

All Gender Units Q&A



Q What are the all-gender units?

A The all-gender units are living spaces in the dormitory for all students regardless of sex. Just as it is common for rental apartments to be open to both male and female residents, **all-gender units are living spaces that are not limited by sex.** All rooms are private rooms with their own toilet and shower, so you do not need to share a bedroom, toilet or shower with other residents. Residents in each unit share the unit's hallways, lounge, kitchen, and laundry room.

Q What is the difference between the co-ed dormitories and the all-gender units?

A In the co-ed dormitories (Student House Shurei-ryo and Kansai University International Dormitory), male and female residents live together in one building, but male and female living spaces are separated by wings or floors. For this reason, the opposite sex cannot live in the rooms next to one another on the same floor where they live. Global House and Minami-Senri International Plaza International Students Dormitory are also co-ed dormitories, with all-gender units in addition to the single-sex units. **The all-gender units are open to students of both sexes. Therefore, students of the opposite sex may live next door to each other in the same unit.**

Q What kind of students can live in the all-gender units?

A **Anyone who meets the requirements for entering an International Student Dormitory at Kansai University can apply to live in the all-gender units.** We aim to provide a comfortable environment for students who feel uncomfortable living in single-sex units and for students who want to achieve a harmonious relationship regardless of sex. If you wish to move into an all-gender unit, **you are not required to give a reason why.**

Q Are students of a particular gender identity eligible to live in the all-gender units?

A **The all-gender units are open to all students.** They are by no means units just for sexual minorities. The all-gender units provide an environment where you can enlarge the number of your friends beyond boundaries of sex and gender.



Q If I do not wish to live in an all-gender unit, is there a possibility that I will be assigned to one?

A If you do not wish to live in an all-gender unit when you apply, you will not be assigned to one.

Q Are the RAs eligible to apply for the all-gender units male or female?

A Any sex or gender identity, male or female, is eligible to apply as an RA.

Q Are the RAs assigned to the all-gender units male or female?

A Any sex or gender identity, male or female, is assigned to the all-gender units as an RA.

Q What is expected of RAs assigned to the all-gender units?

A In the all-gender units, students with various gender/sex identities are expected to share their lives with each other.

RAs are expected to understand gender diversity and to communicate with each resident with respect for their identity.

Q Are there any rules for living in one of the co-ed dormitories?

A Living spaces are divided into separate wings for male and female residents in Student House Shurei-ryo and separate floors for male and female residents in Kansai University International Dormitory.

(In both dormitories, students are not allowed to enter the wing or floor of the opposite sex.)

Dormitory Tsukigaoka is a female-only dormitory.

Global House and Minami-Senri International Plaza International Students Dormitory have all-gender units as well as single-sex units.



[For residents living in male units]

Residents living in male units are only allowed to enter the male units.

[For residents living in female units]

Residents living in female units are only allowed to enter the female units.

[For residents living in all-gender units]

Residents living in all-gender units are only allowed to enter the all-gender units.

All residents in any of the units are welcome to socialize in the common areas of the dormitory.