

**HOUSING INFORMATION  
FOR  
AGU INTERNATIONAL SHORT PROGRAM**



**Aoyama Gakuin University  
International Exchange Center  
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This handbook introduces housing opportunities for AGU International Short Program. Please read the following information carefully and decide where you wish to stay while you are at AGU.

## 1. AGU I-HOUSE (Musashi-Kosugi)

AGU I-House (Musashi-Kosugi) is a brand-new, co-ed dormitory operated by AGU, in cooperation with Itochu Urban Community, Co., LTD. The university manages two floors of a seven-story building as AGU I-House, with 128 single rooms. Half of those rooms are occupied by international students (including exchange students) and the rest of the rooms are for Japanese students. Five (subject to change) Resident Assistants (RA) will be assigned to assist the residents with day-to-day matters and to facilitate the communication between international students and Japanese students by organizing social events and floor meetings.

### AGU I-HOUSE (MUSASHI-KOSUGI) OVERVIEW

AGU I-HOUSE (Musashi-Kosugi) \*Name of the building is “CREVIA WILL Musashi-Kosugi”

ADDRESS: 399-1 Ichinotsubo, Nakahara-ku, Kawasaki-shi, Kanagawa Prefecture 211-0016

LOCATION: 14 minutes walk from Musashi-Kosugi station (Tokyu Toyoko Line)

45 minutes (walk & train in total) to Aoyama Campus

BUILDING: Construction scheduled to complete in March 2017, 7-stories building

FACILITIES: Multi-Purpose Room, Gym, Laundry Room, Lounge, Cafeteria, Terrace, Garden

FLOOR ASSIGNMENT: 3F is for male students, 4F is for female students

\*Floor assignment is subject to change depending on male : female ratio

ROOM TYPE: Single Rooms (Bed, Desk, Closet, Bathroom, Mini-Refrigerator, Wi-Fi)

RESIDENT ASSISTANTS (RA): 5 (2 males, 3 females)

MORE INFO ON FACILITIES (CREVIA WILL Musashi-Kosugi) <http://cvw-musashikosugi.jp/en/index.html>

DORMITORY FEE: 82,000 JPY (2 meals per day on weekdays, facility & Wi-Fi fees included)

TRANSPORTATION COST: 400 JPY per day (200 JPY one way)

## COMMON SPACE

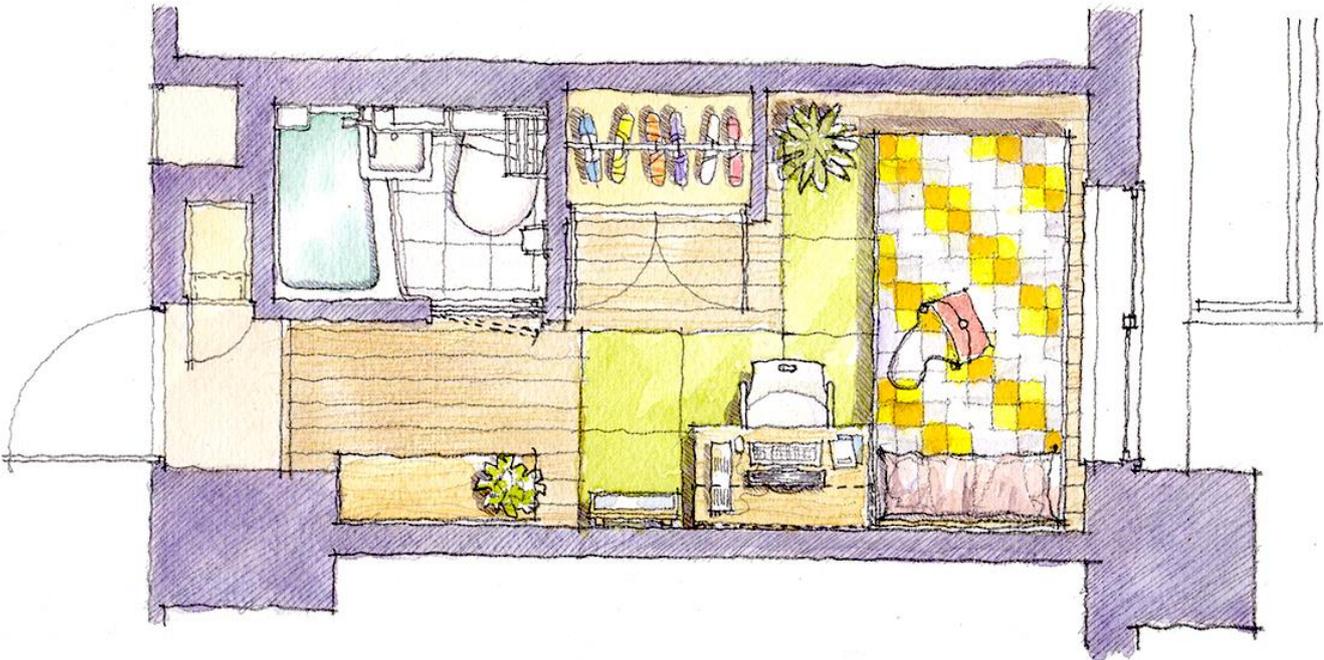
Multi-Purpose Room / Gym / Laundry Room / Front Desk / Lounge / Cafeteria / Terrace / Garden

More Information: <http://cvw-musashikosugi.jp/en/comspace.html>

## LIVING SPACE

Single Rooms (12.00 square meters)

Shoe Storage / Closet / 3-Level Shelves / Bed (Length 194.5 cm x Width 100 cm x Height 40 cm) / Desk / Chair / Mini-Refrigerator / Bathroom



More Information: <http://cvw-musashikosugi.jp/en/private.html>



## ABOUT MUSASHI-KOSUGI

Musashi-Kosugi, where AGU I-HOUSE is located, is between Shibuya and Yokohama. Musashi-Kosugi has become very popular since the recent re-development around Musashi-Kosugi station, and is now ranked as one of top five cities in “Where People Want to Live in Greater Tokyo” ranking.

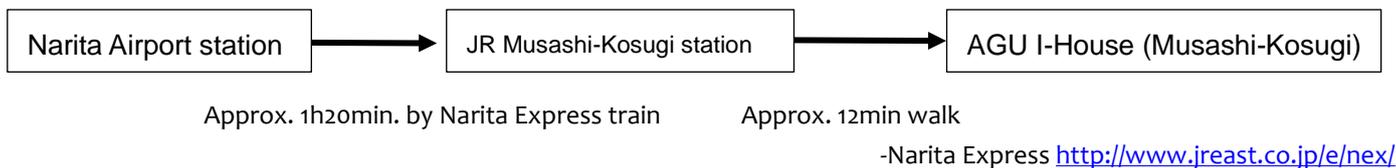
Around Musashi-Kosugi train station are several major shopping malls, supermarkets, restaurants, discount stores, clinics and hospitals, banks, parks, municipal office, etc. The station has 5 train lines, making it easily accessible for the residents to get to some of the major areas in Tokyo such as Shibuya, Shinjuku, Ikebukuro, Jiyugaoka, and Yokohama.

### DIRECTION

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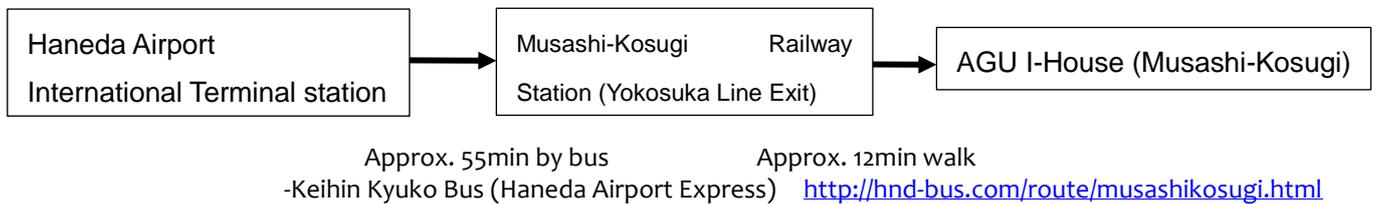
##### 【From Narita Tokyo International Airport】

##### - By Train (Approx. 1h32min)

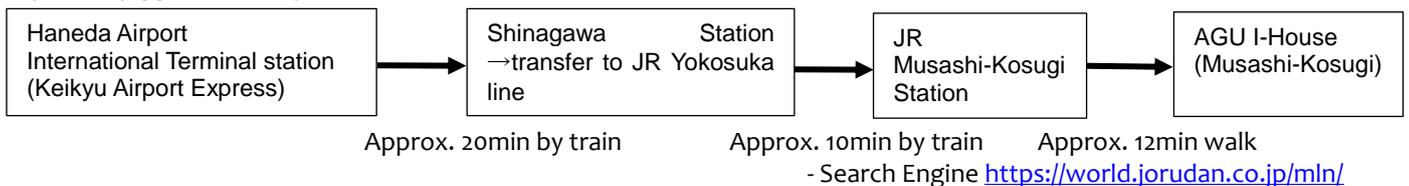


##### 【From Haneda Airport】

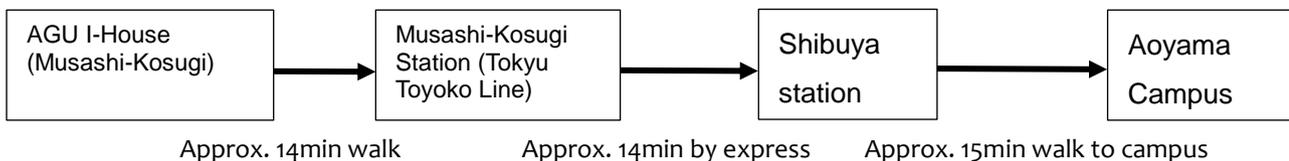
##### - By Bus (Approx. 1h7min)

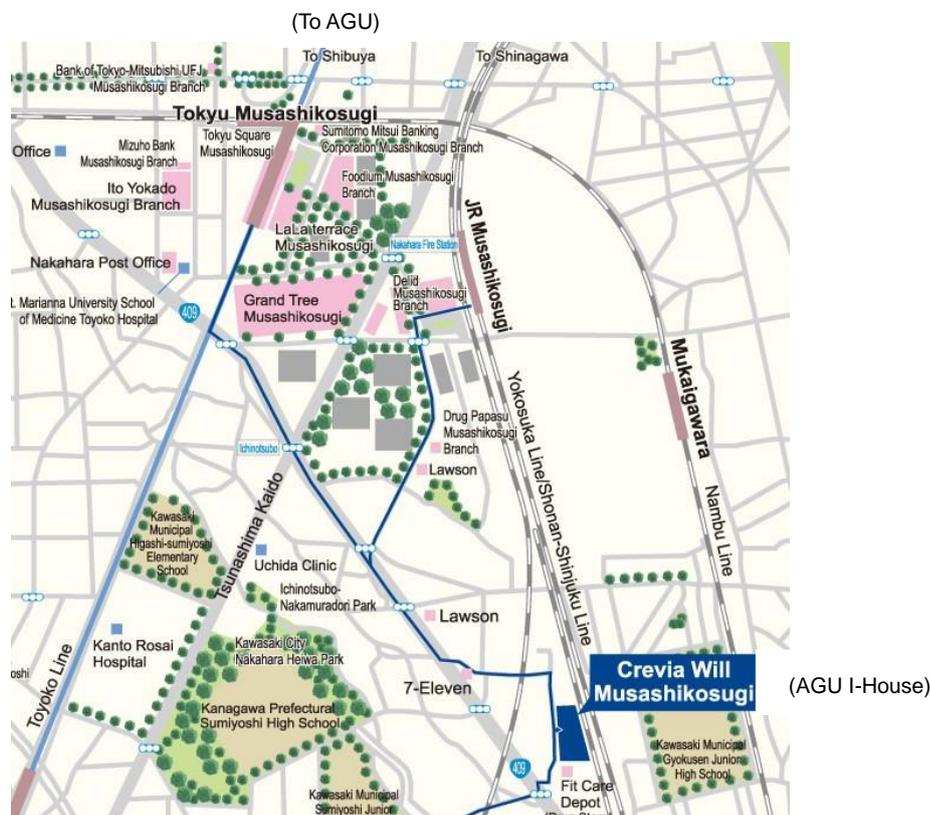


##### - By Train (Approx. 42min)



#### ● TO AOYAMA CAMPUS:





## DORMITORY REGULATIONS

\*For more information, please refer to the dormitory rules and regulations given to all residents

Curfew	None *Entrance is auto-locked, and a key card will open the door.
Meals	Breakfast : 6:30 to 8:00 on Mon to Fri Dinner: 18:00 to 22:00 on Mon to Fri (Last order: 21:30) * No meal services on: Saturdays & Sundays, National holidays * Meals cannot be taken to your room. * Residents can cook their own meals at a communal kitchen on each floor
Laundry Room	7:00-23:00 *Landry facilities (washer & dryer) are coin-operated
Gym	9:00-22:00 *Sign-up required, No additional charge
Multi-Room	9:00-22:00 *Sign-up required, No additional charge
Lounge	24 hours *No eating or drinking
Roof-top Garden	10:00-18:00 *Sign-up required, No additional charge, No eating or drinking alcohol or smoking
Smoking Area	24 hours (Outdoor) *Smoking is strictly prohibited in the building
Stay out	Residents who will not returning for 3 nights or longer must submit a designated form to notify the dormitory beforehand.
Visitors	9:00-20:30 (staying overnight is prohibited) *Visitors must sign-in at the front desk, and are allowed only in common areas (lounge, cafeteria, lobby, multi-rooms), NOT in individual rooms.

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

If you wish to apply for AGU I-House, please fill out “AGU I-HOUSE APPLICATION FOR ISP STUDENTS” and send it to us with other application materials. Please note that the number of available rooms is limited, and we recommend that you send in the application as soon as possible. You will be notified whether you can be placed in the dormitory or not, usually within one week. AGU I-House fee include a meal plan (breakfast & dinner on weekdays), but please note that the daily menu cannot accommodate special needs such as food allergies and religious restrictions. Students with such special needs are strongly recommended to find other types of accommodation where they can cook their own meals.

## PAYMENT

Applicants for AGU International Short Program will receive an invoice for the program fee and the accommodation fee. If the payment is not made by May 31, you will be automatically removed from the residents list, and the room is given to a student on the waiting list.

If you are staying from the night before the program starts and check out the morning after the program end date, your dormitory fee is 82,000 JPY. If you wish to check in early or check out later than these dates, the dormitory will charge 3000 JPY per nights for the additional dates (please check with the International Exchange Center for room availability).

Payment must be done via bank transfer (credit cards are not accepted). Program invoice, along with the bank account details, will be emailed to you well before the payment deadline.

<b>Dormitory Fee</b>	<b>82,000 JPY *2 meals per day during weekdays incl. for June 28 Check-in, July 13 Check-out (15 nights)</b>
<b>Additional Stay</b>	<b>3,000 JPY per Night (Up to 2 months in total)</b>
<b>Payment Deadline</b>	<b>MAY 31, 2017</b>

## CANCELLING YOUR APPLICATION

If you wish to cancel your application for AGU I-House, you must inform the International Exchange Center before **May 31, 2017**. After that date, there will be no refund.

## AGU I-HOUSE: Frequently Asked Questions

### **Q1: I got into AGU I-House but changed my mind. Can I cancel my application?**

Please read “CANCELLING YOUR APPLICATION” on P4. Depending on the date you cancel your application, you might not get a refund for the dormitory fee.

### **Q2: I am vegetarian. Can AGU I-House provide vegetarian meals? If not, can I opt out of the meal plan?**

Unfortunately, the dormitory meals cannot accommodate individual needs including vegetarian, food allergies and religious restrictions. Meal plan is automatically included for AGU I-House and cannot be excluded.

### **Q3: Is there a kitchen to cook my own meals?**

Each floor has a Living Space, where there is a communal kitchen with microwave, toaster, kettle, plates and utensils, etc. Cooking in individual rooms is strictly prohibited for safety reasons.

### **Q4: Is the building safe? What kinds of safety measures are taken?**

Residents use security card keys multiple times along the route from the entrance into the building to individual rooms, to prevent intrusions by non-residents. Staffs who control visitors' entry/departure is present at the front desk 24 hours a day. Multiple security cameras are installed at various locations in the building. In addition, various safety measures against natural disaster are implemented, including earthquake resistant building structures and an emergency stock of food and water.

For more information: <http://cvw-musashikosugi.jp/en/safety.html>

### **Q5: Can I use Wi-Fi in the building?**

Wi-Fi service is available in both common areas and individual rooms with no additional charges.

### **Q6: Does AGU I-House have a curfew?**

No. However, if you plan to stay outside of the dormitory for longer than 3 nights (e.g. staying at friends' place, trip, etc), you are required to submit a notification form beforehand, for security reasons.

### **Q7: Can my family and friends visit my room and/or stay overnight?**

Due to security reasons, non-residents are not allowed to visit or stay overnight in individual rooms. There are hotels nearby where your guests can choose to stay.

<http://richmondhotel.jp/musashikosugi/>

<http://www.taema.jp/>

### **Q9: Are Japanese AGU students living in the dormitory and would there be opportunities to socialize with them?**

About half of AGU I-House rooms are occupied by Japanese AGU students. Resident Assistants (RA) will be organizing floor meetings and social events on regular basis. There are also seasonal events that are organized for the entire residents of the building.

## 2. OTHER TYPES OF ACCOMMODATIONS

To arrange these accommodations, you need to contact each agency directly. If you have any question, however, please do not hesitate to contact the International Exchange Center.

### SHARE HOUSES

“Share Houses” in Japan are generally meant by houses shared by three or more people, most of whom travelers / students / workers from overseas. Share houses (or the terms ‘guest houses’ or ‘social residences’ are used interchangeably) are also becoming popular among Japanese people who are interested in foreign languages and cultures. In Tokyo, there are literally thousands of share house choices, with varying living arrangements and rents.

#### Advantages:

- No Key Money (Apartments usually charges key money, which is non-refundable)
- Fully Furnished (Houses usually have, not only basic furniture in bedrooms, but also electric appliances such as TV, microwave and refrigerator in common areas)
- Easy to Move In and Out
- English-Friendly (Most share houses have English-speaking staff and you can contact them via email and book a room)

#### Disadvantages:

- Contract Period for Many Share Houses are Monthly
- No Meal Provided (You need to cook your own meals in a shared kitchen)
- Cannot Book Rooms Until 1 – 2 Months In Advance (Most share houses do not know whether the room becomes available until the previous residents give them 30 – 60 days notice)
- No Opportunity for Interactions with AGU Students

#### Share House Websites

Please note that these are only some of the websites you find on the internet, and there are many more you can find.

<https://www.oakhouse.jp/eng/>

<http://www.sakura-house.com/>

<https://www.sakura-house.com/en/B00285/room> (For Muslim Students)

<http://fujimihouse.jp/lease/j/index.html>

<http://www.interwhao.co.jp/>

<http://jafnet.co.jp/plaza/>

[http://www.t-guesthouse.jp/index\\_en/](http://www.t-guesthouse.jp/index_en/)

<http://www.modernguesthouseliving.com/>

<http://www.e-guesthouse.com/eng/>

## **HOMESTAY**

“Homestay in Japan”, managed by Nextage, Co., LTD, has been arranging host families all over Japan since 2009. They can arrange a host family for short-term to long-term, as well as for weekend visit experiences. Please contact them and book directly.

Website: <http://www.homestay-in-japan.com/eng/index.html>