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Since its foundation in 1947, Kyoto University of Foreign Studies has provided unique educational programs featuring multilingual and multicultural education in Kyoto, the heart of Japanese culture. On an international campus where students from around the world forge interpersonal connections across diverse linguistic and racial backgrounds, the university continues to produce multilaceted human resources with global perspectives.

After World War II, university founders Ichiro Morita and Shizuko Morita believed that it was imperative for the realization of world peace that Japanese people acquire foreign language skills and deepen their understanding of the countries and regions where these languages are spoken. Based on this conviction, they established a university in Kyoto, Japan’s ancient capital. Today, that university’s motto, PAX MUNDI PER LINGUAS (World Peace through Languages), holds greater meaning than ever for achieving true understanding among the people of the world. The university’s motto encourages us to build a unique peace network by learning various different languages and cultures and promoting exchange with people around the world.

May 1947
Kyoto Foreign Language School founded

April 1949
Kyoto Junior College of Foreign Languages established

April 1950
Kyoto University of Foreign Studies established

April 1959
Department of British and American Studies established in the Faculty of Foreign Studies

April 1963
Department of Hispanic Studies established in the Faculty of Foreign Studies

April 1966
Department of French Studies established in the Faculty of Foreign Studies

April 1967
Department of German Studies and Department of Brazilian and Portuguese Studies established in the Faculty of Foreign Studies

April 1971
Kyoto University of Foreign Studies Graduate School (Master’s Program) established

April 1974
Department of Chinese Studies established in the Faculty of Foreign Studies

April 1977
Department of Indian Studies established in the Faculty of Foreign Studies

April 1980
Japanese Studies Center for International Students established

April 1992
Department of Japanese Studies established in the Faculty of Foreign Studies

April 2004
Department of Italian Studies established in the Faculty of Foreign Studies

April 2005
Master’s and Doctoral Programs in Foreign Languages and Cultures established in the Graduate School of Foreign Studies

April 2010
Department of Global Affairs established in the Faculty of Foreign Studies

April 2018
The Faculty of Global Engagement (Department of Global Studies, Department of Global Tourism) established

History

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This brochure was compiled based on data current as of Mar. 2019.
Located in the ancient capital of **Kyoto**

Kyoto University of Foreign Studies is located in Kyoto, Japan’s political and cultural capital in ancient times. The university offers a variety of activities that utilize the location of Kyoto, including classes for learning Kyoto’s traditional cultures and club activities in which students guide foreign tourists around Kyoto as interpreter-guides. Kyoto is home to temples, shrines, and castles that have been designated World Heritage Sites, as well as many museums and art galleries. With many traditional festivals and rituals held throughout the year, Kyoto offers a wealth of opportunities to experience Japanese culture firsthand.
Overseas Partner Universities

In order to provide students with opportunities to experience different cultures, the university has built partnerships with 162 universities in 35 countries (including SAF partner universities) and offers a range of overseas study programs catering to the needs of each student.

**Canada**
- University of Ottawa
- University of Victoria
- York University
- Simon Fraser University
- University of British Columbia

**Mexico**
- Autonomous University of Guadalajara
- Autonomous University of the Far East
- Instituto Tecnológico de Durango
- University of Guanajuato
- National Autonomous University of Mexico

**USA**
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Irvine
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Chicago

**UK**
- University of Oxford
- University of Cambridge
- University of Edinburgh

**Australia**
- The University of Queensland
- University of Sydney

**UNESCO**
- University of the Philippines
- University of the Netherlands
- University of Chile
- University of Buenos Aires

**Japan**
- University of Tokyo
- University of Tokyo
- University of Tokyo
- University of Tokyo

**Germany**
- University of Freiburg
- University of Heidelberg
- University of Munich
- University of Münster

**France**
- University of Bordeaux
- University of Nice
- University of Strasbourg
- University of Toulouse

**Spain**
- University of Barcelona
- University of Seville
- University of Granada
- University of Seville

**Brazil**
- Federal University of Bahia
- Federal University of Santa Catarina
- Federal University of Minas Gerais
- Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul

**Italy**
- University of Bologna
- University of Padua
- University of Pisa
- University of Rome

**Russia**
- Saint-Petersburg State University
- Moscow State University
- Lomonosov Moscow State University
- St Petersburg State University

**India**
- Indian Institute of Technology
- Indian Institute of Science
- Indian Institute of Technology Delhi
- Indian Institute of Technology

**China**
- Fudan University
- Peking University
- Tsinghua University
- Nanjing University

Study and Networking Abroad - Exchange agreements with 162 universities in 35 countries and regions

- As of Apr. 2019

In addition to a wide range of study abroad programs, KUFS also offers opportunities for enhancing international-mindedness through activities such as overseas internships and fieldwork. A carefully built support system enables every student to feel secure and confident about studying abroad.

Students can also make use of the study abroad programs of the university’s partner organizations.

SAF (Study Abroad Foundation) 
Partner Universities (partial list)

APEC
(Asia-Pacific University-Community Engagement Network)

Kyoto University of Foreign Studies is a member of the Asia-Pacific University-Community Engagement Network (APUCEN). APUCEN is a regional network of higher education institutions designed to encourage collaboration between universities and local communities. It has a membership of 93 universities/institutions in the Asia-Pacific region and beyond. APUCEN members are working together to bring the Asia-Pacific region closer. In September 2017, Kyoto University of Foreign Studies and University of Waikato (New Zealand) hosted the University-Community Engagement Conference (UICEC), an international conference supported by APUCEN, which was held for the first time in Japan.

*SAF (Study Abroad Foundation)
Departments

Faculty of Global Engagement

Department of Global Studies

Department of Global Tourism

Faculty of Foreign Studies

Department of British and American Studies

Department of Hispanic Studies

Department of French Studies

Department of German Studies

Department of Brazilian and Portuguese Studies

Department of Chinese Studies

Department of Japanese Studies

Department of Italian Studies

Department of Russian Studies

Japanese Studies Center for International Students

Faculty of Global Engagement

Department of Global Studies

Department of Global Tourism

Department of Global Studies

International Cooperation Course

Tourism Policy Course

Tourism Business Course

Community Engagement

Be a Changemaker


Community Engagement Projects, connect students, teachers, and staffs with local and global communities in projects aimed at learning about community building, and ways of solving problems.

We aim to go beyond standard practical training, and apply our classroom learning in the real world. The challenges we face in making the world a better place for all people is huge and is changing from time to time, but we will keep on trying and will move forward - step by step.
With globalization making impact on our lives, a range of new issues arise in a variety of fields. The objective of this department is to develop professionals equipped with a global perspective, advanced language skills, and broad education—the attributes of a person who can deal with these issues. From your second year, you can choose one of two courses: the “International Cooperation Course,” in which you will gain knowledge related to world peace and learn skills required to solve global problems, and the “Global Business Course,” in which you will learn skills to contribute to society through business.

**Experience It**

This program is designed for students to learn about the problems in the world with a global perspective that sees the Earth as a single system. Students will acquire some basic knowledge on economics, business administration, law, political science, and sociology through courses on international relations theory, foreign aid, environmental issues, international economy, and marketing. Furthermore, students have the opportunity to gain hands-on experiences by taking classes such as “Model United Nations” and “Community Engagement”. This program aims to foster individuals who can potentially contribute in solving various global issues by equipping them with education and practical skills in the social sciences.

1. **Providing solutions to global issues with education and practical skills in the social sciences**
   
   This program is designed for students to learn about the problems in the world with a global perspective that sees the Earth as a single system. Students will acquire some basic knowledge on economics, business administration, law, political science, and sociology through courses on international relations theory, foreign aid, environmental issues, international economy, and marketing. Furthermore, students have the opportunity to gain hands-on experiences by taking classes such as “Model United Nations” and “Community Engagement”. This program aims to foster individuals who can potentially contribute in solving various global issues by equipping them with education and practical skills in the social sciences.

2. **Acquiring specialized knowledge in English to compete in the real world**
   
   Students will obtain specialized knowledge that they can utilize across the globe by taking courses as international relations, economics, and accounting that are taught in English, and having workshops and discussions in English with students from all over the world. All the specialized department subjects are taught in English while students have the choice to take liberal arts subjects in Japanese. Through the integration of the humanities (such as cross-cultural understanding) and the social sciences (such as international relations theory and business administration), this curriculum system builds the background for those aspiring to compete in the global scene.

**Target careers**

Students can expect a broad range of careers that require global mindsets. Most students who have improved their business skills (such as business administration, economics, and organization theory) will likely find positions in global enterprises in a variety of fields. Students who have studied subjects such as international relations, business administration, and political science will likely find positions in government and public sectors or NPOs / NGOs, or will continue on to graduate school and aim for careers in international institutions. Many students may pursue working internationally.

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Discover Possibilities

We develop professionals who can not only work in existing tourism industries such as the travel, hotel, and airline industries, but also promote tourism as a form of multicultural exchange. You will gain an understanding of contemporary tourism issues from a global perspective, through studying an array of subjects that includes tourism, policy science, and environmental studies. From your second semester, you can choose one of two courses: the “Tourism Policy Course,” in which you will study tourism as a form of cultural policy, and the “Tourism Business Course,” in which you will engage in the tourism business in a wide variety of fields.

1. Learn about new tourism industries as a form of multicultural exchange

One of the characteristics of this department is to redefine the concept of tourism in the broader scope of multicultural exchange. In addition to studying traditional tourism industries such as the travel, hotel, and airline industries, you will also learn about how tourism should function as an experience or opportunity for exchange, such as in food tourism, spiritual tourism, and sports tourism. You will create new value in the tourism industry from several angles, such as tourism that communicates the fascination of Japan to the world, and tourism that serves as a methodology for regional development.

2. Fieldwork talking advantage of being in Kyoto

Our university is located in Kyoto, an international city of culture and tourism. In addition to studying Community Engagement (a required subject within the faculty), you will conduct fieldwork and volunteer activities focusing on Kyoto. Our university is home to a student group that provides volunteer guides for foreign tourists to gain the knowledge and experience to support their activities through studying such subjects as “History of Kyoto,” “Learning about Kyoto Products and Concepts,” and “Tourism Survey & Research Methods.”

**Target careers**

- Tourism related positions
  - Central Government
  - Regional government
  - International organizations
  - Environmentally conscious global enterprises
  - Journalism

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We develop professionals capable of establishing tourism businesses in companies found in a wide range of fields, including traditional tourism industries, such as travel agencies, hotels, airline companies, and hospitality enterprises. A range of business conditions are changing in food tourism, eco/green tourism, spiritual tourism, and sports tourism, and the demand for professionals who have studied tourism continues to grow. Employment in government and public sectors and in NPOs / NGOs with regional development expertise will also be an important career path for graduates.
Training globally-oriented Japanese language teachers

After completing the required course offered by the Department of Japanese Studies, you will be officially qualified to teach at various private and public educational institutions in Japan and abroad. Future working opportunities could include the NIHONGO Partners program by Japan Foundation and Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers by Japan International Cooperation Agency.

A thorough brush-up of Japanese skills

Students are given thorough Japanese language training to acquire full command of Japanese and the skills to explain things in an easy-to-understand manner.

Curation and Transmission of New Japanese Culture

“Curation and Transmission of New Japanese Culture,” which means to mix different materials and create something from a new perspective, is the basis for the understanding of Japanese culture. In the department, students aim to acquire the ability to source information.

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*All the classes are given in Japanese.
The university offers extensive Japanese language and culture education for international students, including Japanese classes at nine levels as well as hands-on classes on tea ceremony, flower arrangement, kyogen, and calligraphy in which they can experience Japanese culture firsthand. International students can also improve their Japanese skills while experiencing Japanese culture through study tours and exchange with Japanese students. Through the course, they can acquire not only the Japanese proficiency required to study at a Japanese university or graduate school, but also knowledge indispensable for living and studying in Japan.

The short programs are intended for students who are interested in gaining a broad knowledge of the Japanese language and Japanese culture in Kyoto, a uniquely peaceful, historical and academic city. This short-term intensive Japanese programs are offered by Kyoto University of Foreign Studies. We are looking forward to seeing you in Kyoto!
Graduate School

Graduate School of Foreign Studies, Kyoto University of Foreign Studies

The graduate school aims to develop individuals who can contribute to international society and specialists who can take a leading role in international or educational institutions through research on various languages and cultures that our university considers as its strong point. In the language and culture course and the language teaching course, a variety of specialized subjects, communication subjects, and practical subjects are offered to enable students to acquire both theoretical knowledge and practical skills in a well-balanced manner.

Language and Culture Course
Targeting the British and American regions, the Europe and Latin American regions, or the East Asian regions as a research area, students conduct research on the languages and cultures of the region.

Practical Language Teaching Course
Students acquire advanced and professional research and teaching skills in the field of English or Japanese education.

Language and Culture Specialization
Students conduct research on the various languages and cultural systems of major countries around the world based on selected technical knowledge.

Language Teaching Specialization
This course aims to develop language teaching specialists with expertise in English or Japanese teaching.

Department of English Studies for Careers, Kyoto Junior College of Foreign Languages

The junior college offers a two-year evening program, where students develop the practical skills (career strength) required in an age where social values are ever diversifying, with an eye toward their future plans, such as higher education, business, or studying abroad. The junior college offers a unit-based curriculum that enables each student to create an original timetable tailored to his/her lifestyle or objectives. Financial assistance programs are also available, which enable students to take courses they can use to acquire skills to move up the career ladder.

Business Course

Academic Course

Kyoto Career College of Foreign Languages

This is a college specializing in languages, offering not only the British/American English course, but also courses in Asian languages, such as Chinese, Korean, Thai, Indonesian, Vietnamese, and Japanese (development of Japanese-language teachers). The college places a principal focus on the acquisition and enhancement of language skills in the limited time period of two years. In particular, it gives thorough training for the development of the four language skills of reading, writing, speaking, and listening.

(Courses)
- British/American English
- Chinese
- Korean
- Southeast Asian Languages
- Japanese Communication

Kyoto Gaidai Nishi High School

The high school is committed to the development of individuals with a global perspective, who will play a leading role in the world. In addition to active club activities, the school also promotes the implementation of “The Kansas High School Model United Nations,” where students simulate an international conference and deepen their understanding of international political systems and global issues.

(Courses)
- College Preparation Course
- International and Cultural Studies Course
- General Academic Course
- Sports Course

University Data

Number of international students by country and region

A total of 302 international students from 31 countries around the world are enrolled at Kyoto University of Foreign Studies.

Number of Students

Total: 4,399 (Male: 1,583 / Female: 2,816)

Faculty of Global Engagement
- Department of Global Studies: 198
- Department of Global Tourism: 271

Faculty of Foreign Studies
- Department of British and American Studies: 1910
- Department of Hispanic Studies: 279
- Department of French Studies: 247
- Department of German Studies: 253
- Department of Brazilian and Portuguese Studies: 247
- Department of Chinese Studies: 305
- Department of Japanese Studies: 266
- Department of Italian Studies: 251
- Department of Global Affairs: 172

Number of Faculty Members

- Professors: 74 (non-Japanese: 15)
- Associate Professors: 36 (non-Japanese: 13)
- Assistant Professors: 29 (non-Japanese: 12)

*As of May 1, 2019
Finances and Facilities

[Reference] · Tuition and proxy collection fees for Academic Year 2019

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Tuition and proxy collection fees from second year on:

(1) In the second and subsequent years, you are required to pay tuition excluding the enrollment fee: 230,000 Japanese yen, and proxy collection fees: 14,000 Japanese yen.

(2) The tuition fee of the Faculty of Global Engagement will be raised by 35,000 JPY per semester from the third semester.

* The fees for the Community Engagement Program offered by the Faculty of Global Engagement ranges from 50,000 to 400,000 JPY (approximate cost) depending on the destination.

(2) In the year of graduation, you are required to pay fees for the student yearbook: 20,000 Japanese yen, as well as alumni association admission and lifetime membership fees: 30,000 Japanese yen.

[Scholarships]

Kyoto University of Foreign Studies has developed a full system of scholarships to support students’ motivation for studying from the financial standpoint.

- Scholarship grants to support study abroad at KUFS
  - Study Overseas Student Scholarship
  - Scholarships for students with outstanding results to study at KUFS
  - Monta Fund Scholarship
  - Alumni Association Scholarship
  - Alumni Association “Kagayaku Hoshitonaru Gakusei” Scholarship
  - Parents’ Association Scholarship
  - Tuition fees Reduction System for unsponsored international students

[Facilities]

- Language Center
  The Language Center provides many kinds of support for enrolled students who wish to improve their Japanese skills. This support includes formal Japanese lessons (separated by level and ability), a friendly conversation program with a Japanese conversation partner, and other options. The Center also offers an “Academic Help Desk”, which enables students to access one-on-one support for their academic skills in both Japanese and English.

- Community Engagement Center
  The Community Engagement Center serves as a network site with regional communities inside and outside Japan, and serves as a central section for promoting Community Engagement. It provides a range of support for students participating in programs, such as program development and improvement, and even collaboration with activity partners and crisis management work. It collaborates with a range of departments in the university to further enhance programs while comprehensively leveraging the knowledge of the university.

Living in Kyoto

[Costs]

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Monthly Rent

- Rent is normally paid on a monthly basis. The following shows the average monthly rent in Kyoto City.

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- Common service fees: approx. ¥ 5,000

Living Expenses

The average monthly living cost in Kyoto is estimated at about ¥ 150,000, including rent. Therefore, approximately ¥ 1,800,000 will be needed for to stay in Japan for one year. Applicants should keep this in mind when making plans for study in Japan.

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- National Health Insurance (Comprehensive): National Health Insurance is administered by the city, town or village. All foreign nationals are required to enroll in this program. The insurance covers 70% of all kinds of medical expenses, which means that the patient pays only the remaining 30% at a hospital or at a dental office, for example. The premium for this insurance varies slightly depending on the place you live and the person’s income during the previous year. It costs foreign nationals who hold a College Student visa approximately ¥18,000 yen to enroll in this program.

- Student Accident and Injury Insurance (Automatic): This insurance covers medical costs paid for the treatment of injuries sustained in class or during extra-curricular activities.

- National Health Insurance Subsidy: The Kyoto City International Foundation provides this to foreign students of universities and junior colleges within Kyoto City. To be eligible, the student must be a resident of Kyoto City and must enroll in the National Health Insurance in advance. It costs 7000 yen per month.

Part-time Jobs in Japan

Students holding a College Student visa are allowed by the Japanese Government to engage in a part-time job on condition that the working hours should not exceed 28 hours a week by permission of the Immigration Bureau. However, students are not granted absences from classes to attend part-time jobs. Foreign students should come to Japan with adequate financial support, which will enable them to pursue their studies without resorting to part-time jobs for financial survival.