Exchange Program Fact Sheet

Contemporary Japan Program 2018-2019

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Partner Institutions
149 in 34 countries and regions (As of June 2018)

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Program Outline

Contemporary Japan Program (CJP)
There are two study tracks available within the CJP. Students can choose one of the following study tracks:
- **Japanese Language Track**, for students who wish to focus on their Japanese language studies (5 credits of mandatory Japanese Language Courses each semester)
- **Modern Japan Track**, for students who wish mainly to learn about Japan via English-taught courses through a variety of subjects. (2 credit mandatory Japan Studies Course, "Modern Japan Seminar" each semester)

Note: Tracks cannot be changed after a student has submitted their application to KGU.

Eligibility
Must be an undergraduate or graduate student nominated by a KGU partner institution.

Language Requirements

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<th>Language</th>
<th>Japanese Language Track</th>
<th>Modern Japan Track</th>
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<td>Japanese</td>
<td>Students must at least be able to fluently read, write, understand and pronounce the Japanese Hiragana and Katakana phonetic scripts by the time they arrive in Japan.</td>
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<td>English</td>
<td>As a number of elective courses are held in English, students whose native language is not English are expected to have an English proficiency equivalent to a TOEFL iBT® score of 71 or higher. Students are not required to submit any certifications for English proficiency.</td>
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Language of Instruction
Japanese Language Courses are taught in Japanese.
Japan Studies Courses, School of International Studies Courses (undergraduate only), and Institute of Business and Accounting (graduate only) Courses are taught in English.

Application Deadlines
All required hard copies of application documents must arrive at KGU by the following dates:
- Starting from Fall Semester 2018
- April 15, 2018
- Starting from Spring Semester 2019
- November 15, 2018

Note: The application period opens around two months before the deadline.

Application Process
Application information can be found on the following webpage and is updated around two months before each deadline: [https://ciec.kwansei.ac.jp/study/exchange/prospective/apply.html](https://ciec.kwansei.ac.jp/study/exchange/prospective/apply.html)

Available Period of Study
One Semester or Two Semesters
Start: Fall or Spring.

Program Dates (tentative)

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<th>Fall Semester 2018</th>
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<td>Designated Arrival Date</td>
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<td>Orientation Week</td>
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<td>Winter Intensive Period for students who enroll at KGU for two semester beginning in the Fall.</td>
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<td>First Day of Classes</td>
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<td>Last Day of Classes</td>
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<td>Spring Semester 2019 (Academic calendar for the 2019 spring will be finalized in Nov. 2018)</td>
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Note: Courses may be held on some Japanese national public holidays.

(*1) Exams for courses not listed under Japanese Language Courses or Japan Studies Courses may take place during the period for KGU Regular Class Examinations.
Courses Offered

Japanese Language Courses (JLC)
CJP elective courses are conducted in English and taught in the afternoon. The JSC Modern Japan Seminar course is mandatory for students in the Modern Japan Track.

Elective Courses
There is also a selection of Japanese language elective courses.

Online Syllabus
Use online syllabus tool below to search for course code listed on CJP Brochure. https://syllabus.kwansei.ac.jp

Regular University Courses
Undergraduate students can also take classes conducted in English at the School of International Studies. There are no International Studies courses offered at the graduate level.

School of International Studies (SIS)
Graduate/Master students majoring in business or economics can take graduate level courses in English at the Institute of Business and Accounting. Interested students should contact CIEC during the orientation.

Institute of Business and Accounting (IBA)

Required Credits

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<td>Fall / Spring Semester</td>
<td>10-16 credits per semester</td>
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<td>Winter Intensive Period*</td>
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*The Winter Intensive Period is only offered to exchange students enrolled from the Fall semester for two semesters.

Accommodation

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

Accommodation Options
1. Homestay (2,200 JPY/day)
   Includes 2 meals/day on weekdays, 3 meals/day on weekends and holidays, and utilities
   Note: KGU may not be able to find a placement for exchange students due to their preferences, dietary needs or health conditions.
2. Dormitory (35,000 - 55,000 JPY/month)
   Excludes meals and utilities
   Details about the dormitories available here.

Scholarship Opportunities
Exchange students can apply for a scholarship through KGU along with their application to KGU. Applicants will be informed if they will receive the scholarship roughly a week before arriving in Japan. However, there are circumstances in which students may not be informed until after their arrival in Japan.

Other Scholarships
US-Japan Bridging Foundation (US students only): http://www.bridgingfoundation.org/
Japan-Taiwan Exchange Association (Taiwan students only): https://www.koryu.or.jp

Other Information
Nihongo Partner
Acting as language partners the exchange student’s first semester, KGU local student volunteers assist the exchange students in their practice of Japanese. Only students who are enrolled in Japanese Language Track and apply in advance are able to be assigned Nihongo Partners.

Global Student (GS) Network
The GS Network is the official student group endorsed by CIEC and provides various supports to exchange students during orientation. They also plan and hold cultural exchange activities for both exchange students and KGU students over the course of the year.

Transcripts
Two grade transcripts will be sent to the home institution after the last semester of the student's exchange ends. The home institution will give one copy to the student and keep one for their records.

The transcripts will be sent out in the following periods:
- Spring Semester (WIP) Late August
- Fall Semester Late February

Bringing Prescription Drugs to Japan
There is a form called a "Yakkan Shomeisho" that you need to submit and send to Japan in order to bring prescription drugs and other medical equipment such as prescription contact lenses into Japan. It will then be sent back to you, but can take some time, so please make sure that you look into this several months before you leave for Japan.