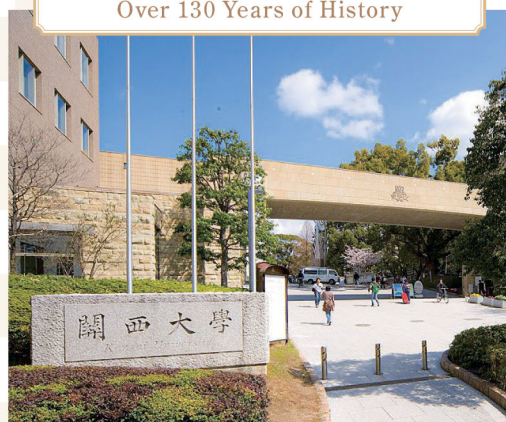


# The beauty of Kansai University

## Introduction to Kansai University



### Over 130 Years of History



Established in 1886 as Kansai Law School, Kansai University today celebrates more than 130 years of history.

### A Lush Green Campus



Our campus offers a unique mix of people, nature and architecture for an atmosphere that is both welcoming and relaxing.

### Comprehensive Educational Facilities



With a full range of educational facilities, including one of Japan's largest libraries, our university supports international students in all aspects of their lives.

## Facts

Degree Seeking Students

30,000

International Students

1,100

Undergraduate Faculties

13

Graduate Schools

13

Specialist Professional Graduate Schools

2

Partner Universities

183

Alumni

450,000

# Welcome to Kansai University

With a rich history and a network of five campuses across one of Japan's leading prefectures, Kansai University is home to over 30,000 students. Historically, Osaka was a thriving merchant town and was later named "the Nation's Kitchen." It is still famous for its delicious cuisine today. Osaka is also the site of many historical buildings and popular sightseeing spots such as Osaka Castle and the Dotonbori Area.

Welcome to Kansai University!  
Kansai University is located in a convenient area with easy access to both Kyoto and Kobe.  
Enjoy an abundance of delicious food and entertainment!

A greenery and spacious campus



## Short Trips in KANSAI

There are plenty of wonderful places just a short train ride from Osaka such as Kyoto, Nara and Kobe.



Enjoy the beautiful flowers with the historical Osaka Castle as the backdrop.



Go on a pleasant stroll around Kyoto in a traditional kimono.



Experience the deep history of Nara.



Visit Kobe, a classy town where shopping is a must.



# Features - KUGF Curriculum -

## Features

### 1 Curriculum

You can study in both English and Japanese.

### 2 Academic Advisors

An academic advisor will be assigned to each exchange student to support studies and living during their time here.

### 3 Special Supervisors

For students who wish to study at the Kansai Graduate School, support is available from special supervisors at the university.

\*Specific terms and conditions apply to graduate school.

### 4 Various Exchange Events and Activities

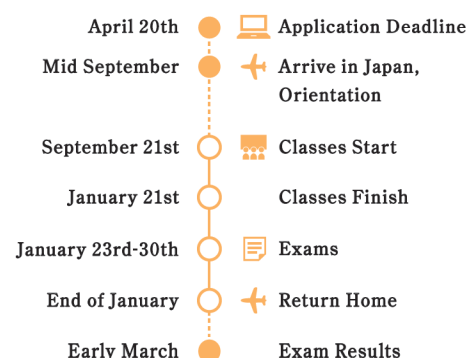
There are many opportunities to interact with students from Kansai University through events and activities where you can fully experience the Japanese culture.

### 5 Housing Support

In addition to student dormitories, you can choose a home that best fits your lifestyle and needs, such as a homestay or an apartment.

# Schedule

## Fall Semester



## Spring Semester



\*Schedule is subject to change depending on the year

# Academic Calendar

Fall Semester (September to March)		Spring Semester (April to September)	
September 21st	Fall Semester Start	April 1st	Spring Semester Start
September 21st	Classes Start	April 5th	Classes Start
December 25th-January 6th	Winter Holiday		
January 21st	Classes Finish	July 23rd	Classes Finish
January 23rd-January 30th	Exam Period	July 23rd-July 31st	Exam Period
March 31st	Fall Semester End	September 20th	Spring Semester End

\*Schedule is subject to change depending on the year

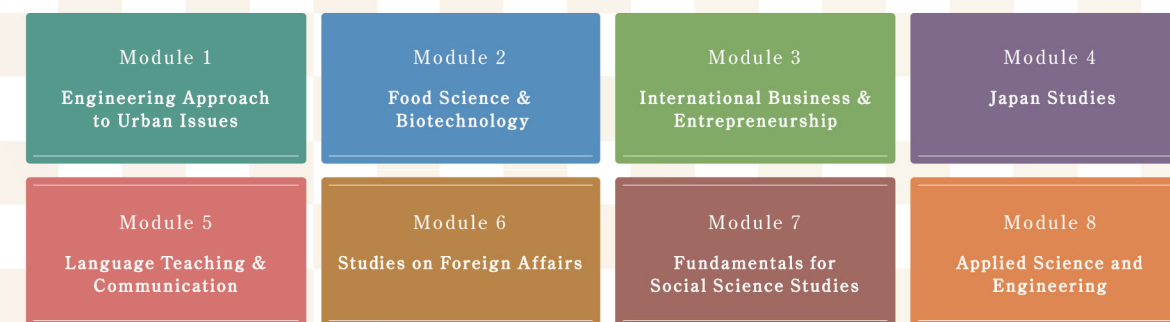
# Curriculum

## KUGF Course - Kansai University Global Frontier Course -

### Global Frontier Course

English

The Global Frontier course consists of 8 Modules in specific fields of study. These courses are taken in English together with Kansai University students.



### Japanese as a Second Language

Japanese

This course supports international students who are learning Japanese. We offer classes for all levels from beginner to advanced. In addition to Japanese, there are subjects related to Japan and Japanese corporate culture along with business Japanese.

### Skill Up for Studying Abroad

English

This course is for non-native students of English to improve their language skills.

Students with the specified level of Japanese language ability can take undergraduate courses.

Japanese

## Specialized Subjects (undergraduate courses)

### Courses available from 13 different faculties

By taking the undergraduate courses at Kansai University, you will not only develop highly valuable skills in your field of study, but will see further improvement in your Japanese language skills. To enroll in this course, you will need to have the Japanese level specified on the right.

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

*Point*

You are able to enroll in various classes in Japanese from general to specialized subjects

### List of Faculties

- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Letters
- Faculty of Economics
- Faculty of Business and Commerce
- Faculty of Sociology
- Faculty of Policy Studies
- Faculty of Foreign Language Studies
- Faculty of Health and Well-being
- Faculty of Informatics
- Faculty of Societal Safety Sciences
- Faculty of Engineering Science
- Faculty of Environmental and Urban Engineering
- Faculty of Chemistry, Materials and Bioengineering





# Global Buddy Program

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.

Global Buddy Program

Point

Point  
01

Make friends  
before arriving  
in Japan!

Point  
02

Receive support  
from Kansai University  
students!

Point  
03

Many activities that  
will deepen your  
experience of Japan!

## Student Voices

The Student's Voice

School Life  
Real Voice  
Exchange student



### An environment that encourages new interactions

When I was a child, I became interested in studying Japanese through anime. It was only after the decision to come to Japan that I went deeper into my studies. Because Kansai University is so large, you will be able to meet different kinds of students from all over the world.

Through the Buddy Program, I also made many friends and participated in cultural exchange events such as creating traditional Japanese carp streamers.

I had a great student life in a beautiful environment, learning so much about Japanese culture and making many friends along the way. While you are here as a student, I recommend to meet many people and make as many connections as possible.

Beijing Foreign Studies University GAO YUSHA

### Japanese students are also active participants.

The goal of being a buddy is not simply to support exchange students in their daily life and Japanese language studies, but to build a friendship of trust, where each side looks out for the other. Through this program, I made a lot of friends, and we often went out to eat or took trips on our days off together. I am now looking to join an exchange program myself. I study English while hanging out with the international students. In the future, I hope to get more involved with the friends in my group and to strengthen the bonds between us.

Faculty of Policy Studies, Kanta Ito

School Life  
Real Voice  
Japanese student



# Activities

Various activities are available to international students. In addition to events that promote student interaction, you can also experience Japanese culture through trips and participation in traditional festivals.

Welcome party is held for international students when they arrive in Japan, and the completion ceremony and farewell party for when students return home. You will have a wonderful time making memories and friends here at Kansai University.



Farewell Party



Field Trip to Kyoto



Community Festival



Tea Ceremony

# Living Expenses

When you travel to Japan, please make a sufficient financial plan with reference to the below costs. \*For reference purposes only.

One Semester	
Dormitory Fee*1	200,000 yen
Meal Fee	260,000 yen * Lunch on campus or in the vicinity (approx. 600 yen / meal)
National Health Insurance	13,500 yen
Transportation Costs (Reference)	Transportation expenses for commuting by train (Kandai-mae Station to Minami-senri Station) Approx. 10,000 yen if you buy a commuter pass
Costs related to textbooks, etc.	20,000 yen
<b>Total*2</b>	<b>Approx. 500,000 yen</b>

\*1 This is a required fee for entering a dormitory of Kansai University.

The fees for each dormitory differ.

\*2 This total does not include personal expenses.

(such as expenses related to extracurricular activities)

# DIASS

- Division of International Affairs Student Staff -

Student staff called DIASS are working at Division of International Affairs of Kansai University. Their main work is focused on reception, orientation support, campus tours, activity planning and management.

DIASS members consist of students who have studied abroad and international students who want to support the lives of exchange students.

Multilingual staff who can speak Chinese, Korean and other languages are on duty. If you have any questions during your time as an exchange student, feel free to come by and speak to a member of DIASS.





# Mi-Room - Multilingual Immersion Room -

Make Friends

Point 01

Both Japanese and International students gather to interact!

Point 02

When in trouble, DIASS will come support you!

Point 03

Many study sessions (lessons) are available besides regular classes.

At the Mi-Room, you will enjoy spending time with people from different cultural backgrounds. At the reception desk, student staff (DIASS) will assist you in renting computers and the use of Mi-Room space. Being able to use the space during the opening hours creates an environment where language skills can be improved and students can interact with different people from Kansai University. There is a dedicated space for various study sessions. The Mi-Room is an open space where anyone can drop in to relax, study and create new connections.



# GTA - Global Teaching Assistants -

International students have the opportunity to become active teachers (Global Teaching Assistants: GTA) and share their language and culture.



Point 01

You can be a teacher!

Point 02

Award Certificates will be issued

Point 03

Work part-time within school grounds during your free time!

At study sessions at the Mi-Room, passionate international students (GTA) gather from all over the world to help Japanese students improve their language abilities, adaptability to cultural differences and create discussion groups to further the process. Students who have contributed their time as GTA will receive Award Certificates according to their contribution. Not only will you be able to share your language, culture, perspective and experiences, but you will be able to gain practical and valuable lessons through teaching and meeting new students.

## Global Teaching Assistants' Voice

Voice 01

I was able to share the beauty of my country and culture

Voice 02

Students from various countries took part in my session!

Voice 03

It was a great experience to work closely with a group while enjoying the teaching experience!

Voice 04

I made treasured memories and friends through the study sessions!

# Dormitory

## Student Dormitories

Exchange students have the option to live in student dormitories. For those interested, we can introduce you to an affiliated dormitory run by external partners, homestay families and apartments. Please choose the living arrangement that best matches your desired lifestyle.

More information



### International Student Dormitory

Students who choose to live in the dormitories will be assigned to one of the following 3 places. Excluding special cases, Kansai University will determine which dorms students are assigned to live in.



### Kansai University International Dormitory

Entrance fee	15,000 yen (One-time fee when entering the dormitory)
Deposit	30,000 yen (One-time fee when entering the dormitory)
Dormitory fee	30,000 yen per month (25,000 yen dormitory expenses/ 5,000 yen for other expenses)



### Student House Shurei-ryo

Entrance fee	15,000 yen (One-time fee when entering the dormitory)
Deposit	single roomA: 36,000 yen single roomB: 38,000 yen (One-time fee when entering the dormitory)
Dormitory fee	single roomA: 36,000 yen per month single roomB: 38,000 yen per month



### Dormitory Tsukigaoka

Entrance fee	15,000 yen (One-time fee when entering the dormitory)
Deposit	33,000 yen (One-time fee when entering the dormitory)
Dormitory fee	33,000 yen per month

Deposit: As a general rule, if the deposit is made at the time of entering the dormitory and there is unpaid at the time of leaving the dormitory, it will be allocated to the dormitory fee and dormitory miscellaneous expenses for the last month.

Dormitory fee: Includes utility bill, internet connection fee, bedding lease fee. \* Terms and conditions will be reviewed each year.

## Other Student Dormitories and Homestays



### KU I-HOUSE

### Affiliated International Students Dormitory

Dormitory fee	3,000 yen (One-time fee when entering the dormitory)
Dormitory fee	48,000 yen per month

Additional costs for electricity, communication equipment, mattress rental, etc. are required.  
(Approx. 16,000 yen per month. Amount will vary depending on the contract.)

### Homestay -Meet your new family in Japan-

If you would like to do a homestay, our partners can introduce you to a selection of suitable families.

Arrangement fee 12,000 yen

Cost 3,000 yen / night \* Application starts from 28 nights  
2,700 yen / night \* After 91st night

\*Homestay fee will be charged separately.

## Resident Assistant

Each dormitory at Kansai University has a Resident Assistant. The RA is not only there to offer support to foreign students, but is also in charge of organizing activities for the students in the dorm.



## Women-only Share House

At Kansai University, students can live together and experience a shared lifestyle centered on cultural exchange rooted in the local community. Nine students share the space. Because the living space is also used for exchanges, opportunities to learn are naturally incorporated into daily life. Staying in a share house gives you the chances to make lifetime-long friends and create special memories.

Rent 36,000 yen / month (twin room)



# Interviews



International Student  
Interview  
01

**Name** | FAY ANTONIA LEE University of South Carolina

**Q Why did you decide to become an exchange student at Kansai University?**

Because I major in hospitality, I travelled to various countries to practically apply my learnings, I wanted to attempt to work in a foreign country and one of the options was Japan. Because I wanted to be able to learn to speak Japanese, I chose Kansai University.

**Q What kind of classes did you take?**

I took classes for the Japanese language, Kendo and Japanese culture. The teacher who taught the Japanese class was particularly helpful. If there was something I didn't understand, they challenged me to think critically and come to the answers by myself. My favorite class was Kendo. While it was physically hard, I was also able to challenge myself mentally during the classes.

**Q What was the most fun memory from your life as an exchange student?**

I enjoyed the time I went to Disney Land and Disney Sea with my friends from school. Another great time was when I went to watch a rugby match. In joining the activities from the Division of International Affairs, I was able to do many fun things with friends.

**Q What kind of support did you receive as an exchange student?**

The people at Kansai University are all wonderful. If I had a question or was unsure about something, the teachers or the staff would always come to my assistance. Even something as small as recommendations on where to eat, the teachers and the students would both help. In the beginning I was wondering how to best communicate, but we created an interesting mix of both English and Japanese. It is a welcoming environment and there are always events to participate in for cultural exchange.

**Name** | HORNE-MORRIS ZACHARY GEORGE University of East Anglia

**Q Why did you decide to become an exchange student at Kansai University?**

I had an interest in studying here because I had friends living in Kansai. I thought that this area would be perfect because I would be living in the city, but only a train or two away from areas like Kyoto or Kobe. Another reason was because a friend from my school, University of East Anglia, also enrolled in the exchange program.

**Q What kind of classes did you take?**

Japanese classes, classes related to my International Studies major, and economics classes. I'm still working very hard on my Japanese! The International Relations classes taught by an Australian professor are also very interesting. Japanese students attend the classes together with exchange students, which gives everyone the chance to delve deeper into the topics presented. Learning about the business of Osaka and its food culture and history have also been great.

**Q What was the most fun memory from your life as an exchange student?**

One great memory I have is skiing with friends from Kansai University's International circle in Hyogo. I wanted to make friends and improve my Japanese, so I decided to join a circle where I could meet other students. Being able to experience life with everyone greatly improved my language abilities while enjoying all that the country has to offer.

**Q What kind of support did you receive as an exchange student?**

The support from the Division of International Affairs was incredibly helpful. If there was something I didn't understand, I could ask them about anything. The study sessions at the Mi-Room were also fun and useful. It provided a space for practicing and learning languages as well as cultural exchange. You are able to get exposure to not only English, but other languages like Korean and Chinese etc.. I went there to study Spanish!



International Student  
Interview  
02

# FAQ

## Question 1

**Can I become an exchange student even if I can't speak Japanese?**

A. Because you are able to take classes in Japanese or English, even if you can't speak Japanese, English will suffice.



## Question 2

**Can I work part-time during my exchange?**

A. By applying in advance, you can work for a limited amount of hours.



## Question 3

**How many courses can I take?**

A. There is no upper limit to the number of courses that can be taken.



## Question 4

**How long are the classes and what time are they held?**

A. One class is 90 minutes. The schedule is listed below.

Class	Period Times
First Period	9:00~10:30
Second Period	10:40~12:10
Third Period	13:00~14:30
Fourth Period	14:40~16:10
Fifth Period	16:20~17:50

## Question 5

**How many classes are there per semester?**

A. For one course, there are fifteen classes.

## Question 6

**When I arrive in Japan, is there a bus that will pick me up at the airport?**

A. Only on the specified day of arrival, pick-up bus service is available for a charged fee.



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