review, which may be between 5% to 10% increase. For preparation purposes, please put this into consideration. Confirmation of the amount to be deposited into your USIU-Africa Student Account will be made by end of May, 2017.***

### Application Deadline:

Interested students should send in their letter of application (along with the parental/guardian financial guarantee and copy of Passport) to Kellen Njagi, International Students Officer (Freida Brown Student Center) - by **Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017.** **(Students may select different institutions but must indicate the priorities).**

Your letter of application should include the reasons why you should be selected to represent USIU-Africa at SOKA University in Japan. Please mention participation in extra curriculum activities and community service (in USIU-Africa and off campus, if applicable). **Also, include your current email address & phone contact.** Students are expected to submit a written report on their experience upon their return to USIU-Africa (softcopy and pictures recommended).