

Housing

Osaka University will have a room ready for each of the participants by the time they arrive. Osaka University will make the best effort possible to provide the **OUSSEP** participants with reasonably priced accommodation in one of the University residences for overseas students, located near one of the three campuses. However, due to an increase in demand for campus dormitories from international students, we have to prioritize University resources for the most appropriate students. Needless to say, Osaka University's International Student Affairs Division will certainly help all well qualified exchange students to find priced accommodation.

Well-equipped off-campus apartments are offered for a limited number of international students, who study in **OUSSEP**. Since the 2011 period, **OUSSEP** has operated o-campus accommodation in collaboration with UR (Urban Renaissance Agency). The apartments accommodate up to 3 **OUSSEP** students, and the buildings accommodate members of the local community. O-campus UR Flat residents can experience the real Japan through exchanges with resident Japanese people.

Those who wish to stay in a private apartment in the Osaka area should expect their average monthly living expenses (food, rent, and transportation) to be no less than 120,000 JPY. The University does not currently arrange homestays for exchange students.

Note that in principle, those who decide not to live in the university-arranged rooms are no longer eligible to apply for these rooms in the future. Those who need special considerations for their accommodation, such as the physically handicapped, should inform us in advance.

Students who would prefer to stay in accommodation not arranged by the university should please inform us, but be advised that contracts with private housing agencies will be the sole responsibility of the student.

Osaka University Global Village

Not too far from OU's Suita Campus sits the Global Village in Tsukumodai, set to open in October 2020. It is an integrated facility with student dormitories, staff housing, and mixed-type living units for students from Japan and overseas to interact together. Cultural events here year-round create an unforgettable experience that is distinctly Japanese.





Health and Liability Insurance

Upon arrival in the Osaka area, **OUSSEP** students must join three insurance plans arranged by the University, which includes the compulsory National Health Insurance (NHI), the Disaster and Accident Insurance for Student Education and Research (PAS), and the Comprehensive Insurance for Students Life coupled with PAS. These plans cover medical care and hospitalization. The cost is reasonable and will be the responsibility of the students. In addition, students are expected to have overseas travelers' personal accident insurance.

It is the students' own responsibility to obtain overseas travelers' insurance in order to cover personal risk.

Some students may have already bought international insurance in their home countries, and are not pleased to have to join the above plan provided by the University. Note that in the event they need personalized certified translations for their own insurance companies, such as medical certificates or police accident reports, the University is not able to translate these official documents. Students will need to find professional translation services by themselves, outside the University. Also, note that students should at first pay the medical fees at first by themselves and after they have got receipts, should ask for refunds from their insurance companies. This should be undertaken even if the student has an insurance policy in their home country.



Talk by an A-bomb survivor in Hiroshima



Cooking class (Okonomiyaki)



Farewell party