



KANSAI UNIVERSITY

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2. Admission Requirements	
Level	Undergraduate and/or graduate level as specified in the Student Exchange Agreement
Requirement	Language requirement Students must have either Japanese or English ability. If they do not have Japanese ability, they need to have as much level of English ability shown below. •GTEC 260 ~ •TOEFL ITP 505 ~ •TOEFL iBT overall score 3.0 ~ •TOEIC 580 ~ •IELTS 5.0 •CEFR B1
Duration of Exchange Program	One or two semesters.

3. Curriculum									
	<p>① KUGF curriculum The purposes of the KUGF curriculum are to improve language proficiency and communication skills, develop a high level of cross-cultural understanding, and foster global leadership skills. The curriculum can be categorized into 2 courses. Please refer to KUGF Course Guide for contents of the courses and language requirements.</p> <p>Global Frontier and Skill Up for Studying Abroad These courses are taught entirely in English and are open to both Japanese and international students. Global Frontier courses consist of 8 Modules. The purpose of Skill Up for Studying Abroad courses is to acquire English language skills.</p> <p>② Courses for International Students These courses are to support international students with Japanese language studies. We provide various levels of classes, from basic to advanced. You will be taking an appropriate level of Japanese classes after a language placement test done by a Japanese teaching specialist. We offer not only Japanese language courses but also courses that provide basic knowledge on Japan, introduce cultures of Japanese companies, business Japanese and courses that place you in a real company or an organization.</p> <p>③ Specialist subjects (courses offered by other faculties) Exchange students whose Japanese language ability is sufficiently high as proven on the Japanese language placement tests taken after their arrival in Japan can enroll in classes of these faculties. Students can learn a wide variety of subjects from general cultural subjects to specialist ones through these courses, held in the 14 faculties of Kansai University. These are studied in Japanese and students can expect an improvement in their level of Japanese proficiency as well as learning at a higher level of specialty.</p> <p>*The following is used as a guideline for the level of Japanese proficiency required to enroll in specialist subjects.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Test Name</th> <th>Reference Score</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>JLPT (Japanese Language Proficiency Test)</td> <td>N2 or higher</td> </tr> <tr> <td>J.TEST (Test of Practical Japanese)</td> <td>Level C or higher</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CEFR</td> <td>B2 or higher</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Test Name	Reference Score	JLPT (Japanese Language Proficiency Test)	N2 or higher	J.TEST (Test of Practical Japanese)	Level C or higher	CEFR	B2 or higher
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Acceptance at Kansai University Graduate School	<p>If students wish to study at Kansai University Graduate School during the exchange program, they will be assigned a professor to provide support for research activities. Students who wish to undertake research at the graduate school must search for a professor suitable for their research theme using the KANSAI UNIVERSITY System for Academic Information and submit a research plan (in either Japanese or English) at the time of application. *Graduate courses may not be opened if there are no regular students to take a course of a relevant graduate school. *Regarding acceptance as a graduate exchange student, acceptance may be refused at the discretion of the professor due to inconsistency in research content, Japanese proficiency, and etc. In that case, please note that students will be accepted as an undergraduate exchange student.</p>								
Upper Limit of Credits That Can Be Earned	Undergraduate Exchange Students: 24 credits per semester Graduate Exchange Students: 14 credits per semester								
Concept of Credit and Study Hours	<p>Study hours per credit We define 1 credit as equivalent to 45 hours' worth of learning as standard.</p> <p>The definition above does not apply to some of the courses. We will inform you separately in case your students take such courses.</p>								
Course Load per Week	In principle, students need to register for at least 7 classes per week. However, students who will be studying at Kansai University as a graduate exchange student does not apply to this requirement.								
Grading System	<p>Undergraduate: S (90-100%), A (80-89%), B (70-79%), C (60-69%), F (0-59%)</p> <p>Graduate: A (80-100%), B (70-79%), C (60-69%), F (0-59%)</p> <p>Please be noted that Kansai University does not reveal students' points.</p>								

4. Academic Calendar (plan)

Fall semester (September 2026 to March 2027)	
21 September, 2026	Start of fall semester
24 September, 2026	Start of fall semester classes
Late December, 2026 to early January, 2027	Vacation
Mid January, 2027	End of fall semester classes
Mid to late January, 2027	Fall semester examinations ※Students are able to return home after examinations are over.
31 March, 2027	End of fall semester
Spring semester (April 2027 to September 2027)	
1 April, 2027	Start of spring semester
5 April, 2027	Start of spring semester classes
Mid July, 2027	End of spring semester classes
Mid to late July, 2027	Spring semester examinations ※Students are able to return home after examinations are over.
20 September, 2027	End of spring semester
*Academic calendar may change depending on a year.	
Starting from the 2026 academic year, we will transition to a new academic calendar.	
From 2026 onward, the academic calendar will consist of 14 weeks of in-person classes and 1 week of on-demand delivery. The duration of each class will remain the same at 90 minutes per session.	

5. Accommodations

There are some international students dormitories that Kansai University is directly running. Also, we can introduce our affiliated company to those who would like to do a homestay or reside in an apartment.

International Students Dormitories ※Dormitory fees and other matters are reviewed each academic year.

Dormitory name	Dormitory entrance fee / person	Dormitory charges /month per person	Deposit	Access to Senriyama Campus
Student House Shurei-ryo (coed)	JPY15,000	JPY41,000 (Single room A) JPY43,000 (Single room B)	An amount equivalent to the monthly dormitory fee	Approx. 5 minutes on foot
Dormitory Tsukigaoka (female only)	JPY22,000	JPY42,000 (Single room)		Approx. 15 minutes on foot
Kansai University Global House (coed)	JPY20,000	JPY63,000 (Single room)		Approx. 30-40 minutes by bus and train Approx. 30 minutes by shuttle bus

Off-campus Accommodation

We can introduce our affiliated company to those who would like to do a homestay or reside in an apartment.

6. Other Support

Emergency Support	Kansai University provides 24/7 emergency support for incoming exchange students in case of life-threatening problems. Contact: Mon. through Sat., 9am – 5pm: +81-6-6368-0178 Sun., after-hours, and university holidays (11 August - 20 August, 26 December - January 6): +81-6-6388-1125 (Japanese only)
Global Buddies	KU students become a buddy of international students, help them get rid of their worries for Japanese customs, making new friends, and support them to adapt to a new life smoothly. Students can start interacting with Kansai University students and other exchange students before coming to Japan, and participate in various events together after coming to Japan to make life at Kansai University fulfilling.
【Important】 GTN Assistants for Biz	Starting from the 2026 academic year, our university has decided to introduce the "GTN assistants" for the purpose of enhancing the safety and well-being of international students. All exchange students will be required to enroll in this service regardless of their Japanese proficiency level or nationalities. This service offers 24/7 support via chat and phone for daily life-related consultations and medical interpretation. It also provides helpful information for everyday living, emergency updates during disasters, and earthquake alerts. Please note that the cost of this service will be borne by the students themselves. The invoice will be sent to the students from the affiliated company, KANDAI Pensee Co.,Ltd before student's arrival. For more details, please refer to the flyer .

7. Visa Information

Procedures for Obtaining a Student Visa	Kansai University will obtain a digital Certificate of Eligibility (e-COE) and send it to the student directly. With the e-COE, exchange students can apply for a "Student" visa at the nearest Japanese embassy or consulate overseas.
Permission for Undertaking a Part-time Job	If students apply for work permission, they will be able to work part-time and receive remuneration despite their status as "Student" (please note that they can only work for 28 hours per week). If they are planning to work part-time in Japan, they must apply for work permission.
Status of Residence After Completing the Exchange Program	Even if the residence card is still valid at the time of program completion, students must return to their home country by September 20th for the Spring semester and by March 31st for the Fall semester. Please be noted that students are obliged to hand in the soft copy of their flight ticket for returning home before leaving Japan as well as the invalid residence card after returning home as Kansai University manages international students' status of residence pursuant to Article 19 (17) of the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act and the Notice on Appropriate Acceptance and Registration Management of International Students from the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology. In addition, Kansai University will not support students to change their status of residence other than "Student".

8. Health Insurance and Overseas Travel Accident Insurance

Insurance	National Health Insurance (paid by the student) If you get sick or injured during your stay in Japan, National Health Insurance makes it possible to receive medical treatment by only paying part of the medical expenses (partial obligation). In principle, it is possible to receive medical treatment with the payment of just 30% of the total medical care expenses. Exchange students are obligated to buy the National Health Insurance.		
	Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research (PAS) (paid by the University) The Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research (PAS) is taken out collectively so that a minimum level of insurance benefits can be received if an unexpected accident or disaster occurs during education or research that results in injury.		
	Type of Benefit	During Regular Curriculum Activities and School Events	
	During Recess on Campus and Extracurricular Activities		
	Death benefits	JPY12,000,000	JPY6,000,000
	Permanent disability indemnity	JPY720,000 to JPY18,000,000 depending on the severity	JPY360,000 to JPY9,000,000 depending on the severity
Medical benefits	JPY3,000 to JPY300,000 Applicable from the first day of treatment and depending on the number of days required for the treatment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •JPY6,000 to JPY300,000 Applicable from the 4th day of treatment and depending on the number of days required for the treatment (during recess on campus) •JPY30,000 to JPY300,000 Applicable from the 14th day of treatment and depending on the number of days required for the treatment 	
	(Additional hospitalization coverage) 4,000 yen per day hospitalized *Limited to 180 days.		
Others Students are obligated to purchase "National Health Insurance (paid by students)" while studying abroad in Japan. "Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research (PAS) (paid by Kansai University)" could be applied for curricular activities and injuries that occur on campus. However, the insurance mentioned above may not provide sufficient coverage. Please make sure to purchase insurance (traveler's insurance) for sickness, injuries, and unexpected contingencies during your stay in Japan. Kansai University recommends to purchase 「Comprehensive Insurance for Students Lives Coupled with "Gakkensai"」 (only international students can purchase this insurance) for international students who would like to purchase insurance in Japan.			

9. Estimated Cost of Living (in Local Currency)

Health Insurance (per semester)	Approximately JPY13,000 to JPY 14,000
Books, Course Materials, and Stationery (per year)	JPY20,000 or more
Local Transportation (Train)	Kandai-mae Station (main campus) to Osaka-umeda Station (city area in Osaka) : JPY240 (one way)
Other Personal Expenses (per month)	JPY100,000 to JPY 150,000 or more depending on students' lifestyles. (Dormitory fees, meals, miscellaneous expenses)

10. Life at KU

Activities	Kansai University offers many activities through which exchange students can interact with students from Kansai University and experience Japanese culture.
Social Media	We have Facebook, LINE, X, and Instagram account. Please search for "Kansai University Division of International Affairs".

11. Important Notice

<p>We have a very important announcement on the following topics.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Certificate of Academic Record 2. Extension of stay 3. Returning Home Before the Semester Ends <p>For more detail, please access the webpage below and read the contents carefully.</p> <p>https://www.kansai-u.ac.jp/Kokusai/ES/others.pdf</p>
