

Information for International Students

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| Step-by-Step Admission Guide

Undergraduate Courses

June or November	Step 1 : Take the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU) The subjects you need to take and the scores you need to obtain differ per faculty.
October - December	Step 2 : Apply Obtain application form (from October) → Submit application (specified date in December)
February	Step 3 : Take the Osaka City University entrance exam
1 April	Enter Osaka City University (academic year: 1 April - 31 March)

Master Courses

Before July	Step 1 : Find an academic supervisor
June - July	Step 2 : Apply Obtain application form (from June) → Submit application (specified date in July)
August or September	Step 3 : Take the Osaka City University entrance exam
1 April	Enter Osaka City University (academic year: 1 April - 31 March) (October enrollment possible for Graduate School of Science. Application periods differ.)

Doctoral Courses

Before December	Step 1 : Find an academic supervisor
November-January	Step 2 : Apply Obtain application form (from November) → Submit application (specified date in January)
February	Step 3 : Take the Osaka City University entrance exam
1 April	Enter Osaka City University (academic year: 1 April - 31 March) (October enrollment possible for Graduate School of Science, Graduate School of Engineering and Graduate School of Medicine. Application periods differ.)

Research Students (6 months or 1 year period of study in preparation for entering into Graduate School)

Step 1 : **Find an academic supervisor**

Step 2 : **Apply**
Application periods, selection and entry dates differ per Graduate School

? How to find a supervisor

- see the list of researchers on our website:
<https://research-soran17.osaka-cu.ac.jp/search?m=home&l=en>
- see the list of teaching staff on the website of each Graduate School
- see the list of research subjects in the 'Graduate Schools Outline' on the website
- see who teaches a specific course in the syllabus of each Graduate School

Contact a professor directly or via the Global Exchange Office and provide:

- your academic background
(diplomas obtained or expected in the near future)
- the level you want to study at: research student/master/doctoral
- which Graduate School and which course you want to enter
- an indication of your Japanese language ability
- which professor you would like to ask to become your supervisor
- your study/research plan

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NOTE : Classes at OCU are given in Japanese. However, some courses as well as academic supervision at graduate schools may be conducted in English.
 For more details, see the official admission guidelines on <http://www.osaka-cu.ac.jp/ja/admissions> (Japanese only)

| Academic Calendar 2020 - 2021

Graduation Ceremony	Cancelled.
First Semester	May 14 – Sept. 30
Entrance Ceremony	Cancelled.
Summer Vacation	Aug. 25 – Sept. 15
Second Semester	Oct. 1 – Mar. 31
Winter Vacation	Dec. 24 – Jan. 6
Spring Vacation	March 20 – 31



The above schedule is as of 15 August.

Depending on the situation surrounding COVID-19, the schedule is subject to change.

| Housing

1. Residential facilities for international students

Osaka City University and other public organizations have a limited number of residential facilities for international and exchange students, including the Osaka City University International Residence. Nearly 90% of international students live in private apartments near Osaka City University.



		Number of Rooms	Eligibility	Residence Period	Monthly Fee	
					JPY	USD*
Osaka City University International Residence	Single Rooms	29	International students (New privately financed students get priority)	Max. 1 year	7,500	69
	Family Rooms	2 (Researchers get priority)	International students (New privately financed students get priority)	3 months ~ 1 year	16,300	150
Orion International residence	Single Rooms	85	Single Privately financed students	Max. 2 years	26,000	239
Uenoshiba Woman's Dormitory	Single Rooms	93	Single female students	Min. years needed for graduation	5,500 (water charge is included)	51

* Converted based on the TTS rate on April 1, 2020

2. Private housing

3. Housing Guarantor System for International Students

When you rent an apartment in Japan, you will often be asked to have a joint-guarantor (rentai-hoshounin) who co-signs the lease to share liability with the lessee. This can be difficult for some students but it's hard to rent without a joint guarantor.

Osaka City University can act as a joint-guarantor for international students (OCU undergraduate, graduate and research students) who are unable to find a guarantor by themselves.

| Visa

Students need to obtain a visa before coming to Japan. OCU can apply to the Japanese Ministry of Justice for a Certificate of Eligibility for you to make the visa application process go more smoothly. After receiving the Certificate of Eligibility you can take it to the Japanese Embassy or Consulate in your country and apply for a visa.

| Supplemental Japanese Language Class

This free supplemental class is offered once a week and is for enrolled international students who wish to further improve their Japanese.

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Tuition Fees (for privately financed international students, as of April 2020, amount may be subject to change)

Fees (all in Yen)		Application Fee		Admission Fee		Admission Fee for Osaka Citizens (1)		Annual Tuition Fee	
		JPY	USD *	JPY	USD *	JPY	USD *	JPY	USD *
Undergraduate	Degree Student	30,000	276	382,000	3,518	222,000	2,044	535,800	4,934
Graduate	Degree Student	30,000	276	382,000 (Law School:0)	3,518 (Law School:0)	222,000 (Law School:0)	2,044 (Law School:0)	535,800	4,934
	Research Student	9,800	90	102,600	945	66,600	613	29,700 p/m	274 p/m

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(1) To be eligible for the special fee for Osaka citizens or their children, you need to satisfy one of the following conditions :

- having lived in Osaka consecutively for at least 1 year prior to the day of university entrance
- having a parent in the same family register who has lived in Osaka consecutively for at least 1 year prior to the day of university entrance

NOTE : Payment of the tuition fee for degree students must be made in two installments for six month periods in May and October. Payment in smaller installments is not possible.
 Payment of the tuition fee for research students is required per six months. Payment in smaller installments is not possible.

Financial Support and Scholarships for International Students

1. Tuition Fee Exemption

International students under financial difficulties with satisfactory study results may be eligible for 1/3, 2/3 or complete exemption of tuition fees. Please apply after entering OCU.

		JPY	USD *
Standard tuition fee (per year)		535,800	4,934
2/3 exemption	First semester	89,300	822
	Second semester	89,300	822
1/3 exemption	First semester	178,600	1,645
	Second semester	178,600	1,645

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2. Scholarships

After enrollment you can apply for a number of scholarships for which you need a recommendation from OCU. You can apply for a recommendation in April (after you have been admitted to OCU) and you can then use the recommendation throughout the year to apply for the various scholarships.

For a list of available scholarships, amounts and conditions, please see the QR Code on the right



Cost of Living

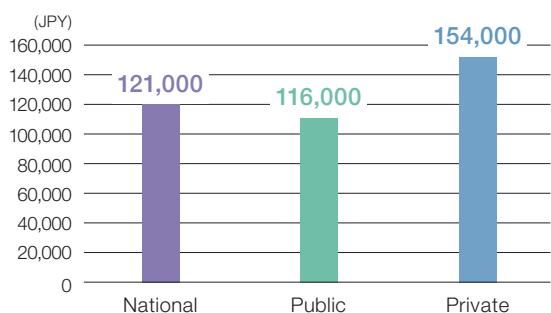
Source: Lifestyle Survey of Privately Financed International Students 2017 (JASSO)

Cost of Living per month (Average Expenditure)

	Undergraduate	Master	Doctor	Research Students
JPY	148,000	132,000	134,000	127,000
USD *	1,363	1,216	1,234	1,170

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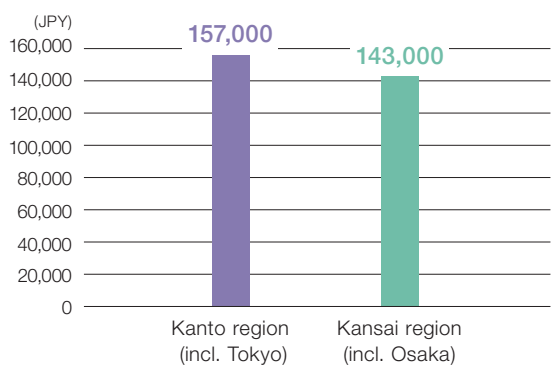
Per university type



	National	Public	Private
JPY	121,000	116,000	154,000
USD *	1,114	1,068	1,418

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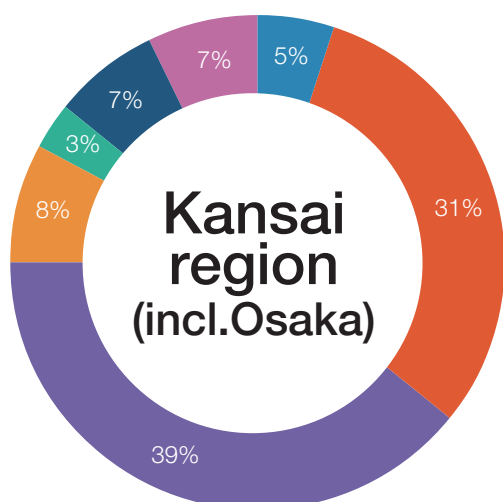
Per region



	Kanto region (incl. Tokyo)	Kansai region (incl. Osaka)
JPY	157,000	143,000
USD *	1,446	1,317

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Breakdown of monthly spending (Kansai region)



Commuting	5%
Food	31%
Rent	39%
Utility charges (electricity, gas and water)	8%
Insurance & Medical	3%
Hobby & Entertainment	7%
Miscellaneous	7%