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Abbreviations

Kwansei Gakuin University (KGU)
 Center for International Education and Cooperation (CIEC)
 Japan and East Asia Studies Program (JEASP)
 Japanese Language Studies Module (JLS)
 Japan and East Asia Studies Module (JEAS)
 Center for Japanese Language Education (CJLE)
 Japanese Language Courses (JLC)
 Japan Studies Courses (JSC)
 China and Korea Studies Courses (CKSC)
 Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)



It is a pleasure to introduce the 2012-2013 Japan and East Asia Studies Program brochure. I am proud that the JEASP continues to offer an exchange program which is second to none in terms of quality and structure. This program will provide participating students with ample opportunity to hone their Japanese language skills, to study Chinese and Korean at a basic level, as well as to learn about the cultures and societies of Japan, China, and Korea.

An attractive aspect of our exchange program is its flexibility which enables all students, regardless of their chosen module, to participate in an optional one week of fieldwork in either China or Korea during the winter period. We feel that our program should not only help to develop the students' Japanese ability, but should also offer participants an opportunity to study and explore the cultures of Japan and its influential neighbors.

Although Kwansei Gakuin University has been involved in international exchange for many years, the JEASP classes for exchange students are small and well organized. This means that great effort is made to provide hospitality and personalized attention for each exchange student who joins the program. Of course we cannot address every demand, but our staff members are committed to ensuring a stimulating and meaningful stay for every student.

Because it is easy for exchange students to become isolated in their own classes and activity groups, JEASP participants are given a variety of opportunities to become involved in regular KGU activities and Japanese society as a whole. Furthermore, regular KGU students are able to register for Japan Studies Courses and China & Korea Studies Courses, so exchange students can study with their Japanese colleagues, even in these classes taught in English.

Outside of classes, there are hundreds of student groups at KGU which welcome participation by exchange students, which provide countless opportunities to form friendships and pursue a variety of interests. Through their participation in these classes and activities, the exchange students also provide priceless cultural enrichment to our academic community and greater society, so their contributions are greatly appreciated.

I welcome you to become familiar with our program and to consider embarking on a truly life-changing adventure by joining us at KGU. I look forward to meeting you soon.

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Kazuo FUJII, PhD
Dean of International Education and Cooperation

Fall Semester 2012	Date
Orientation and Registration	Sept. 10 - 19, 2012
First Day of Classes	Sept. 20
KGU Foundation Day	Sept. 28
Christmas Break	Dec. 24 - Jan. 6, 2013
Classes Resume	Jan. 7
Last Day of Classes	Jan. 11
Make-up Class / Study Day	Nov. 22 Jan. 12
KGU Regular Examinations ^{*1}	Jan. 15 - 28

Winter Intensive Program 2013 ^{*2}	Date
First Day of Classes	Feb. 8, 2013
Last Day of Classes	Mar. 13, 2013

The academic calendar for the 2013 spring semester will be finalized in November 2012.

Spring Semester 2013	Approximate Date
Orientation and Registration	Apr. 1 - Apr. 5, 2013
First Day of Classes	Apr. 8
Last Day of Classes	Jul. 12
Make-up Class / Study Day	Jul. 13
KGU Regular Examinations ^{*1}	Jul. 15 - Jul. 31

^{*1} KGU Regular Final Examinations are for students who are taking regular university courses.

^{*2} The Winter Intensive Program is offered only in conjunction with classes in the fall and spring semesters. Applications to study only for the Winter Intensive Program will not be accepted.

Important Dates	Period	
	Fall 2012	Spring 2013
Application Deadline	Apr. 15, 2012	Dec. 15, 2012
Arrival Date	Sept. 7, 2012	Mar. 29, 2013
Program Completion	Jan. 11, 2013	Jul. 23, 2013

*Note Applicants desiring to study for at least four months in the program, beginning with the spring semester, and who also wish to apply for the JASSO scholarship (see page 23), must send the scholarship applications along with all JEASP application materials by November 30, 2012.

Kwansei Gakuin University

The University

Kwansei Gakuin University is an independent institution for higher education, offering Bachelor's, Master's, and Ph.D. degrees in over 35 different disciplines to a student body of approximately 23,500. Founded in 1889, the university maintains academic standards that rank among the highest of all Japanese universities and colleges.

The Nishinomiya Uegahara and Seiwa Campuses are located in the city of Nishinomiya, a residential city of 485,000 and situated between the cities of Osaka and Kobe. The Nishinomiya Uegahara campus houses eight of the eleven KGU undergraduate schools, eight graduate schools and two independent professional graduate schools. It is also home

Schools and Majors

UNDERGRADUATE

School of Theology (神学部) Christian Theology and Missionary Work Course Christian Thought and Culture Course
School of Humanities (文学部) Department of Culture and History Philosophy and Ethics Aesthetics and Arts Geography and Regional Culture Japanese History Asian History Western History Department of Integrated Psychological Sciences Psychological Sciences Department of Literature and Linguistics Japanese Literature and Language British and American Literature and English Language French Literature and Language German Literature and Language
School of Sociology (社会学部) Department of Sociology Media and Representational Studies Course Network and Community Studies Course Human and Psychological Studies Course
School of Law & Politics (法学部) Department of Law Administration of Justice Course Business Law Course Department of Political Science Political Systems Course Public Policy Course International Relations Course Regional Policy Course
School of Economics (経済学部) Economic Theory Course Finance Course National Government Policy Course Regional Policy Course Business and Industry Course Economic Information Systems Course Economic History and Thought Course International Economics Course
School of Business Administration (商学部) Accounting Course Business Information Course Finance Course International Business Course Management Course Marketing Course
School of Human Welfare Studies (人間福祉学部) Department of Social Work Department of Social Organization Development Department of Holistic Human Sciences
School of International Studies (国際学部) North American Studies Course Asian Studies Course

to the Japan and East Asia Studies Program. The Nishinomiya Seiwa campus opened in 2009 holds the School of Education.

The Kobe Sanda campus is located within an hour's commute from the Nishinomiya Uegahara and Seiwa campuses. This campus houses two undergraduate and graduate schools. The Osaka Umeda Campus is a short walk from Hankyu Umeda Station in the Applause Tower. Besides holding numerous graduate school classes for working people, the campus offers support for lifelong learning and student job placement. It is also a base for industry-academia linking and PR activities.

The Tokyo Marunouchi Campus is located in the Sapia Tower, right next to Tokyo Station. This campus is a base for information gathering and provision, the furthering of lifelong learning, and job placement support in the Tokyo metropolitan area and is the base of the Tokyo Alumni Association.

School of Education (教育学部) Department of Early Childhood and Elementary Education Department of Applied Education
School of Policy Studies (総合政策学部) Department of Policy Studies Department of Applied Informatics Department of Urban Studies Department of International Policy Studies
School of Science and Technology (理工学部) Department of Mathematical Science Department of Physics Department of Chemistry Department of Bioscience Department of Informatics Department of Human System Interaction

GRADUATE

Theology (神学研究科)
Humanities (文学研究科)
Sociology (社会学研究科)
Law & Politics (法学研究科)
Economics (経済学研究科)
Business Administration (商学研究科)
Language, Communication and Culture (言語コミュニケーション文化研究科)
Human Welfare Studies (人間福祉学研究科)
Education (教育学研究科)
Policy Studies (総合政策学研究科)
Science & Technology (理工学研究科)

PROFESSIONAL GRADUATE

Law School (司法研究科)
Institute of Business and Accounting (経営戦略研究科)

Japan and East Asia Studies Program

The Japan and East Asia Studies Program (JEASP) is designed to explain the reality of this country, to set it in the wider East Asian context, and to increase awareness of the East Asian region in general.

Aiming to promote a better understanding of the cultural, religious, social, economic, and political aspects of Japan and its neighbors, the JEA SP invites selected students from partner institutions around the world to join a program based firmly in the study of the Japanese language and supported by a wide variety of options. These courses in Japanese and East Asian studies offer our exchange students an almost unrivalled opportunity to choose the study program that best suits their needs, either concentrating mainly on Japan and its language, culture and society, or widening their perspective to embrace the language and society of China or Korea.

The program begins with the fall semester from mid-September to mid-January, followed by the Winter Intensive Program from mid-February to mid-March, and ends with the spring semester from April to July. The JEA SP has three main academic components: Japanese Language Courses (JLC), which are offered by the Center for Japanese Language Education, Japanese Studies Courses (JSC), and China and Korea Studies Courses (CKSC), which are offered by the Center for International Education and Cooperation (CIEC); teaching in the JSC and CKSC programs are conducted in English. There are also introductory courses in the Chinese and Korean languages.

While all the modules in the JEA SP contain a strong core element of Japanese language teaching, participants can choose between modules with differing degrees of emphasis on language learning, supplementing their studies appropriately with a combination of JSCs and CKSCs.

The JEA SP faculty members have extensive experience and specialization in their disciplines and provide exchange students with up-to-date knowledge of Japan's and East Asia's culture and society. Participants may also enroll in regular KGU courses conducted in Japanese, if their language ability is at an advanced level.

To reinforce their language and other studies, students are encouraged to immerse themselves in Japanese daily life. The University encourages participants to communicate as much as possible in Japanese with Japanese students, host families and university faculty members. Staff members are also available for counseling and support during the students' stay at the university. Students receive instruction in relatively small classes and staff members get to know every exchange student personally. A limited number of regular degree-seeking KGU students also enroll in the elective JSC and CKSC courses, providing further opportunities for interaction between exchange students and their Japanese contemporaries.

Small class sizes, a well-established homestay program, and a variety of activities both on and off campus challenge JEA SP participants to learn about Japan and East Asia and share their own backgrounds with KGU students.

Admissions Information

Student Status

● Exchange Students

Students enrolled in colleges or universities affiliated with KGU can apply to study in the Japan and East Asia Studies Program through their home institutions. Students enrolled in North American institutions not affiliated with KGU may apply through Southern Methodist University or the University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC).

Exchange Students are granted academic credits based on the system applicable to regular KGU students. They receive many of the benefits accorded to regular students, such as access to campus facilities and student discounts for train passes and concert/movie tickets.

● Part-time Students

A limited number of non-Japanese nationals who are currently residing in Japan may be accepted as fee-paying part-time students. Credits are granted and an official transcript will be issued.

Part-time students are allowed to take up to five courses in each of the fall and spring semesters, such as JLCs and/or JLC electives plus 4 JSCs and/or CKSCs. The Winter Intensive Program, with exception of the JLC, is not available to part-time students. They are not necessarily given all of the benefits granted to regular exchange students, such as student discounts on train passes.

Admission Procedures

Application documents sent through schools affiliated with KGU as well as applications for part time admission must reach the Center for International Education and Cooperation (CIEC) by the following dates:

Fall Admission: April 15, 2012
Spring Admission: December 15, 2012
(with JASSO application: November 30, 2012)

Schools nominating students for the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) Scholarship for the spring semester must ensure that CIEC receives all application forms; including the necessary scholarship forms by November 30, 2012. Only applications received by the deadline will be considered. See page 20 for a complete list of required application materials.

Students interested in applying as a part-time student should contact ciec@kwansei.ac.jp for further information.

Admission Requirements

● Exchange Students

Prospective exchange students must be matriculated students of a partner institution of KGU. All exchange student applications must be endorsed and sent by the home institution (see page 27).

● Part-time Students

1. Prospective part-time students must be non-Japanese nationals who are currently residing in Japan and have also completed 12 years of schooling or the equivalent, outside of Japan or at an international school in Japan. In other words, the language of instruction must not have been Japanese.

2. The same language requirements as for exchange students will apply to those applicants who plan to take JLC, JSC, or CKSC (see page 5).

Academic Requirements & Evaluation

Language Requirements

Japanese Language Requirements

Students applying for the JEASP must possess the following Japanese language skills:

1. Japanese Writing System

Hiragana and Katakana: ability to read and write the Japanese syllabary diagram; recognition of the relationships between lines and rows in the diagram; recognition of proportions and stroke orders; ability to distinguish voiced, unvoiced, plosive and double consonants, contracted and long vowels and the syllabic nasal.

2. Listening Comprehension and Pronunciation

A. Japanese syllabary diagram: recognition of characteristics of vowels and consonants and their combinations; ability to recognize and pronounce the syllables, including voiced, unvoiced, plosive and double consonants, contracted and long vowels and the syllabic nasal

B. Length of the syllable.

English Language Requirements for JSC and CKSC

Japan Studies Course and China and Korea Studies Course electives are taught in English. Students whose native language is not English must have a TOEFL iBT score of at least 71 (or the equivalent) or the consent of the Japan and East Asia Studies Program coordinators to join these courses.

Chinese/Korean Language Requirements

JEASP Chinese and Korean language courses begin from the most basic level and therefore do not have any minimum language requirements. However, these courses may not be suitable for students who have previous Chinese/Korean language training.



Grading System and GPA

JEASP grades are awarded according to the KGU grading system. A semester Grade Point Average is calculated at the end of each semester by dividing the total number of grade points obtained during the semester (Course Credit Grade Points) by the number of course credits attempted per semester. A cumulative Grade Point Average is calculated at the end of each year by dividing the total number of Grade Points obtained on all courses (Course Credits × Grade Points) by the total number of course credits attempted. The following table details the grading system:

Letter Grade	Percentage	Grade Point
S	90 and above	4
A	80-89	3
B	70-79	2
C	60-69	1
F	59 and below	0

Credit System at KGU

Credits for courses conducted at KGU are calculated using the following guidelines:

	One Credit Hour	Actual Teaching Hours
Language & Practicum Courses	30 hrs. (2 hrs. x 15 wks.)	22.5 hrs. (90 min. x 15 wks.)
Lectures & Seminars	15 hrs. (1 hrs. x 15 wks.)	11.25 hrs. (45 min. x 15 wks.)

Note: One class hour is operated as 45 minutes.



JEASP CURRICULUM

Students can choose from two modules:

JAPANESE LANGUAGE STUDIES MODULE

JAPAN AND EAST ASIA STUDIES MODULE

Students are asked to declare their choice on the JEASP application form. Each module is described below. Each student is required to take between 10 to 16 credits per semester. For individual course descriptions please refer to pages 8 - 19.

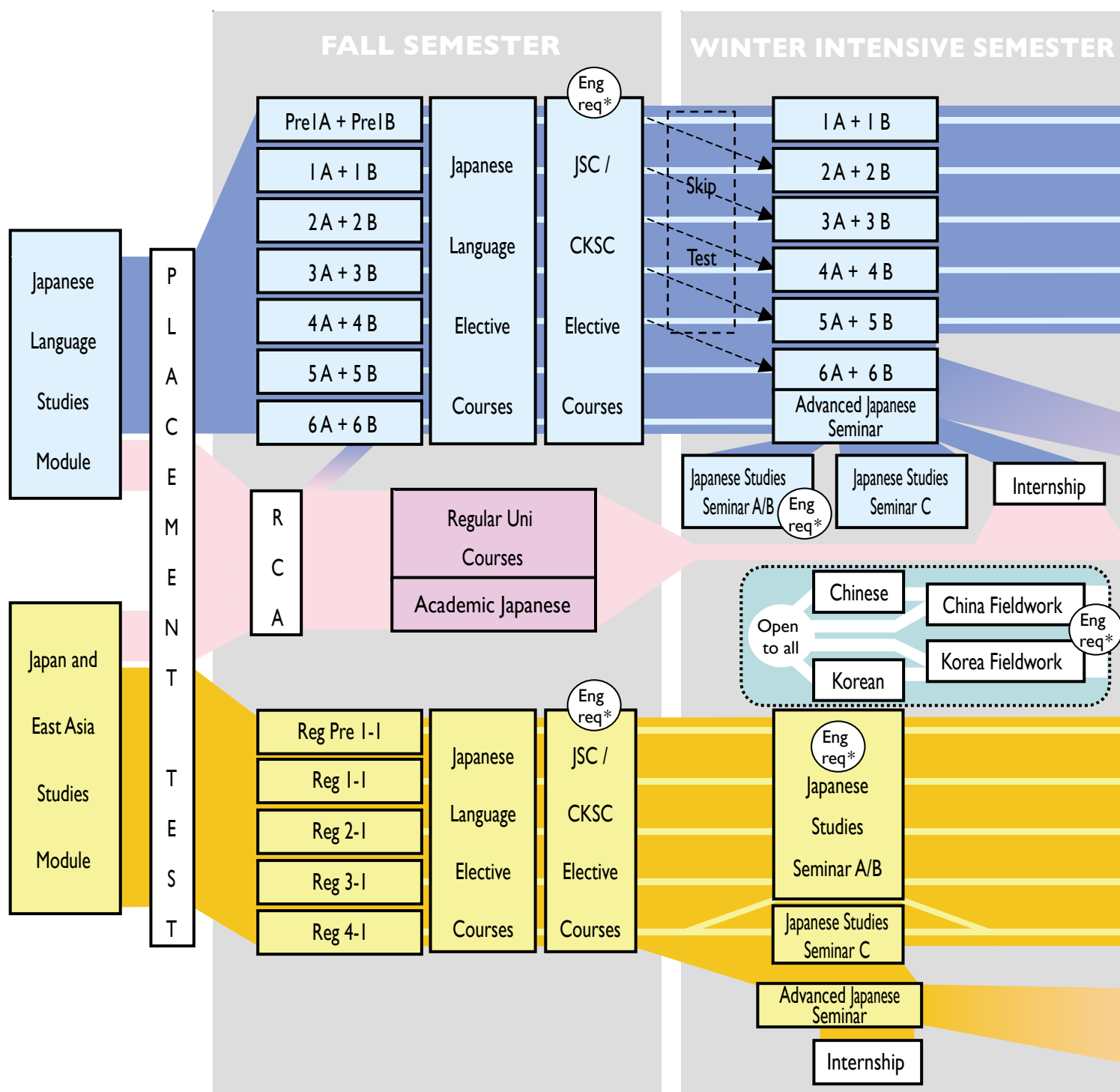
Note: Students are NOT permitted to switch between modules after they have applied.

Japan Language Studies Module (JLS)

The Japan Language Studies Module (JLS) is for students who wish to develop their command of the Japanese language by concentrating on Japanese language studies. There are 7 Levels and each level consists of a Reading and Writing "A" class (90 minutes, 4 times a week), and a Listening and Speaking "B" class (90 minutes, 2 times a week). Winter Semester consists of intensive Japanese language classes at a higher frequency, and Spring Semester follows the same pattern as Fall.

Japan and East Asia Studies Module (JEAS)

The Japan and East Asia Studies Module (JEAS) is for students who would like to focus on the study of various aspects of modern Japan, China and Korea while taking a less intensive course in Japanese language studies. There are 5 comprehensive Regular Japanese study levels focusing on Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking (90 minutes, 3 times a week), and many Elective courses to choose from.



Placement Test

A placement test will be held prior to the beginning of semester to gauge students' abilities, and each student will be assigned a level from Level Preliminary 1 to Level 6 (JLS module) and from Regular Preliminary 1 to Regular 4 (JEAS module) according to the results.

Japanese Language Courses (JLC) - Electives

Offered in Japanese, these electives complement students' core Japanese language studies. See page 10.

Japan Studies Courses (JSC) & China and Korea Studies Courses (CKSC) - Electives

Offered in English, these Electives focus on various aspects of Japan, China and Korea. These can be taken by students in both modules. English proficiency required. See pages 11-19.

Credits

Students at KGU on the JEASP must take courses that make up a full load of 10 to 16 credits per semester. However, credit transfer requirements may differ for each home University and should be confirmed before registration.

*Eng req (English Required) Courses

These are courses offered only to those whose English ability is at a high to native level. A TOEFL iBT score of 71 or above is required for those whose English is not their first language. These include the JSC and CKSC Electives, Japanese Studies Seminar A/B, and the China and Korea Fieldworks.

Japanese Studies Seminar – Winter Semester

3 courses on studies of contemporary Japan are available for the Winter Semester. English proficiency required for Seminar A and B. Seminar C is offered in Japanese. See page 18.

Advanced Japanese Seminar – Winter Semester

An advanced Japanese language course for the Winter Semester; this is a prerequisite for students wishing to take the RCA Test for the Spring Semester. See page 10.

Internship – Winter Semester

For students with advanced Japanese ability, internship at a public or private organization is available as a course worth 3 credits.

RCA and regular university courses

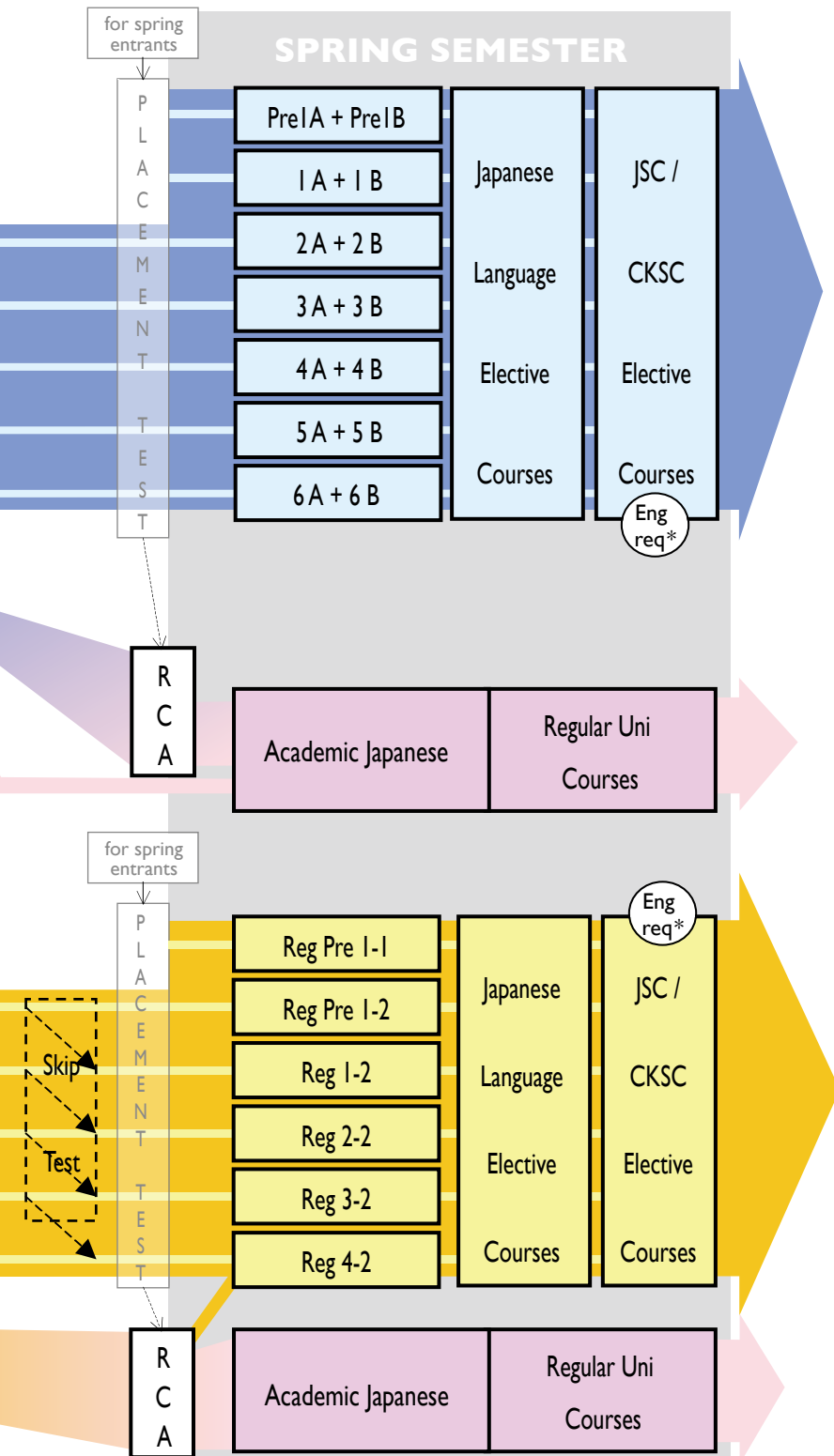
Students with advanced Japanese language ability are eligible to take the RCA (Regular Course Aptitude) Test. Those who pass this test, or those with JLPT (Japanese Language Proficiency Test) N1 or Level 1 will be able to enroll in regular university courses given in Japanese. Academic Japanese is a compulsory course for students enrolling in regular university courses.

China and Korea Fieldwork

Any student with English proficiency (fieldtrip and classes taught in English) is able to enroll in this course which includes a fieldtrip to China or Korea. Enrollment in Introductory Chinese or Introductory Korean is advised for those participating in the fieldwork without prior language abilities. See page 19.

Skip Test

For students staying a whole year, a Skip Test is held after fall/spring semester where students can skip a level of their core Japanese language course if they pass.



Courses

The Japanese Language Courses for both modules are compulsory and a placement test will be held before semester begins to determine which level of study you will undertake.

Levels Preliminary 1 – 6 are offered to students who have selected the Japanese Language Studies Module (JLS); and Regular Preliminary 1 – 4 are offered to those who have selected the Japan and East Asia Studies Module (JEAS). **Please note that students may NOT switch between modules after they have applied.**

Instructors for the Japanese Language Courses are as follows:

ABE, Mieko (Coordinator)

USUI, Yoshiko

SASAKI, Ryozo

YANAGIDA, Naomi

ABE, Hideo

FUKUTOMI, Nami

KAGEYAMA, Hiroshi

MAKINO, Yukiko

MORIMOTO, Hisako

NAKANO, Yo

OBARA, Toshihiko

OKAWACHI, Hitomi

TESHINA, Miho

Japanese Language Studies Module – Japanese Language Courses (JLC)

Level Preliminary 1A / 1B^{*1}

Module	JLS	Credits	A:4 B:2
Offered semester	Fall Spring	Classes	A: 90min, 4 times/week B: 90min, 2 times/week
Description	Grammar	Beginner	
	Character & Kanji	Review of hiragana and katakana. Approx. 150 kanji.	
	Listening & Speaking	Basic listening and speaking practice, introductions, basic conversations using Beginner level grammar.	

Level 4A / 4B^{*1}

Module	JLS	Credits	A:4 B:2
Offered semester	Fall Spring	Classes	A: 90min, 4 times/week B: 90min, 2 times/week
Description	Grammar, Reading & Writing	Upper Intermediate grammar. Reading comprehension of medium-length articles, formal writing.	
	Kanji words	Approx. 300	
	Listening & Speaking	Discussions, speech-specific expressions and listening skills.	

Level 1A / 1B^{*1}

Module	JLS	Credits	A:4 B:2
Offered semester	Fall Spring	Classes	A: 90min, 4 times/week B: 90min, 2 times/week
Description	Grammar	Elementary	
	Kanji	Approx. 220	
	Listening & Speaking	Daily communication, conversations using Elementary level grammar.	

Level 5A / 5B^{*1}

Module	JLS	Credits	A:4 B:2
Offered semester	Fall Spring	Classes	A: 90min, 4 times/week B: 90min, 2 times/week
Description	Grammar, Reading & Writing	Pre-advanced grammar. Reading of medium to long articles, outlines, opinion writing, 1000-word report.	
	Kanji words	Approx. 300	
	Listening & Speaking	Listening to news and talking about related topics, formal Japanese (keigo).	

Level 2A / 2B^{*1}

Module	JLS	Credits	A:4 B:2
Offered semester	Fall Spring	Classes	A: 90min, 4 times/week B: 90min, 2 times/week
Description	Grammar	Upper Elementary	
	Kanji	Approx. 300	
	Listening & Speaking	Daily communication, conversations using Upper Elementary level grammar, speeches.	

Level 6A / 6B^{*1}

Module	JLS	Credits	A:4 B:2
Offered semester	Fall Spring	Classes	A: 90min, 4 times/week B: 90min, 2 times/week
Description	Grammar & Reading	Advanced grammar (JLPT N1 level). Reading newspapers.	
	Kanji words	Approx. 300	
	Listening & Speaking	Listening and note-taking of a small lecture, presentation on news articles.	

Level 3A / 3B^{*1}

Module	JLS	Credits	A:4 B:2
Offered semester	Fall Spring	Classes	A: 90min, 4 times/week B: 90min, 2 times/week
Description	Grammar, Reading & Writing	Lower Intermediate grammar. Reading comprehension of short passages, topic-based writing practice.	
	Kanji words	Approx. 300	
	Listening & Speaking	Listening practice for various situations, role play, speeches.	

Winter Semester Level 1A/1B – 6A/6B^{*1}

Description	Credits	A:2 B:1
Intensive courses offered in the Winter semester.	Classes	A: 90min, 7 times/week B: 90min, 3 times/week

*1 "A" class focuses on reading and writing; "B" class focuses on listening and speaking. Students must achieve an acceptable score in both classes to be able to proceed to the next level in the new semester.

Note: A Skip Test is available at the end of fall and spring semesters for students in levels Preliminary 1 to Level 4 wishing to skip a level.

Japan and East Asia Studies Module – Japanese Language Courses (JLC)

Regular Preliminary 1-1

Module	<u>JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u> <u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 3 times/week
Description	Grammar	Beginner	
	Vocabulary	Review of hiragana and katakana. Approx. 80 kanji.	
	Skills	Basic listening and speaking practice, introductions, basic conversations using Beginner level grammar.	

Regular Preliminary 1-2

Module	<u>JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 3 times/week
Description	Grammar	Beginner	
	Kanji	Approx. 80	
	Skills	Daily communication, conversations using Beginner level grammar.	

Regular 1-1

Module	<u>JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 3 times/week
Description	Grammar	Elementary	
	Kanji	Approx. 110	
	Listening & Speaking	Daily communication, conversations using Elementary level grammar.	

Regular 1-2

Module	<u>JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 3 times/week
Description	Grammar	Elementary	
	Kanji	Approx. 110	
	Listening & Speaking	Daily communication, conversations using Elementary level grammar, speech giving.	

Regular 2-1

Module	<u>JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 3 times/week
Description	Grammar	Upper Elementary	
	Kanji	Approx. 150	
	Listening & Speaking	Daily communication, conversations using Upper Elementary level grammar, speech giving.	

Regular 2-2

Module	<u>JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 3 times/week
Description	Grammar, Reading & Writing	Lower Intermediate grammar. Reading comprehension of short passages, topic-based writing practice.	
	Kanji	Approx. 150	
	Listening & Speaking	Communication necessary at University, matching speaking styles, speech giving.	

Regular 3-1

Module	<u>JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 3 times/week
Description	Grammar, Reading & Writing	Intermediate grammar. Reading comprehension of short passages, opinion writing practice.	
	Kanji words	Approx. 150	
	Listening & Speaking	Communication necessary at University, listening practice for various situations, role play, speeches.	

Regular 3-2

Module	<u>JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 3 times/week
Description	Grammar, Reading & Writing	Intermediate grammar. Reading comprehension of medium-length articles, opinion writing	
	Kanji words	Approx. 150	
	Listening & Speaking	Listening practice for various situations, role play, discussion on general topics.	

Regular 4-1

Module	<u>JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 3 times/week
Description	Grammar, Reading & Writing	Pre-advanced grammar. Reading of medium to long articles, formal writing.	
	Kanji words	Approx. 150	
	Listening & Speaking	Listening practice of current topics, related oral discussions.	

Regular 4-2

Module	<u>JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 3 times/week
Description	Grammar, Reading & Writing	Advanced grammar. Reading comprehension of academic articles, mini-report writing.	
	Kanji words	Approx. 150	
	Listening & Speaking	Listening practice of societal issues, related oral discussions.	

Note: A Skip Test is available before spring and fall semesters for students in levels Regular Preliminary 1 to Regular 3 wishing to skip a Level.

Elective Courses – Japanese Language Courses (JLC)

Academic Japanese

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	Fall* Spring*	Classes	90min 2 times/week
Language	Japanese	Prerequisite	RCA Test pass
Description	This course helps students develop the necessary Japanese skills in order to participate in regular Japanese courses. This includes debate, expressing opinion on academic articles, and the writing of academic articles.		

Japanese Culture 1 & 2

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	1
Offered semester	Fall* Spring*	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	Japanese	Appropriate level	1: Level Pre 1 – 2; Regular Pre 1 – 2 2: Level 3 – 6; Regular 3 – 4; or above
Description	Through self and group study, and using current media, student will deepen understanding of modern Japanese culture. Topics to be covered include Japanese food culture and Japanese cinema. Includes a field trip.		

Japanese Literary Analysis A

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	1
Offered semester	Fall* Spring*	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	Japanese	Appropriate level	Level 4A/B; Regular 3-1; or above
Description	Reading of newspapers, magazine articles and literature focused on the behaviour and attitudes of contemporary Japanese people, and take part in discussions on specific topics.		

Japanese Usage

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	1
Offered semester	Fall* Spring*	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	Japanese	Appropriate level	Level 3A/B; Regular 2-2; N3 JLPT; or above
Description	Students will improve their understanding of kanji, vocabulary, grammar, listening and reading, with a focus of aspects of N2 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT). An aptitude test will be held at the beginning of the first class.		

Japanese Comprehensive Seminar A

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	Fall	Classes	180min 1 time/week
Language	Japanese	Appropriate level	Level 5A/B; Regular 4-1; or above
Description	Develop ability to interpret issues in politics and society through the production of a newspaper. Develop comprehensive skills through debate and writing of articles.		

Japanese Comprehensive Seminar B

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	Fall	Classes	180min 1 time/week
Language	Japanese	Appropriate level	Level 5A/B; Regular 4-1; or above
Description	Develop comprehensive skills through planning, research, surveying, photography, layout and editing of a magazine.		

* Students can only take this course for one semester.

Winter Elective Courses – Japanese Language Courses (JLC)

Advanced Japanese Seminar

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	Winter	Classes	Special meeting conditions
Language	Japanese	Prerequisite	Level 6A/B; Regular 4-1; or above
Description	This course helps students develop the necessary Japanese skills in order to participate in regular Japanese courses in Spring. This includes discussions of social issues, research on relevant material, building of a resume, presentations and a 2000-word report.		



JEASP Elective Courses – Overview

JEASP offers elective courses in Japan Studies (JSC) and China and Korea Studies (CKSC). Students can choose the courses they wish to take based on the area of interest from the following list, and the type of program they wish to get out of from their exchange.

	Language & Linguistics	Culture & History	Society, Politics & Economy
Japan Studies Courses (JSC)	Japanese Literature A	Traditional Japanese Theatre	Japanese Society
	Japanese Literature B	Japanese Cinema	Minorities in Japanese Society
	Language and Culture A	Geography of Japan A	Environmental Issues in Modern Japan
	Language and Culture B	Geography of Japan B	Japanese Psychology A
	Japanese Linguistics	Japanese History A	Japanese Psychology B
	Japanese Phonetics and Phonology	Japanese History B	Government and Politics in Japan
	Politeness in Japanese and English	Comparative Cultural Studies A	Japanese Legal System
	Sentence and Meaning in Japanese	Comparative Cultural Studies B	Japan's Foreign Relations
	Japanese Studies Seminar C (Winter)	Japanese Religion	Japan-North America: The North Pacific Triangle
		Shintoism	Political Economy of Japan
		Special Topics in Japanese Studies A	Japanese Economy
		Japanese Studies Seminar A (Winter)	Japanese Business A / B
			Japanese Studies Seminar B (Winter)
China and Korea Studies Courses (CKSC)	Introductory Chinese (Winter)	Chinese Culture and History	The Chinese in Modern Japan
	Beginning Chinese	Japan-China Relationship	Globalization and East Asian Development
	Introductory Korean (Winter)	Religions of East Asia	Business-Government Relations in East Asia
	Beginning Korean	Contemporary Korean Studies A	Contemporary Security Issues in East Asia
		Contemporary Korean Studies B	The United States and East Asia
		China Fieldwork (Winter)	Comparative Foreign Policy: China, Japan, and the United States
		Korea Fieldwork (Winter)	Chinese Economy
			East Asian Finance

"(Winter)" denotes that course is only offered during the Winter Intensive Program.

Elective Courses – Japan Studies Courses (JSC)

Language & Linguistics

Japanese Literature A

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Timothy Kern
Description	Focus will be placed on pre-modern Japanese literature. Students will be introduced to the social, cultural and historical background of texts starting with the earliest writings (<i>norito</i> , Manyōshu, Kojiki and other myths and tales), and other genres that developed in later periods. For example, <i>nikki</i> (diaries), <i>waka-monogatari</i> (poem-tales) of the Heian period, such as the Tale of Genji by Murasaki Shikibu, and the Pillow Book of Sei Shonagon representing the <i>zuihitsu</i> genre. Also, the sentiments and aesthetics of medieval, or <i>chusei</i> , literature will be explored by reading the essays of Yoshida Kenkō and Kamo no Chōmei, <i>gunki</i> (warrior tales), the <i>otogizōshi</i> and <i>sekkyō-bushi</i> narratives, and <i>Nō-Kyōgen</i> plays.		

Japanese Literature B

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Timothy Kern
Description	The course will cover the literature of the early modern (Edo), modern and contemporary periods. The focus will be on how older established themes and genres were developed and transformed into modern literature. Early modern novels, Kabuki plays and some of the literary criticism of the Edo period will be introduced and discussed. Followed with this representative writings of Meiji, Taisho and Showa writers will be considered with thought given to how the concept of literature changes with the westernizing and modernization of Japan. Also, the continuation and discontinuation of pre-WWII literary and intellectual themes into the postwar period will be discussed.		

Language and Culture in Japan A

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Nanako Machida
Description	To heighten students' awareness and understanding of interrelations between Japanese language and culture (society). Main issues to be covered: 1) Japanese women's language and women's roles/status in Japan, 2) <i>keigo</i> (honorifics) and Japanese society, 3) Concept of <i>uchi/soto</i> (in-group and out-group), 4) Empathy and the Japanese language, 5) Non-verbal communication, etc.		

Language and Culture in Japan B

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Nanako Machida
Description	To gain a deeper understanding of topics in Language and Culture A. Emphasis on having students analyze Japanese language data and investigate how the concept of "self", <i>uchi/soto</i> (empathy), etc., are encoded in language. Youth language and Osaka-dialect are also discussed.		

Japanese Linguistics

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Hiromi Otaka
Description	To review the major studies of Japanese: phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, sociolinguistics, history, dialects, and writing system. To study the way linguistics deals with these and to postulate some generalized rules.		

Japanese Phonetics and Phonology

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Hiromi Otaka
Description	This course is designed to overview the major topics in the study of Japanese phonetics and phonology. Acquiring the manipulating skills of a sound analyzer by using a computer is also one of the objects to learn for this course. The areas covered in this course are mainly acoustic phonetics, articulatory phonetics, auditory phonetics, and phonology in which various sound-related phenomena are dealt with from various points of view based on generalized rules. Since accentuation is difficult to learn as well as mora-timed rhythm in the course of the study of the language, this course places a focus on the teaching of the rules in pitch accent. So, this course may help students improve their pronunciation of Japanese a great deal.		

Politeness in Japanese and English

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Yasuko Obana
Description	Aims to discuss the concept of politeness, Japanese honorifics and politeness strategies. While illustrating the whole system of Japanese politeness, the course will illuminate differences between English and Japanese in their concepts and strategies.		

Sentence and Meaning in Japanese

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Yasuko Obana
Description	Linguistic analysis of sentence structure and meaning in Japanese. Students will learn that sentence is not just constructed with word order, but with further features hidden behind the surface structure. Topics: 1) Japanese particles WA, GA, O, and their function in sentence, 2) Points of view and sentence structure between English and Japanese, 3) Extended points of view and grammatical terms.		

Culture & History

Traditional Japanese Theatre

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Faith Bach
Description	An in-depth introduction to Japan's traditional theatre genres and their place in history, literature and society. Primary emphasis on Kabuki popular theatre and Bunraku puppet theatre. Aims to foster appreciation of traditional genres both as universally relevant performing arts and as representative of Japan's unique cultural ethos.		

Japanese Cinema

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Faith Bach
Description	This course considers the singular genius of classic Japanese cinema as a unique hybrid of tradition and modernity, examining the development of Japanese cinema against its shifting social context from the silent films to the 1950s golden age. Topics include classical aesthetics in films, humanism and realism, Western influences, women's changing images, social criticism, propaganda and censorship, and the great directors.		

The Geography of Japan A

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Richard Irving
Description	This course traces the evolution of the Japanese landscape from a combined geographical and historical perspective. Initial emphasis is on the major aspects of physical geography, including a look at influences on landform, climate, and natural hazards. The greater part of this course, however, focuses on the human impact on the Japanese landscape from earliest times. Particular weight is given to the shaping of the urban landscape, concentrating on the role of early 17th century castle towns and the changes that occurred during and after Meiji era. Attention is also given to concurrent changes in Japan's rural landscape, and the role these have played in shaping Japanese society and culture.		

The Geography of Japan B

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Richard Irving
Description	The Japanese landscape is currently undergoing rapid and dramatic change. Such change seems somehow to have upset the balance in the traditional order of Japanese society, and it is the aim of this course to identify and understand possible causes of this imbalance. The focus will be on contemporary demographic issues, including imbalance in the structure of Japan's population (the aging problem), and imbalance in the distribution of population (rural decline of urban explosion).		

Japanese History A

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Christian Hermansen
Description	To explore Japan's history 1853-1973 together, viewed from local, national and international perspectives with an emphasis on social and political history. Based on common readings (and individual studies) we will discuss history and historiography in general. Thus your active participation will shape the actual course.		

Japanese History B

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Christian Hermansen
Description	There are three goals. 1. To provide an overview of Japan's pre-modern history. 2. To understand the importance of historiography. 3. To bring the theories of 1 and 2 into the students' focused presentations and discussions in class. Emphasis will be on the economic and social history as well as Japan in the world.		

Comparative Cultural Studies A

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Timothy Kern
Description	Students will be introduced to key cultural values, norms and institutions, and have opportunity to ask questions and compare issues with their own cultures. The contributions of folklore, ethnology, humanities and the social sciences will be introduced. Starting with some of the classic problems in Japanese culture, the course will incorporate some of the more contemporary and recent socio-cultural trends. For this course, particular focus will be on how the "study of Japan" developed among Japanese intellectuals and non-Japanese scholars. Also, the socio-cultural concepts that developed out of Japanology and Japanese studies (in the West), and those incorporated or formulated by Japanese scholarship will be introduced.		

Comparative Cultural Studies B

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Timothy Kern
Description	Aims similar to Comparative Cultural Studies A, with particular focus will be on contemporary and popular culture. Ways to understand social and cultural phenomena in Japan will be discussed, along with some of the problems arising from changing values and global-local perspectives. Students will be asked to discuss and give presentations on the topics introduced or those they are interested in.		

Japanese Religion

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Christian Hermansen
Description	"The average Japanese belongs to 2.7 religions"; "Most Japanese are a-religious"; "Many Japanese are 'allergic' to religion". These statements are concerned with religion in modern Japan, and are rooted in facts. How can these apparent contradictions be explained? We will study the religions in Japan from three vantage points: sociology, history, and content. The aim is to understand the present forms of and conditions for religiosity in Japan.		

Shintoism

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	John Breen
Description	Shinto is frequently identified by foreigners as Japan's indigenous religion, as a religion of the environment; but it is also known – in the guise of state Shinto – as an ultra conservative political ideology that explains Japan's imperial aggression. This course guides students through the complexities of the Shinto present and past with a critical focus on shrines, on <i>kami</i> , on myths and on rites. The course will deepen students' knowledge of Shinto, and so of Buddhism, and of their respective places in Japanese culture.		

Special Topics in Japanese Studies A

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Timothy Tsu
Description	Topic: Japanese and Chinese War Movies This course examines interpretive issues surrounding the representation of war and peace in Japanese and Chinese war movies produced after the Second World War. It will pay particular attention to the comparative perspective and to analyzing movies made in the past 20 years. Students will be introduced to national and sub-national traditions of narrating war and imaging peace. They will also be required to critique specific works during class discussion and in written assignments.		

Society, Politics & Economy

Japanese Society

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Beverly Ann Yamamoto
Description	To deepen students' understanding of Japanese society and culture, paying particular attention to the dynamics of change and stability. It assumes students' basic knowledge of Japanese society through prior study and from exchange experience. This knowledge will form the basis for class discussion and exploration of key issues. We will approach the course from a broad sociological and gender studies perspective, although no prior knowledge of these fields is assumed. We will focus particularly on specific areas of importance in 21st century Japan including the impact of demographics, inward migration, changing gender roles, neo-liberal economic policies in the 1990s, and globalization.		

Minorities in Japanese Society

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Eun Ja Lee
Description	This course will explore the "other side" of Japan through the historical lens of "minorities" such as Ainu (indigenous people), Burakumin (outcast people), Okinawan (the former Ryukyu kingdom), and Korean as well as Taiwanese/Chinese (colonial descendants). The goal of this course is to learn the basic historical background of these peoples and their current issues and struggles. However, we will also discuss the concepts of the modern nation state, colonialism, ethnicity, culture, identity, assimilation and ideology. As a larger theoretical framework, we will also discuss the relationship of the U.S. and Japan as it is critical to deepen the understanding of Japanese society and its treatment of "minorities".		

Environmental Issues in Modern Japan

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Timothy Tsu
Description	This course introduces students to the causes and effects of environmental change in modern Japan using cases studies of industrial pollution and environmental conservation in prewar and postwar times. It will also explore modern Japanese environmentalism in its discursive and behavioral aspects with an emphasis on manifestations of ecological consciousness in international and domestic politics as well as everyday life.		

Japanese Psychology A

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Hidefumi Hitokoto
Description	In this course, students will learn about the basic findings in psychology that is applicable to many other areas in human science. Particularly, students will learn about the universal mechanism of how we learn behavior, essential individual differences coming from our genetic makeup, evolutionary and neurological functions of emotions, and how strong the power of social situation is in defining our selves. The lecture based class is designed in a way to understand how human being is contextually dependent on the environment around them, such as physical, interpersonal, and cultural environments. This course serves as an introduction to Japanese Psychology B in Spring.		

Japanese Psychology B

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Hidefumi Hitokoto
Description	This course will provide students with the opportunity to view Japanese culture from a Cross-Cultural Psychological point of view. Students will gain an understanding of the host culture scientifically, and will be able to enjoy some of the essential aspects of Japan through class activities.		

Government and Politics in Japan

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Yuka Fujioka
Description	Japan has a democratic system of government, but its history, society, and foreign relations have distinctive influences on the country's politics and foreign policies. This class will examine both the particular and universal aspects of Japanese government and politics.		

Japanese Legal System

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Takashi Maruta
Description	This course begins with an introduction to Japanese legal cultures and moves on to a consideration of the relation between legal and social ideologies and the material structures of Japanese judicial authority. Themes basic to any of the legal literature of Japan-issues such as the nature and role of groups, the place of individuals in society, concepts of justice, gender roles, patterns of dispute resolution, and the cultural foundation of legal systems are considered in the context of current institutional settings. Particular attention will be paid to the interrelation between individuals and the legal apparatus: how it does and does not work in disputes about individual fundamental rights in Japan.		

Japan's Foreign Relations

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Toshitaka Takeuchi
Description	This is an introductory course on Japan's foreign policy. Our main focus is on defense policy, in particular her security relations with the US. We will have detailed discussions on her constitution, especially Article 9, because it has had such a big influence on Japan's conducts in the world.		

Japan-North America: The North Pacific Triangle

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Francois de Soete
Description	This course will help students: 1. understand the factors that influence Canadian foreign policy; 2. understand the foreign policy convergences between Canada, Japan, and the United States; 3. understand how recent events ranging from economic crises to terrorism have influenced each country's foreign policy; 4. evaluate the significance of the relations between the three countries and how these relations could change in the coming decade.		

Political Economy of Japan

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Toshiya Kitayama
Description	(The Relation between the Polity and Economy of Postwar Japan) First, the course will seek to explain the economic growth of the postwar Japan. We also discuss what is wrong and/or what went wrong since the 1990s. The second part will examine the public policies of Japan. The emphasis is on the roles that politicians played for better or worse.		

The Japanese Economy

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u> <u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Shiho Kei
Description	This course is an introduction to the Japanese economy. Major aspects are covered, but it will focus on the way Japanese firms are managed, the role of government or industrial policy, and how the economy is undergoing fundamental changes since the 1990s. Comparison with other countries is made wherever possible.		

Japanese Business A

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Jesse E. Olsen
Description	To provide students – including those with no previous background knowledge of economics or business – with an overview of Japanese business and management practices, setting them in their historical, economic and social context. As well as dealing descriptively with various aspects of the topic, the course will pay particular attention to “problematic” areas. It will also attempt to assess how recent changes are affecting Japan, both domestically and in her relations with the outside world.		

Japanese Business B

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Jesse E. Olsen
Description	This course will provide students with an overview of Japanese business practices and institutions in their historical, economic, and sociocultural context. Students will also become familiar with contemporary issues facing Japanese organizations, foreign organizations in Japan, and individuals working or seeking work in such organizations. Because no prior business-related coursework or knowledge of business is required to take this course, basic business concepts will also be discussed as needed.		

Elective Courses – China and Korea Studies Courses (CKSC)

Language & Linguistics

Beginning Chinese

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Zijiang Fan
Prerequisite	Introductory Chinese		
Description	Students will learn the basic Chinese pronunciations, and will be able to converse in Chinese at an elementary level. Through studying the Chinese language, students will also learn about contemporary Chinese culture and society.		

Beginning Korean

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Dong Heon Jung
Prerequisite	Introductory Korean		
Description	This course is designed for students who have basic skills in reading and grammar. However, the course is open to beginning students as long as they are willing to study on their own in order to progress with the rest of the class. The course will cover the grammatical structure and vocabulary necessary for basic conversation, reading comprehension and basic writing. The course will also provide insights into Korea through written materials and audio materials.		

Culture & History

Chinese Culture and History

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Hong Fang
Description	Designed to offer an opportunity for students to have a better understanding of Chinese culture, this course will introduce Chinese culture from various aspects including a brief look at Chinese history, philosophy, traditional festivals and customs, as well as less tangible aspects such as attitudes, prejudices, folklore and so forth. In addition, we will examine Chinese culture in contrast with Japanese and Western cultures.		

Japan-China Relationship

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Timothy Tsu
Description	This course introduces students to the history of social and cultural interaction between Japan and China since the mid-19th century. It will analyze how the two countries have perceived each other, how students, workers and business people have moved between the countries, and how the culture of these countries, from political thought to foodways, have clashed with and enriched each other. It will also address the question of how Japan and China have sustained close and fruitful relations despite past conflicts and continuing tension.		

Religions of East Asia

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Timothy Tsu
Description	This course provides a general introduction to the major religious-philosophical traditions of China and Japan. Readings and lectures will cover the basic concepts and practice of Buddhism, Daoism, Shinto, Confucianism and Christianity. It also requires students to explore topics of their choosing in oral presentations and the final report.		

Contemporary Korean Studies A

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Eun Ja Lee
Description	This course is designed for students who need an introductory historical background of modern Korean society. Rather than tracing its history chronologically, we will examine the volatile geopolitical situation of contemporary Korean society and look back at the events that led to the current situation. We will also examine the legacy of Japan's colonial rule, the historical influence of the United States, and contemporary issues such as militarism, gender, social movements and education.		

Contemporary Korean Studies B

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Eun Ja Lee
Description	This course will introduce basic cultural aspects of modern Korean society including popular culture through books, films, journals, and other audiovisual materials. We will also critically examine the role of culture and its relation to political ideologies from the point of gender in both traditional and contemporary society.		

Society, Politics & Economy

The Chinese in Modern Japan

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Timothy Tsu
Description	This course examines the history of Chinese immigration to Japan from the Meiji period to the present day. It will analyze the complex experience of Chinese migrants from the perspectives of politics, economics, social interaction, and the retention/loss of cultural identity. While sensitive to the historical context, it will also attempt to identify trends and patterns in the Chinese immigrants' interaction with the host society. Moreover, it will consider broader issues like globalization and multiculturalism in Japan today and the near future.		

Globalization and East Asian Development

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u> <u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Takamichi Mito
Description	This course trains students to: (1) develop an understanding of the fundamental factors which have shaped contemporary East Asia; (2) widen students' perspective and understanding of the development of the Asia-Pacific region; (3) develop an interpretive framework in which external and internal factors play in the development of Asian attitudes toward the outside world; and (4) hone analytical skills in analyzing co-relationships and/or causes and effects in socio-economic life.		

Business-Government Relations in East Asia

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Takamichi Mito
Description	This is an advanced course which examines some crucial aspects of the political, economic, cultural and other forces operating in this rising region, focusing on cultural traits, business environment and business-government relations in East Asia. By completing this subject, you will: (1) develop a broad understanding of the economic development and current conditions of contemporary East Asia; (2) develop an understanding of the basic business and political cultures of this region; (3) become familiar with key concepts and terms as well as fundamental theories as related to business-government relations and the political economy of development; (4) develop an interpretive framework in which the interaction of the government and business forces can be analyzed; and (5) understand the implication of business-government relations for the conduct of business and effective intercultural communication in East Asia.		

Contemporary Security Issues in East Asia

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Francois de Soete
Description	This course looks at East Asia's regional security history, from conflicts that took place during the Cold War to current potential flashpoints for future military conflict. As this course will show, new threats and regional organizations are changing the traditional security dynamic. This course offers students an opportunity to study contemporary security issues in East Asia and to develop their own opinions about the future of security relations in the region. This course requires that students not only learn about the subject matter, but that students also critically evaluate this subject matter. As such, this course will combine lectures and discussion activities.		

The United States and East Asia

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Francois de Soete
Description	This course will give students a chance to learn about the history of American influence in East Asia and how it could change in the coming decades. After examining the history of American security and economic policies toward East Asia, this course then considers current factors that are changing the scope of American influence in the region. In the end, students will critically evaluate the American relationship with East Asia and this relationship's future prospects. This course requires that students not only learn about the subject matter, but that students also critically evaluate this subject matter. As such, this course will combine lectures and discussion activities.		

Comparative Foreign Policy: China, Japan, and the United States

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Spring</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Francois de Soete
Description	This course offers students an opportunity to learn about the foreign policy strategies of three major powers that shape the political climate in East Asia: China, Japan, and the United States. Students will not only learn about the specific details of each country's foreign policy, but also learn about policy convergences and divergences regarding prominent issues like nuclear non-proliferation, environmental degradation, counter-terrorism, and economic issues.		

Chinese Economy

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	Shoichi Ito
Description	The purpose of this lecture is to explain about the Chinese Economy, which has undergone remarkable economic development during the last thirty years. For that purpose, the contents of the lectures of this course include the economic development of People's Republic of China since its establishment in 1949, the changes in the Chinese economy under its economic reform and open policy, and the current issues the Chinese economy is facing.		

East Asian Finance

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	2
Offered semester	<u>Fall</u>	Classes	90min 1 time/week
Language	English	Instructor	John Houg
Description	To provide students with the basic financial concepts they will need to function effectively in analyzing Asia Pacific identities. This course will emphasize GDP; foreign trading and financial system of Japan, China, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Singapore, Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines and the Pacific area respectively. Specific topics to be covered include all aspects of Financial Institutions (FS) and Financial Markets (FM) of these countries. Today, the globalization of FM throughout the world means entities in any area seeking to raise funds need not be limited to their domestic FM. It is also the factor that has led to the integration into an international FM by (i) liberalization of markets, (ii) technological advances for monitoring the world market, and (iii) increased institutionalization of FM.		

Winter Elective Courses – JEASP

Japanese Studies Seminar A

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Winter</u>	Classes	Special meeting conditions
Language	English	Instructor	Christian Hermansen
Description	(Intensive Introduction to Japanese Studies) To give the students a brief but intensive introduction to various aspects of Japanese Studies with Osaka as the continuous case. We will discuss the history of JS; the principal two approaches – from within and from without and orientalism, but also look at some of the classical fields within Japanese Studies and make the most of the proximity to first hand sources.		

Japanese Studies Seminar B

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Winter</u>	Classes	Special meeting conditions
Language	English	Instructor	Takamichi Mito
Description	This course is designed to acquaint students with major issues facing contemporary Japan. It consists of two parts, methodological consideration and students-led research and seminars. In the first part, students will learn research methodology in Japanese Studies. They will define particular issues and develop research design. In the second part, exploring multimedia and internet resources as well as field study opportunities and conventional sources, students will gather data on and analyze critical issues facing contemporary Japan at the national, organization and/or individual levels. By so doing, students will advance their knowledge in Japanese Studies and hone their analytical skills to understand and explain major issues concerning Japanese politics, international relations, economy, society, education and/or individual life. They may include: Japanese political leadership, economic stagnation, gender issues, international marriage, depopulation, <i>jiime</i> (bullying), high suicide rate, English education and so on from the viewpoint of social sciences.		

Japanese Studies Seminar C

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Winter</u>	Classes	Special meeting conditions
Language	Japanese	Instructor	TBA
Prerequisite	Level 6A/B; Regular 4-1; or above		
Description	To be announced.		

Internship

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	3
Offered semester	<u>Winter</u>	Classes	Special meeting conditions
Instructor	Kazuo Fujii	Prerequisite	Level 6A/B; Regular 4-1; or above
Description	This course allows a student with a high level of Japanese language ability to earn credits by working at a local public or private organization and writing a report based on that experience.		



Introductory Chinese

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	1
Offered semester	<u>Winter</u>	Classes	Special meeting conditions
Language	English	Instructor	Zijiang Fan
Description	This course is designed for students who plan to participate in the China fieldwork after the Winter Intensive Program. Students will study basic grammar and everyday expressions, while becoming familiar with the Chinese characters and pronunciations. Students will also be introduced to various aspects of China by studying areas such as culture and contemporary issues.		

Introductory Korean

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	1
Offered semester	<u>Winter</u>	Classes	Special meeting conditions
Language	English	Instructor	Eun Ja Lee
Description	This course is designed for students who plan to participate in the Korea fieldwork after the Winter Intensive Program. It is an intensive program for students who are complete beginners of Korean. The course covers reading of the Korean alphabet, pronunciation, basic grammatical structure, and daily conversation such as greetings. This course will also expose students to Korean culture.		

China Fieldwork

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	1
Offered semester	<u>Winter</u>	Classes	fieldwork
Language	English	Instructor	TBA
Description	See below.		

Korea Fieldwork

Module	<u>JLS / JEAS</u>	Credits	1
Offered semester	<u>Winter</u>	Classes	fieldwork
Language	English	Instructor	Eun Ja Lee
Description	See below.		



Fieldwork in China or Korea

All full-year students starting from the fall semester will have the option of participating in fieldwork activities in either China or Korea in mid-March. The program fees (approx. 100,000 yen) will cover dormitory type accommodation for one week, fieldtrips, and airfare between Japan and fieldwork destinations in either China or Korea. Students will have the opportunity to experience Chinese or Korean culture and society first hand through a combination of carefully planned lectures; which will be conducted in English, and excursions, organized in cooperation with Renmin University (Beijing, China) or Yonsei University (Seoul, Korea).

China Fieldwork Model Itinerary

- Day 1** Fly from Kansai Airport to Beijing
Arrive at Renmin U. of China
- Day 2** Orientation at Renmin U.
Lecture: Chinese Culture & Society
City tour in Beijing
- Day 3** Lecture: Economy & Business in Modern China
Lecture: Government & Politics in Modern China
- Day 4** Visit Great Wall of China
- Day 5** Visit Tiananmen Sq. and Forbidden City
- Day 6** Fly from Beijing to Kansai Airport

Korea Fieldwork Model Itinerary

- Day 1** Tour of Yonsei U.
- Day 2** Lecture: Korean Pop Culture
Lecture: Korean Economy
City tour
- Day 3** Lecture: Gender Issues in Korea
Lecture: Korean Politics
- Day 4** DMZ Tour
- Day 5** Seoul City Tour
- Day 6** Fly from Seoul to Kansai Airport

Asian Studies Summer School

A six-week summer program held at KGU in conjunction with Mt. Allison U., Queen's U. and the U. of Toronto in Canada during June and July. Students will join together to learn in depth about Japan and Asia.

Duration: June 25 to July 31, 2012
Courses offered: JSC Japan in the Age of Globalization (3 credits)
CKSC Asian in a Globalizing World (3 credits)

* Note: this program is not suitable for students who will already be taking JEASP courses over this period.

Application & Visa Materials

Exchange Students

Each exchange student must include a Japanese student visa application with the application for the Japan and East Asia Studies Program. All documents must be sent together as incomplete documents cannot be processed.

Japan and East Asia Studies Program Required Documents.

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| 1. Completed JEASP Application for Admission Form* | 6. completed Certificate of Health* |
| 2. Transcript of Records from Home University | 7. Accommodation Request* |
| 3. Letter of Nomination from Home University | 8. Personal Data* |
| 4. Japanese Language Assessment Report* | 9. Letter to Host Family and/or Dormitory* |
| 5. Letter of Reason for Study* | |

Documents Required for a Student Visa

10. Completed Application for Certificate of Eligibility*
11. Statement of Finance – One or a combination of the following three certificates:

- a. **Self-supporting student:** Certificate of the applicant's own bank account covering estimated expenses at Kwansei Gakuin University (KGU) (equivalent of 1,000,000 yen/year; 500,000 yen/ semester) issued by a bank officer
- b. **Guarantor-funded student:** Both a certificate of guarantor's bank account covering estimated expenses at KGU (equivalent of 1,000,000 yen/year; 500,000 yen/semester) issued by a bank officer, and a guarantor's statement indicating definite intention to financially support the applicant
- c. **Scholarship or loan-funded student:** A certificate of scholarship or stipend. A letter from the home university's Financial Aid Office indicating the amount of financial aid would also be acceptable.

12. Clear copy of a valid passport stating the applicant's name and passport number.

Visa for Exchange Students

The CIEC acts as a proxy for exchange students from overseas in the visa application process. Certificate of Eligibility forms, filled out by the students are used by the staff members to apply for the Certificate of Eligibility at the Japanese Immigration Office. It takes at least two months for them to process the application and issue this Certificate. The CIEC will then forward the Certificate to the student's home university or directly to the student. The student then applies for the student visa at the nearest Japanese Embassy or Consulate General before coming to Japan.

Photographs

13. Attach an ID photograph to forms 1, 8 and 9 and include an additional 5 ID photographs with your application materials. ID photographs must adhere to the following specifications: identical photographs for official use (3cm x 4cm); full-face photographs with a plain background taken within 3 months prior to the date of application. Photocopies and low quality prints are not acceptable.

Additional Documents Required for Non-Native English Speakers

14. Non-native English speakers who wish to take Japan Studies Courses / China and Korea Studies Courses are required to have a score of TOEFL iBT 71 or higher. Students who have not taken the TOEFL or other English tests are permitted to submit a letter written by a member of the administrative or academic staff from their institution which states that they can take classes in English.

Additional Documents Required for the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) Scholarship

15. Certificate of Enrollment of the Applicant for JASSO Student Exchange Support Program (Scholarship for Short-Term Study in Japan*) (The authorized person of the applicant's home institution should complete this form, not the student)
16. Letter of Reason: A typed letter in English or Japanese detailing the reason for requiring a scholarship

1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 15 have prescribed forms. Please ask your study abroad advisor for details

Application Method

Please contact your study abroad advisor for details regarding how to obtain the necessary prescribed application forms for the 2012-2013 Japan and East Asia Studies Program. All application materials (original and electronic) must be received by CIEC no later than April 15, 2012 for the fall semester and December 15, 2012 for the spring semester.

Process

- 1 Confirm your nomination with your study abroad advisor.
- 2 Complete the online application form.
- 3 Gather and complete all necessary documents from 1-16 above.
- 4 Submit all original documents from 1-16 to your study abroad advisor to be sent to the CIEC along with their nomination letter.

Note: Only students affiliated with a KGU partner institution are eligible to apply (See page 27). Applications that have not been approved by the study abroad advisor will NOT be accepted.

Life at Kwansei Gakuin University

Orientation

A four to six-day mandatory orientation, which includes a one day excursion, at the beginning of each semester, introduces new students to life within the university and western Japan. Students also take a Japanese placement test during this time.



Nihongo Partners

Acting as language partners for the exchange student's first semester, KGU regular student volunteers assist the exchange students in their practice of Japanese. These students are also available during the orientation period to help students settle into their new environment.

Clubs and Circles

Exchange students are encouraged to join KGU student groups to enrich their study experience in Japan. There are over 150 cultural and sports clubs and circles on campus. Clubs tend to involve more of a time commitment than circles do, and are often the equivalent to university-level team sports. A circle is often a group of individuals who share a common interest in an activity and gather periodically to explore this interest together.

Spiritual Life

Various programs are sponsored by the Christian Center and events such as concerts (pipe organ, choir, hand-bells, etc.), art exhibitions, special lectures, and club meetings are often held in the Lambuth Chapel. Each school has its own chapel program between 10:35-11:05AM Monday through Friday. The University also supports students who come from other religious backgrounds. The Kansai region has Islamic mosques, Jewish synagogues and churches of several different denominations.



Coffee Hour and International Events

Various international events including Coffee Hour and International Student Week occur throughout the school year.

Coffee Hour is held three times per semester and is an opportunity for new exchange students, researchers and visiting professors to meet and converse with KGU students, faculty and staff members in several languages. Coffee Hour is organized by the CIEC office and often includes aspects of Japanese or international culture and other general entertainment.

International Student Week takes place in the spring semester and is an opportunity for exchange and international studies to introduce their culture to Japanese students. Furthermore, Japanese students are also given the opportunity to introduce their culture to international students.

Internet and Computer Facilities

The University has computer rooms located conveniently throughout the campuses. All exchange students have access to these terminals and e-mail accounts free of charge. These terminals are accessible in both Japanese and English. It is also possible for students to use these terminals to access remote e-mail accounts located on the World Wide Web. Wireless internet access is also available at certain areas on campus for those who wish to use their own computers. Although many Japanese families may have computers in their homes, not everyone has high-speed internet service and there are of course some families who do not have internet access at all.

Fujita Global Lounge

The Fujita Global Lounge, located on the Nishinomiya-Uegahara campus, is named after the late Mr. Makoto Fujita, who was the first Executive Director of the International Center at KGU. This lounge provides a place for international students and Japanese students to meet informally. A main feature of this lounge are several large LCD plasma monitors which display news from all over the world in Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean, German and French.



University Health Care Center

The University Health Care Center provides services in 15 different specialties and also has a referral service to a network of major hospitals and clinics in the area. As members of the KGU community, JEASP participants have access to these health facilities in the event of illness or injury.

Health Insurance

Students are required to have adequate health insurance coverage while participating in our exchange program. Students must join the Japanese National Health Insurance scheme after arriving in Japan.

Personal Liability and Fire Insurance

All exchange students studying at KGU are required to purchase personal liability insurance and fire insurance upon arrival in Japan. Application procedures will be carried out during the post-arrival orientation.

Training Center

The Training Center is a four-story university gym, and is available to all university students, faculty and staff. This facility is equipped with weight training machines, free weights, and aerobic exercise machines such as stationary bicycles, treadmills and stepping machines. Mats, balancing balls, and other types of exercise equipment are also provided in a special conditioning room. Students can also use the lounges, locker rooms and shower facilities.

Accommodation

The Center for International Education and Cooperation (CIEC) at Kwansei Gakuin University (KGU) guarantees accommodations to incoming exchange students, and as a basic rule, this accommodation will be in the form of a homestay. Part-time students from partner institutions should consult with the CIEC staff on an individual basis concerning accommodations.

Homestay

The Japan and East Asia Studies Program mainly provides exchange student accommodations in the form of a homestay. The University takes pride in this part of the program, as Japanese language learned in class is practiced and supplemented through living with a Japanese family. Students are immersed in Japanese customs and ways of thinking, making this a valuable experience.

Students are normally provided with their own room, furnished with bedding, wardrobe, desk, chair and heater. While living with a host family, students are provided with breakfast and dinner from Monday to Friday and three meals on Saturday, Sunday and Japanese National Holidays each week. Please note that it is not uncommon for students to commute one hour or more to school depending on the location of your homestay.

International Residence

A limited number of dormitory spaces are available for exchange students. Most dormitories are located off campus and costs such as utilities, living expenses and whether or not meals are included differ depending on the dormitory.

Students wishing to stay at a dormitory are offered the following options (please note that due to limited spaces we may not be able to offer the desired Residence):

International Residence 1

Located close to Takarazuka Station, this is a basic non-catered residence with shared amenities for Exchange Students and includes a single bed, desk, chair, air-conditioner, refrigerator and a closet in individual rooms. Dining room, kitchen, showers, bathrooms and laundry room are shared. Bedding needs to be purchased and can be arranged

beforehand upon request. Utilities are included in fees except for electricity, and Internet is not included but can be set up personally if required. Costs approximately 15,000 yen per month.

International Residence 2

Located close to Takarazuka Station, this is a better equipped non-catered residence with private amenities for Exchange Students and includes a single bed, desk, chair, air-conditioner, book shelf, refrigerator, closet, bathroom, and internet access in individual rooms. Dining room, kitchen and laundry room are shared. Bedding needs to be purchased and can be arranged beforehand upon request. Utilities (except Internet) are not included in fees and have to be paid for separately. Costs approximately 44,000 yen per month.

Other Accommodations

Exchange students can also opt to stay with their friends or relatives who live within commuting distance of campus or arrange their own apartment or other accommodation.

In the event that a student chooses to arrange their own accommodation, it is recommended that they arrive in Japan at least one week before the designated arrival date in order to secure an accommodation and have everything worked out before the beginning of the semester.

Please note that in Japan, it is not uncommon for students to commute one hour or more to school. Exchange students at KGU should keep in mind that they also may need to commute an hour or more to the University.

Homestay Experience

One of my main motives for coming to Japan was to learn the language, so I figured that staying with a host family would be the best way for me to make some quick improvements. Even though I was a bit worried at first and was especially afraid to lose the independence I enjoyed as a student in France, once I met them I immediately knew



Homestay
Pierre Fessler
France

I made the right decision. From the moment I arrived my host mom considered me her fourth son and introduced me to her friends as a new member of the family. I also really appreciated the fact that she never tried to talk to me in English, even though at the beginning my Japanese was really bad. She was always encouraging during our Japanese discussions and allowed me as much time as I needed to find my words. However, besides being considerate, I was grateful for my host family's willingness to show me a real Japanese way-of-life. I ate amazing food I wouldn't have been able to cook myself in a dorm, went to several restaurants with them, and they always did their best to help me discover a new side of Japanese culture. For example, I went to see a Bunraku (Japanese puppetry) theatre, learned to play mahjong with them, enjoyed onsen (hot springs), and visited a wonderful Japanese garden, amongst many other things. My host mum said the reason why she was so engaged in the hosting experience is because she was happy that foreigners like me were interested in Japan. She was proud to show me Japanese culture and I really appreciated how lucky I was. Our relationship rapidly became one of true friendship and confidence. She even helped me to find a part time job because she was worried about my finances. We also had exciting discussions about the differences between our cultures. My host mom became so interested in my country that she started to learn French. She is now seriously contemplating on paying me a visit in France. I am sure our great friendship will keep on going even after the end of my year in Japan. This experience has meant a lot to me and it was one of the best decisions I made about my stay in Japan.

Financial Information

Living Expenses

The fall and spring semesters are approximately 4 months long and the winter intensive program, with breaks, is 2 months. Living expenses for the academic terms are estimated as follows:

Yearly Fees

Airport Pick-Up	8,000
Field Trip	8,000
Train Card	2,000
Fire & Liability Insurance	4,500
National Health Insurance	25,000

Total ¥47,500

Fees Per Semester	Fall	Winter	Spring
Accommodations*	270,000	120,000	240,000
Personal			
Lunches	60,000	30,000	60,000
Books	30,000	10,000	30,000
Program Expenses	7,000	2,000	7,000
Misc.	100,000	50,000	100,000
Total	¥467,000	¥212,000	¥437,000

Total Estimated Cost for One Full Year: ¥1,163,500

Please note that these expenses do not include round-trip airfare to and from Japan or travel expenses for trips within Japan. The estimated expenses for books represent maximum amounts. Students may find that they need less but are recommended to have these funds available. The estimated miscellaneous expenses are likely to vary. Some students may find that they need less, but others may find that this does not suffice. It is suggested that those planning trips during breaks, regular outings, shopping, etc. should bring more funds.

Students pay their first semester's fees via electronic bank transfer before they arrive at KGU. Instructions and deadlines will be sent with acceptance materials. Fees for following semesters in the Program can be paid electronically or with cash.

Scholarship Opportunities

The Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) offers a limited amount of scholarships for incoming exchange students who require financial support and fulfill the specific requirements for nomination, to study in Japan for a semester or an academic year. Consult with your exchange coordinator for details. This scholarship includes a monthly stipend of 80,000 yen which will be provided after arriving in Japan. The number of scholarships available varies each year according to government funding. It should be noted that the number of scholarships available to students has been gradually decreasing.

Applicants desiring to study at least one semester in the program beginning with the 2013 spring semester who also wish to apply for the JASSO scholarship must send the scholarship application, along with all JEASP application materials by November 30, 2012.

Please note that exchange students entering Japan with a Japanese passport are not eligible to apply for this scholarship.

Past JEASP participants have received other scholarships through corporations, national governments, and non-governmental organizations. While the CIEC does support scholarship applications, the solicitation, application and filing are the responsibility of the student.

Other Useful Information

Climate

The climate in this area is moderate with five distinct seasons. In early September, it will still be hot and humid. Fall is generally the most comfortable season of the year. Winter from December to February, is windy and cold, but it rarely snows, and the air is quite dry. Spring, which begins around mid-March, is a beautiful season, with plum blossoms, followed by cherry blossoms. The rainy season in June and early July fades into summer, with hot and humid weather in late July and August. The humidity and heat makes summer uncomfortable. Most public buildings, trains and buses are air-conditioned.



Clothing

In general, campus clothing is almost as casual in Japan as in North America or Europe. Students dress up for special occasions. Because of the difference in the body proportions between Japanese and many foreigners, it is advisable to bring an adequate supply of clothing.

It should be kept in mind that although outside temperatures rarely dip below freezing in winter, most homes and some public buildings do not have central heating. Long underwear, warm socks and/or stockings, and layered fashions enable adding and removing clothing as required.

Considering the Japanese custom of removing shoes before entering homes, temples, dressing rooms, etc., slip-on shoes may be the most convenient. Warm, soft-soled slippers for indoor wear are recommended.

Food

Ingredients for international cuisine are readily available in Japan and international dining options range from fast food to French haute cuisine. Japanese food is of course the norm. The Japanese may season their food quite differently from what you are used to. However, we encourage students to be open-minded about experiencing new foods and tastes. Students should also be aware that vegetarian lifestyles are uncommon in Japan and that most Japanese cuisine incorporates some variety of fish or meat. Even "vegetarian" dishes in Japan sometimes include animal broth or even fish.



Part-time Employment

Exchange students are permitted to work as many as 14 hours per week, provided that they obtain permission from the Japanese immigration authorities. Japanese law requires all exchange students to apply for this permission to the immigration office. The law prohibits exchange students from working in entertainment-related positions. Engaging in any part-time employment without this permission may result in deportation from Japan.

Also, Kwansei Gakuin University prohibits exchange students from engaging in any part-time employment for the first two months of their study here. Even after this period, KGU's permission will only be given if the student can clearly handle a part-time job while taking classes.

Money and Banking

Several banks and financial institutions are located close to the University campus. The CIEC office will provide students with basic information regarding banking options and bank accounts in Japan; however, it is up to the student to open a bank account directly through the desired banking corporation.

Students who open a bank account will be able to access their funds at bank branch offices during business hours or at ATMs. Japanese bank cash cards can also be used as debit cards in designated shops and locations.

Cash advances can be made with credit cards which have been issued outside of Japan at Japan Post Bank ATM machines and at some bank ATMs. Please note that many bank ATMs will only accept credit cards which have been issued in Japan even though they display the Visa and other credit card symbols.

Debit and Cash Cards issued outside Japan can be used at Japan Post Bank ATM machines; however, they are subject to daily withdrawal limits designated by the card's issuing financial institution.

Transportation

Most exchange students will join KGU regular student in commuting by Hankyu Railway to the Nishinomiya-Uegahara campus. The Hankyu trains also make Osaka and Kobe accessible within an hour. Other local train companies, like Hanshin Railway, join Japan Rail's (JR) national railway network, to form a seamless transportation network that is both convenient and efficient. In addition, long-distance buses are available

from major cities, which often provide a more reasonable option to rail travel.

There are also three major airports serving the Kansai region: Osaka (Itami) Airport, Kobe Airport, and Kansai International Airport (KIX). All international flights will land at KIX.

Additionally, there is an extensive network of ferries leaving from the Kansai Region. These provide another method of inexpensive travel, both domestically and to neighboring Asian countries.

KGU does not allow exchange students to operate automobiles or motorized vehicles, though many exchange students use bicycles as a means for local transportation.

Mobile Phone

Most exchange students purchase a mobile phone while in Japan. However, before applying for mobile phones, certain factors should be considered such as students under 20 years old may be required to gain written permission from a relative or guarantor before entering into a contract, and also that breaking a contract may incur fines. Furthermore, in order to avoid any payment problems, we recommend paying monthly phone bills with a credit card which has been issued to the student in his or her home country. Payment of bills is of course solely the responsibility of the student. We also expect students to follow the rules of conduct regarding the usage of mobile phones within public transport and on campus.

Questions & Answers

Please read these and the rest of the brochure before contacting your study abroad advisor or the CIEC staff with your inquiries.

Courses, Modules and Credits

1. Can I study at Kwansei Gakuin University (KGU) if I have had no Japanese language training whatsoever?

Yes, but Hiragana and Katakana knowledge is required (See page 5). At KGU the lowest level of Japanese we offer are Preliminary Level courses. However, they start at the level where students are required to be able to read and write Hiragana and Katakana, and recognize character sounds. Revision of these basic skills are recommended before you arrive in Japan.

2. Can I study at KGU without taking Japanese language courses there? Can I just take regular university courses?

No. Even students with advanced Japanese language skills are required to take the JLC Academic Japanese Course (see pages 6 and 7).

3. I understand that I am required by KGU to take language courses, but how many non-language courses (Japanese Studies Courses and China & Korea Studies Courses) do I have to take?

We require students to take between 10 to 16 credits per semester but the actual course load is up to you. Be careful; however, because your home university may have requirements as to how many hours you must spend in class per week in order to keep your status as a full-time student. Please check with your home university about such requirements.

4. How will my credits be transferred back to my home university? Does KGU send transcripts to my university?

Please check with your department at your home university concerning their requirements for credit transfer. At the end of the fall and spring semesters, KGU automatically sends copies of exchange students' grade reports directly to their home universities. Please note that grades for the Winter Intensive Program will be included in the spring semester transcripts. Part-time students may also make this request.

5. Are course syllabi available online?

Yes. Students are able to access the syllabi on the KGU English homepage. However, students who are required to submit copies of course syllabi to their home university for credit transfer should obtain the appropriate syllabi while participating in the exchange program at KGU.

6. Can I participate in the Japan and East Asia Studies Module and take Intensive Track Japanese language courses?

No. If you choose the Japan and East Asia Studies Module you will take Regular Track language courses. However, you will also be eligible to take elective JLC courses (see page 10). Please note that you will not be able to switch modules after you have applied.

7. What happens if I fail my language courses in the fall?

JLS Module: Students who fail the lowest level of Japanese study (Level Pre-1) will not be able to join in the Winter Intensive Semester's Japanese studies, and will be required to re-take Level Pre-1 in the Spring semester. Those taking Level 1 or higher will be required to re-take the same level in the Winter Intensive Semester.

JEAS Module: Students who fail in the Regular 1 to 4 courses the will not be able to take any Japanese language courses in the Spring. Students in the lowest level of Japanese study (Regular Pre-1) will be required to re-take Regular Pre-1 in the Spring Semester.

8. What if I want to switch to a higher level of Japanese study?

Students are required to sit a Placement Test before they are assigned a certain Japanese language study level. Generally the Japanese study on the Japanese Language Studies module is more intensive than the Japan and East Asia Studies module. Those who find their level to be too easy can apply to sit a Skip Test after the first semester to skip a study level. However, those on the JEAS module will not be able to switch to JLS module and vice versa.

Terms of Study

1. Can I study at KGU for one semester, rather than for one year?

Yes. KGU accepts such applications. However, please check with your home university to make sure whether or not they have a special policy regarding semester exchanges and make sure your application materials arrive at KGU by the deadline (see page 2 for each term's deadlines).

2. Can I skip the Winter Intensive Program?

No. All one-year (Sep.-July) exchange students at KGU are required to participate in the Winter Intensive Semester and each module has its own course of study.

3. Can I go to KGU just for the Winter Intensive Semester?

No. You must participate in both the Fall and Spring semesters in order to take the Winter Intensive Semester. The Winter Intensive Semester, with the exception of the Japanese language courses, is not available to part-time students.

Scholarships

1. What does the Japan Student Service Organization (JASSO) scholarship provide?

The JASSO scholarship will provide recipients with a monthly stipend of 80,000 yen.

2. If I apply for the JASSO scholarship, what are my chances of receiving it?

There is never a guarantee, and the numbers always depend on the availability of government funds for that year (see page 23). Unfortunately, we cannot provide even a general ratio, as it can vary so greatly from year to year. Although we cannot make any guarantees, we do encourage all students to apply; however, we ask students to be prepared to fund their studies without such aid in case they do not receive the scholarship.

3. Can I receive the JASSO Scholarship and another scholarship at the same time?

If a JASSO Scholarship recipient is chosen to receive some other scholarship(s) totaling 80,000 yen or more per month of study abroad, they will not be able to receive the JASSO Scholarship (see page 23). Alternatively, they will have to decline the other scholarship(s). However, if the other scholarship(s) add up to less than 80,000 yen per months of study abroad, the student can receive the JASSO Scholarship concurrently. Please note that if information concerning a JASSO

Scholarship recipient's dishonesty becomes available to KGU or the JASSO at any point, the student's scholarship will be revoked, and the student will be forced to refund all JASSO awards received to that point.

Accommodations

1. Is there a choice for accommodation other than a homestay?

The majority of students are accommodated with a host family (see page 22). International Residence accommodation may be an option but spaces are limited and costs approximately the same as a homestay. Also, you can opt to stay with relatives who live near KGU or arrange your own accommodation.

2. What happens if my host family and I do not get along? Can I move to a new accommodation?

CIEC staff is experienced in providing counseling to students for various aspects of their studies abroad, including homestay trouble. Most homestays go remarkably well, and the student feels as if they have become a part of the family. Students and host families are encouraged to speak with our staff as soon as they foresee the start of any potential "trouble" and at any stage thereafter. However, if problems cannot be resolved, our staff will find alternate accommodations for the student.

3. When can I move into my homestay and when do I have to leave?

Students are typically allowed to move into their homestays from the Group Meeting date after arrival as stated in their acceptance materials. Students have to leave their homestay by the last day of the month in which their classes end.

Visa

1. Do I need a visa if I maintain Japanese Nationality?

No. If you have a Japanese passport, you must use it to enter and study in Japan. There is no need to apply for the Certificate of Eligibility for a visa, but please include a photocopy of your Japanese passport with your JEASP application materials. Please note that entering Japan with your Japanese passport will not entitle you to certain exchange student privileges.

2. How long can I stay in Japan on my visa?

Although the visa typically states that it expires after one year, your student visa is only valid during the exchange period at KGU. Therefore, both the immigration office and KGU insist that you leave Japan by the end of the month in which your classes and exams finish.



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	Soochow University (Suzhou)
	Sun Yat-Sen University (Guangzhou)
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	Chung-Ang University (Seoul)
	Dongguk University (Seoul)
	Ewha Womans University (Seoul)
	Hannam University (Daejeon)
	Hanyang University (Seoul)
	Kyung Hee University (Seoul)
	Methodist Theological University (Seoul)
	Sogang University (Seoul)
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	University of Vaasa
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	Normandie Business School
	University of Science and Technology at Lille 1
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	Ruhr University Bochum
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Sweden	Linköping University
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	University of Edinburgh
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	University of Manchester
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	University of Queensland (Brisbane)
	University of Sydney
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	University of Sao Paulo
Canada	King's University College and Huron College at The University of Western Ontario (London, ON)
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	Mount Allison University (Sackville, NB)
	Queen's University (Kingston, ON)
	Simon Fraser University (Burnaby, BC)
	University of British Columbia (Vancouver, BC)
	University of Toronto / Victoria University (Toronto, ON)
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	University Studies Abroad Consortium (Reno, NV)



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Graduate Programs: Theology; Humanities; Sociology; Law and Politics; Economics; Business Administration; Human Welfare Studies; Institute of Business and Accounting; Language, Communication and Culture; Law School

Research Institutes: Institute of Research of Disaster Area Reconstruction; Institute for Advanced Social Research; Institute for Industrial Research; Language Center; Research Center for Christianity and Culture; Institute for Human Rights Research and Education; Institute for Integrated Communication Research and Development; Center for Information and Media Studies; Research Center for Teacher Development

Students: Approximately 17,500

Faculty & Staff: Approximately 2,000



Nishinomiya Seiwa Campus

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Graduate Programs: Education
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Faculty & Staff: Approximately 250

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Students: Approximately 4,700
Faculty & Staff: Approximately 400

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