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OSAKA UNIVERSITY SHORT-TERM
STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

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What is OUSSEP ?

The Osaka University Short-term Student Exchange Program (**OUSSEP**) was launched in the 1996-97 academic year at Osaka University as an English speaking exchange program for those who have difficulties earning credits in Japanese. In the **OUSSEP** scheme, participants are offered special academic lectures taught in English under the close coordination of the Center for International Education and Exchange (hereafter referred to as the CIEE).

The University grants credits to students who attend **OUSSEP**, for the courses they take at Osaka University, and presents a certificate of completion to students who successfully meet the program requirements. These credits can be transferred to students' home universities according to the provisions included in the pertinent inter-institutional exchange agreements.

The Osaka University English speaking program will admit more than fifty students who opt to study a variety of subjects, such as medical sciences, natural sciences, engineering sciences, social sciences, the arts and foreign studies. Students who participate in these programs will likely attend the same classes, join several extracurricular activities together and develop very close friendships amongst themselves. Needless to say, they will also make friends with Japanese students. Students are expected to earn at least 14 credits in each semester (28 credits annually), from lectures in English, Independent Study and Japanese language classes, they can then transfer the credits to their home institutions.

OUSSEP: Full-year and Half-year Programs

Students who enroll in **OUSSEP** are from a variety of countries around the world and study in a unique international environment. They come with different cultural backgrounds and from various academic majors. Students have a choice of participating in the program for two semesters (Full-year **OUSSEP**) or one semester only (Half-year **OUSSEP**). Although the regular **OUSSEP** semester starts at the end of September, if necessary, **OUSSEP** accepts a certain number of enrollments in April. This allows participants the flexibility of choosing the best duration and period for their studies at Osaka University.

Studying Japanese

OUSSEP is an English speaking program which caters to students with a variety of backgrounds. Although students may take three elective Japanese classes per week, the program is not suitable for those who wish to study Japanese intensively such as for more than four classes per week. If your main purpose for the exchange is to develop your Japanese language skills or to enhance your cultural knowledge of Japan, consider joining Maple, instead of **OUSSEP**.

Other Programs for Exchange Students

◇ FrontierLab@OsakaU

Participants in the FrontierLab@OsakaU Program will be assigned to a particular research group in one of Osaka University's internationally renowned science and technology fields, where they will learn thematic studies supervised by the faculty. With the advice of their supervisors, participants may attend Japanese language courses or courses relating to their own study fields.

This program offers a wide range of potential research directions and emphasizes hands-on laboratory experience.

http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program/frontierlab

◇ Maple

In the Maple Program, students are encouraged to compare and contrast Japanese language and culture with that of their home countries. The curriculum is designed to enable students to study the Japanese language, culture, and society in a comprehensive manner, while at the same time improving their Japanese language proficiency. The program provides international students with diverse opportunities for direct communication with Japanese students, and chances to learn various aspects of Japanese through hands-on learning programs concerning Japanese society and culture.

http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program/maple

◇ iExPO

In the iExPO (Immersion Exchange Program Osaka), schools and graduate schools at Osaka University accept international students from institutions that have exchange agreements with OU. Students are able to freely choose classes from these schools and conduct research under the guidance of professors. However, international students in this program are required to have a good level of fluency in the Japanese language in order to take these classes for regular students. Students joining this program can take classes and receive research guidance at the school or graduate school as special auditors or research students, without a change in status at their home university.

http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program/iexpo



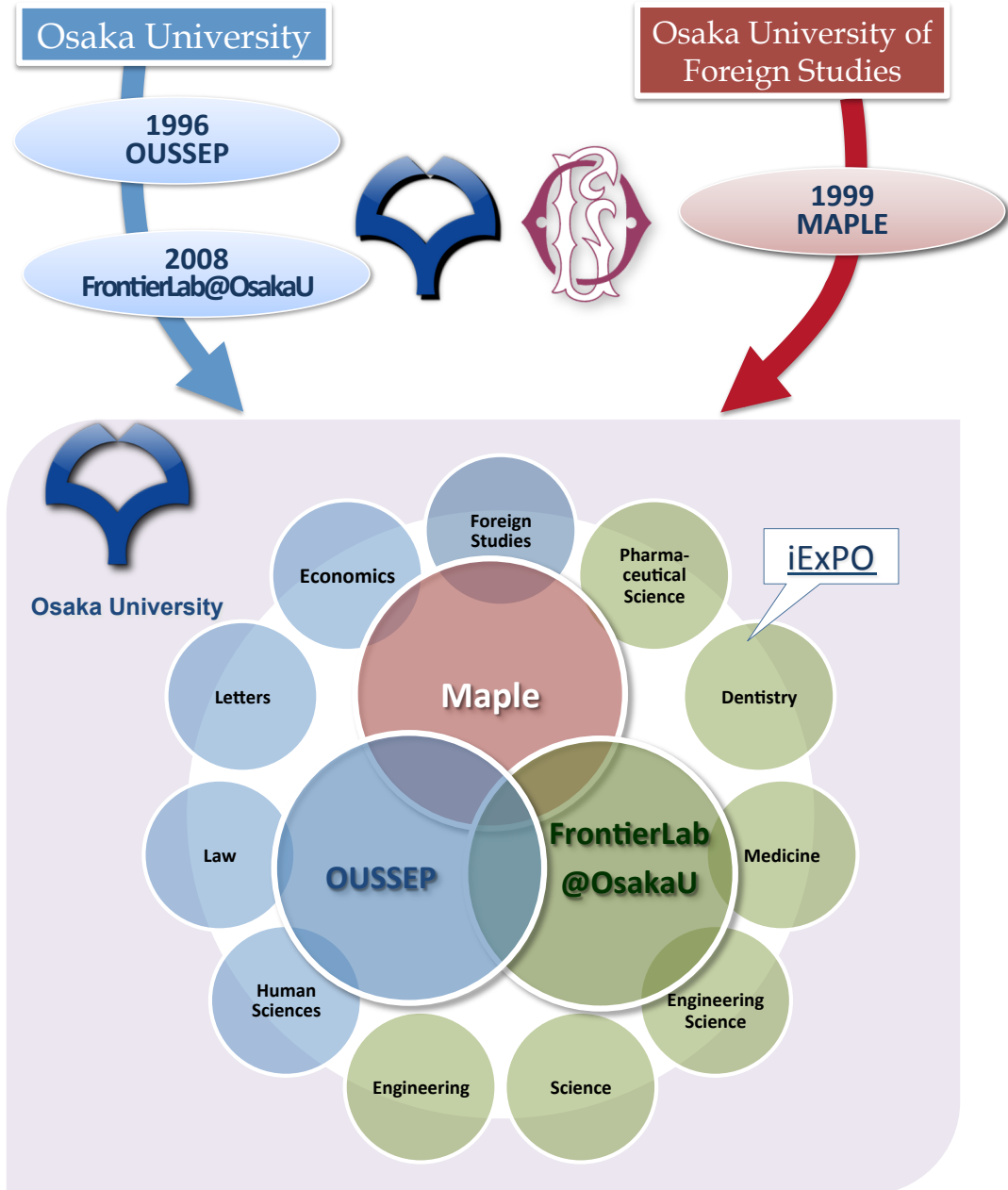
Graduate School of Information
Science and Technology
(Suita)



Cyber Media Center
(Toyonaka)



Variety of Exchange Programs at Osaka



- (1) Each program has its own requirements of admission and completion. Visit the home pages of each program for more details.
- (2) Applicants should not apply to these programs individually, but do so through the international offices, or offices responsible for exchange affairs at their own universities.

Profile of Osaka University

Osaka University's historical roots are a liberal arts college for Osaka merchants in the eighteenth century (1724) and the School of Dutch Studies in the nineteenth century (1838). Osaka University was officially founded in 1931 by the Japanese Government with strong support from local governments in the Osaka area. It was established with the aim of creating a center of higher education

inheriting the liberal and progressive academic tradition of the Osaka area, the center of trade for the nation for many centuries.

In April of 2004, it became one of 84 National University Incorporations founded under the National University Law, that resulted from the recent national university reform plan. OU was divided into two main campuses, Toyonaka and Suita. Toyonaka contains the Schools of Science, Engineering Science, Letters, Law, Economics, and several Graduate Schools. The Institute of Higher Education and Practice, and other research institutions are also located on the Toyonaka campus. The Suita campus houses the Schools of Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmaceutical Science, Engineering, Human Sciences, and several Graduate Schools. The University's Main Administration Office and many research and educational institutions, including the Center for International Education and Exchange (CIEE) are also located on the Suita campus.



School of Engineering
(Suita)



Icho-kaikan (Gingko Hall)
(Suita)



Osaka University Hall
(Toyonaka)

1724	Establishment of the Kaitokudo (懐徳堂) (School of General Education)
1838	Establishment of the Tekijuku (適塾) (School of Dutch Studies in the Edo Period)
1869	Establishment of the hospital, supervised by the Ministry of Education (Presently, MEXT)
1880	Establishment of the Osaka Prefecture Medical School and the Osaka Prefecture Hospital
1896	Establishment of the Osaka Industrial School
1915	Establishment of the Osaka Prefecture University Hospital
1931	Establishment of Osaka Imperial University
1949	Establishment of Osaka University (new system)
2004	Becoming “National University Corporation” (semi-privatization)
2007	Merger with Osaka University of Foreign Studies
2011	80 th Anniversary (287 th since Kaitokudo)

OUFS was first established in December 1921 in Uehonmachi, downtown Osaka, and was committed to international peace and friendship. Financially it was helped by a large donation from Choko Hayashi, an Osaka business woman. Having survived the Second World War, it moved to the city of Takatsuki, a northern suburb of Osaka, and then back to Uehonmachi. In 1979, it moved again to a new location in Minoh City to allow more extensive academic activities. On October 1, 2007, OUFS became a part of Osaka University as the School of Foreign Studies. Some other institutions also joined OU at this time, such as the Center for Japanese Language and Culture (CJLC). OUFS' Minoh campus became Osaka University's third main campus, the Minoh campus, where the School of Foreign Studies and CJLC are located.



Osaka University is now (as of January, 2017) comprised of 11 schools and faculties, 16 graduate schools, 5 research institutes, 37 research facilities, 2 hospitals, 4 libraries, 15 joint-use facilities (including CIEE), and 3 national joint-use facilities. Furthermore, the University maintains a downtown extension, the Nakanoshima Center, a Tokyo office, and four overseas offices: in the US (San Francisco), in the Netherlands (Groningen) in Thailand (Bangkok) and in China (Shanghai). More information about Osaka University may be found at the following web site:

<https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en>



School of Foreign Studies
(Minoh)



European Center for Academic Initiatives
(The Netherlands)



North American Center for
Academic Initiatives
(USA)

Top Global University Project

The Japanese government formulated the 300,000 International Students Plan in July of 2008, with the aim of receiving 300,000 international students by 2020. The “Global 30” Project for Establishing Core Universities for Internationalization is being implemented to realize this goal by selecting measures for the internationalization of universities including the recruitment of international students, along with forming Japan’s centers of internationalization. In 2009, thirteen universities, including Osaka University, were selected as core institutions of the Global 30 project. These core universities have played a major role in dramatically boosting the number of international students educated in Japan.

Succeeding the successful Global 30 Project, in late September 2014, Osaka University was, again, selected as one of the 13 Top Global University Project institutes, which were awarded generous ten-year financial support from the Japanese government to increase academic credentials, research competitiveness and global recognition amongst the top research universities in the world. Top Global University Project selected institutes are expected to develop cutting-edge research and provide world-class education. With respect to the Osaka University project, **OUSSEP** has been considered as one of the indispensable programs for the internationalization of the university.



A year at OUSSEP



Koyasan



With Host Family



Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park

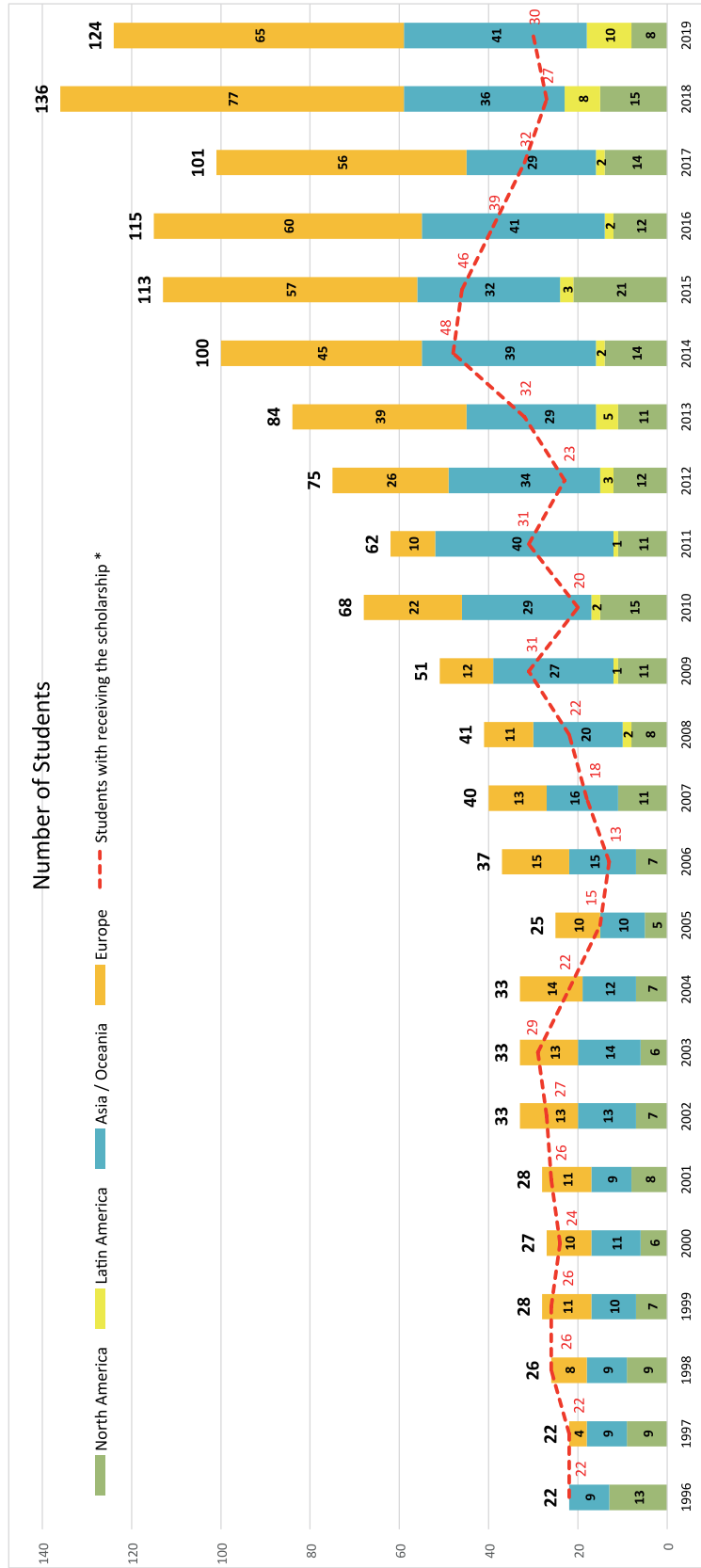


Making Japanese sweets



Farewell Party

Breakdown of OUSSEP Participants (As of 2019)



Year of Enrollment	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Com.
Home Universities	6	11	15	19	22	24	23	27	29	22	31	27	27	31	35	41	39	43	52	48	48	42	59	59	131
Countries/Regions of Home Universities	5	9	11	15	14	16	14	15	15	16	19	17	19	20	21	21	20	21	23	23	20	20	25	25	33
Number of Students	Humanities & Social Sciences																								
	Natural Sciences & Engineering																								
Total	22	22	26	28	27	28	33	33	33	25	37	40	41	51	68	62	75	84	100	113	115	101	136	124	1,424

*The name of scholarship: JASSO, OU, JENESYS, or IAJ Scholarship
 *See the following page: '131 UNIVERSITIES which sent their student(s) to OUSSEP for 1996-2019'

131 UNIVERSITIES which sent their student(s) to OUSSEP between 1996-2019

Nation	University
Australia (5)	Australian National University, Monash University, The University of Adelaide, The University of Melbourne, The University of Queensland
Austria (1)	University of Vienna
Belgium (2)	Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Universite Catholique de Louvain
Brazil (3)	Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro, Universidade de São Paulo, Universidade Estadual de Campinas
Brunei Darussalam (1)	Universiti Brunei Darussalam
Canada (4)	McGill University, McMaster University, University of British Columbia, University of Toronto
China (12)	Beijing Normal University, East China University of Politics & Law, Fudan University, Nanjing University, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shenzhen University, Tongji University, Tsinghua University, Wuhan University, Xi'an Jiaotong University, Zhejiang University, Peking University
Czech Republic (1)	Charles University
Denmark (2)	University of Copenhagen, University of Southern Denmark
Finland (3)	Abo Akademi University, University of Jyväskylä, University of Helsinki
France (11)	Aix-Marseille Université, Université de Grenoble Consortium, Joseph Fourier University, Lille Institute of Political Studies, Louis Pasteur University, MarcBloch University, Université Pierre et Marie Curie-ParisVI, Robert Schuman University, Stendhal University, University of Strasbourg, University of Bordeaux
Germany (16)	Augsburg University of Applied Sciences, Bielefeld University, Free University of Berlin, Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nürnberg (FAU), Heidelberg University, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, University of Oldenburg, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, RWTH Aachen University, Technische Universität Berlin, Technische Universität München, The University of Göttingen, University of Augsburg, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main
Hong Kong (3)	The Chinese University of Hong Kong, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, The University of Hong Kong
Hungary (3)	Budapest University of Technology and Economics, Eötvös Loránd University, Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church in Hungary
Indonesia (4)	Institut Teknologi Bandung, Universitas Airlangga, Universitas Gadjah Mada, Universitas Indonesia
Italy (1)	University of Padova
Korea (12)	Chonnam National University, Chung-Ang University, Chungnam National University, Dong-A University, Gyeongsang National University, Hanyang University, Kyung Hee University, Pusan National University, Seoul National University, Yeungnam University, Yonsei University, Changwon National University
Mexico (1)	Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México
Mongolia (1)	National University of Mongolia
Myanmar (1)	University of Yangon
Netherlands (3)	Delft University of Technology, Eindhoven University of Technology, University of Groningen
Peru (1)	La Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú
Philippines (3)	Ateneo de Manila University, De La Salle University, University of Philippines
Poland (1)	Lodz University of Technology
Russia (3)	Far Eastern State University, Saint Petersburg State University, Ural State University
Singapore (2)	Nanyang Technological University, National University of Singapore
Spain (1)	Universidad Autónoma de Madrid
Sweden (3)	Linnaeus University, Royal Institute of Technology, University of Gothenburg
Taiwan (4)	National Cheng Kung University, National Chiao Tung University, National Taiwan University, National Tsing Hua University
Thailand (8)	Chiang Mai University, Chulalongkorn University, Kasetsart University, Khon Kaen University, King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi, Mahidol University, Thai-Nichi Institute of Technology, Thammasat University
U.K. (4)	Durham University, The University of Nottingham, University of Leeds, University of London
U.S.A. (7)	Nazareth College, Purdue University, Texas A & M University, University of Georgia, University of California, University of Washington, Wesleyan College
Vietnam (4)	Hong Bang University International, Hue University, Nong Lam University, Vietnam National University Hanoi

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Coordination and Administration

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Students who attend the **OUSSEP** program must be enrolled in one of the undergraduate* or graduate schools** of Osaka University as a Special Auditor***. The International Affairs Committee, which is made up of faculty members representing a variety of the University's institutions, is responsible for the management of **OUSSEP**. The Center for International Education and Exchange (CIEE) is in charge of coordinating the program and takes care of the students in collaboration with the institutions. Faculty members, who belong to the CIEE, are appointed as the **OUSSEP** and international exchange coordinators.

	Undergraduate schools*	Graduate schools**
Dentistry		
Economics	X	X
Engineering	X	X
Engineering Science	X	X
Foreign Studies	X	
Frontier Biosciences		X
Human Sciences	X	X
Information Science and Technology		X
International Public Policy		X
Language and Culture		X
Law	X	
Law (Law School)		
Law and Politics		X
Letters	X	X
Medicine	X	X
Pharmaceutical Sciences		
Science	X	X

X indicates an institution in which an **OUSSEP** student may be enrolled

***A "Special Auditor" refers to an exchange student who attends classes and is graded on course work, exams, etc., but does not pursue a degree at Osaka University.



IT Orientation



Orientation

Since the foundation of the original **OUSSEP** program in 1996, the University has offered a series of lecture courses (2 credits each) in English, taught by academic staff from various faculties of the University. Examples of model courses (in Fall and Spring) are displayed on page 17 & 18.

Please refer to the latest schedule on the following URL:
<http://ex.ciee.osaka-u.ac.jp/oussep/current/syllabus/index.html>

Osaka University has officially designated these courses as International Exchange Subjects. They are designed for **OUSSEP** program participants and are taught in English. Enrolment in the courses is open to both international students and domestic students to allow for both to study in a truly international environment.

Students may select their classes according to their majors and interests, (the academic level of lectures is mainly geared towards 3rd year undergraduate students) however, students are also encouraged to take courses outside their own majors. This will help them to broaden their perspectives and at the same time gain a deeper understanding of Japanese society and culture. The courses cover a wide variety of subjects from **culture** to **science** and **technology**. The students, both domestic and international, will also learn about **Osaka** and **Japan**. We believe this will help students to understand the world and the importance of international awareness and mutual respect. This program underscores the motto of Osaka University: (Live Locally, Grow Globally)

Due to the fact that we can offer only a limited number of courses taught in English, but also try to satisfy students of different majors and from different universities in different countries, the courses are broad in scope. Truly specialized studies are also possible by taking the **Independent Study Course**. In addition two credits from the regular courses can be included towards the requirement of 14 credits per semester for the completion of **OUSSEP**.



Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park

Structure of the Program

The International Exchange subjects are offered by a variety of faculties, and are designed for mainly 3rd year undergraduate students. **OUSSEP** coordinators of the CIEE are in charge of the arrangements and coordination of the subjects.

i) International Exchange Subjects

In this English speaking program, the University tries to balance the number of students majoring in the fields of the physical sciences, including engineering and the health sciences, the humanities, and the social sciences. Students may select their courses according to their majors and interests. At the same time, students are encouraged to take courses outside their own majors as this will help them to broaden their perspective and at the same time gain a deeper understanding of Japanese society and culture. All participants are expected to earn at least 14 credits from International Exchange Subjects per semester.

ii) Independent Study

One of the unique features of the Full-year and Half-year **OUSSEP** programs is the Independent Study aspect (2~4 credits per semester). Students can propose a study topic and are then assigned to a supervising professor in an appropriate faculty. A student may wish to study a particular subject that is not found in the International Exchange Subjects (Individual Study) or to conduct a research project on a particular theme (Independent Research). The student and their supervising professor will agree upon the scope and depth of the study at the beginning of the program*. For Full-year **OUSSEP** students, the Independent Study usually continues for two semesters. At the end of each semester the student will submit their report on the topic to the supervising professor. Refer to the "Guide to Independent Study" found on the **OUSSEP** Website for further details. **Those who wish to undertake Independent Study must fill out the Independent Study Proposal along with the other application documents.**

*When the amount of work required for the independent study is particularly large, the supervising professor and the International Affairs Committee may decide to grant up to 4 credits per semester for graduate students, instead of the usual 2 credits.

Refer to the "Guide to Independent Study" for details.

iii) CIEE Japanese Language Course

In addition to the aforementioned courses, **OUSSEP** students may take any of the six levels of Japanese courses (4 credits each semester), according to their proficiency level.

iv) OUSSEP Field Trips

Each semester, **OUSSEP** offers an overnight educational trip for participants in order to study the local culture. Students have traveled to Hiroshima to listen to an A-bomb survivor give her/his testimony in English, and Koyasan to stay at one of the temples at the heart of esoteric Buddhism in the mountains in the past.

OUSSEP participants who successfully acquire the required credits for completion will be able to join these field trips without having to pay a fee.

v) OUSSEP Internship

From 2020 October, **OUSSEP** will launch a new Internship Course to provide participants opportunities to gain practical work experience and earn academic credits. In this program, **OUSSEP** cooperates with partner institutions in the private sector. KidZania Koshien is 2020's internship partner. KidZania is an indoor family entertainment center which allows children aged 4 to 14 to experience adult jobs through role-play. **OUSSEP** interns engage in English programs at KidZania on Wednesdays. Due to the schedule, KidZania interns will not be able to take classes on Wednesdays, including CIEE Japanese language courses.

Arrangements for Independent Study / Internship Courses

In cooperation with partner institutions, OUSSEP coordinators select candidates for the Internship Course before the semester starts. Students who wish to take an Independent Study and/or Internship Course must indicate so when they apply for an OUSSEP program.

Unfortunately, it is impossible for OUSSEP coordinators to arrange Independent Studies / Internships for those who did not indicate their desire to participate in these programs in their initial application.

***Participants who enroll in the Internship will be unable to take CIEE Japanese classes due to schedule conflicts.**

Completion of the OUSSEP Program

All **OUSSEP** courses offered, including the Japanese Language Program, Independent Study, and Internship Course are electives. **The minimum requirement each semester for the satisfactory completion of OUSSEP is 14 credits and the mandatory participation in that semester's field trip.** The International Affairs Committee of Osaka University will award Certificates of Completion to those students who have successfully completed **OUSSEP**. Aside from the International Exchange Subjects, Independent study, Internship Course, and CIEE Japanese Language, two of Osaka University's regular credits can be counted toward the completion of **OUSSEP**.



International Exchange Activities

In addition to the academic programs, students are encouraged to participate in various international exchange activities throughout the year, which the CIEE organizes. Other groups including those within the University (such as the student-organized international exchange group of Brothers and Sisters Program (BSP)), as well as those in neighboring communities, also participate in these programs. One example of a neighboring community group is the Osaka University Host Family Program (OHP), which is coordinated by the CIEE and provides international students with an opportunity to closely interact with a local Japanese family living nearby the university.

Field Trips

The **OUSSEP** program offers field trips for students in order to give them opportunities to see as many things and to meet as many people as possible during their full-year or half-year stay in Japan. Students go on trips as a part of the academic courses, including overnight trips, to different parts of the country to meet local people and experience local culture.



Koyasan



Koyasan



Miyajima



Miyajima

Academic Calendar

The academic year for regular educational programs in most Japanese universities, including Osaka University, begins in April and ends in March. However, the **OUSSEP** year, which is divided into two 15-week semesters, runs from late September until early August of the following year. Half-year **OUSSEP** participants will join either of these 15-week semesters: September-February or April-August.

Academic Year: OUSSEP

Fall/Winter Semester

- | | |
|---|-------------------------|
| • The end of September | Orientation |
| • The beginning of October | Classes start |
| • The end of December to the beginning of January | Year end/New Year break |
| • The beginning of January | Classes restart |
| • The middle of February | Classes end |
| • The middle of February to the end of March | Spring break |

Spring/Summer Semester

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|---------------------------|---------------|
| • The beginning of April | Orientation |
| • The beginning of April | Classes start |
| • The beginning of August | Classes end |



Koyasan



Trip to Koyasan



How Do I Apply to OUSSEP ?

Admission Requirements

To be eligible for **OUSSEP**, the applicant must:

1	Be enrolled in one of the universities and colleges that have concluded Inter-University Student Exchange Agreements with Osaka University, including the provisions for mutual tuition waiver and credit transfer.
2	Normally, be a junior or senior (3rd or 4th year) full-time student in an undergraduate course at his or her home institution during the duration of their study as an OUSSEP student. Incoming students must have successfully completed at least one academic year at their home University at the time of application.
3	Pay tuition fees to his or her home institution during the duration of their study as an OUSSEP student.
4	Be recommended by the academic staff of his or her home institution.
5	Return to his or her home institution upon completion of OUSSEP .

Knowledge of the Japanese language is not an essential requirement for students of both Full-year and Half-year **OUSSEP**.

Applicants of these English speaking courses must, however, be proficient in English. A Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of 80 or higher on the internet based test (iBT), is a prerequisite for students from non-English speaking countries. Other internationally recognized tests, such as IELTS 6.0 or higher, CPE or CAE, can be considered. If your main purpose for the exchange is to develop your previously-acquired Japanese language skills, consider joining other programs, such as Maple, instead of **OUSSEP**.

Application Process

Students interested in **OUSSEP** should first contact the international or student mobility office of the home university which administrates student exchanges, to ask about the recruiting and screening schedule, and the minimum requirements for the exchange. On approval by this office, applicants will obtain an authentication password from their university or college office to use in Osaka University's online application system. Application should then be completed and submitted online.

When applicants are selected and online nomination is completed by the exchange coordinator of the home university, they will receive ① a student authentication password from the exchange coordinator of their university ② an email of registration notification with an authentication web page URL (to the contact email the exchange coordinator has registered).

Once students have both, then can go to the OU webpage to apply for the OU University-wide exchange program, and from there will receive their OU ID and password.

* Application process may be subject to change.

Please refer to the following URL for more details/updated information on applying to **OUSSEP** Programs:

http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program/oussep/oussepapp

Tuition Waiver

The tuition fee for the degree courses at Osaka University is currently 14,400 JPY per credit. The fee is liable to change without notice. Students from institutions that have concluded a mutual tuition waiver contract with Osaka University will be granted a tuition waiver.

Student Exchange Support Program (Scholarship for Short-Term Study in Japan)

Prospective **OUSSEP** students whose academic record is GPA 2.30 or above are eligible to apply for the following scholarship offered by the Japanese government, namely the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO). However, those who receive financial aid from other sources, worth 80,000 JPY or more, are not eligible to apply for the scholarship from JASSO. Please also note that in the present financial climate, qualifying for JASSO scholarships has become more difficult.

Under these circumstances, as a general rule, Osaka University allocates JASSO scholarships, a monthly stipend of about 80,000 JPY, to each scholarship awardee under the following rules:

1. Osaka University is not willing to award more than two JASSO scholarships to applicants who are sent from the same university.
2. Osaka University prioritizes Full-year **OUSSEP** students over Half-year participants.

We request applicants to refrain from concurrently applying for JASSO scholarships at other Japanese universities.



Miyajima



Shaved Ice Party



Course Outline

Offered classes: Fall/Winter Semester (Sample)

School	Title
Letter	Cultural and Linguistic Diversity in Japan
Human Sciences	Multivariate Data Science
	Primateology in Japan
	Introduction to Sociology
	Cultural Anthropological Theory and Writing
	Global Issues in Education
	Japanese Myths and Legends
	Sociological Theory
	Introduction to Civil Society Movements
	Contemporary Japanese Thought
	Media Sociology
	Sociology of Migration
Law	Special lecture (Topics in Comparative Contract and Torts Law)
	Topics in Comparative Law
	Topics in Japanese Law
Economics	Principles of Economics (Microeconomics)
Science	Current Topics in Modern Physics
Engineering	Introduction to Molecular Science - Chemistry and Society
	Introduction to Information Systems Engineering
	Energy and Environment: A multidisciplinary approach towards world's energy crisis
	Introduction to International Understanding
Engineering Science	Introduction to Mechanical Science
Language and Culture	Japanese Literature, Modern and Contemporary
International Collage	Social Innovation and Social Design
Foreign Studies	Seminar Course for Intercultural Understanding
OSIPP	Social Entrepreneurship
Center for International Education and Exchange	Approaches to Understanding Cultures
	Psychology of Language and Japanese Language Acquisition
	Topics in Mathematics and its Engineering Applications (II)
	Computers in Language Learning
	Media and Communications in Japan
	Japanese JA100
	Japanese JA200
	Japanese JA300
	Japanese JA400
	Japanese JA500
	Japanese JA600
	Science and Society
	Modern Japanese Circumstances
	Intercultural Communication and Language
	Modern Japan in Asia
Independent Study I -A,B,C	

*This list is based on the 2017 Fall/Winter Semester.

Offered classes: Spring/Summer Semester (Sample)

School	Title
Letters	Art and Neuroscience-An Interdisciplinary Approach
Human Sciences	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
	Comparative Sociology
	Seminar in Studies of Multicultural Societies
	Introduction to Politics
	Self, Identity and Society
	Social Stratification in Japanese Society
	Sociology of Migration
	Human Rights
	Introduction to Sociology of Marriage and Family
	Psychology of Perception and Cognition
	Gender Studies
Law	Topics in Japanese Law
	Topics in Comparative Law
	Bioethics and Health Law:Legal Issues Concerning Biotechnology, Medicine and Health Care System
Science	Chemistry and Human Life
Medicine	Health Service and Medical Care in Japan
Engineering	Introduction to Global Architecture - Role of Global Architecture in Sustainable Development -
Language and Culture	Osaka in Modern Japanese Literature
Foreign Studies	Seminar Course for Intercultural Understanding
International Collage	Managing Innovation and Change
Center for International Education and Exchange	Topics in Mathematics and its Engineering Applications (I)
	Second Language Learning with Online Resources
	Japan: Society and Ideology
	Japanese JA100
	Japanese JA200
	Japanese JA300
	Japanese JA400
	Japanese JA500
	Japanese JA600
	Introduction to Scientific English
Intercultural Communication and Performance	
Independent Study II -A,B,C	

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International Exchange Subjects Timetable (Sample)

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Campus	Suita	Toyonaka/Suita	Toyonaka/Suita	Toyonaka/Suita	Suita/Minoh
1		Japanese JA (100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600)	Japanese JA (100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600)	Japanese JA (100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600)	
2	Health Service and Medical Care in Japan	Chemistry and Human Life	Self, Identity and Society	Bioethics and Health Law: Legal Issues Concerning Biotechnology, Medicine and Health Care System	Seminar in Studies of Multicultural Societies
		Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	Osaka in Modern Japanese Literature	Art and Neuroscience- An Interdisciplinary Approach	
				Social Stratification in Japanese Society	
3	Intercultural Communication and Performance	Comparative Sociology	Psychology of Perception and Cognition	Human Rights	Seminar Course for Intercultural Understanding
		Topics in Japanese Law	Sociology of Migration		
		Gender Studies			
4		Topics in Comparative Law	Japan: Society and Ideology	Introduction to Sociology of Marriage and Family	
		Managing Innovation and Change	Introduction to Politics		
5		Second Language Learning with Online Resources		Topics in Mathematics and its Engineering Applications (I)	Introduction to Global Architecture - Role of Global Architecture in Sustainable Development -

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Miyajima

Student (Ryugaku) Visa

Before coming to Japan, students who have been accepted need to obtain a "student"(Ryugaku) visa, issued by the Japanese Embassy or Consulate, in their country of residence.

Osaka University will send a letter of acceptance to students who are officially accepted to **OUSSEP**. At this time, Osaka University will request the Japanese Immigration Bureau to issue a Certificate of Eligibility for Status of Residence (CESR) for each of the students. Only the CESR document will serve as proof of status when applying for a visa to enter Japan as a student.

The Process of obtaining a CESR takes time and the certificate usually does not come through until the end of August (for fall semester) or the middle of March (for spring semester). We will forward the CESR by an express courier service to each student's address as indicated in the **OUSSEP** Application Form. Therefore, in the **OUSSEP** Application Form, please make sure to write an address where you can certainly receive the CESR by postal mail.

It is extremely important that applicants provide accurate contact information including street address, phone number and email address.

Each applicant should follow the advice of the Japanese diplomatic office in his or her home country concerning the procedure for obtaining an appropriate visa.



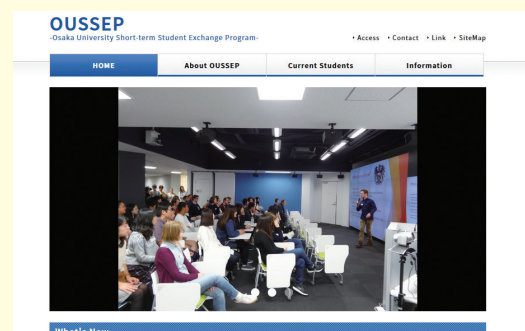
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Assembly

OUSSEP Home Page

More Information related to **OUSSEP**, including study and living guides for students may be found at the **OUSSEP** web site.



<http://ex.ciee.osaka-u.ac.jp/oussep/eindex.html>

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

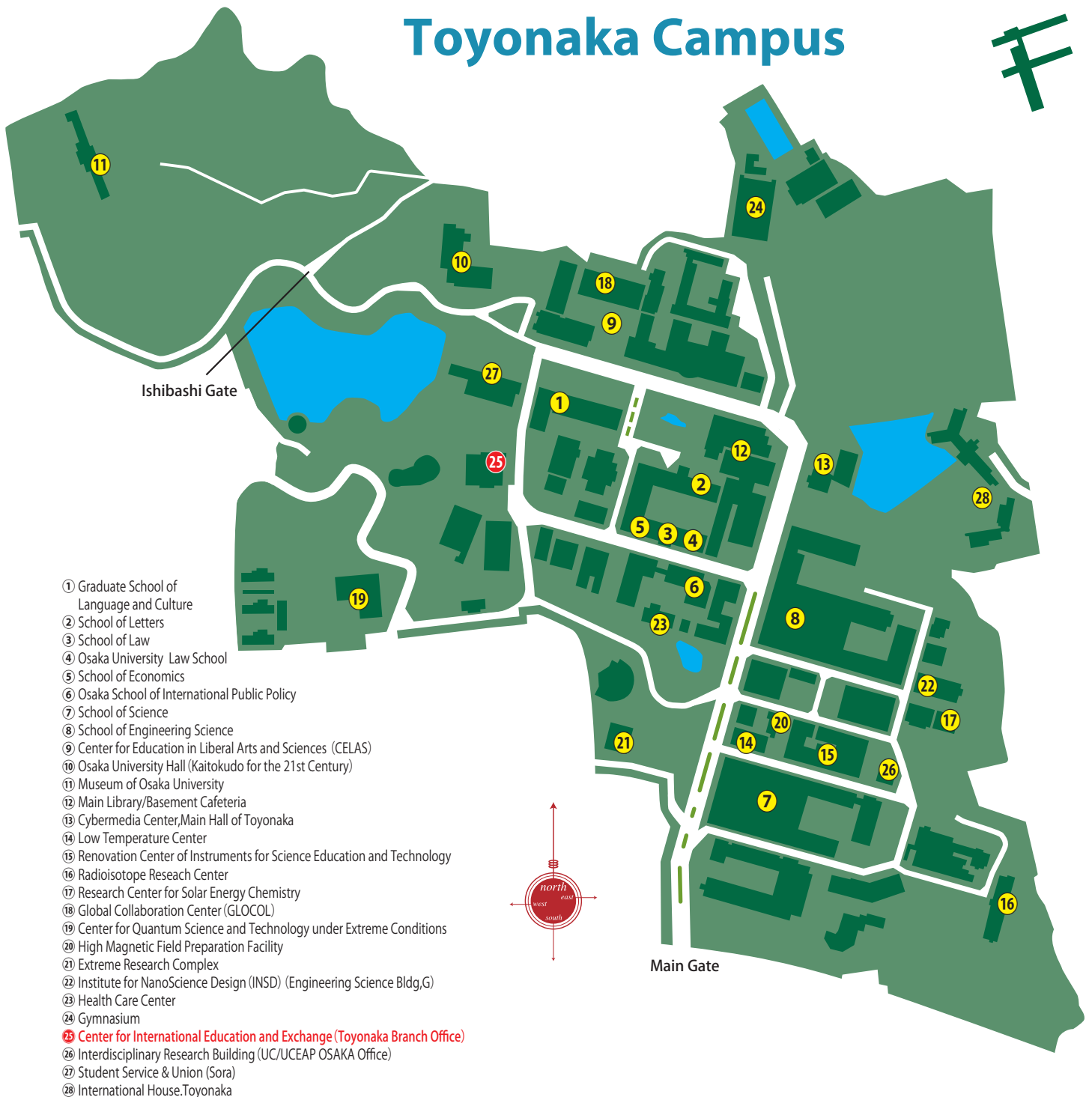


Cooking class (Okonomiyaki)



Farewell party

Toyonaka Campus



Student Service & Union
(Toyonaka)



Toyonaka Campus



Toyonaka Main Gate

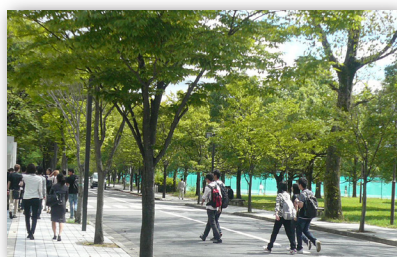


Suita Campus

- ① Administration Bureau
- ② Convention Center
- ③ IC Hall (Intercultural Collaboration Hall)
Center for International Education and Exchange
- ④ Life Sciences Library
- ⑤ Science and Engineering Library
- ⑥ Faculty of Medicine
- ⑦ Osaka University Hospital
- ⑧ Faculty of Medicine (Division of Allied Health Science)
- ⑨ School of Dentistry
- ⑩ Osaka University Dental Hospital
- ⑪ School of Pharmaceutical Sciences
- ⑫ School of Engineering
- ⑬ School of Human Sciences
- ⑭ Institute of Social and Economic Research
- ⑮ Joining and Welding Research Institute
- ⑯ Institute of Scientific and Industrial Research
- ⑰ Institute of Protein Research
- ⑱ Research Institute for Microbial Diseases
- ⑲ Research Center for Environmental Preservation
- ⑳ Radioisotope Research Center
- ㉑ Institute of Laser Engineering
- ㉒ Cybermedia Center
- ㉓ Research Center for Ultra-High Voltage Electron Microscopy
- ㉔ Research Centers for Nuclear Physics (RCNP)
- ㉕ Low Temperature Center
- ㉖ International Center for Biotechnology
- ㉗ Global Collaboration Center (GLOCOL)
- ㉘ Immunology Frontier Research Center
- ㉙ Photonics Center P3
- ㉚ Center for Information and Neural Networks
- ㉛ Gymnasium
- ㉜ Health Care Center
- ㉝ Welfare Building of Univ. CO-OP (Cafeteria and Campus Store)
- ㉞ Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences
- ㉟ Graduate School of Information Science and Technology
- ㊱ United Graduate School of Child Development



Faculty of Medicine and University Hospital (Suita)



Suita Campus

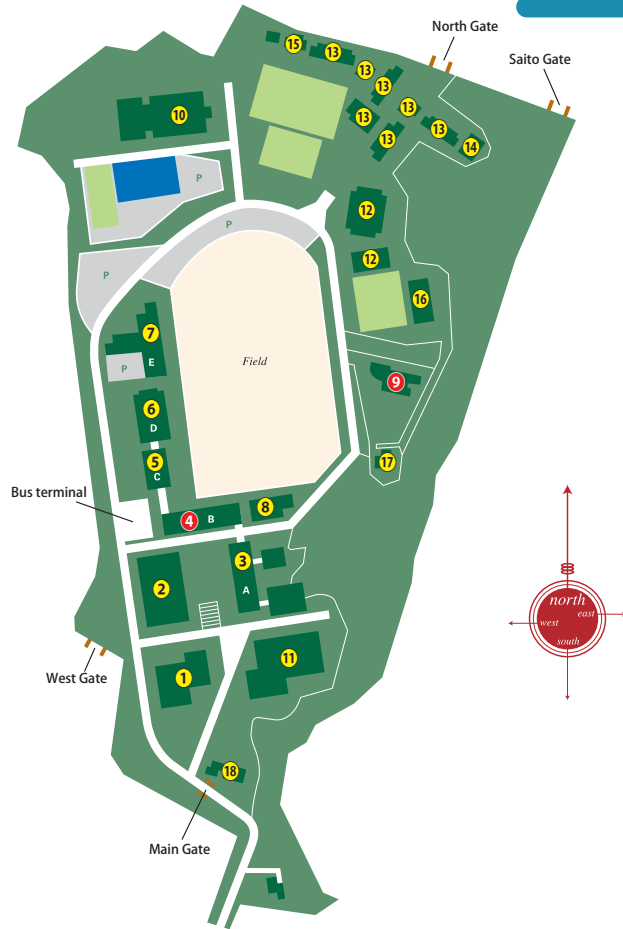


Suita Main Gate

Minoh Campus

- ① Administration Building
(Health Care Center)
- ② International Studies Library
- ③ Classrooms and Faculty Offices of SFS
(Building A, Minoh Student Center)
- ④ **Minoh Branch, Center for International
Education and Exchange (Building B)**
- ⑤⑥⑦ Classrooms and Faculty Offices of SFS
(Building A, D,E)
- ⑧ General Research Building
- ⑨ **Center for Japanese Language and Culture
(International Students Affairs Division)**
- ⑩ Gymnasium 1&2
- ⑪ Welfare Building of Univ. CO-OP
(Bookshop and Cafeteria)
- ⑫ Minoh International Student Dormitory
- ⑬ Dormitory
- ⑭ Minoh International Student House
- ⑮ Training Camp
- ⑯ Extra Curricular Activities Facilities
- ⑰ OUFs Memorial Hall
- ⑱ Guard booth

SFS: School of Foreign Studies



Osaka University's Minoh Campus will move to its new location in April 2021.

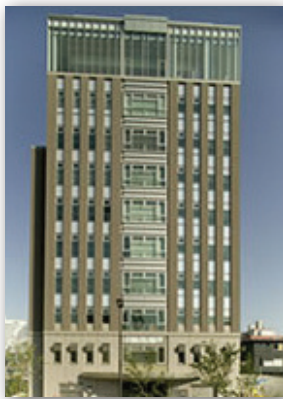
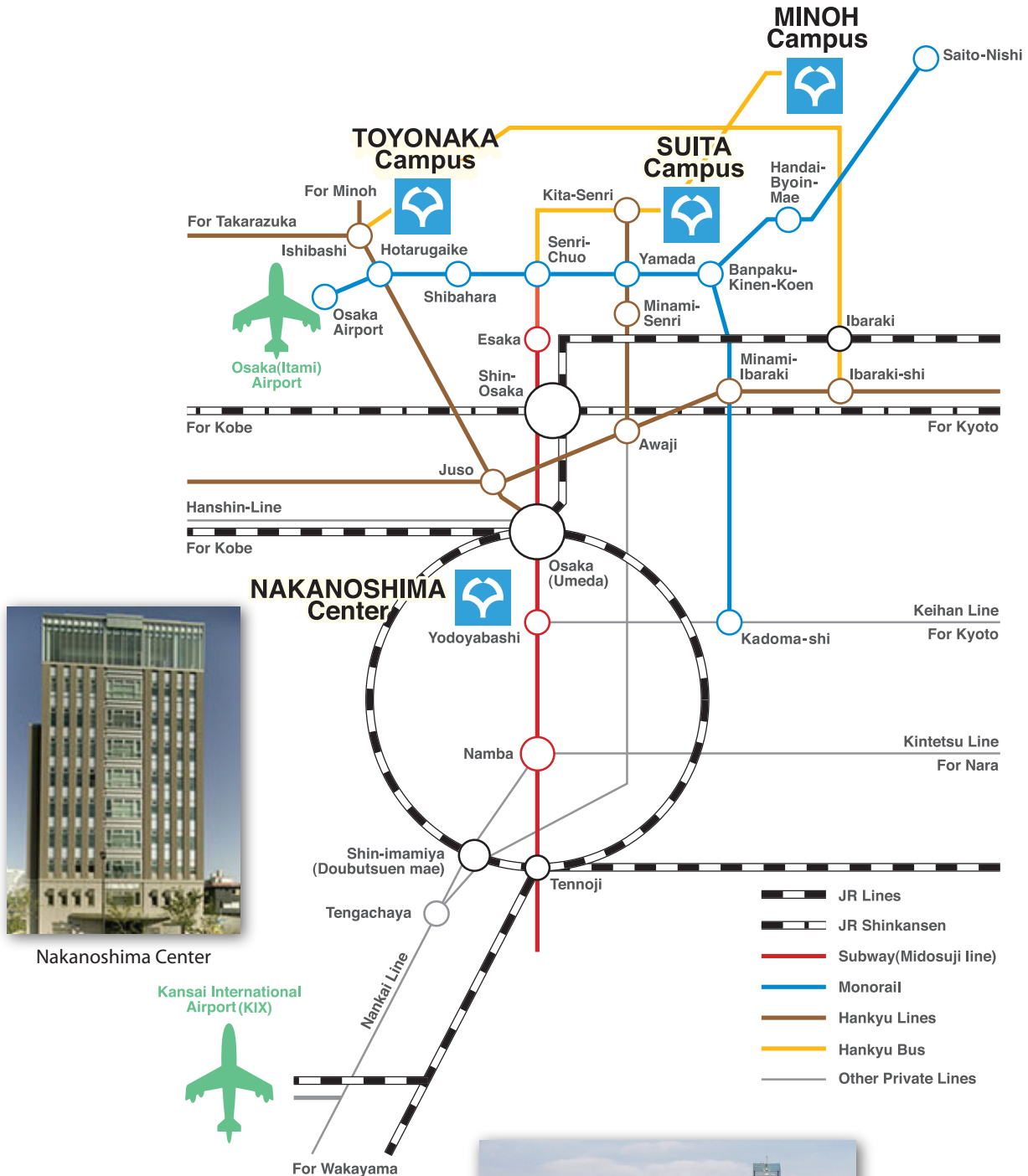


The new Minoh Campus opens in April 2021 with a dormitory, a library, and an education and research facility for the Graduate School of Language and Culture, School of Foreign Studies, and Center for Japanese Language and Culture.

The new campus will become a base for research on the world's languages, cultures, and societies.



Transportation from the City of OSAKA to the Campuses



Nakanoshima Center

Kansai International Airport (KIX)



City of Osaka

Being an **OUSSEP** student is really fun. It provides an opportunity for international and Japanese students in nurturing their friendships and learning different cultures. It really reflects its aim to make Osaka University more global. The events, like the Hiroshima and Miyajima trips, is really beneficial for us, as we get to know our fellow **OUSSEP** students while at the same time, experience the Japanese culture. **Justine, Philippines**

The Program is well organized and really fun. You are going to meet a lot of amazing people during your stay! **Philipp, Germany**

I chose to study in Japan in order to improve my Japanese. But **OUSSEP** gave me so much more, like a new international family and many Japanese culture experiences. **Megan, Australia**

OUSSEP helps me to become more flexible and diverse in Japanese culture and other fellow exchange students'. It really gives me an opportunity to "Live Locally, Grow Globally!". Thank you so much **OUSSEP**, especially to our adviser, coordinators and staff. I really enjoy my on (academic) and off (field trips, events and activities) campus life and stay here in Japan! Cheers! **Gacy, Philippines**

OUSSEP is a great program. The support from official side makes it easy to manage life here, and with all the internationals, it feels like family. **Aline, Germany**

To me, the best things about the **OUSSEP** program are the variety of courses offered, the warm atmosphere between the students, as well as the friendly staff and coordinators, who in my experience are always quick to help the students with any kind of problem they might have. **Ella, Finland**

Aside from the interesting courses offered, through this program I've got a chance to build very close friendships with people from across the world, even from countries that I never really noticed before. I am so privileged to be one of the **OUSSEP** students as well as grateful to be a friend of all my new friends' that I made out of this program. **Fathia, Indonesia**

The **OUSSEP** program provides multiple opportunities to explore Japan and learn about several aspects of the Japanese culture and language. I have learned so much about myself and people from all over the world. Wherever you go, there is a network of friendly professors, dorm neighbors, classmates, and others eager to help you along the way. I highly recommend coming to Osaka University and starting what will surely be the most exciting adventure of your college career!

Hannah, United States

If you want to enjoy the colorful campus life and the wonderful trip with friends from all over the world, **OUSSEP** could be your first choice! The considerate teachers and the friendly tutors will help you to experience a new culture in Japan. **Nancy (Xuenan), China**



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Terminology

The following is an explanation of some of the abbreviations and terminology used in OUSSEP

OUSSEP: Osaka University Short-term Student Exchange Program

CESR: Certificate of Eligibility for Status of Residence. This is necessary for an overseas student to get a student visa. In order to receive the document, the **OUSSEP** participants are expected to follow the instructions of OU's International Student Affairs Division, once they get official letters of admission.

CIEE: Center for International Exchange and Education. This Center was founded in 1992, and has been responsible for the coordination of student exchanges at OU. The programs on this brochure are entirely coordinated by CIEE staff. It also provides Japanese classes for Full and Half-year **OUSSEP** students for up to three times per week.

CJLC: Center for Japanese Language and Culture. In 1954, the Center was first established as the Special Course for Foreign Students at OUFS. In 2005, the institution was renamed as the CJLC. It provides International Exchange Subjects in Japanese studies(in English) and core Japanese language classes for Maple students. It is also responsible for the Maple educational program. (See Maple)

Full-year OUSSEP: An English speaking program two semesters in length focused on the majors of participants as well as other academic subjects. It is not suitable for those who wish to study Japanese more than 3 classes per week.

Half-year OUSSEP: An English speaking program that runs for one semester only. It is focused on the majors of participants as well as other academic subjects. It is not suitable for those who wish to study Japanese more than 3 classes per week.

International Exchange Subject: Special academic lectures taught in English and administrated by the International Affairs Committee. Domestic students may attend the classes with **OUSSEP** students. CJLC's courses offering Japanese studies are also included in this category.

JASSO: Japan Student Services Organization. The main funding body of the **OUSSEP** program:
http://www.jasso.go.jp/index_e.html

Maple: A program focused on the Japanese language and culture. CJLC is responsible for its academic content and day to day operations with participants, such as the offering of individual academic advice. (See CJLC)

OU: Osaka University

OUFS: (former) Osaka University of Foreign Studies

TOEFL: Test of English as a Foreign Language. PBT refers to Paper Based Test. PBT 550 is almost equal in proficiency to CBT (Computer Based Test) 213 and iBT (internet Based Test) 80 score range.
<<http://www.ets.org/toefl>>

For application, please use Osaka University's online application system.
For further information, please contact the international student affairs
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