

FACT SHEET (2021 Academic Year)

RYUKOKU UNIVERSITY



Ryukoku University is one of the oldest institutions of higher education in Japan.
Students are able to study on our multicultural campuses with International
Students from all over the world.

Omiya Campus was visited by **Emperor Meiji** in 1880. Since that time, other dignitaries including **India's first President, Rajendra Prasad** (in 1958) have also been welcomed.

Ryukoku University published **Japan's first general magazine**, titled *Chūōkōron* (Central Review) in 1887.

Our University oversees the **Ryukoku Museum**, a Kyoto-based institution boasting several important cultural and Buddhist artifacts.

Fukakusa Campus is located a short train ride away from downtown Kyoto, and just **minutes away from beautiful sightseeing spots** (including Fushimi Inari Shrine).

Ryukoku University was named the “**Top Buddhist University in the World**” in the 2018 Unirank University Rankings.

Institutional Address and Website Information

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A. General Information

Foundation	Ryukoku University is a private Jodo Shinshu (Buddhist) university which was founded in Kyoto in 1639. We aspire to educate students to “ <i>seek truth, live in truth, and reveal truth.</i> ”
Facts & Figures	■ Nine Faculties (Letters/Economics/ Business Administration/ Law/ Policy Science/ International Studies/ Advanced Science and Technology/ Sociology/ Agriculture) ■ Ten Graduate Schools (Letters/Economics/Business Administration/Law/Policy Science/International Studies/Science and Technology/ Sociology/ Agriculture/ Practical Shin-Buddhist Studies) ■ One Junior College ■ Total Number of Students: 20,379 (As of May 2020) ■ Total Number of International Students: 421 students from 35 Countries and Regions (As of March 2020) ■ Number of Tenured Faculty Members as of May 2020 ◆ University: 541 Instructors ◆ Junior College 23 Instructors
Campus Location	Three Campuses (In Kyoto City) Fukakusa, Omiya / (In Shiga Prefecture) Seta
Academic Year	April – March
1 st Semester Classes:	First Week of April – Last Week of July
2 nd Semester Classes	Middle of September – Last Week of January
International Student Support and Services	■ Free Airport Reception for Exchange Students (not available in Spring 2021) ■ Comprehensive and Multilingual Orientation program (Japanese, English, and Chinese) ■ Full-time staff members available for support and counseling ■ Organization of social activities ■ Off-campus excursions ■ Scholarships (JASSO Scholarship: awarded to students after a strict selection)

	process. Ryukoku Scholarship: based on Student Exchange Agreement conditions) ■ 40% discount on University tuition fees (for full-time, privately-funded International Students in our regular undergraduate and graduate programs) ■ Health insurance subsidies (only for students living in Kyoto) ■ Accommodation assistance
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B. Exchange Program Conditions

Exchange Student Number(s) Per Year	Usually one or two (to be negotiated)
Fee	Tuition: Waived Scholarship: Varies by Student Exchange Agreement Housing Cost: Varies by Student Exchange Agreement
RU Students' Study Duration	One Year
Student Exchange Partners	120 Student Exchange Partners in 34 Countries/Regions.



C. Classes for Exchange Students

Classes Available for Incoming Exchange Students to RU (Descriptions and Samples, if Available)	※Faculty/Graduate School: Exchange students may register for any classes in Ryukoku University's Faculties or Graduate Schools if they meet the language requirement and are accepted by the instructor. ※Japanese Experience Program in Kyoto (JEP Kyoto) Situation-based Japanese language classes are offered, based on topic syllabi.
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	Participants may choose from a variety of elective courses taught in either Japanese or English. The JEP-E study course, which commenced in Fall 2017, offers a full English language curriculum, as well as basic Japanese training for those who have not yet studied the language.
Number of Class Levels	Six
Entry Requirements ※JLPT = Japanese Language & Proficiency Test	Faculty: For regular Faculty or Graduate School classes conducted in Japanese, students should have Japanese language ability equivalent to JLPT Level N1 or N2. In addition, permission is required of the Instructor and Faculty Office to join the class.
Intensive Japanese Language Course Available	☐ Yes ☐ No Price: Waived for Exchange Students
Website	http://intl.ryukoku.ac.jp/english/examination/exp/
Description of Japanese Language Course	Classes are offered from the Beginner to the Advanced levels, each based on a topic syllabus and including field work and presentations. A variety of electives on the topic of Japanese society and culture are also available.
Course of Study Recommendation	Based on the results of the Japanese Placement Test given during Orientation (for JEP-J Students). If students come to Japan with JLPT N1 or N2, a selection of Faculty classes is recommended. Students still learning Japanese are recommended to focus their studies within the JEP Kyoto Program.
Overview of JEP Kyoto Study Courses (JEP-J, JEP-E)	JEP-J: http://intl.ryukoku.ac.jp/zx_documents/jep/jep_kyoto.pdf JEP-E http://intl.ryukoku.ac.jp/zx_documents/jep/jep_e.pdf
Other Information	Each Exchange Student is assigned an Academic Advisor to help him/her plan a course of study at RU. Incoming exchange students should confirm with their Home University about the possible transfer of credit.

D. Accommodation

Part.1 : Dormitory

Dormitory Availability	☐ Yes ☐ No
Number of Dormitories	Three
Dormitory Names and Locations	(1) Mitra-Kan (2 min walk to Fukakusa Campus) (2) Ryukoku International House (2 min walk to Fukakusa Campus) (3) Ryukoku Kaikan (2 min walk to Fukakusa Campus)
Total Number of Students Housed	Approximately 150
Room Cost (Single Use):	Price: ¥20,000 - ¥35,000 (Not including electricity and water charges)

Facilities in Room	Furnished? ☒ Yes ☐ No If yes, ☐ Bed ☐ Table ☐ Chair ☐ Lamp ☐ Bed Sheets ☐ Shelf ☐ Air Conditioner ☐ Cupboard *All Dorm Residents are required to rent bedding materials (blanket and bedsheets).
Toilet Facilities	☐ Shared ☐ Not Shared (Only Mitra-Kan has an attached toilet in each room)
Internet Connection	☐ Available ☐ Not Available Connection Location ☐ Individual Room ☐ Common Area Note: The internet service in each room (all four dormitories) is included in the utilities fee.
Availability During Holiday Periods	☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, is there an additional fee? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, do they have to change rooms? ☐ Yes ☒ No
Dormitory Info Webpage	http://intl.ryukoku.ac.jp/english/dormitory/
Airport Reception (for Exchange Students)	<Not Available in Spring 2021 > Usually available on three designated days before the start of orientation. Price: Free
Other Information	* Japanese Student Tutors live with the international students to assist with their daily lives * Students are requested to have approximately ¥80,000/month available for personal use, although living expenses will vary according to one's personal lifestyle choices.



Part.2 : Homestay

Homestay Availability	Yes	No
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Part.3 : Off-Campus Accommodations

Off-Campus Accommodation Availability	Yes	No
Other Information	Students who live off-campus are required to have a guarantor and pay fees such as insurance, deposits, etc. and are completely responsible for their own housing expenses. All Exchange Students are given priority in the allocation of dorm rooms.	

E. Programs for Non-Exchange Students

Language School/	☐ Yes	☐ No
Program(s) Available	Japanese Culture and Language Program	
Campus	Fukakusa (Kyoto City)	
Duration	1 Year	
Academic Year	April – March	
1 st Semester	First week of April – Last week of July	
2 nd Semester	Middle of September – Last week of January	
Fees	☐ Per semester ☐ Per course duration Price: Application Fee ¥15,000 (one-time payment only) Admission Fee ¥50,000 (one-time payment only) Tuition Fee ¥243,500/semester	
Courses Available	Japanese language classes (mandatory) Elective Subjects in Japanese society, history, art, economics, business, politics, martial arts and theatre, etc.	
Entry Requirements	Japanese language ability equivalent to 300 hours of study or a score of at least N3 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test	
Application	☐ Paper ☐ Online Available from: http://intl.ryukoku.ac.jp/jclp/application2/index.html	
Number of Intakes/Year	Two: in April (Spring Semester) and September (Fall Semester)	
Deadlines	April: last week of September – mid-October September: last week of April – mid-May	
Website	http://intl.ryukoku.ac.jp/english/examination/jclp/	

F. Contact Information (General)

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