The tuition exchange agreement between the College of William & Mary and Akita International University allows W&M students to pay their regular tuition to W&M while taking classes at Akita. The exchange program is best for VA in-state students.

Akita International University, AIU, is a four-year liberal arts university in Akita prefecture, Japan. Its undergraduate program offers bachelor’s degrees in Global Business and Global Studies, and its graduate program offers master’s degrees in Japanese Language Teaching, English Language Teaching, and Global Communication Practices.

The university is located in Akita city (population about 325,000), the capital of Akita prefecture (population about 1,093,000). The campus is surrounded by natural beauty, but is easily accessible from downtown Akita city and Akita Airport.

Akita International University Exchange

Location: Akita, Japan
Host Institution: Akita International University
Term: Fall Semester (September-December)
Spring Semester (April-July)
Summer Semester (June-July)
Academic Year (September-July)
Deadlines:
Spring Semester — Oct 1
Fall Semester/Academic Year — Mar 15
Eligibility: W&M student in good standing
3.0 GPA
Language Requirement: None
Course Information:
Students may choose from the full university curriculum listed at http://www.aiu.ac.jp/en/academics/index.html
Transfer Credits:
Courses must be pre- or post-approved. Grades will not appear on transcript or be included in GPA.
Program Costs:
Tuition paid to W&M if accepted as an exchange student, as well as a $75 application fee and $200 off campus fee (payable to W&M). Room and board are paid to the host university.
Application:
Applications are available online @ http://studyabroad.wm.edu

In Spring, 2010, Akita International University welcomed 119 international students from 22 countries and regions, a strong indication of its commitment to inter-cultural education.