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Number of Incoming Exchange students	2022 Fall: 186 students 2023 Spring: 199 students (tentative)	
Partner Universities	187 in 42 countries and regions (As of December 2022)	

◆ Exchange Program

Program Outline	<u>Contemporary Japan Program (CJP)</u> There are two study tracks available within the CJP. Students can choose one of the following study tracks: - Japanese Language Track , for students who wish to focus on their Japanese language studies - Modern Japan Track , for students who wish mainly to learn about Japan via English-taught courses through a variety of subjects.
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Eligibility	Must be an undergraduate or graduate student nominated by a KGU partner institution.
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Language Requirements	Japanese	Japanese Language Track Students must at least be able to fluently read, write, understand and pronounce the Japanese Hiragana and Katakana phonetic scripts by the time they arrive in Japan.	Modern Japan Track N/A
	English	As a number of elective courses are held in English, students whose native language is not English are expected to have an English proficiency equivalent to a TOEFL iBT® score of 71 or higher. Students are not required to submit any certifications for English proficiency.	

Available Period of Study	One Semester or Full Year	Start: Fall or Spring
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Language of Instruction	Japanese or English
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Application Deadlines	All required hard copies of application documents must arrive at KGU by the following dates:	
	Fall Semester intake	April 15
	Spring Semester intake	November 15

Application Process	Application information can be found on the following webpage and is updated around two months before each deadline: https://ciec.kwansei.ac.jp/study/exchange/prospective/apply.html
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Program Dates (tentative)	Fall Semester	
	Designated Arrival Date	Early to mid-September
	First Day of Classes	Late September
	Winter Break	Late December – Early January
	Last Day of Classes	Mid to late January
	Final Examination Period (*1)	Late January
	Winter Intensive Period for students who enroll at KGU for two semester beginning in the Fall	
	First Day of Classes	Early February
	Last Day of Classes	Mid-March
	Spring Semester (Academic calendar for the Spring will be finalized in Nov.)	
	Designated Arrival Date	Mid-March
	First Day of Classes	Early April
	Last Day of Classes	Mid to late-July
	Final Examination Period (*1)	Late July – Early August

Note: Classes may be held on some Japanese national public holidays.
(*1) Final Examinations for courses listed under "Other Elective Courses" may take place during the KGU Regular Class Examination Period.

◆ Scholarship

KGU-Sponsored Scholarships	Exchange students can apply for a scholarship through KGU along with their application to KGU. Applicants will be informed if they will receive the scholarship roughly a week before arriving in Japan. However, there are circumstances in which students may not be informed until after their arrival in Japan. Note: Please be informed that the number of available scholarships has decreased over the last several years, and that applicants should not expect to receive a scholarship. All students must plan for financing their exchange without the help of this scholarship.
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Other Scholarships	US-Japan Bridging Foundation (US students only): http://www.bridgingfoundation.org/ Japan-Taiwan Exchange Association (Taiwan students only): https://www.koryu.or.jp
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◆ Accommodation

Due to limited availability of KGU-arranged accommodations, not all incoming exchange students will receive an accommodation-guaranteed spot.

Accommodation Options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ※ Students who receive an accommodation-guaranteed spot will be given an option between homestay and dormitory. KGU will do its best to respond to all requests, but not all students will be able to be placed in the accommodation of their choice. ※ Students who have not receive an accommodation-guaranteed spot will be provided with a list of possible options but will have to find their own accommodation. <p>More details can be found here.</p>
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◆ Courses Offered

Mandatory Courses	Mandatory Japanese Language Courses (JLC) for Japanese Language Track Students <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 5 class per week ✓ Taught in Japanese 	JSC Modern Japan Seminar for Modern Japan Track Students <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 1 class per week ✓ Taught in English
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Elective Courses	<p><u>Elective Japanese Language Courses (JLC)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Taught in Japanese ✓ Availability depends on Japanese level of student <p><u>Elective Japan Studies Courses (JSC)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Taught in English ✓ Wide variety from 5 categories: Art & Culture, Linguistics, Politics & International Relations. Society, Business & Economy <p><u>Intercultural Collaborative Learning Courses (ICLC)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Taught in Japanese ✓ Availability depends on Japanese level of student <p><u>Other Elective Courses</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Taught in English ✓ Large selection of courses offered by other Undergraduate and Graduate schools of KGU. <p><u>Regular University Courses</u></p> <p>Students who possess an extremely high ability of Japanese can enroll in regular university courses conducted in Japanese if they meet the either one of the following requirements:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; padding: 2px;">1. Pass level N1 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test before arriving in Japan.</td> <td style="width: 50%; padding: 2px;">2. Obtain a high score on the placement test.</td> </tr> </table>	1. Pass level N1 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test before arriving in Japan.	2. Obtain a high score on the placement test.
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Course List	The course list can be found in the latest CJP Brochure .
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Online Syllabus	https://syllabus.kwansei.ac.jp Use online syllabus tool above to search for course code listed in the latest CJP Brochure (See link below).
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Course Load (per week)	Exchange students must register and attend more than 10 hours of classes per week. To fulfill this requirement, registering and attending at least 7 periods every week is necessary.
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Credits at KGU	<table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 60%;"></th> <th style="text-align: center;">One Credit Hour (Actual Teaching Hours)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Language Courses</td> <td style="text-align: center;">22.5 hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Lectures & Seminars</td> <td style="text-align: center;">11.25 hours</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Exchange students cannot register for more than 24 KGU credits per semester.</p>		One Credit Hour (Actual Teaching Hours)	Language Courses	22.5 hours	Lectures & Seminars	11.25 hours
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◆ Other Information

KG Buddies	Acting as partners the exchange student's first semester, KGU local student volunteers assist the exchange students in their life on and off campus.
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Global Student Network (GS)	The GS Network is the official student group endorsed by CIEC and provides various supports to exchange students during orientation. They also plan and hold cultural exchange activities for both exchange students and KGU students over the course of the year.
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Transcripts	<p>Two grade transcripts will be sent to the home institution after the last semester of the student's exchange ends. The home institution will give one copy to the student and keep one for their records.</p> <p>The transcripts will be sent out in the following periods:</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 40%; padding: 2px;">Spring Semester (WIP)</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Early September</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Fall Semester</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Early March</td> </tr> </table>	Spring Semester (WIP)	Early September	Fall Semester	Early March
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Bringing Prescription Drugs to Japan	There is a form called a "Yakkan Shomeisho" that you need to submit and send to Japan in order to bring prescription drugs and other medical equipment such as prescription contact lenses into Japan. It will then be sent back to you, but can take some time, so please make sure that you look into this several months before you leave for Japan.
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