

## **Inter Cultural Studies of Architecture (ICSA) in Japan 2017**

In accordance with the general exchange agreement between Mukogawa Women's University (MWU) and Bahçeşehir University (BAU), students and professors from BAU's Faculty of Architecture and Design joined us at Koshien Hall and the Architecture Studio on MWU's Kami-Koshien Campus from June 22 to August 2, 2017.

BAU students tackled second-, third- and fourth-year MWU student design projects. By participating in this program, they gained knowledge, learned techniques, and increased their awareness of architectural design. They also joined basic design studios of first-year MWU students and had the opportunity to experience traditional Japanese culture, such as Ikebana (Japanese flower arrangement under Ryuho Sasaoka, headmaster of the Ikebana Misho-ryu Sasaoka in Kyoto) and woodworking (with Sadahide Kanda, a master carpenter in Hyogo). They also participated in fieldwork, exploring the cities and architecture of Japan, such as Omihachiman, Amanohashidate and the Itsukushima Shrine.

### **Participants**

Professors: Assistant Professor Belinda Torus, Instructor Seda Nur Alkan

Students: Asude Gülşen Gurulkan, Beyza Güvenç, Büşra Bars, Elif Tamay Uluşan, Fatıma Zahra Ziyad, Gizem Güzide Yurtbaz, Günseli Yazıcı, Pınar Kaya, Şule Sığındım, Vuslat Uysal



Each BAU student gave a self-introduction in Japanese in the welcome party on June 23.



In the welcome party, MWU graduate students gave welcome speeches in Turkish.



Courtesy call on Chancellor Ryo Okawara and President Naosuke Itoigawa of MWU on July 11



Courtesy call on Nishinomiya Mayor Takeshi Imamura on July 21



Architectural Design Studio I: Design of small-scale Architectural space through combination of planes



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Architectural Design Studio III: Rebuilding Hanshin Koshien Station with a membrane-structured roof



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Architectural Design Studio V: Paradise along waterfront



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BU and MWU students experienced Ikebana under Headmaster Ryuho Sasaoka (Ikebana Misho-ryu Sasaoka)



Master Carpenter Sadahide Kanda instructing the BAU students in using a plane.



Visiting Omihachiman, Shiga on June 24



Visiting Ine and Amanohashidate, Kyoto on July 1



Visiting Itsukushima Shrine and Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park, Hiroshima on July 7



Tea ceremony held by MWU students on July 6



Conferring of certificate of completion in the farewell party on July 28



Chorus performance by MWU students in the farewell party on July 28



Commemorative photograph in the farewell party