



Exchange Program Fact Sheet

Contemporary Japan Program 2017-2018

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Number of Incoming Exchange students	Spring 2017: 153 Fall 2016: 165
Partner Institutions	137 in 32 countries and regions (As of Jan.26, 2017)

◆ Exchange Program

Program Outline CJP brochure p. 3-4 CJP brochure p. 9-14	Contemporary Japan Program (CJP) There are two study tracks available within the CJP. Students can choose one of the following study tracks: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Japanese Language Track, for students who wish to focus on their Japanese language studies (5 credits of mandatory Japanese Language Courses each semester)- Modern Japan Track, for students who wish mainly to learn about Japan via English-taught courses through a variety of subjects. (2 credit mandatory Japan Studies Course, "Modern Japan Seminar" each semester) Note: Tracks cannot be changed after a student has submitted their application to KGU. Must be an undergraduate or graduate student nominated by a KGU partner institution.																																
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Language of Instruction	Japanese Language Courses are taught in Japanese. Japan Studies Courses, School of International Studies Courses (undergraduate only), and Institute of Business and Accounting (graduate only) Courses are taught in English.																																
Application Deadlines	All required hard copies of application documents must arrive at KGU by the following dates: <table><tr><td>Starting from Fall Semester 2017</td><td>April 15, 2017</td></tr><tr><td>Starting from Spring Semester 2018</td><td>November 15, 2017</td></tr></table> Note: The application period opens around two months before the deadline.	Starting from Fall Semester 2017	April 15, 2017	Starting from Spring Semester 2018	November 15, 2017																												
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Application Process CJP brochure p. 7	Application information can be found on the following webpage and is updated around two months before each deadline: http://www.kwansei.ac.jp/r/cjpapplication																																

◆ Courses Offered

Japanese Language Courses (JLC) CJP brochure p. 16-17	The mandatory Japanese Language Courses are taught before lunch and are mandatory for students in the Japanese Language Track.				
Elective Courses CJP brochure p. 17-28	CJP elective courses are conducted in English and taught in the afternoon. The JSC Modern Japan Seminar course is mandatory for students in the Modern Japan Track. There is also a selection of Japanese language elective courses.				
Online CJP Syllabus	http://global.kwansei.ac.jp/academics/academics_204254.html				
Regular University Courses	Students who possess an extremely high ability of Japanese can enroll in regular university courses conducted in Japanese if they meet the either one of the following requirements: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pass level N1 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test before arriving in Japan (students who already have N1 are still required to take the RCA test) 2. Obtain a high score on the placement test, and then pass the RCA (Regular Course Aptitude) test held later during orientation. 				
School of International Studies (SIS)	Undergraduate students can also take classes conducted in English at the School of International Studies. There are no International Studies courses offered at the graduate level. List of past courses: http://global.kwansei.ac.jp/academics/academics_204254.html				
Institute of Business and Accounting (IBA)	Graduate/Master students majoring in business or economics can take graduate level courses in English at the Institute of Business and Accounting. Interested students should contact CIEC during the orientation. List of past courses: http://global.kwansei.ac.jp/academics/academics_204254.html				
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◆ Accommodation

KGU guarantees accommodation to incoming exchange students who request it, but not all students will be able to be placed in the accommodation of their choice.

Accommodation Options CJP brochure p. 31-32	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Homestay (2,200 JPY/day) Includes 2 meals/day on weekdays, 3 meals/day on weekends and holidays, and utilities Note: KGU may not be able to find a placement for exchange students due to their preferences, dietary needs or health conditions. 2. Dormitory (35,000 - 52,500 JPY/month) Excludes meals and utilities
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◆ Costs

<div>Program Fees</div> <div>CJP brochure p. 33</div>	<div>Estimated program fees for an exchange student starting in the fall for a full year.</div> <table><tr><td></td><td>Fall</td><td>Winter</td><td>Spring</td></tr><tr><td>Initial Fees</td><td>50,000 JPY</td><td>0 JPY</td><td>0 JPY</td></tr><tr><td>Accommodation Fees</td><td>up to 320,000 JPY</td><td>up to 130,000 JPY</td><td>up to 266,000 JPY</td></tr><tr><td>Administration Fees</td><td>13,000 JPY</td><td>7,000 JPY</td><td>11,000 JPY</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>up to 383,000 JPY</td><td>up to 137,000 JPY</td><td>up to 277,000 JPY</td></tr></table>		Fall	Winter	Spring	Initial Fees	50,000 JPY	0 JPY	0 JPY	Accommodation Fees	up to 320,000 JPY	up to 130,000 JPY	up to 266,000 JPY	Administration Fees	13,000 JPY	7,000 JPY	11,000 JPY	Total	up to 383,000 JPY	up to 137,000 JPY	up to 277,000 JPY															
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<div>Billing and Payment</div>	<div>Students are required to pay their Program Fees for the first semester before they arrive in Japan. This payment must be made by credit card or international wire transfer. Students will receive the payment and deadline information via e-mail.</div> <div>Program Fees for the following semester(s) will be billed before each semester starts and students can pay by credit card, international wire transfer or in cash.</div>																																			

◆ Scholarship Opportunities

Scholarship Opportunities through KGU CJP brochure p. 33	Exchange students can apply for a scholarship (JASSO, HUMAP ...) through KGU along with their application to KGU. Applicants will be informed if they will receive the scholarship roughly a week before arriving in Japan. However, there are circumstances in which students may not be informed until after their arrival in Japan. Note: Please be informed that the number of recipients has decreased over the last several years, and that applicants should not expect to receive a scholarship. All students must plan for financing their exchange without the help of this scholarship.
Other Scholarships	US-Japan Bridging Foundation (US students only): http://www.bridgingfoundation.org/ Japan-Taiwan Exchange Association (Taiwan students only): https://www.koryu.or.jp

◆ Visa Information

Obtaining Visa Procedure CIP brochure p. 31	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Receive acceptance package with admission certificate and CoE from KGU through home university. 2. Apply for a student visa at your local Japanese consulate/embassy, using the CoE and admission certificate. All students should contact the consulate/embassy directly to find out what other documents might be necessary. <p>Note: It is not possible to arrive in Japan on a tourist visa and then change to a student visa.</p>
Part-time Work	<p>Exchange students are not allowed to be employed under a "student" visa status. If they wish to work part-time, they must receive special permission from the Immigration Bureau. KGU requires exchange students to wait two months before doing any part-time work. Students who are considering doing part-time work can and should get this permit at a nearby Immigration Bureau in Japan.</p> <p>Note: Several restrictions apply, and breaking rules or working without a permit might lead to deportation. More information will be given during orientation.</p>

◆ Other Information

Nihongo Partner	Acting as language partners the exchange student's first semester, KGU local student volunteers assist the exchange students in their practice of Japanese. Only students who are enrolled in Japanese Language Track and apply in advance are able to be assigned Nihongo Partners.				
Global Student (GS) Network	The GS Network is the official student group endorsed by CIEC and provides various supports to exchange students during orientation. They also plan and hold cultural exchange activities for both exchange students and KGU students over the course of the year.				
Transcripts	<p>Two grade transcripts will be sent to the home institution after the last semester of the student's exchange ends. The home institution will give one copy to the student and keep one for their records.</p> <p>The transcripts will be sent out in the following periods:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Spring Semester (WIP)</td><td>Late August</td></tr> <tr> <td>Fall Semester</td><td>Late February</td></tr> </table>	Spring Semester (WIP)	Late August	Fall Semester	Late February
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Bringing Prescription Drugs to Japan	There is a form called a "Yakkan Shomeisho" that you need to submit and send to Japan in order to bring prescription drugs and other medical equipment such as prescription contact lenses into Japan. It will then be sent back to you, but can take some time, so please make sure that you look into this several months before you leave for Japan.				