

A Guide for Exchange Students



Cafeteria in Amagasaki Campus

About us

KUISs Initiatives

Since its founding, Kansai University of International Studies (KUISs) has sought to produce individuals with a love of humanity, capable of empathizing with people of diverse positions and exploring challenges together, under the school motto “I AI I EN” (Love Creates Belonging 以愛為園). Recognizing the universal need for a safe, secure society in these uncertain times as the “I AI I EN” (以愛為園) of the day, in April 2021 the university reorganized its academic units into 19 majors in seven departments in six schools. The aim is to foster individuals capable of managing a safe, secure society based on the three approaches of global, safety, and management.

Location

KUISs has three campuses. Those are Kobeyamate Campus, Amagasaki Campus, and Miki Campus. All those three campuses are located in Hyogo prefecture.

Hyogo prefecture is situated in the geographical center of Japan, is easily accessible from overseas by sea and air.

* We accept exchange students at Kobeyamate Campus and Amagasaki Campus.



What you can learn at KUIsS

Kobeyamate Campus

Located in a historical and cultural area in Kobe City, Hyogo

School of Global Communication

Department of Global Communication

Major in Global Business	Covers key business skills and competencies, including advanced communication skills in the English language (acknowledged as the lingua franca of global business) and a broad-minded international outlook.
Major in Multicultural Coexistence	Nurtures language skills and an understanding of different cultures to play an active role as bridges that connect to overseas countries.

Department of Tourism

Major in Tourism	Provides tailored practical English language training along with marketing and management skills specifically targeted at tourism industry operators.
Major in Hotel and Bridal Services	Offers real-world training in management skills and top-level service standards in the hospitality industry, with a particular focus on hotels and bridal services.
Major in Airline Services	Nurtures global communication skills based on high-level English skills, along with real-world problem-solving and adaptation techniques as a springboard to careers in the airline industry.

School of Sociology

Department of Sociology

Major in Ethics of Multicultural Society	Cultivates a suite of research and marketing skills and problem-solving skills for tackling the myriad issues and challenges in modern society.
Major in Culture and Media	Cultivate students who will be active in the field of information dissemination utilizing social media and local media.
Major in Data Science	Offers a basic grounding in data science theory and innovation skills in a wide range of areas relevant to today's world.

School of Psychology

Department of Psychology

Major in Clinical Psychology	Provides advanced training in psychological treatment and support techniques as a pathway to Licensed Psychologist accreditation.
Major in Criminal Psychology	Offers classes in the psychology of criminals and juvenile delinquents, rehabilitation and support services for former criminals, basic crime prevention theory and other key aspects of crime prevention and reduction in society.
Major in Disaster Psychology	Covers a comprehensive study of emotional and behavioral reactions to disaster phenomena, post-disaster support services, and disaster prevention and mitigation strategies.
Major in Industrial and Consumer Psychology	Provides courses in the psychology of ordinary consumer behavior applicable to a variety of real-world settings.



Kobe City, Hyogo

Kobe, a beautiful port city home to 1.5 million, lies just 20 minutes or so from Osaka and an hour's flight from Tokyo.

Kobe's two most famous mountains, Maya and Rokko, can be accessed by road, hiking up or a combination of funicular train and cable car, the reward for which is Kobe's renowned "10 million dollar night view".



What you can learn at KUISs

Amagasaki Campus

An urban campus close to Osaka, Kyoto, Kobe

School of Education

Department of Child Education and Social Welfare

Major in Child Education	Education Course	Offers advanced training for elementary teachers and educators, with a particular focus on skills for engaging with a range of different personality types and the importance of a broad-minded global outlook.
	Child Education and Care Course	Provides advanced training for early childhood educators and childcare operators with a particular focus on skills for engaging and empathizing with a range of personality types.
Major in Social Welfare	Social Welfare Course	Offers advanced training for social welfare workers with a particular focus on inclusivity and a broad-minded global outlook.
	Welfare/Child Care Course	Provides advanced training for child and family welfare workers providing support for children and families in a wide range of settings.



School of Management

Department of Management

Major in Business Design	Develops key skills and competencies for creating innovation by maximizing the functions of individual groups and organizations.
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Eligibilities

At KUISs, most of the classes are conducted in Japanese, therefore basically we require international students to have N2 at JLPT or higher level of Japanese ability (JLPT means Japanese-Language Proficiency Test. The JLPT has five levels: N1, N2, N3, N4 and N5. N1 is the highest.)

Only at the school of Global Communication, some classes are conducted in English. So this school requires N3 or higher.

Schools	Requirement
Sociology Psychology Education Management	N2
Global Communication	N3

Housing

For exchange students KUISs offers off-campus housings. Exchange students are required to live in the dormitory specified by KUISs. Further details of the dormitory will be forwarded to your home institution.

- Average cost : 30,000~47,000 JPY/month
(Meals not included)
- Rooms are equipped with a bed, a desk, a chair, a washing machine, a fridge, and so on



Takada Housing

An Annual Schedule Table for KUISs Exchange Program

The detailed schedule and application forms will be sent to the international office or the study-abroad advisor of your home university.

Duration of Study

APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR
Spring Semester						Fall Semester					

The steps to be taken

		Spring Semester	Fall Semester
step 1	Application Deadline	Middle October	Middle April
step 2	Admission letter will be issued	Late January	Late July
step 3	Apply for VISA at Japanese Embassy or Consulate General of Japan	Early February	Early August
step 4	Depart to Hyogo, Japan	Early March	Early September
step 5	Entrance Ceremony & International Student Guidance	Late March	Middle September
step 6	Classes start	Early April	Late September

Required Documents

- KUISs EXCHANGE STUDENT APPLICATION FORM (Form no.1)
- APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY (Form no.2)
- A government document to prove the relationship between the student and the sponsor/supporter (specified in Form no.2)
- CERTIFICATE OF HEALTH (Form no.3)
- Official Academic Transcript
- Recommendation Letter
- Certificate of income
- Copy of passport
- Six Passport-sized photos (W30mm×H40mm)
- Proof of Japanese proficiency (If any)
- A document that certifies that the applicant is a recipient of a scholarship from his/her own country (if applicable)



An annual schedule table for KUISS Exchange Program

Himeji-jo:

The World Heritage Site in Hyogo Prefecture

Himeji-jo is the finest surviving example of early 17th-century Japanese castle architecture, comprising 83 buildings with highly developed systems of defence and ingenious protection devices dating from the beginning of the Shogun period. It is a masterpiece of construction in wood, combining function with aesthetic appeal, both in its elegant appearance unified by the white plastered earthen walls and in the subtlety of the relationships between the building masses and the multiple roof layers.

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Himeji-jo

Kobe Harborland

Opened in October 1992, the Kobe Harborland megacomplex has become one of Kobe's major tourist attractions and is home to some of the city's best waterfront sights during a night out.

With shopping and entertainment along a scenic seaside, Kobe Harborland is one of the many unofficial hearts of the city. Its well-connected network of transport options and lovely views draw crowds of locals and tourists to the area year-round.

<https://www.japan.travel/en/spot/1041/>



Kobe Harborland

Neighboring Cities to Visit

Osaka

Osaka Prefecture, which includes Osaka City (its capital) and 42 other municipalities, has a population of 8.84million and a total land mass of about 1,905 square kilometers. Although Osaka is Japan's second smallest prefecture by size, its population represents 7% of the entire nation, making it the second most populous prefecture after Tokyo. Furthermore, 10% of all non-Japanese residents live in Osaka.

Osaka Convention & Tourism Bureau: <https://osaka-info.jp/en/page/osaka-beginners>



Dōtonbori canal, Osaka

Kyoto

Kyoto served as Japan's capital and the emperor's residence from 794 until 1868. It is one of the country's ten largest cities with a population of 1.5 million people and a modern face.

Over the centuries, Kyoto was destroyed by many wars and fires, but due to its exceptional historic value, the city was dropped from the list of target cities for the atomic bomb and escaped destruction during World War II. Countless temples, shrines and other historically priceless structures survive in the city today.

Kyoto Travel Guide - What to do in Kyoto City - Japan Guide

<https://www.japan-guide.com/e/e2158.html>



Kinkaku-ji Temple (The Golden Pavilion), Kyoto

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