

Differences in University Life: Moscow State University vs. Hosei University (Tokyo)

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University life at Moscow State University (MSU) and Hosei University in Tokyo is quite different, reflecting their unique cultural and educational settings.

Hosei University has a super modern campus with beautiful architecture and a very student-friendly vibe. The campus feels welcoming and is designed to be both nice to look at and easy to get around. This is quite different from MSU, which has a more traditional, historic image.

One of the highlights of Hosei is its canteen, which offers a wide range of Japanese and Western dishes at reasonable prices. There's always something tasty to try, no matter where you're from. There's also a convenience store on campus where you can grab a quick snack.

Classes at Hosei are a bit longer by ten minutes (1:40 each), but they're really interesting and give you a great understanding of Japanese culture and society. Courses like "Journalism in Japan" and "War & Memory" are especially recommended. Hosei also has tons of clubs and activities for international students. The Kendo club, for instance, is super welcoming and has a friendly atmosphere.

Hosei's sports facilities are top-notch and available to everyone. The university organizes many cool events like Japanese calligraphy, rakugo performances, and even bowling competitions, which add to the fun.

Plus, the campus is located near Tokyo's central district, making it easy to explore tourist attractions and enjoy the city. MSU, while significant in its own right, doesn't offer the same kind of urban adventure due to its location.

In short, Hosei University offers a lively, inclusive, and culturally rich experience, which contrasts with the more traditional and academically intense environment at Moscow State University.

