

■Fall Semester Entrance Ceremony

The Fall Entrance Ceremony was held on-site in Satta Hall, Ichigaya Campus, on September 9. The ceremony began with a welcome speech in English by President Hirose Katsuya, followed by a welcome address by Beuerlein-Steinberg Sasha Sage, a sophomore from SCOPE, and then Kmet Yuliana Ivanna, a first year student at GBP. To everyone's delight, a welcome party was also held after the ceremony, after a break of three years due to the pandemic.



■Exchange Students Arrived!

Exchange students from overseas who start their semester or year abroad here at Hosei University have arrived. These 101 students will take classes primarily in ESOP (Exchange Students from Overseas Program). Various events were

held to help acclimatize them to their new environment, which included events organized by student volunteers through the HUBs (Hosei University Buddy System). These students joined the 20 odd students who are continuing from the Spring semester.



■TOEIC-IP TEST

Hosei undergraduate and graduate students can take TOEIC-IP free this year as well. The test is to be taken on-line any time and anywhere between November 15 and December 1. Further, students who have taken the test in previous years may also take it again this year. However, note that

prior registration is required, and the deadline is 2pm on November 10!



[See the details.](#)

Japanese Speech Contest

On November 18, international students studying at Hosei University may participate in the Japanese Speech Contest. This speech contest started even before we were selected as a Super Global University, but it was not held in the past three years due to the pandemic. This year, nine international students— from China, Korea, Vietnam, Uzbekistan, and Italy— will give a speech about their hometown. The final speech will be a culmination of team effort as each participant is supported by two or three Japanese student staff. The event is open to all in the Hosei community. Come take a look!



[See the details.](#)

Foreign Languages

In addition to English, there are ample chances to learn other languages as well. Check out the following “language cafes”:

Language Cafes	Time	Place
German Language Cafe	From September 22, every Friday from 16:50 – 18:30 (5th period)	Boissonnade Tower 6/F Rm0608
Russian Language Cafe	From September 26, every Tuesday from 16:50 – 18:30 (5th period)	Sotobori Building 4/F, Rm S404
French Language Cafe	October 27 (Friday) 12:20 – 14:00 (bring lunch!) November 6 (Monday), 15:10 – 17:00 (More sessions are planned after Nov 6 as well!)	Ouchiyama, 2/F, G Lounge

There is also “Tama Xin Chao! 2023” on Tama campus, where students are taught Vietnamese through English! There are 14 sessions from end of September to mid-December. Twenty-nine students are participating this year. Students only learn Vietnamese but they get to hone their English skills, and of course, learn about Vietnamese culture as well.