

FAQ

1. About the Program

What makes KJSE special?

KJSE combines Japanese language classes and cultural experiences including excursions in Kyoto, the ancient Japanese capital. During the program, you will have many chances to communicate in Japanese with native Japanese speakers, as KUFS undergraduate students take part in and support many aspects of the program.

Does KUFS have short programs in other seasons?

Not yet. At present, KUFS only offers this program every year in summer.

2. Classes

How many hours will I study in KJSE?

You will study for approx. 36 hours in total through the program. Please note that the number of classes you have per day varies depending on the schedule for each day.

Do I need to have a good level of Japanese?

No. We welcome participants with any level of Japanese, though it is required to have basic knowledge of the Japanese language, such as knowing Hiragana and Katakana, before the program. There is no JLPT requirement.

How does KUFS assess my level of Japanese?

There will be a placement test in the first day of the orientation.

What is the medium of instruction in the classes?

Japanese.

Where will I study?

Classes will take place on the KUFS campus. Activities will be held both on and off campus, depending on the activity.

3. Activities

My friend/family member will visit me in Kyoto during KJSE. Can they participate in one of the activities or classes with me?

No. All activities and classes are for exclusively for program participants.

Can I skip activities that I do not want to attend?

No. Participation in all activities is mandatory. Participants should arrive at the meeting place for each activity 10 minutes before the start time. In the case of illness, KJSE staff must be notified.

4. Accommodation

Are the accommodations located on the campus?

No, the accommodations are off-campus. KUFS arranges different accommodations every year. However, they are typically located near train stations/bus stops. The commute time is usually approx. 30–60 minutes.

My friend/family member will visit me in Kyoto during KJSE. Can I let them stay in my accommodation?

No, no visitor is allowed to stay in your accommodation.

I do not need any accommodation. Is there any plan without accommodation?

No, we only offer the accommodation-inclusive plan.

5. Insurance / Medication and Medical Needs

[Is any insurance included in the program fees?](#)

No. Program participants are responsible for arranging their own travel insurance for the complete duration of the program. The insurance should cover the following coverage: medical expenses, emergency medical evacuation, repatriation coverage, and personal liability coverage.

Program participants are responsible for any special medications and/or supplies that are regularly used.

6. Eligibility / Selection

[Is there an age limit?](#)

There is no age limit. All high school students, undergraduate/ postgraduate students and working adults who have at least a high school diploma can apply for KJSE.

[Will there be any interviews in the selection process?](#)

No. All you have to do is to submit your completed application form, a copy of your valid passport and an image of passport size photo.

[When will I know the selection result?](#)

You will be notified at the Beginning of March 2019.

7. Others

[Will a certificate be given after I complete KJSE?](#)

Yes, a certificate of program completion will be issued by KUFS on the last day of classes if you complete KJSE. However, please note that this is not an academic certificate for future studies or employment.

Is there any information about past participants' nationalities?

Canada, USA, Australia, UK, Russia, Ecuador, Spain, France, China, Taiwan, South Korea, Vietnam, Malaysia, Thailand, Myanmar and Singapore.

How many participants took part in KJSE in the past?

AcademicYear	Participants
2017	39
2018	40