

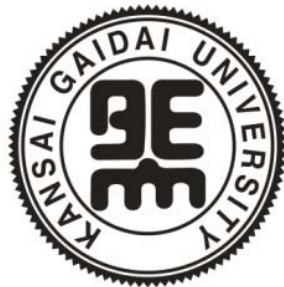
THE ASIAN STUDIES PROGRAM

留学生別科

at

Kansai Gaidai University

関西外国語大学



Program Overview

Kansai Gaidai University is proud to be recognized as one of the leading institutions in the field of international education in Japan. Since 1972, the Asian Studies Program at Kansai Gaidai has been providing high-quality education and services to study abroad students from six continents. The program now annually welcomes some 700 students from about 40 countries and regions.

Kansai Gaidai University

- Founded in 1945
- Enrolls 13,000 students
- Focuses on foreign studies (languages, cultures, area studies, etc.)
- Sends 1,700 students overseas annually
- Is a trusted partner of 330+ institutions across the globe



Asian Studies Program: Academics

- **Japanese Language Courses**
 - ✓ Spoken Japanese (Required; 5 credits)
 - Reading and Writing Japanese (Optional; 3 credits)
 - ✓ 7 levels (from beginning to high advanced)
 - ✓ Small class size of 12-15
- **Content-based Courses**
 - ✓ 40+ courses in Business, Social Sciences, and Humanities with focus on Japan/Asia (history, cultural anthropology, art history, popular culture and media, religion, cross-cultural psychology, inter-cultural communication, business and economy [subject to change]; 3 credits each)
 - ✓ Taught in English
 - ✓ Small class size of 35 students maximum
- **Studio Art Courses**
 - ✓ Ceramics (Pottery; 3 credits)
 - ✓ Japanese-Chinese Brush Painting (*Sumi-e*; 3 credits)
- **More Information?**
 - Course Load: 14-17 credits/semester (including Spoken Japanese)
 - Curriculum: www.kansai-gaidai.ac.jp/asp/03_academics/02.html
 - Course Offerings: www.kansai-gaidai.ac.jp/asp/03_academics/06.html



Academic Calendar

Fall Semester: August/September – December
Spring Semester: January/February – May

The academic calendar of the Asian Studies Program coincides with the typical Western calendar in order to minimize inconveniences that could otherwise arise due to calendar differences between Japan and our partner schools.

Housing and Student Life

- **Homestay**
 - ✓ Excellent learning environment for Japanese language and culture
 - ✓ Host families are carefully selected by the Center for International Education.
 - ✓ Full-time homestay coordinators are available for assistance and advising.
- **Seminar Houses (Dormitories)**
 - ✓ Fully furnished
 - ✓ Full kitchen facilities available
 - ✓ Cross-cultural learning environment
- **Promotion of Intercultural Experiences**
 - ✓ Conversation Partner Program
 - ✓ Experience Japan Program (Cultural events organized by local students)
 - ✓ Home Visit Program (One-day Homestay) and more!



Geographical Advantages

Hirakata City is located midway between Osaka (Japan's 2nd largest metropolis and a center of pop culture) and Kyoto (Japan's ancient capital with numerous national treasures and World Heritage sites). Field trips are frequently conducted to enhance and supplement students' classroom experience.

Fees

Tuition	USD12,000	Tuition is waived for exchange students from our partner institutions.
Homestay	JPY320,000	The homestay fee is waived for <i>Full-Exchange</i> and <i>Tuition & Housing Exchange (Housing-Free Exchange)</i> students. Lunch expenses are provided to <i>Full-Exchange</i> students.
Lunch Expenses *	JPY60,000	
Commuting *	JPY70,000	
Dormitory	JPY200,000 – JPY230,000	JPY200,000 (Standard Double Room) is waived for <i>Full-Exchange</i> and <i>Tuition & Housing Exchange (Housing-Free Exchange)</i> students. Meal expenses are provided to <i>Full-Exchange</i> students.
Meal Expenses *	JPY150,000	
Textbooks *	JPY20,000	
Miscellaneous Expenses *	JPY250,000	This includes a few fees not listed above as well as personal expenses.

NOTE: All expenses listed above are per semester. Expenses with * are estimates. Please contact your study abroad coordinator regarding financial arrangements if you are from one of our partner institutions.

A merit-based scholarship (USD6,000) is available to qualified non-exchange independent students.

How to apply

- Application procedures can be found at the website below.

http://www.kansai-gaidai.ac.jp/asp/05_admission_and_visa/02.html

- Application Period

Fall Semester	January 10 – May 15
Spring Semester	August 1 – November 1

Why should I choose Kansai Gaidai?

- The Asian Studies Program is **one of the first programs** of its kind in Japan with an outstanding history of providing **high-quality education and services** to international students.
- Our **first-class Japanese language courses** can improve your proficiency dramatically.
- **Thought-provoking content courses** are taught by **distinguished scholars** with diverse backgrounds and extensive teaching experience.
- **Excellent support** is provided by bilingual staff with extensive international experience.
- Comfortable and convenient **university housing** as well as personally enriching **homestay** options.
- Our campus is situated in a **region rich in history, culture, and commercial enterprise.**
- Our most recent end-of-semester survey indicates that **96% of students were satisfied** with their experiences in our program and that **92% would recommend our program** to their friends.



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