

Writing and sending research papers while abroad for extra credit and 英語専門セミナーcredit

留学中に単位認定用のリサーチ論文を書いて送ることについて

Optional research papers

You can increase the number of credits you earn by taking English skills classes typically in a language program, by writing research papers. The research papers should be more than 1,000 words long and in the correct format (see the examples).

オプションのリサーチ論文

留学中にとる1科目1単位として計算される語学授業の単位を、リサーチ論文を書くことにより2単位として認定することができます。このリサーチ論文は1000語以上で、例にあるように、正確な様式で提出する必要があります。

There are two types of research paper.

リサーチ論文には2種類あります。

Type 1 – regular research papers for extra credit. The English Department allows you to send two research papers for each semester you are away – so if you are gone for a year, you can send four research papers. They are evaluated by the advisors, and you can earn two credits per class instead of one if the research papers are good enough to meet our standard. Writing research papers is not a requirement, but it is a very good idea to do them if you want more credits.

タイプ1-2単位用の通常のリサーチ論文

1学期につき、2つまでリサーチ論文を提出できます。ということは、1年留学する場合は、最大4つのリサーチ論文を出せるということです。これをアドバイザーが評価をし、一定の基準に達していると、1科目1単位の語学授業を2単位として計算することになります。このリサーチ論文は必ず書かなければいけないものではないですが、より多くの単位がほしい人には、よい選択肢だと言えるでしょう。

Type 2 – 英語専門セミナー research papers. Students who entered KSU from 2014 on have to get 8 credits for 英語専門セミナー in their third year and fourth year as 選択必修科目. If you are a third year or fourth year student while you are studying abroad, you can write two research papers per semester to get 英語専門セミナー credit in addition to Type 1 research papers. You can earn two credits per class, if the research papers are good enough to meet our standard. If you do extra research papers for 英語専門セミナー, make sure that you write at the top of the front page “For credit for 英語専門セミナー”.

タイプ2-英語専門セミナー用のリサーチ論文

2014年及びそれ以降に入学した学生は、英語専門セミナーを3年次・4年次の間に選択必修として8単位(4科目分)とることになっています。留学している時に、3年次または4年次生であれば、タイプ1の通常のリサーチ論文とは別に、英語専門セミナー用のリサーチ論文を、1学期につき2つまで、書くことができます。これが一定の基準に達していると、1科目1単位の語学授業を英語専門セミナーの2単位分として認定することになります。このタイプ2のリサーチ論文を提出する時は、最初のページの一番上のところに、「英語専門セミナー単位認定用」と必ず書いてください。

Research paper Topics

You can choose the topic of any of the research papers. You can also submit a research paper based on

something that you have written for a class that you have taken while studying overseas. (In other words, you can recycle an essay or report if it meets the requirements.) Here are some examples of topics:

- the country or area of the country you are in (for example, look at the lifestyles of people and differences with Japan)
- an area or topic you have studied while abroad
- an analysis of a movie, song, poem, book or work of art from the country you are in

The possible topics are endless. However, you need to understand that a research paper that has not involved research using books, journals and/or websites, and is based only on your personal ideas and observations (like a diary), is not acceptable. If you are not sure that your topics are suitable, ask your advisor what they think.

リサーチ論文のトピック

リサーチ論文のトピックは、通常用、英語専門セミナー用ともに、自分で決めて構いません。留学中の授業で課題として書いた論文を、リサーチ論文として、提出することもできます。以下にいくつか例をあげておきます。

- 自分が滞在している国や地域について（例えば日本との違いを比較してみる）
- 留学中に実際に学んだ分野やトピックについて
- 滞在中の国の映画、歌、詩、本、その他芸術作品などについての分析

使えるトピックは、いくらでもあります。大事なことは次の点です。個人的な想いや観察を書き綴った日記のようなものではなく、本やジャーナル、ウェブサイトなど、文献を参考にリサーチをした論文でなければならないということです。選んだトピックがふさわしいかどうかわからない時は、アドバイザーに質問をしてください。リサーチ論文そのものの添削はアドバイザーはしません。

Submission

You must send research papers while you are overseas and you should send them to your advisor as attachment files before you return.

提出

リサーチ論文は、帰国するまでに、メールへの添付ファイルとしてアドバイザーに送ってください。

Examples Read the information on how to write the research papers. Also, look at the example essays (on the separate PDF files) sent by a student recently. Notice how the student has included references in the essay and a list of the books and journals at the end.

IN THIS EXAMPLE, THE PARAGRAPHS ARE INDENTED.

John Smith 123456

How to format an assignment for research papers written while studying abroad

This page is an example of how we want you to format the research papers you will be submitting while you are overseas for extra credit. Please read and check you understand it all.

First of all, if possible all typed work should be submitted in the font Times New Roman, the font size should be 12 with a line spacing should be 1.5. You should have your name and student number in the top right hand side (like John Smith, 123456 above), and you must put the number of words in your assignment on the bottom right hand side (as below – use the word counter.). In addition, don't forget to have a clear and appropriate title.

Your paragraphing should be clear and use either indents (like this sheet) or be in block form, depending on which one you like. You must be consistent and not mix the two – a research paper should be indented OR in block form.

You can send your research papers by e-mail to your advisor (make sure they get it by sending a follow-up e-mail). Make sure you re-read each paper several times and use the spell-checker to try to find simple errors before submission.

You must not copy from the internet or from a friend – even one sentence. Copying is called plagiarism. Nor should you get someone else to write the essay for you. If it is appropriate, you may quote (using “ ”) from a source, but you need to say where it comes from. You should also list any sources at the end of your essay. (See the examples by a student for how to write references.)

We hope that this is clear. If you do not understand or have any questions at all, please ask your advisor anytime. Good luck and good writing!

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IN THIS EXAMPLE, THE PARAGRAPHS ARE IN BLOCK FORM

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How to write a good essay

Each and every one of your teachers all through your university life will have a different idea of what they want you to do when submitting research papers. However, there are some basics to research paper writing that are good to know.

The first and most important is make sure you understand and focus on what you are supposed to write about. Students very often quickly read instructions for a research paper about one topic and end up writing on another completely different topic. Keep focused.

Before you start, it is a good idea to try and write a brief outline of your ideas. With no clear plan it is very easy for your writing to become disorganized. Write a draft (a rough version), check it carefully for simple

mistakes, for structure, and to make sure it answers the question (this is called proofreading.) Finally, put it into the correct format.

What makes a great research paper? One that is focused, has a clear structure, a good introduction and conclusion, and looks good. Good presentation can get you higher marks for a research paper. Good luck and happy writing!

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