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University Guide

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Overview of Ryukoku University

The history of Ryukoku University began with the opening of the “Gakuryo” educational facility at Nishi-Hongwanji Temple in 1639.

Ryukoku University is one of the oldest higher education institutions in Japan. It was established as a Buddhist seminary called “Gakuryo” (Boarding School) in the precincts of Nishi-Hongwanji Temple by its 13th abbot, Ryonyo, for the promotion of research and Shin Buddhism education. Many valuable literary items and documents have been donated to the University from various fields of study over its long history. Most of them are contained in the libraries of each campus, in particular Omiya Campus, and utilized for advanced education and research.

Today, approximately more than 380 years after the university's foundation, exchanges with overseas institutions have been steadily increasing. Among approximately 20,000 undergraduate and graduate students, there are approximately 500 international students from many countries around the world.



Woodblock print depicting the ceremony celebrating the completion of Nishi-Hongwanji Daikyoko <Today's Omiya Campus>

Important History

- Emperor Meiji visited Omiya campus in 1880. Since that time, we have welcomed other dignitaries, including President Prasad (India's first President) in 1958.
- Ryukoku University published Japan's first general magazine [*Chūōkōron*, Central Review] in 1887.
- Ryukoku University oversees the Ryukoku Museum, a Kyoto-based institution boasting several important cultural and Buddhist artifacts.

Location –Where is Ryukoku University?

9 Faculties and 1 Junior College spread over three campuses located in the Kyoto and Shiga areas, renowned for their traditional culture.

Ryukoku University has 3 campuses, creating a rich and unique learning environment. The beautiful Omiya campus has many important cultural properties which continue to be used for lectures and services. Studying in such a learning environment, wherein lies the origin of Japanese history and culture, provides great intercultural experiences for students.

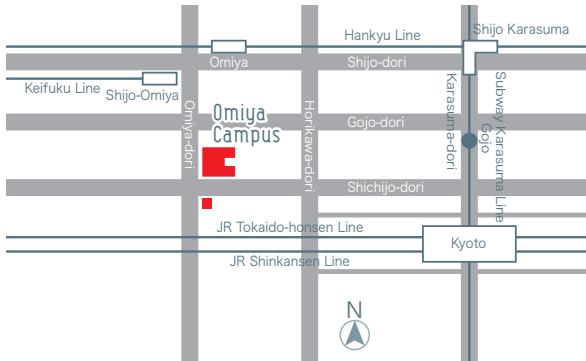
Kyoto and Shiga are located in the central part of the Japanese island of Honshu (approximately 500km from Tokyo), nearby Osaka, Hyogo, Nara, Fukui and Mie Prefectures, and are a major part of the Osaka-Kobe-Kyoto metropolitan area. Kyoto is the former capital of Japan and was the residence of the Emperor for over a thousand years, from 794 until the Meiji Restoration in 1868, when the capital was moved to Tokyo. Also known as ‘the cultural heart of Japan’, with temples, shrines and traditional wooden houses, its cultural and historical heritage sites have been attracting many tourists from all over the world.

Shiga, Once known as “Omi”, lies next to the ancient capital of Kyoto. It has fostered a rich history and flourished as an important area linking the cultures of Tokyo (Edo) and Kyoto. Many historical legacies remain today throughout the prefecture that have played a critical role in the history of Japan.



Omiya Campus

Located at the birthplace of Ryukoku University, Omiya Campus boasts a history and tradition that span over 370 years. Its Main Hall, Main Gate, former Guard Station, North Hall and South Hall bear the national designation of Important Cultural Properties. The University's Omiya Library is known for its valuable collection which includes National Treasures and Important Cultural Properties.



Main Hall completed in 1879 (Important Cultural Property)

The Main Hall, which underwent renovation under the Heisei Restoration Project, is the symbol of the Omiya Campus, and has been designated as an Important Cultural Property by the Japanese government. The exhibition room on the first floor is sometimes used for exhibitions organized by students enrolled in the curator training course.

- ☐ Faculty of Letters (third- and fourth-year students)
- ☐ Graduate School of Letters
- ☐ Graduate School of Practical Shin Buddhist Studies
- 125-1 Daiku-cho, Shichijo-dori Omiya Higashi-iru, Shimogyo-ku, Kyoto 600-8268
- Tel: +81-75-343-3311
- On foot, about 12 minutes northwest of Kyoto Station on the JR Tokaido Line (or about 3 minutes by Kyoto Municipal Bus)
- On foot, about 20 minutes west of Shichijo Station on the Keihan Line
- On foot, about 20 minutes south of Omiya Station on the Hankyu Kyoto Line (or about 5 minutes by Kyoto Municipal Bus)

Fukakusa Campus

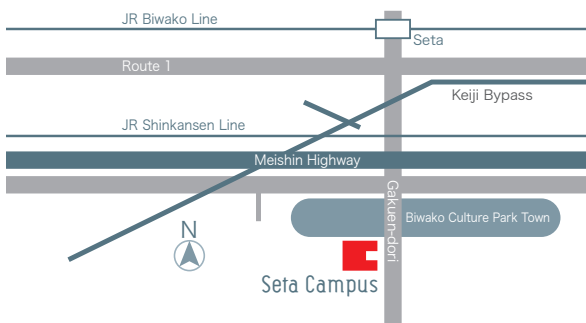
Situated in a location ideal for interaction, Fukakusa Campus is attended by the largest number of students from among the three campuses of Ryukoku University. This gently sloped campus houses various sophisticated facilities including a multimedia building with computer training rooms, as well as an event space, which together ensure an enjoyable, exciting student life.



- ☐ Faculty of Letters (first- and second-year students)
- ☐ Faculty of Economics
- ☐ Faculty of Business Administration
- ☐ Faculty of Law
- ☐ Faculty of Policy Science
- ☐ Faculty of International Studies
- ☐ Junior College
- ☐ Graduate School of Economics
- ☐ Graduate School of Business Administration
- ☐ Graduate School of Law
- ☐ Graduate School of Policy Science
- ☐ Graduate School of Intercultural Communication
- ☐ Japanese Culture and Language Programs (JCLP)
- ☐ Japanese Experience Program in Kyoto (JEP Kyoto)
- 67 Tsukamoto-cho, Fukakusa, Fushimi-ku, Kyoto 612-8577
- Tel: +81-75-642-1111
- On foot, about 8 minutes southwest of Inari Station on the JR Nara Line
- On foot, about 3 minutes west of Fukakusa Station on the Keihan Line
- On foot, about 10 minutes east of Kinokuniya Station on the Karasuma Subway Line

Seta Campus

Located in Biwako Cultural Park Town in Otsu, Shiga Prefecture, Seta Campus is equipped with state-of-the-art research facilities including laboratories for scientific and engineering research, as well as facilities for training students studying welfare and for joint industry/academic activities.



- ☐ Faculty of Sociology
- ☐ Faculty of Science and Technology
- ☐ Faculty of Agriculture
- ☐ Graduate School of Sociology
- ☐ Graduate School of Science and Technology
- ☐ Graduate School of Agriculture
- 1-5 Yokotani, Seta Oe-cho, Otsu, Shiga 520-2194
- Tel: +81-77-543-5111
- About 8 minutes by Teisan Bus, from Seta Station on the JR Biwako Line

Entrance Programs

1. Exchange Students

Students of universities that have established student exchange agreements with Ryukoku University can study at our university as exchange students.

*For details, please contact the Center for the Promotion of Global Education (R-Globe) Office or check our website.
(QR code is on the last page of this brochure)

■ International Exchange Agreements

International Exchange Agreements: 125 Institutions (38 Countries & Regions)

Student Exchange Agreements: 94 Institutions (30 Countries & Regions) *As of September, 2017

■ Partner Universities Exchanging Students (excerpted)

[Australia]Deakin University, Murdoch University

[Belgium]Ghent University, University of Mons

[Canada]Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Lakehead University, University of Calgary

[China]Dalian University of Foreign Languages, Minzu University of China, Renmin University of China

[Denmark]University of Aarhus

[Finland]University of Eastern Finland

[France]Université Catholique de Lille

[Germany]University of Duisburg-Essen

[Ireland]University College Cork

[Italy]The University of Salerno

[Korea]Dong-A University, Dongguk University

[Lithuania]Vilnius University

[Malaysia]University of Malaya

[Mexico]Benemérita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla

[The Netherlands]Radboud University Nijmegen

[Poland]Warsaw School of Economics

[Slovakia]Comenius University

[Spain]Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Universitat de Valencia

[Sweden]Linnaeus University

[Taiwan]National Taiwan Normal University, Tunghai University

[Thailand]Chulalongkorn University, Thammasat University

[UK]Oxford Brookes University, University of Central Lancashire

[Ukraine]National Taras Shevchenko University of Kyiv

[USA]University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, California State University, Northridge, The University of Massachusetts Boston

[Vietnam]Hanoi University, Ho Chi Minh City University of Foreign Languages and Information Technology



JEP Kyoto (Japanese Experience Program in Kyoto)

From April 2015, Ryukoku University launched the Japanese Experience Program in Kyoto (JEP Kyoto), a program specially designed for incoming exchange students from our Partner Universities located throughout the world. The JEP Kyoto Program consists of the 【JEP-J】 study course (Japanese language-focused) and 【JEP-E】 study course (English language-focused). For a truly unique cultural and educational experience, we welcome students to join us on our multicultural campus.

A sample curriculum chart for each study course can be found below.

For more detailed outlines of our JEP Kyoto study courses, please visit our webpage:

http://intl.ryukoku.ac.jp/english/html/jep_program.html



Ryukoku University JEP Kyoto Credit System

Japanese Language Classes (1 Credit Each)

1.5 Hours×15 Weeks = 22.5 Hours/Credit

Elective Courses (2 Credits Each)

1.5 Hours×15 Weeks = 22.5 Hours (11.25 Hours/Credit)

*All Exchange Students are required to register for at least 16 credits per semester.

*The finalized syllabi for each study course will be provided to students at the beginning of each semester.



JEP-J Study Course

In this study course, situation-based Japanese language classes, based on topic syllabi, are offered to accommodate students from the upper beginner to advanced levels. (It is recommended that students have had at least 300 hours of previous Japanese language study.) Participants may also choose from a variety of elective courses taught in either English or Japanese. Furthermore, students may also register for classes in Ryukoku University's Faculties and Graduate Schools if they meet the language requirement and are accepted by the instructor.



[JEP-J] Study Course, Curriculum Outline

SUBJECT TYPE	CREDITS OFFERED PER SEMESTER
Japanese Language Courses	11 Credits/ Semester
Elective Courses Taught in Japanese	Approximately 18 Credits
Special Lectures Taught in Japanese	Approximately 3 Credits
Elective Courses Taught in English	Approximately 10 Credits
Regular Faculty/Graduate School Subjects	TBA
TOTAL	42+ Credits

JEP-E Study Course

Our location in the beautiful city of Kyoto makes us the perfect location at which to welcome English-speaking students, without Japanese language ability, from throughout the world to satisfy their desire to learn more about Japanese society and culture, along with the unique opportunity to learn more about Kyoto's rich traditions firsthand, as well as our own traditions as a university based on the founding spirit of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism. In addition to classes offered through the JEP-E study course, students may also register for English-taught classes in Ryukoku University's Faculties and Graduate Schools if they are accepted by the instructor.



[JEP-E] Study Course, Curriculum Outline

SUBJECT TYPE	CREDITS OFFERED PER SEMESTER
Seminars	2 Credits
Founding Philosophy Subjects	2 Credits
Introductory Japanese Language	3 Credits
Regional Cultural Studies	2 Credits
Subjects in Japanese Society and Culture	10 Credits
Special Lectures	3 Credits (Fall Semester)
Faculty Subjects	Approximately 18 Credits
Faculty Subjects in English	TBA
Subjects Coordinated by the R-Globe	Approximately 4 Credits
TOTAL	45+ Credits

JEP-E Curriculum Contents

Category	Subject Title	Credits
Seminars	Introductory Seminar A	2
	Introductory Seminar B	2
Founding Philosophy Subjects	Buddhist Thought A	2
	Buddhist Thought B	2
Introductory Japanese Language	Introductory Japanese I	3
	Introductory Japanese II	3
Subjects Coordinated by the R-Globe Office	Exploring Business in Kyoto	2
	Understanding and Creating Financial Reports	2
Regional Cultural Studies	Fieldwork in Ryukoku Museum	2
	Kyoto Studies A	2
	Kyoto Studies B	2
Japanese Society & Culture Subjects	Japanese Religions A	2
	Japanese Religions B	2
	Japanese History	2
	Japanese Literature & Movies	2
	Japanese Media & Arts	2
	Japanese Pop Culture	2
	Japanese Economy & Management	2
	Japanese Law & Politics	2
	Japanese Society	2
	Japanese Technology	2
Faculty Subjects	International Relations B	2
	International Relations C	2
	Peace and Development	2
	Intercultural Studies	2
	Comparative Culture	2
	Introduction to International Politics	2
	Special Lecture (Strategic Decision Making)	2
	Intercultural Discussion	2
	English for Glocal Communication	2
	English for Policy Science	2

JEP-E Sample Schedule

		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1st Period	9:00-10:30			Introductory Japanese I		
2nd Period	10:45-12:15		Introductory Japanese I	Kyoto Studies B	Buddhist Thought B	Fieldwork in Ryukoku Museum
3rd Period	13:15-14:45	Introductory Japanese I	Understanding and Creating Financial Reports		Japanese Media & Arts	Introductory Seminar B
4th Period	15:00-16:30	Exploring Business in Kyoto	Japanese Society		Special Lecture 1B (Japan's diplomacy in the context of globalization)	Japanese Religions B
5th Period	16:45-18:15		Japanese Pop Culture			Japanese Technology

In addition to the subjects listed under "Curriculum Contents", the following will also be offered within the JEP-Kyoto program curriculum:

-Subjects offered in English by each Ryukoku University Faculty

-Subjects developed and coordinated by the Center for the Promotion of Global Education (R-Globe)

*Some courses may not be available for institutional reasons.

2. Privately-Funded International Students

Ryukoku University accepts privately-funded international students in 9 Faculties, 1 Junior College and 10 graduate schools. For details, please feel free to contact the desired Faculty Administrative Division.

■ Entrance Examinations for Privately-Funded International Students

Faculty / Graduate School	Application	Exam Date
Letters	Mid - September	End of November
Economy		
Business Administration		
Law		
Political Science		
International Studies	Mid - September Beginning of December	End of November Mid - February
Science Technology	Mid - November	Mid - February
Social Science	Mid - September	End of November
Agriculture		
Junior College		



*The schedule is subject to change. Application information will be made available at the beginning of August.

*Examination results will be announced at the beginning of March.

Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU)

International Applicants also need to take the EJU as Applicants to our university. The EJU evaluates Japanese language skills and basic academic abilities needed to study at the university level.

■ Exam Months:

June and November

■ Venues:

<In Japan> Kyoto, Osaka, Hyogo (Kansai area)

<Outside Japan> India, Indonesia, Korea, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Taiwan, Philippines, Vietnam, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Myanmar, Mongolia, Russia

■ Subjects:

Japanese as a Foreign Language, Science, Japan and the World, Mathematics

■ Exam languages:

The written exam of the Examination of Japanese as a Foreign Language is only in Japanese. Questions on the exam may be written in **Japanese** or **English**



More Information



*Students with a high EJU score may be eligible to receive a Reservation Program for Honors Scholarships for Privately Financed International Students (Undergraduate Level: 48,000 yen per month)

Japanese Government Scholarship (Embassy Recommendation)

This scholarship offered by the Japanese government (Embassy Recommendation) is intended for individuals living overseas who wish to study in Japan. Japanese Embassies and Consulate Generals overseas recruit and screen applicants. Ryukoku University accepts students as undergraduate students, research students, Japanese studies students, and teacher training students.

< Scholarship >

Scholarship benefits are 110,000 to 140,000 yen per month. Tuition fees are waived. Travel costs and round-trip airfare are provided.

< Recruitment >

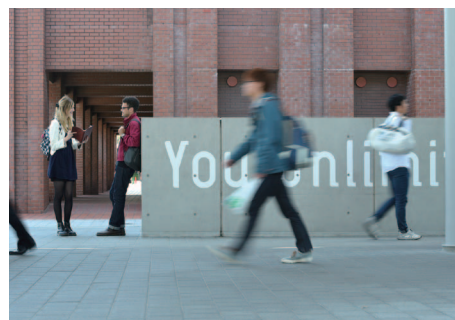
■ Undergraduate Students / Research Students

Recruitment: April-May / 1st screening: June-July (Review of submitted documents, written exam, interview)

■ Japanese Studies Students / Teacher Training Students

Recruitment: December-February / 1st screening: February-March

*For details, please visit the website for Japanese Government Scholarship Students.



3. Transfer Students

Students who have graduated or are expected to graduate from junior colleges can matriculate as third-year students of Ryukoku University. For details, please contact the desired Faculty Administrative Division.

Application: Around May - Sep. / Examination: Around May - Oct.

4. Japanese Culture and Language Program (JCLP)

The Japanese Culture and Language Program (JCLP) is a one-year intensive course, centered on the Japanese Language and a variety of Japanese affairs. It is ideal for students with an interest in Japanese Language and Culture, or those preparing for entry into a Japanese university.

1. Features of JCLP

- Students are evaluated on their Japanese language proficiency every semester and then placed into a suitable Japanese Language class based on their proficiency.
- There are various elective subjects in the afternoon such as Japanese culture, society, etc.
- Students can learn about Kyoto's traditional culture and entertainment through activities outside the classroom.
- Students have access to all facilities available to regular Ryukoku students.
- Recommendation for acceptance into Ryukoku faculties and the Junior College is available.

〈Opportunity for admission into Ryukoku Faculties varies by semester, as follows:〉

Spring Entry	Faculty of Letters, Faculty of Economics, Faculty of Business Administration, Faculty of Law, Faculty of Policy Science, Faculty of International Studies (excluding Department of Global Studies), Faculty of Science and Technology, Faculty of Sociology, Faculty of Agriculture (excluding Department of Food Sciences and Human Nutrition), Junior College
September Entry	Faculty of Economics, Faculty of Law, Faculty of International Studies (excluding Department of Global Studies)

2. Curriculum Contents

The Program begins in April (1st Semester) and September (2nd Semester). Students can start from either semester to complete the one-year program.

SUBJECT TYPE	SUBJECT TITLE
COMPULSORY SUBJECTS	Japanese A・B
ELECTIVE COMPULSORY SUBJECTS	Religion A・B
	History & Literature A・B
	Society & Culture A・B
	Economics & Business Administration A・B
	Science & Technology A・B
	Arts & Martial Arts A・B
	Special Lectures 1A・1B <Buddhism>
	Special Lectures 1A・1B <IGO:A Traditional Japanese Game>
	Special Lectures 1A・1B <Preparation for JLPT>
	Special Lectures 1A・1B <Introduction to Japanese Culture>

3. Class Contents

[Japanese Language] Based on the results of the Placement Test (which students take upon entry into the program), students will be assigned to a class most suitable to their current Japanese level.

[Japanese Culture and Technology] These subjects enable students to acquire a better understanding of Japanese history, literature, society, economy, etc. These classes are taught by regular Faculty Instructors in Japanese.

[Special Lectures] There is a Japanese Language and Proficiency Test preparatory class, an Introduction to Japanese Culture class as well as other classes conducted in English.



4. Program Term and Completion

The program length is one year. A student's completion will be recognized when they have studied in the program for one year and have been awarded the required credits for completion (24 credits from the compulsory subjects, Japanese Language A & B, and 8 credits from among the elective subjects.)

<Application Guidelines>

1. STUDENT NUMBERS

Maximum Enrollment : 40 Students Per Year ; Approximately 20 Students Per Semester

2. ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for admission into JCLP, the Applicant must fulfill one of the following conditions:

- 1) The Applicant has completed (or is expected to complete a month before entry into the JCLP) a twelve-year curriculum of education in a foreign country, or one which is recognized by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology as being of equivalent standard;
- 2) The Applicant has completed (or is expected to complete a month before entry into the JCLP) a course of study, the curriculum of which is recognized by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology as equivalent to that of a Japanese high school;
- 3) The Applicant is of an age equivalent to that of a Japanese high school graduate, and is judged by Ryukoku University to be of equivalent scholastic ability or higher.

As for Japanese study, the Applicant must have fulfilled one of the following conditions at the point of application:

- 1) The Applicant has studied Japanese for more than 300 hours.
- 2) The Applicant has passed the N4 Grade of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test.

*Those Applicants who have previously been enrolled in another Japanese language institution inside Japan for a period of more than one year (up to the day of their inauguration into JCLP) cannot be admitted.

3. APPLICATION PERIODS

Documents must arrive at Ryukoku University during the time periods indicated below. This is an arrival deadline, not a postmark deadline. For specific dates, please check the application materials or send an inquiry to the Center for the Promotion of Global Education (R-Globe) Office at Ryukoku University.

ENTRANCE IN SEPTEMBER

Application Period : Mid - April ~ Beginning of May

ENTRANCE IN APRIL

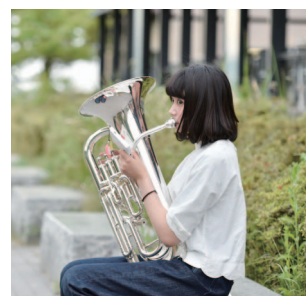
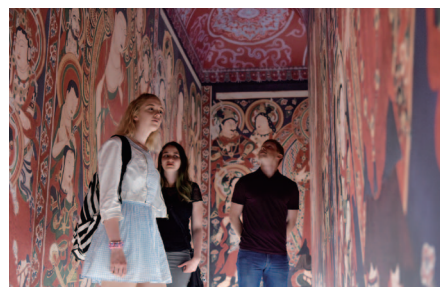
Application Period : Mid - September ~ Beginning of October

4. SELECTION METHOD

Selection will be made through the evaluation of submitted documents.

5. SCHOLARSHIPS

"The Foreign Student's Scholarship" (¥22,500 per month) and "JASSO Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students" (¥48,000 per month) are granted to students in JCLP who are selected for their superior character and attitude towards their studies.



Preparation for Studying in Japan

Entry Visa

To apply for an entry visa to take the EJU and the university's entrance examination, please contact your nearest Embassy (or Consulate General) to apply for a Temporary Visitor Visa. At that time, it is advisable to show documents such as your examination admission card.

Residence Status: Temporary Visitor

Period of Stay: 90, 30 or 15 days

*Please contact the Embassy for details well in advance.

School Fees and Living Expenses

1. School Fees (One Year)

(Unit: JPN Yen)

	Entrance Exam Fees	School Fees	
		Admission Fees	Tuition Fees
Undergraduates	35,000	200,000	1,021,000 ~ 1,572,600*
Graduates	35,000	200,000	763,000 ~ 1,100,000*
JCLP	15,000	50,000	487,000

*Tuition paid in two installments in the 1st and 2nd semesters

*Tuition for each semester paid at the beginning of the semester

*There is 40% of tuition waiver assistance System as below.

※ Auditing students include non-degree course students

2. Average Living Expenses

As a general guide, students should allocate approximately 80,000 yen per month, or 960,000 yen per year for expenses in Japan. (not including tuition fees.)

Accommodations:

< Ryukoku International House > Single Rooms 35,000 yen (incl. electricity and water charge)

< Private Apartments > 25,000 - 60,000 yen

Total Average Monthly Living Expenses: 80,000 yen ~

Estimated Monthly Budget	Japanese Yen
Accommodation	10,000~35,000 (University Dormitory)
Food	20,000
Health Costs	5,000
Public Transportation	14,000
Books, Stationary	5,000
Clothing, Toiletries, Entertainment	10,000
Total(Recommended)	80,000

Economic Assistance

1. Tuition Waiver (For Privately-Funded International Students)

Ryukoku University maintains a fee assistance system under which 40% of tuition fees incurred by international students enrolled in regular undergraduate or graduate courses of study may be subsidized.

2. Scholarship

Scholarships are also available to enrolled international students and students taking special courses, and students may apply for scholarships offered by public institutions, as well as private organizations.

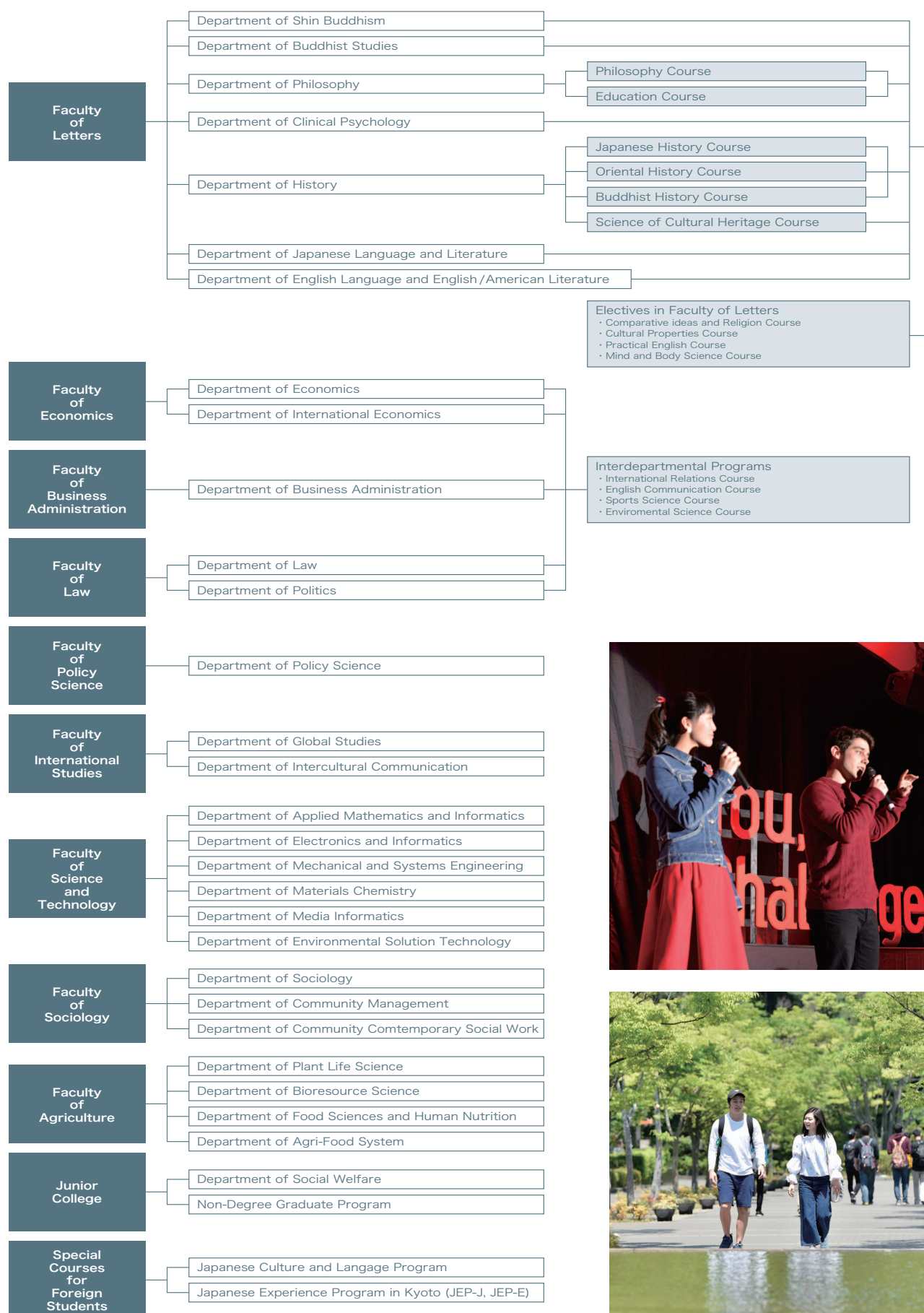
A monthly scholarship of 30,000 to 150,000 yen is available from the Japanese government, Ryukoku University, the Rotary Club and other foundations.

*For details, please contact the Center for the Promotion of Global Education (R-Globe) Office.

*The university also offers career advice and introduces part-time jobs (with work hour limits. Work permission from the Immigration Office is required.)



Ryukoku University Academics (Undergraduate)



Special Events for International Students

Farming Village Experience

Details Held in the beautiful natural surroundings of northern Kyoto Prefecture, we invite you to use your five senses to experience the local lifestyle and traditional culture.

Dates Beginning of February [1 night, 2 days]

Destination Northern Kyoto Prefecture (About two hours from Fukakusa Campus)

Sample Schedule First Day

7:45 Gathering Time (Global Commons, Fukakusa)
8:15 Depart from Ryukoku University by Bus
10:30 Arrive at Ayabe-shi, Local Elementary School, Exchange with Children
13:30 Depart from Local Elementary School
14:00 Stroll through Ayabe City – Grill rice crackers by hand and medicinal tea-tasting experience
15:00 Visit Ryoenji Temple, hear a talk by the Head Priest
17:30 Dinner at Fushimiya (traditional lodgings)
15:00 Hot Spring Experience at Kyo-Ayabe Hotel

Second Day

7:30 Wake Up
8:00 Breakfast at Fushimiya
9:00 Depart from Fushimiya
9:30 "Washi" Japanese papermaking experience
11:00 Leave for Miyama Town
12:30 Arrive at Miyama Town (Sugiyama). Mochi-making experience, lunch, and walk among the traditional thatched-roof houses
15:00 Depart for Ryukoku University
17:30 Planned arrival time at Fukakusa Campus



Fishing Village Experience

Details Held in the beautiful natural surroundings of northern Kyoto Prefecture, we invite you to use your five senses to experience life in harmony with the sea and with nature.

Dates Beginning of August [1 night, 2 days]

Destination Northern Kyoto Prefecture (1.5 hours from Fukakusa Campus)

Sample Schedule First Day

8:30 Departure from Fukakusa Campus by bus
11:00 Arrive at Maizuru Sugiyama (explore the terraced rice paddies, temple, bay, large cedar trees, etc.)
11:30~13:00 Pizza and Bread-Making Experience, Lunch
14:00~16:00 Kamaboko-Making Experience
16:30 Head for Nohara Fishing Village (Swimming, Fishing, etc.)
18:30 Dinner and Friendship Gathering

Second Day

5:00 Fixed Shore Net Fishing Observation (Optional)
7:00 Breakfast
8:30 Depart Nohara (Maizuru) For Kyo Tango City
9:30 Senshoku Dyeing Experience
11:30~13:30 Mixed Sushi Experience and Hot Spring Relaxation at Centrale Hotel
14:30 Visit Amanohashidate (& try the Ropeway)
16:30 Depart for Ryukoku University



Hiroshima Heiwa Program

Details The "Hiroshima Heiwa Program" is facilitated by the Hongwanji Hiroshima Betsuin. Through visits to the Hiroshima Peace Park and Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum, participation in the "Buddhist Peace Gathering" and various experiences had through participating in a homestay with a Japanese family, this program hopes to venture beyond "nationality" to think deeply about the concept of "peace".

Dates Beginning of July [2 nights, 3 days]

Destination Hongwanji Hiroshima Betsuin, etc...

Sample Schedule First Day

(Morning) Travel from Kyoto to Hiroshima by Shinkansen (Bullet Train)
(Afternoon) Peace Studies – Visit to Hongwanji Hiroshima Betsuin, the Hiroshima Peace Park and Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum
(Evening) Welcome Party
(Night) Homestay with a Japanese Family (at a regular home or temple)

Second Day

(Morning) Participation in "Peace Gathering" at Hongwanji Hiroshima Betsuin, Special lecture
(Afternoon) Buddhist Memorial Service for All War Victims, Buddhist Sermon, Special Entertainment
(Night) Homestay

Third Day

(Morning) Free Morning with Homestay Family
(Afternoon) Travel from Hiroshima to Kyoto by Shinkansen (Bullet Train)



Accommodation

Ryukoku University provides accommodation for approximately 200 students in 5 dormitories. These dormitories are conveniently located near all 3 campuses in Kyoto City and Shiga Prefecture. Our Japanese students also live in these dormitories as tutors to assist International students with day-to-day living and study.
http://intl.ryukoku.ac.jp/dormitory/index_e.html



■ How to apply

New International students fill out the application form sent with the Welcome Package after their acceptance into Ryukoku University. The form must be returned to the Center for the Promotion of Global Education (R-Globe) Office by the specified application deadline.

■ Eligibility

All International students who have student status can apply to stay in these dormitories. Priority will be given to all new students, exchange and JCLP students.

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Address 600-8833 16 Nishisuya-cho Shimogyo-ku Kyoto

Style

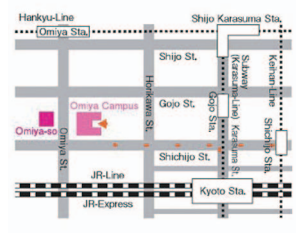
- A. Single (shared apartment)
 - * Two or three bedroom apartments with bathroom, toilet, kitchen (fridge, gas range), vacuum and cupboard.
 - * Facilities: desk, chair, bed(s), bookshelves, reading light, air conditioner/heater, curtain
- B. Family
 - * The same facilities as Singles + dining table, chairs.

Internet Available in your own room

Costs

- Single A (small): Rent - ¥10,000 / month + electricity and water charge (fixed rate of ¥8,000 yen)
- Single B (standard): Rent - ¥15,000 / month + electricity and water charge (fixed rate of ¥8,000 yen)
- Single C (large): Rent - ¥20,000 / month + electricity and water charge (fixed rate of ¥8,000 yen)
- Family: Rent - ¥35,000 / month + electricity and water charge (fixed rate of ¥10,000 yen)
- * Deposit -Single ¥50,000 -Family ¥100,000 (upon entry only)

Access 20 minutes by bicycle to Fukakusa campus, 5 minutes to Omiya campus on foot, 20 minutes on foot to Kyoto station (JR, Kintetsu, Subway Karasuma Line)



Ryukoku International House

Address 612-0029 4-38 Nishiura-cho, Fukakusa, Fushimi-ku, Kyoto

Style

- Single rooms
 - * Shared shower rooms/bathrooms, toilet, kitchens (fridges, IH cooker), coin-operated laundry equipment.
 - * Facilities: desk, chair, bed, bookshelf, reading light, air conditioner/heater, curtains

Internet Available in your own room

Costs

- Rent: ¥25,000 yen / month + electricity and water charges ¥10,000/month (fixed rate)
- * Deposit : ¥80,000 yen (upon entry only)

Access

- 5 minutes on foot to Fukakusa campus,
- 5 minutes on foot to Keihan Line Fukakusa station,
- 15 minutes on foot to Subway Karasuma Line Kuinabashi station,
- 10 minutes on foot to JR Inari station



Mukaijima Gakusei Center

Address 612-8133 104-1 Takaba-cho, Mukaijima, Fushimi-ku, KYOTO

Style Single rooms
* kitchen, bathroom, toilet, desk, chair, reading light, bookshelf, fridge, table, curtains, shoe cabinet, microwave oven, phone, air conditioner/heater, bed

Internet Available in your own room (Students have to enter a contract with an internet provider on their own.)
Students can make use of the wireless LAN connection in the Lounge during the Lounge's opening hours

Costs Rent: ¥22,000 yen /month + electricity and water charges + telephone usage
* No deposit is required upon entry.

Access 15 minutes on foot + 25 minutes by train to Fukakusa campus,
15 minutes on foot to Mukaijima station (Kintetsu Line) or Kangetsukyo station (Keihan Line)



Ryukoku Kaikan

Address 612-0029 2-95 Nishiura-cho, Fukakusa, Fushimi-ku, Kyoto

Style Single rooms
* Shared: showers/bathrooms, kitchens (fridges, gas ranges), vacuum and dormitory phone.
* Facilities: desk, chair, bed, bookshelf, reading light, air conditioner/heater, curtain

Internet Available in your own room

Costs Rent: ¥20,000 yen
Month + electricity and water charges ¥8,000/month (fixed rate)
* Deposit: ¥50,000 (upon entry only)

Access 5 minutes on foot to Fukakusa campus
10 minutes on foot to Keihan Line Fukakusa station
10 minutes on foot to Subway Karasuma Line Kuinabashi station

■ Notes Daily necessities, such as personal cups, dishes etc. will be needed. We offer futon rental which includes the following lease items: Kakebuton (heavy blanket), Shikibuton (mattress), pillow, wool blanket, towel blanket and two pairs of sheets. To make use of the rental service, application is necessary.



Daily Life Support

1. Housing and Student Life

Ryukoku International House, for example, is 5 minutes on foot from the Fukakusa Campus and an accommodation comprised of 90 single rooms for international students and Japanese students. Qualified residents can stay for 6 months to 1 year (extendable up to 2 years) after entering the university. There are apartments for students, supermarkets, convenience stores, and other shops near the university. The downtown area is located 10-15 minutes away by public transportation.

2. Buddy and Tutor System

Ryukoku University offers a tutor system to support international students who have just come to Japan and have limited knowledge of the language and the country.

3. Campus Life

All students have access to excellent academic facilities and services, such as medical insurance provided by the Japanese government (fee required), on-campus health clinics, foreign student lounges, personal counseling, student Co-op, and discounts on long distance transportation, etc.



■ Campus Facilities

The campus houses cafeterias, restaurants, bookstores, travel agencies, and bank ATMs. Meals and commodities are readily available at reasonable prices.

■ Support for Japanese Language and Culture

Various levels of Japanese language classes are offered so that international students can choose one that matches their Japanese proficiency. The university also offers Japanese history and culture programs and field trips.

■ Club Activities

There are 43 sports clubs, 35 culture clubs, 6 religion clubs and 74 common interest groups at Ryukoku University, many of which engage in activities on daily basis. International students can also participate in these extracurricular activities, which provide an opportunity to interact with Japanese students.



4. Exploring Around the University

■ Nishi Hongwanji Temple (Kyoto)

The Shin Buddhist path was founded by Shinran Shonin (1173-1262) during the Kamakura period, and in several centuries grew into one of the largest and most influential schools of Buddhism in Japan, a position it maintains today. The Hongwanji temple is the headquarters of the Hongwanji denomination of Shin Buddhism (Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha), and is known as Nishi (lit."West") Hongwanji. About 1 minute on foot from the Omiya Campus.

■ Fushimi Inari-Taisha Shrine (Kyoto)

One of the most well-known shrines among the people of Kyoto, this shrine is nicknamed "Oinari-san." Fushimi Inari Taisha Shrine is the main shrine of all the Inari Shrines in Japan, and one of the oldest Shinto shrines in Kyoto. The deity of this shrine is famous as the god of prosperity in business. About 8 minute on foot from the Fukakusa Campus.

■ Lake Biwa -"Biwako" (Shiga)

This is the largest freshwater lake in Japan, located in Shiga Prefecture. Because of its proximity to the ancient capital, references to Lake Biwa appear frequently in Japanese literature, particularly in poetry and in historical accounts of battles. Lake Biwa is of tectonic origin and is one of the world's twenty oldest lakes, dating to almost 4 million years ago. This long uninterrupted age has allowed for a notably diverse ecosystem to evolve in the lake.

■ Hikone-jo Castle (Shiga)

This castle, an important cultural asset, took 20 years to build and was completed in 1622. The castle stands on a high hill, and is surrounded by a moat which was irrigated directly with the water from Lake Biwa, Japan's largest freshwater lake. You can get a great view across the lake from the turret.

■ Ishiyama-dera Temple (Shiga)

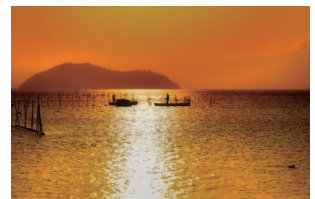
This temple was founded in 749 by a priest called Roben. The Genji room in the temple is famed as the place where Lady Murasaki wrote "The Tale of Genji." There are numerous national treasures and important cultural properties, including a two storied pagoda and a variety of religious texts, Buddhist statues and scrolls.

■ Osaka

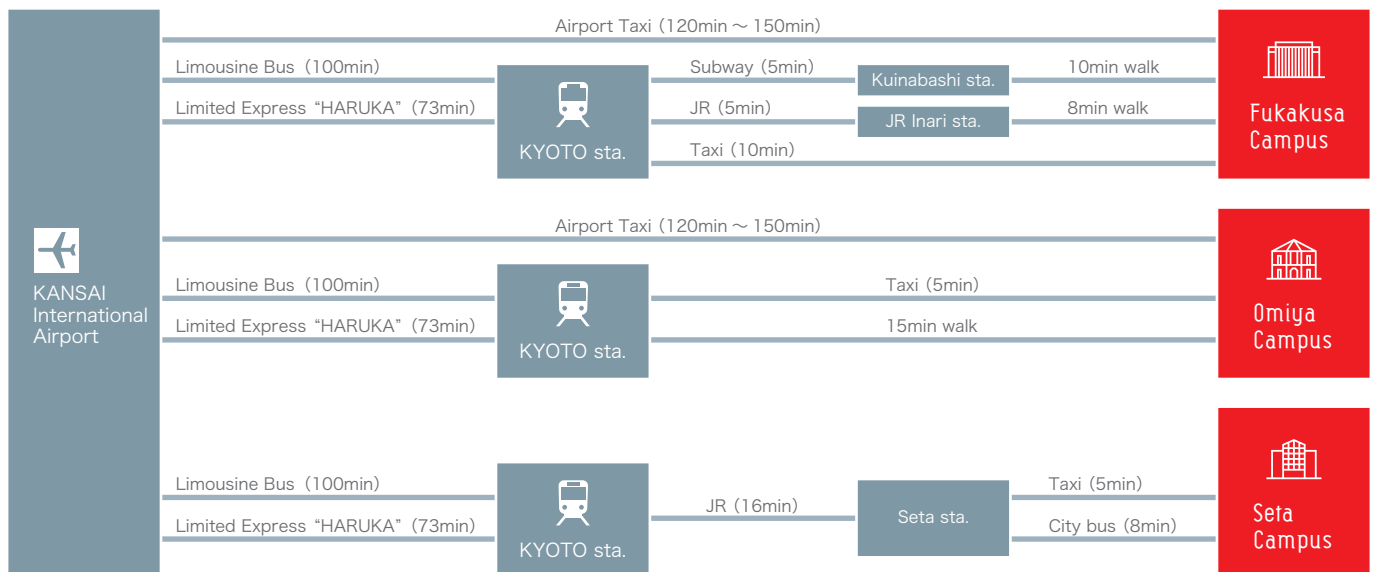
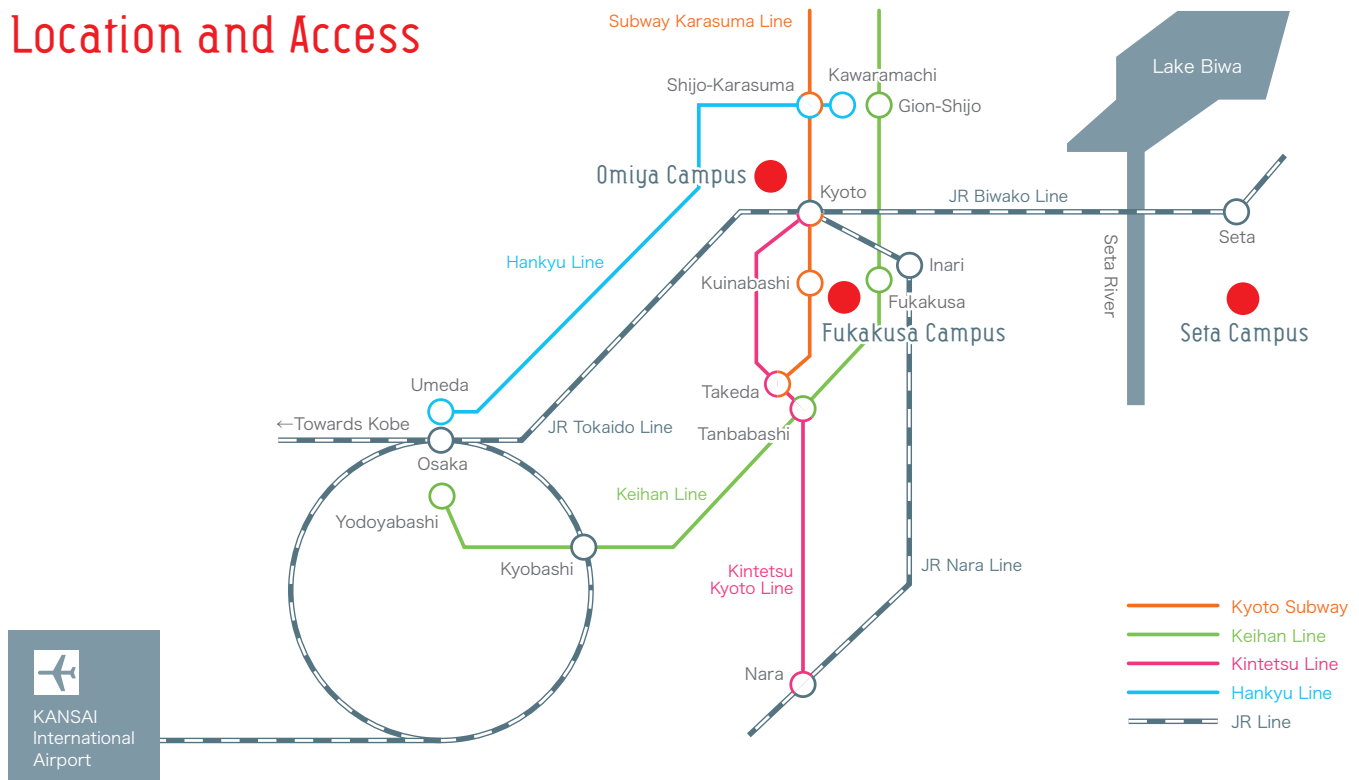
Osaka is Japan's second largest metropolitan area after Tokyo. It has been the economic powerhouse of the Kansai region for many centuries. Before the Nara Period, when the capital used to be moved with the reign of each new emperor, Naniwa was Japan's first capital city. Osaka's nickname -the nation's kitchen (tenka no daidokoro)- originally referred to its Edo Period status as Japan's rice-trade hub. Nowadays, it refers to its reputation as a gourmand's paradise. Okonomiyaki, Takoyaki and Kushikatsu among other things are arguably Osaka's most famous dishes.

■ Nara

Japan's first permanent capital was established in the year 710 at Heijo, the city now known as Nara. Nara is located in the Kinai plain, less than one hour from Kyoto. As the influence and political ambitions of the city's powerful Buddhist monasteries grew to become a serious threat to the government, the capital was moved to Nagaoka in 784.



Location and Access



Transportation Links:

Airport Taxi:

-<http://www.yasaka.jp/taxi/shuttle-e/>
 -<http://www.mk-group.co.jp/english/>

Limousine Bus :

-<http://www.kate.co.jp/pc/english/english.html>

Limited Express HARUKA :

-<http://www.kansai-airport.or.jp/english/access/jrwest.htm>

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~FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS~
DATES FOR THE 2018 ACADEMIC YEAR

SEMESTER 1, 2018 (SPRING SEMESTER) ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

Airport Pickup Dates	March 26 th , 27 th (2018)
Dormitory Check-in	On/After March 26 th (2018)
Entrance Ceremony	April 1 st (2018)
New Student Orientation	April 1 st -6 th (2018) (Tentative)
JEP Kyoto Japanese Language Class Placement Test (for Exchange Students only)	April 2 nd (2018) (Tentative)

SEMESTER 1, 2018 (SPRING SEMESTER) ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Classes Commence	April 9 th (2018)
Class Registration Period	April 9 th to April 13 th (2018) (Tentative)
※Class Registration Deadline	April 13 th (2018) <u>16:00</u> 【4:00PM】 (Tentative)
Examination Period	July 30 th to August 6 th (2018)

SEMESTER 2, 2018 (FALL SEMESTER) ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Classes Commence	September 20 th (2018)
Class Registration Period	September 20 th to September 26 th (2018) (Tentative)
※Class Registration Deadline	September 26 th (2018) <u>16:00</u> 【4:00PM】 (Tentative)
Examination Period	January 23 rd to January 29 th , February 2 nd (2018)
● Summer Vacation	August 7 th (2018) to September 8 th (2018)
● Winter Vacation	December 27 th (2018) to January 5 th (2019)
● Spring Vacation	February 4 th (2019) to March 31 st (2019)
Dormitory Check-out (For those who will be at Ryukoku University for one semester)	August 20 th (2018)
Dormitory Check-out (For those who will be at Ryukoku University for two semesters)	March 20 th (2019) (Tentative)



From April, 2015!



Japanese Experience Program In Kyoto (*JEP Kyoto*)



A program designed specifically for exchange students which combines comprehensive studies in Japanese Language and Society at one of the oldest universities in Japan

Along with the relocation of the Faculty of Intercultural Communication from our Seta Campus to our Fukakusa Campus in April 2015, Ryukoku University has launched the ***Japanese Experience Program in Kyoto (JEP Kyoto)***, a program designed for Ryukoku University's incoming exchange students that combines features of the Japanese Culture and Language Program (JCLP) and Japan and Asian Studies (JAS) Program, which have enjoyed immense popularity over the years.

Situation-based Japanese language classes, based on topic syllabi, are offered to accommodate exchange students from the beginner to advanced levels. Participants may also choose from a variety of elective courses taught in either Japanese or English.※ Furthermore, exchange students may also register for classes in Ryukoku University's Faculties and Graduate Schools if they meet the language requirement and are accepted by the instructor.

※Some JEP Kyoto elective courses may not be available for institutional reasons.

Curriculum Contents

Japanese Language Courses

Subject Title	Credits
Japanese Language A	11
Japanese Language B	11

Elective Courses Taught in Japanese

Subject Title	Credits
Japanese Religion A	2
Japanese Religion B	2
Japanese History & Literature A	2
Japanese History & Literature B	2
Japanese Society & Culture A	2
Japanese Society & Culture B	2
Japanese Science & Technology A	2
Japanese Science & Technology B	2
Japanese Economics & Management A	2
Japanese Economics & Management B	2
Japanese Martial & Performing Arts A	2
Japanese Martial & Performing Arts B	2
Education in Japan A	2
Education in Japan B	2
Japanese Linguistics A	2
Japanese Linguistics B	2
Japanese Law & Politics A	2
Japanese Law & Politics B	2
Special Lecture 1A	2
Special Lecture 1B	2
Special Lecture 2A	1
Special Lecture 2B	1

Elective Courses Taught in English

Subject Title	Credits
Japanese Religion A	2
Japanese Religion B	2
Japanese Literature & Movies	2
Japanese Media & Arts	2
Japanese History	2
Japanese Economy & Management	2
Japanese Law & Politics	2
Japanese Society	2
Japanese Technology	2
Japanese Pop Culture	2



From Sept, 2017



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Japanese Experience Program In Kyoto (*JEP Kyoto*) ◀ENGLISH▶

Ryukoku University, with a history of over 370 years, is one of the oldest universities in Japan. Furthermore, our location in the beautiful city of Kyoto makes us the perfect location at which to welcome English-speaking students, without Japanese language ability, from throughout the world to satisfy their desire to learn more about Japanese society and culture, along with the unique opportunity to learn more about Kyoto's rich traditions first-hand, as well as our own traditions as a university based on the founding spirit of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism. For a truly unique cultural and educational experience, we encourage your students to join us for exchange studies on our multicultural campus.

Credit System

Subject Type	Credits Offered Per Year
(NEW) Seminars	2 Subjects (Total: 4 Credits)
(NEW) Founding Philosophy Subjects	2 Subjects (Total: 4 Credits)
(NEW) Introductory Japanese Language	6 Subjects (Total: 6 Credits)
(NEW) Regional Cultural Studies	2 Subjects (Total: 4 Credits)
Japanese Society & Culture Subjects	10 Subjects (Total: 20 Credits)
Special Lecture	1 Subjects (Total: 2 Credits)
Faculty Subjects	10 Subjects (Total: 20 Credits)
(NEW) Faculty Subjects in English	TBA
(NEW) R-Globe-Coordinated Subjects	2 Subjects (Total: 4 Credits)
TOTAL	34 Subjects (62 Credits)

Sample Schedule

(Spring)	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1st Period	Introductory Japanese (1)		Introductory Japanese (1)		Introductory Japanese (1)
2nd Period	Seminar (2)	【★】 Fieldwork in Ryukoku Museum (2)	【★】Exploring Business in Kyoto (2)	Kyoto Studies A (2)	Founding Philosophy Subject (2)
3rd Period	Elective (2)			Faculty Subject (2)	
4th Period		Faculty Subject (2)			Faculty Subject (2)

【★】 In addition to the subjects listed under "Curriculum Contents", the following will also be offered within the JEP-E program curriculum:

- Subjects offered in English by each Ryukoku University Faculty
- Subjects developed and coordinated by the Center for the Promotion of

Global Education (R-Globe)

(Some courses may not be available for institutional reasons.)

Curriculum Contents

Seminars

Subject Title	Credits
Introductory Seminar A	2
Introductory Seminar B	2

Founding Philosophy Subjects

Subject Title	Credits
Buddhist Thought A	2
Buddhist Thought B	2

Introductory Japanese Language

Subject Title	Credits
Introductory Japanese I	3
Introductory Japanese II	3

Subjects coordinated by R-Globe

Subject Title	Credits
Exploring Business in Kyoto	2
Understanding and Creating Financial Reports	2
Fieldwork in Ryukoku Museum	2

Regional Cultural Studies

Subject Title	Credits
Kyoto Studies A	2
Kyoto Studies B	2

Japanese Society & Culture Subjects

Subject Title	Credits
Japanese Religions A	2
Japanese Religions B	2
Japanese History	2
Japanese Literature & Movies	2
Japanese Media & Arts	2
Japanese Pop Culture	2
Japanese Economy & Management	2
Japanese Law & Politics	2
Japanese Society	2
Japanese Technology	2

Special Lecture

Subject Title	Credits
Special Lecture 1B (Japan's diplomacy in the context of globalization)	3

Faculty Subjects 【Sample】

Subject Title	Credits
International Relations B (Faculty of International Studies)	2
International Relations C (Faculty of International Studies)	2
Peace and Development (Faculty of International Studies)	2
Intercultural Studies (Faculty of International Studies)	2
Comparative Culture (Faculty of International Studies)	2
Introduction to International Politics (Faculty of International Studies)	2
Special Lecture (Strategic Decision Making) (Faculty of International Studies)	2
Intercultural Discussion (Faculty of Business Administration)	2
English for Global Communication (Faculty of Policy Science)	2