

UNIVERSITY-WIDE INCOMING STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES (LONG-TERM) INFORMATION SHEET 2015

UNIVERSITY AND CONTACT INFORMATION	
Name of University	Osaka University 大阪大学
Campus location	Suita, Toyonaka & Minoh, Osaka, Japan
Academic schools and institutes	Letters, Law, Foreign Studies, Economics, Human Sciences, Science, Medicine, Allied Health Sciences, Dentistry, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Engineering, Engineering Science, Language and Culture, International Public Policy(OSIPP), Information Science and Technology, Frontier Biosciences Institutes of Microbial Diseases, Scientific and Industrial Research, Protein Research, Social and Economic Research, Joining and Welding Research
University website	http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/index.html
Campus map	http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/access/for_print
Exchange study web page	http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program
Course information	https://koan.osaka-u.ac.jp/syllabus_ex-e/campus
Office in charge of exchange	International Student Affairs Division
Contact	Inbound Team - International Student Affairs Section, Osaka University 1F, IC-Hall (Suita Campus) 1-1 Yamadaoka, Suita, Osaka 565-0871 JAPAN Phone: +81 6 6879 4026 email: exchange@cjee.osaka-u.ac.jp ➤ For 'Maple' programme, please email to kouryu@cjl.osaka-u.ac.jp
ACADEMIC CALENDAR	
Arrival/dormitory check-in	- September intake: Mid/late September - April intake: Beginning of April
Mandatory orientation	- September intake: End-September - April intake: Early April
Academic terms	- Fall/Second Semester: Late September to February (15 course work weeks) - Spring/First Semester: April to August (15 course work weeks)
Term-end exam periods	- Fall/Second Semester: End-January to Early February - Spring/First Semester: Early to Mid-August
Term breaks	- Fall/Second Semester: End-Dec.to Early Jan., Mid-February to End-March - Spring/First Semester: Mid-August to End-September
Course registration periods	- Fall/Second Semester: Early to mid-October - Spring/First Semester: Mid to late April
Grade release	- Fall/Second Semester: Late September - Spring/First Semester: Late March
ACADEMIC INFORMATION	
Exchange period	Standard 1 semester (5 months)* or 2 semesters (11 months)
Degree level	Undergraduate and postgraduate
Relevant major/degree	Any fields of degree accepted**
Credit award	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Special Auditor (credit-based) <input type="checkbox"/> Special Research Student (Non-credit)
Programmes	iExPO(S.A./S.R.S.), FrontierLab(S.A./S.R.S.), OUSSEP(S.A.), Maple(S.A.)
Study type	Course work (S.A.) or Research (S.A./S.R.S.)
Instruction languages	Japanese or English
Credit and grading system	S (100-90)/A (89-80)/B (79-70)/C (69-60)/F (59-)FAIL One OU credits are equivalent to 45-hour study including class, revision and self-study. A semester-long 90-minute weekly lecture (15 sessions) is typically worth two credits.
Japanese language class	Both credit-based and non-credit courses are open for registration.
BASIC ELIGIBILITY FOR APPLICATION	
Student/academic residency	Degree-seeking student on continuous full-time status at home university
Language requirements	Varies by program - typically TOEFL iBT 80+/IELTS 6.0 for English or JLPT N4, N2 or N1 for Japanese.
ADMISSION PROCEDURE	
Application information	- September intake (Fall/Second Semester) : End-January - April intake (Spring/First Semester): End-September
Nomination/application period	- September intake (Fall/Second Semester) : February to March - April intake (Spring/First Semester): October to November

Application deadline	- September intake (Fall/Second Semester) : End-March - April intake (Spring/First Semester): Late October	
Method of nomination and application	① Postal submission of (1) Nomination form and (2) Sets of students' application documents, and ② Student's email submission of application form (Adobe PDF fillable form)	
Required application documents	(1) A completed application form (2) Two reference letters (3) Academic transcripts (4) Language test score report (TOEFL/IELTS/JLPT)	
Application to download	URL and password will be sent to exchange coordinators by email.	
Mailing address	【for OUSSEP/iExPO/FrontierLab】 Student exchange program - Inbound Team International Student Affairs Division, Osaka University IC-Hall, 1-1 Yamadaoka, Suita Osaka 565-0871 JAPAN Phone: +81 6 6879 4026	【for Maple】 CJLC Section 1 International Student Affairs Division Osaka University 1F, Center for Japanese Language and Culture (Minoh Campus) 8-1-1 Aomatani-higashi, Minoh Osaka 562-8558 JAPAN Phone: +81 72 730 5074
Screening for admission	Document-based	
OFFER-ACCEPTANCE AND VISA		
Date of admission notice	- September intake (Fall/Second Semester) : End-December - April intake (Spring/First Semester): End-May	
Offer-acceptance deadline	- September intake (Fall/Second Semester) : Mid/Late January - April intake (Spring/First Semester): Mid/Late June	
Procedures to follow and documents to be submitted on offer acceptance***	- Participant's agreement form - Financial planning and declaration form - Documentation of financial resources - Photocopy of passport - Latest ID photo - Accommodation request form (email submission)	
Japan visa	Non-Japanese students must obtain Student Visa at a Japan consulate in their own responsibility. No other visa types are accepted. Osaka University Support Office makes a proxy application for a Certificate of Eligibility (CESR, an immigration certification) for students who need a visa after admission offer.	
COSTS		
Tuition	OU tuition waived (by a relevant student exchange agreement)	
Mandatory fee	- College insurance (c.13,000JPY/semester, c.17,000JPY/year) - National Health Insurance (c.2,000JPY/month)	
Accommodation	Rates of residence hall c.20,000 - 40,000JPY/month For private accommodation, average rent will be 35,000 - 60,000JPY/month	
Other costs	Flight to and from Japan, food, public transport, text books, winter clothing (if necessary) etc. Students are strongly advised to have at least c.120,000JPY/1,000USD per month at their disposal.	
ACCOMMODATION		
University accommodation	Available for booking about 6-8 weeks before enrolment (on- or off-campus)	
Meal plan	Not available	
Room type	Single room or shared flat	
Single-sex/co-ed	Single-sex and co-ed	
Rates	Please see the accommodation information sheet.	
SCHOLARSHIP		
Pre-arrival scholarship award	Successful candidates may be eligible to apply for JASSO and OU Incoming Exchange Scholarship. (80,000JPY/month). Number of scholarship awards and notification timing vary by semester/year.	
How and when to apply	Please see the notes on "Application Guide" of the relevant admission cycle and follow the instruction.	

* One semester option is not available in "Maple".

**Enrolment restrictions may apply to some medicine/dentistry-related schools.

***These documents are not required at the time of application.