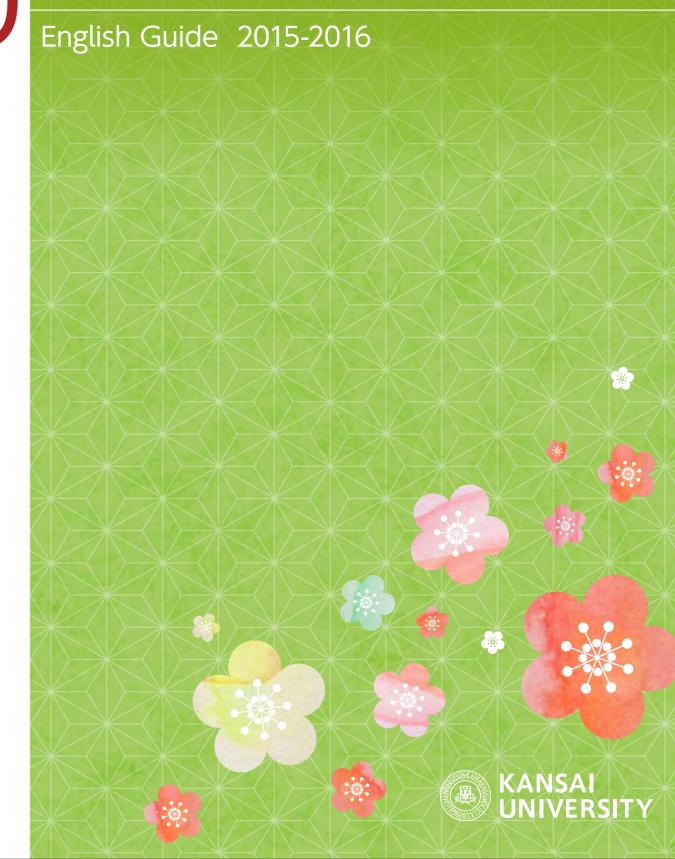


KANSAI UNIVERSITY

English Guide 2015-2016

ANSAI INVERSITY



President's Message

Growing as a "Hub" University

Kansai University is a comprehensive institution comprised of 13 faculties, 13 graduate schools, 3 professional graduate schools and one "Bekka" program, and has approximately 30,000 students enrolled, including graduate and international students. In this age of globalization characterized by the international exchange of people, goods and information, Kansai University continues to grow and strives to nurture capable individuals who will become valuable assets in our global community.

The great East Japan Earthquake of March 11, 2011, and the ensuing nuclear power plant accident were catastrophic disasters of a scale never experienced in Japan before. I specialize in civil engineering, and for many years have been engaged in education and research investigating the mechanisms of natural disasters as well as ways of prevention. After witnessing the damage caused by the calamity that occurred in Japan in 2011, however, I came to the appalling realization that even with the vast scientific knowledge we have accumulated so far, we are still utterly helpless against the forces of nature. Be that as it may, I still believe that it is scientific knowledge that enables us understand the mechanisms of nature which threaten wreak havoc on human civilization, and can help us mitigate the damage and save many lives. Of course, Kansai University's research and endeavors are not limited to just natural disasters. Expert instructors from an array of disciplines are teaching a huge variety of courses in their efforts to contribute to a better society.

Ever since I was appointed to the role of president of Kansai University, I have made a commitment to make our institution function as a "hub" university for the Asian and Pacific region. As of June 2015, Kansai University concluded academic exchange agreements with several institutions abroad, such as Bulacan State University, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, and South China Normal University taking Kansai University's partner universities overseas to 89. Furthermore, in April 2012 we opened the Kansai University Minami-Senri International Plaza which houses the Japanese Language and Culture program (Bekka) students as well as the international students, and the Kansai University International Students Dormitory, both in close vicinity of our main campus in Senrivama.

Kansai University will continue to provide education programs designed to deepen international understanding by offering an environment facilitating cultural exchange in which Japanese and international students can enjoy living and learning together through these facilities.





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About Kansai University

Kansai University, one of the leading comprehensive universities in Japan, celebrated its 125th anniversary in 2011. Kansai University is a prestigious private university with 13 undergraduate and 13 graduate programs along with 3 professional graduate schools. There are over 30,000 students enrolled at the university including more than 600 international students.

We opened the Kansai University Minami-Senri International Plaza as a part of an international initiative in April, 2012. We started the Japane

Language and Culture Program in this new Plaza for international



New Development & Vision

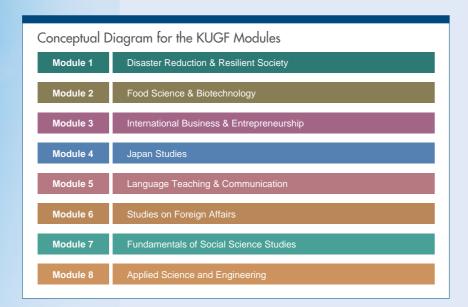


Kansai University Global Leader Development Program

Kansai University launched the following new curriculum as a part of the "Global Leaders for the Next Generation Program"

Global Frontier Curriculum

The courses are taught entirely in English, and cover a range of subject areas, and they are open to both Japanese and international students. The purposes of this courses are to improve language proficiency and communication skills, develop a high level cross-cultural understanding, and foster global leadership skills.



Skill Up for Studying Abroad Curriculum

This unit includes TOEFL Score-Up Training, Presentation Skills, Cross-Cultural Competence, and so on.

Japanese as a Second Language Curriculum

This unit includes Japanese 1-6, Contemporary Japan and Communication in Japanese society.









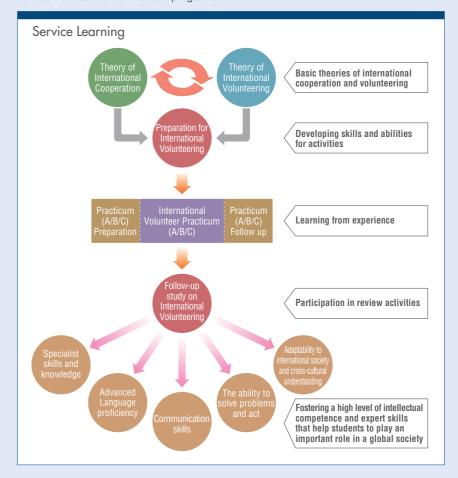


Making the world Studer design

a better place

Students are taught theories on international cooperation through actual experience. This is designed to develop students' global competence by encouraging them to participate in various international contribution programs.

International Cooperation & Service Learning Curriculum



Helping the local community

The Graduate School of Health and Well-being started from April, 2014. The school combines the subject areas of Health, Sport and Social Welfare, and is based at the Sakai Campus in Sakai City, Osaka Prefecture.

Graduate School of Health & Well-being, Kansai University, started in April 2014 with 13 new Master's Course students. We believe that the school has a bright future given the interest being shown to what we have to offer.

Graduate School of Health & Well-being Master's Course: Health & Well-being Studies Major

Physical "health" and socio-cultural "well-being" are interrelated and mutually-supportive areas; our graduate school offers courses for education and research that regard "health" and "well-being" as one entity. Health is a key issue in many towns in Osaka prefecture, where the demand for professional health care and support is very high. This is a strong indication of the relevance of our graduate school's research and education for promoting health and well-being in the community of any age group.

International Programs

Globalizing Kansai University



Vice President Dean, Division of International Affairs

Maeda Yutaka

As Japanese society becomes more connected to global society, understanding and respecting diverse cultures, languages and people is essential especially for the younger generation. It is important for Kansai University to foster human resources with specialized knowledge and technology skills, language proficiency, practical communication competence, problem-finding and solving capabilities, and adaptability to an intercultural environment.

Through "Globalizing Kandai" initiatives undertaken in 2004, and "Kansai University Global Initiatives" in 2010, Kansai University has achieved promising results. Vibrant student and researcher exchange programs with universities all over the world have been initiated with the support of all of our faculties and graduate schools. Our language education programs have also been continually improved, and more and more students are demonstrating a high level of linguistic proficiency and confidence.

One of our university mottos is "gaku no jitsuge (学の実化)." This roughly translates as "harmony between academia and society," and it was promoted by Juntaro Yamaoka—one of our early presidents who rejuvenated Kansai University during the early part of the twentieth century. Education, research and social contribution are conducted under this driving principle at Kansai University. Now is time to realize this philosophy from a global point of view as well.

It is our intention to further accelerate the internalization of our university. To this end, Kansai University is introducing what we call the Intercultural Immersion Initiatives (Triple I). Our campuses offer many opportunities and activities for students and faculty to immerse themselves in various languages and cultures. Moreover, we are providing and increasing number of groundbreaking international programs promoting student mobility with our partner universities, language courses, and other enterprises. For example, the Kansai University Global Frontier curriculum provides both Japanese and international students the opportunity to study content courses in various fields in English. We also offer courses using interactive online collaboration with students at foreign universities. The Kansai University Collaborative Online International Learning subjects are taught in our newly established Multilingual Immersion Room. Through these programs, students can engage themselves in an intercultural environment inside the university.

I am convinced that the Triple I initiatives will be hugely successful. Japanese and international students benefit greatly through studying together, and we are confident that we are nurturing a generation of motivated global leaders with high separations.

It is our mission at Kansai University to contribute to a sustainable global society. We appreciate your cooperation and support.

■ International Programs

One of Kansai University's strategic objectives is to internationalize our campuses. The first International Office was launched in 1983 to advance this goal. At that time, we introduced a concept called "3-3-3 Partners" in which we planned to have 3



partners from 3 zones: Asia, Pan-Pacific, and others. Over a span of 25 years we increased the number of partner institutions to over 60 in 23 countries and regions around the world, and host over 600 international students. We will continue expanding our partnership agreements with overseas universities to advance student and faculty mobility, and become a truly globalized center where diversity is valued, and people from various cultures and backgrounds can enjoy learning and researching together.

■ Student Exchange Program

Based on our exchange agreements, Kansai University accepts international students from partner universities in April and September every year. Kansai University students are also encouraged to visit partner universities for half a year or one year and a scholarship from the Kansai University International Exchange Fund is available for study overseas. Credits earned at our partner universities are transferable in the faculties that students belong to, so the time spent studying abroad contributes to their final degree.





■ Studying at Non-partner Universities

Upon receiving approval from their respective faculties, students are also allowed to study at non-partner universities overseas with similar benefits as our student exchange programs.

■ Foreign Language Short-term Programs

In addition to regular exchanges with partner universities, KU students are also afforded the chance to enhance their language ability from a choice of 12 foreign language programs conducted overseas during the holiday periods. At a typical 3-4 week



course, students are able to take intensive language classes, and learn about The lifestyle and culture of their host country. Homestays are also available as an option. This is the first experience of living outside Japan for many of the students who participate, and the programs serve as a stepping-stone providing students with the motivation to engage in longer, more demanding exchange programs in the future. Along with the practical language skills that they acquire, the language programs have proved to be a great confidence booster for students, and are very popular as a result.

Research Collaboration

Kansai University welcomes overseas scholars who are faculty members or researchers at universities or equivalent institutions, and wish to conduct research at KU. Scholars who meet the criteria and who are engaged in research pursuits abroad also quality to participate in our exchange programs. There are several ways to participate in research activities at Kansai University as either 'Exchange' or 'Visiting Scholars':



Exchange Scholars

Scholar exchanges are implemented between Kansai University and its partner universities with whom it has academic exchange agreements. "Exchange Scholar" at Kansai University falls into either of the following two categories:

- Visiting Professor
- Visiting Researcher

Visiting Scholars

This position is available to distinguished scholars whom Kansai University wishes to invite in order to raise the standards of academic research and education at the university. This program is not limited to our partner universities. There are four types of Visiting Scholars:

- Visiting Professor
- Visiting Researcher
- Visiting Lecturer
- Special Lecturer

■ Japan-EU Research Center

The Japan-EU Research Center was founded at KU's partner institution, the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in November, 2006. It was established as a part of Kansai University's 120th anniversary memorial events. The Center is tasked with promoting Japanese culture in Belgium by supporting specialized Japanese Studies programs. One of the activities conducted by the Center is "Japan Week", a cultural and educational event which takes place in the city of Leuven. After the first event in March, 2008, Japan Week has been

held biannually in November, 2009. November, 2011, November, 2013. Attended by staff and students of both universities, as well as many people from throughout Europe, Japan Week and other events provide opportunities to promote closer relations between Kansai University and institutions of higher learning in the European community.



Japan-EU Research Center

Faculty of Arts - Box 3318 Blijde Inkomststraat 21 3000 Leuven, Belgium Tel: +32 16 325042

■ Kansai University Overseas Offices

Kansai University Shanghai Office was established inside the Center for Japanese Studies of Fudan University, one of our partner universities abroad, in January, 2011. This is our second overseas office. Kansai University Bangkok Office was opened at the Research Center of Petroleum and Petrochemical-College of Chulalongkorn University, also one of our partner Universities in October, 2011.

Kansai University Shanghai Office

Center for Japanese Studies, Fudan University, 220 Handan Road Shanghai, 200433, P.R.China

Kansai University Taiwan Office

No.840, Chengcing Rd., Niaosong Dist., Kaohsiung City 83347, Taiwan

These offices serve as bases for actively disseminating information regarding education, research, and community/business partnerships between Kansai University and various universities in China and Thailand. They will also engage in public relations as well as facilitating communication with our Alumni Associations in those Countries.

Kansai University Bangkok Office

Research Service Center, Petroleum and Petrochemical College, Chulalongkorn University

Soi Chulalongkorn 12, Phayathai road, Pathumwan, Bangkok 10330, Thailand

INTERVIEW

Dr. Alexander Zahlten

Harvard University

(Assistant Professor of East Asian Languages and Civilizations)

My research focuses on film and audiovisual culture in East Asia, and especially Japan from the 1960s onward. In particular, I am interested in the connection between larger economic, social, and institutional structures and aesthetic modalities. My recent work explores topics such as various modes of reflexivity, 'amateur' production, and the media mix and its relation to the concept of world. I am currently stationed at Kansai University to put the finishing touches on a forthcoming book about the transformation of the Japanese film industry after the 1960s. The facilities at Kandai are first class, and the environment for conducting my research has been fantastic. I have everything I need to locate necessary materials, and I have been welcomed into an exciting network of likeminded scholars.



Pan America USA

Pan America Mexico

UK Europe

Aston University

Linnaeus University

One of Kansai University's primary objectives is to improve international understanding through meaningful exchange programs with universities overseas. In accordance with Kansai University's Younding principles, we are constantly seeking to create programs for students and researchers to broaden their knowledge and level of academic achievement, but in an environment not limited to Japan.

For this purpose, KU has entered into reciprocal agreements with the universities listed below, and actively encourages students and faculty members to take advantage of opportunities to engage in academic activities abroad. Of course, international students from partner universities and elsewhere are greeted with much enthusiam at Kansai

Partner Universities (July, 2015)





Chiang Mai University



Hanvaña University



Dong-A University



King Mongkut's University of Technology Thombri









Liaoning University







Gyeongsang National University

Peking University



Beijing Foreign Studies University

Hankuk University of Foreign Studies



Kyung Hee University

The Chinese University of Hong Kong



Central China Normal





Holy Angel University





Technological University of Vietnam National University, Foreign Trade University





Hanoi University of

Cheng Shiu University



of Science and Technology



Bulacan State University

National Kaohsiung First University National Taiwan Normal





The National University of National Taiwan University

National University of

Kaohsiung





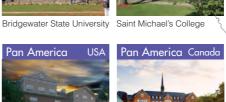


National Cheng Kung



Australian National University





Algoma University

University of Zurich

Purdue University Calumet



University of Birmingham



American University of



Roskilde University



Justus Liebig University









Catholic University of Santiago de Guayaquil



The University of Manchester Loughborough University (The Faculty of Humanities) SOAS, University of London

University of Cologne

University of Paris II :



University of Santiago de University of Alcalá



University of Konstanz





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Webster University





Sapienza University of Rome



University of East Anglia



Linköping University



Dresden University of









University



Diderot



Study Abroad

Facilitating interaction among students and faculty members at a global level is an important feature of our education at KU. Along with the comprehensive reciprocal exchange programs we have with our partner universities throughout the world, we also offer our students the opportunity to participate in different short-term language programs abroad. Through these programs, students are able to develop an understanding of different cultures, and also cultivate a sense of achievement and confidence by living and studying in a foreign environment.

Kansai University Intensive Japanese Language and Culture Course (IJLC)

The Kansai University Intensive Japanese Language and Culture Course (IJLC) is held for 2 to 3 weeks in summer and winter. The purpose is to provide instruction to international undergraduate and graduate students not only in the Japanese language, but also in Japan studies. The course includes field trips to Kyoto, Kobe, or Osaka, and Japanese cultural experiences which enable participants to learn and understand the Japanese language, culture and society from various perspectives.

Website

http://www.kansai-u.ac.jp/Kokusai/english/from/short.html



Purpose

Kansai University's "Japanese Language and Culture Program Preparatory Course" (*Bekka*) is a one-year program. The purpose of this course is to provide instruction in the Japanese language, Japan studies, and Japanese culture to international students who intend to









Characteristics

 Students will improve their Japanese language proficiency and critical thinking skills needed for studying at undergraduate and graduate school level.

Japanese undergraduate and graduate schools expect international students to demonstrate a high level of logical, analytical, and critical thinking skills coupled with practical ability in the Japanese language. Our course provides a variety of classes to develop basic academic ability and thinking skills, and proficiency in the Japanese language.





2. Information and Communication Technology.

language acquisition through to academic courses.

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) is an essential part of daily and university life in contemporary Japanese society. ICT is the core of *Bekka* education and it offers extensive learning opportunities with e-learning in and out of the classrooms.

enter Kansai University or another Japanese university as a degree-

seeking student after passing the entrance examination. The course

has been designed to meet the needs of Bekka students from basics

3. Students will be assisted to continue their studies at Kansai University.

There are several systems available for the students to study at

- Those students who have sufficient Japanese proficiency are able to audit
 or register some classes in Kansai University's regular programs. These
 include classes in both undergraduate and graduate programs.
- Many graduate schools and some undergraduate programs offer special entrance examinations for candidates recommended by Bekka.
- Financial aid, which constitutes a 50% reduction in the admission fee, is also available to Bekka students who intend to proceed to Kansai University after the completion of the course.

4. Students will become a part of Kansai University's community.

Students enrolled in the Bekka program will be automatically become a member of the Kansai University community. Each student will be issued with student ID to use facilities at Kansai University such as the library, IT Center, and sports facilities. Also, students can audit or register some classes in Kansai University's regular program, and join university club activities.

Students will enjoy life with peers of diverse backgrounds at the Minami-Senri international Plaza Dormitory

The Minami-Senri International Plaza contains a state-of-the art educational facility for *Bekka* students, as well as a dormitory for international students. All *Bekka* students who wish to live in this dormitory are eligible to do so for one year. Resident Assistants selected from regular students at Kansai University are assigned to each unit to support dormitory residents.





6. Students will benefit from cultural exchange with people in the local

Minami-Senri International Plaza is a venue for study and for cultural exchange with local people. Students will develop intercultural flexibility and learn how to coexist in the Japanese community, as well as sharing their own culture through activities held at the "Intercultural Exchange Plaza."

URL: http://www.kansai-u.ac.jp/ku-jpn/English/

Student Mobility

Admission

International applicants who wish to study at KU must either have completed, or will complete by the time they enter the university, 12-years of school education in their home country, or be recognized as having an equivalent educational background by KU's Faculty Council. In principle, prospective students must be at least 18 years of age, and have either graduated or will graduate from high school by the time of entry.





Scholarships

An International Exchange Fund was established in commemoration of the university's centennial anniversary. A monthly allowance is awarded to a certain number of international students each year. In addition, there are other scholarships offered by the Japanese government, local governments, and private organizations.

Dormitories

Kansai University has four student dormitories (Shurei Ryo, Dormitory Tsukigaoka, Minami-Senri International Plaza International Student Dormitory, and Kansai University International Dormitory) for international students. All of the four dorms house both Japanese and international students, which provides a perfect environment for rich cross-cultural experiences.

Academic Program for Exchange Students at Kansai University

The Division of International Affairs at Kansai University provides a well-developed academic program in which exchange students can learn the Japanese language and various topics related to Japanese culture. In the Japanese Language Course, we offer 6 different levels of classes from beginner to advanced. In each level, the classes focus on developing both oral and literacy skills.

In the Japan Studies Course, students study a wide range of subjects related to Japanese history, contemporary social systems, cultural arts, martial arts, the economy, philosophy, religion, and many more topics. The Japan Studies classes are all taught in English.



In addition to the academic curriculum, the DIA organizes various extra-curricular activities providing students with opportunities to meet with Japanese students at Kansai University, and explore aspects of Japan outside campus life. In the past, we have held events such as an introduction to Japanese sweets, a trip to the Panasonic factory in Hikone, a two-day trip to Asuka in Nara, and a one-day *kyogen* (Japanese theater) seminar. All international students at Kansai University are invited to participate in these monthly events which gives them valuable exposure to many facets of Japanese culture not easily accessible in the classroom setting.

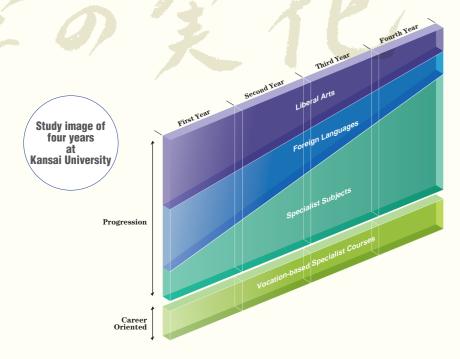




Education (Undergraduate and Graduate Schools)

Praxis Learning

"Praxis Learning", one of Kansai University's educational axioms, was introduced as our guiding principle in 1922 by former President Yamaoka Juntaro. Education at the university has traditionally revolved around the values of harmonizing theory and practice, nurturing an international mindset, acknowledging the importance of studying foreign languages, and encouraging physical education concurrently with academic studies. With these broad objectives in mind, the education program offered at Kansai University is characteristically flexible, and designed to enable students to specialize in specific fields, while equipping them with the maturity and skills to excel in their chosen profession after graduation.









Liberal Arts Subjects

New students at Kansai University must take subjects common to all faculties in addition to the specialist courses offered in their respective departments. The aim is to cultivate comprehensive skills and knowledge in a range of subjects. This will augment students' understanding of the fields they choose, as well as provide them with the necessary expertise to independently conduct higher level research.

Foreign Languages

As the world becomes increasingly globalized, proficiency in foreign languages has become a prerequisite for success in all areas such as business, academia, and sports. To cultivate intercultural understanding and communication skills, Kansai University offers a number of languages for students to study. The university also promotes an array of 'study abroad' programs to enhance language acquisition.

Faculty Specialist Subjects

In their first and second years, students are taught the fundamental skills required to carry out general academic research. Although the approach of each faculty differs, by the third and fourth year, students generally join a seminar or laboratory in which they narrow the focus of their study, and begin to specialize in subjects under the guidance of a supervising professor.

Vocation-based Specialist Courses

Kansai University provides opportunities to obtain an assortment of professional qualifications for those who wish to pursue careers as teachers, museum and gallery curators, librarians, and so on. Students must accrue the required credits to graduate from the vocation-based specialist course they enter, and will receive a qualification along with their degree upon graduation from the university

Faculty of Law

five core lectures, Legal Philosophy & History, society. Constitutional Law Criminal Law Civil Law and

The Faculty of Law traces its history back to Kansai Politics. The Faculty of Law also places particular Law School, which was founded in Osaka in 1886. emphasis on small-sized seminars. Every freshman The philosophy of the school continues to place a list enrolled in "Introduction to Law & Politics" to strong emphasis on concerns for social justice. gain basic skills and ideas, which is followed by The curriculum covers such specialized subjects sophomore-level seminars skewed toward students as Legal Philosophy & History; Public Law aiming to become legal professionals. Juniors and (constitutional law, administrative law); Criminal seniors belong to elective seminars and pursue Law (criminal law, criminal procedure, and their themes under the auspices of supervising criminology); Civil Law (civil law, commercial law, professors. Through these seminars, students are corporate law, civil procedure): Social Law (labor taught to develop independent thinking, research law, social security law); International Law; and skills, and communication skills by presenting their Politics (analysis of political process, political ideas in written reports, oral presentations, and history, political thought, and international group discussions. Graduates of the Law Faculty relations). In order to build the foundation for are equipped with legal knowledge and expertise specialized study, all freshmen are required to take for logical problem solving required in today's





Faculty of Letters-General Department of Humanities

The Faculty of Letters was reorganized in 2004 and particular specialized department in which they given the overall title of "General Humanities". The wish to study for the subsequent three years. The General Department of Humanities, with its 19 sub- faculty offers four approaches: linguistics and departments and a flexible curriculum, enables literature; philosophy and psychology; history and each student to embrace a broad spectrum of geography; and inter-disciplinary approaches. In humanities and, at the same time, pursue more order to graduate, fourth year students are required specialized knowledge with regard to his or her to write a graduation thesis. By the end of their interests. During their first year, each student studies in our faculty, students embrace a broad enrolling in this faculty selects a combination of spectrum of disciplines which enrich their classes from a variety of introductory lectures and understanding of humanity, its patterns of life, and seminars offered by the various departments. In its cultural legacies. their second year, students register with a

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- ment of Japanese Language and Literature
- Department of English Linguistics and Literature
- Department of Chinese Studies
- Department of French Studies
- Department of German Studies Department of Philosophy and Ethics
- Department of History of Religions
- Department of Art Theory, Art History and Aesthetics
- Department of Education and Culture Department of Elementary School Education
- Department of Psychology
- Department of Studies for History and Cultural Heritage of Japan
 Department of Information Science and Culture Studies
- Department of World History

- - Department of Cross-Cultural Studies Department of Cultural Symbiotics
 - Department of Asian Cultural Studies
 - Department of Film and Media Studies





Faculty of **Economics**

Accounting, Public Economics, History and end of the fourth year. Economic Thought, Industrial and Business

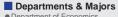
The Faculty of Economics adopts a "specialized" Economics, International and Area Studies and course system" which consists of seven majors. Statistics and Econometrics. Students take classes Each major encourages students to take a required in their major course and eventually systematic learning approach based on individual progress into more specialist areas. Students also aims and interests. In the first year, students study take seminars in their second, third and fourth common subjects for acquisition of indepedent years under direct guidance of their professor. thinking, communication skills, fundamental Through the steps mentioned above, students are knowledge of economics, and other skills able to learn how effectively and systematically the necessary to advance in their academic studies. In tools of economic analysis can be used to make an the second year, students choose one of seven impact on society. Submission of a graduation major courses: Economic Theory, Finance and thesis is a requirement in all of the seminars at the











Economic Theory Finance and Accounting Public Economics History and Economic Thought Industrial and Business Economics International and Area Studies Statistics and Econometrics





Faculty of Business and Commerce

We train future business leaders who are able to business leaders "Business Leader Special respond to a broad range of demands in a Program (BLSP)", "Accounting Linkage Special drastically changing modern society. Since its Program (ALSP)" for those who aim to become a establishment, the Faculty of Business and CPA and advanced business leader, and "Service Commerce has focused on cultivating people who

Innovation Special Program (DSI)" to develop can perform successfully in the era of globalization innovators who are capable of handling the latest and information. The education policy of the faculty information technology. New features of the is based on the ideal of "practical learning." In Faculty's curriculum involve learning at the actual 2008, with the aim of training business leaders with business side, and study abroad to pursue accounting and English language skills, the Faculty practical business and commerce knowledge. of Business and Commerce introduced a Moreover, the Faculty of Business and Commerce curriculum in which its students study five prepares various study opportunities to stimulate fundamental business areas in their lower grades, students' motivation, and bring out their potential and concentrate on specialized studies in their through operating and participating in events such higher grades. In order to produce gualified human as the KU Business Plan Competition (KUBIC), a resources, the Faculty of Business and Commerce nationwide event held by the Faculty of Business offers special programs such as "Business English" and Commerce in which high school and university Study Abroad (BestA)" featuring a one-month students across Japan present business ideas. business English study and homestay program in Students who pass the preliminary round make the UK. Other programs include the practical presentations at the final competition. small-group training for future international





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Distribution and Marketing Finance International Business Management Accounting





Faculty of **Sociology**

Founded in 1967, inculcating its students with a is concerned with the study of human fundamental knowledge of social and communication, mass communication and the stresses cross-disciplinary approaches to social society, in order to understand the development studies, and aims to equip its students with the and spread of media communication and ability to grasp contemporary social issues information technology. The Social System Design as a social animal, in order to become aware of the insights and skills required for designing them dealing with different facets of contemporary are conducted in small-sized introductory classes, psychology, staffed by a large number of experts foundation lectures, and advanced seminars. in such fields as social industrial clinical and experimental psychology. The Media Studies Major

■ Departments & Majors

communication sciences, the Faculty of Sociology relationships between these and contemporary scientifically and creatively. The Sociology Major Major provides students not only with a broad assists students in understanding the human being understanding of social systems but, further, with ways in which to achieve a more desirable society. at various levels of organization. Each major offers The Psychology Major offers several courses a variety of courses and programs of study, and













Faculty of Policy Studies

Sociology Psychology Media Studies Social System Design

find innovative solutions. In our faculty, all students perspective. are required to gain basic knowledge of all four

The Faculty of Policy Studies was established in main subjects in social science, namely law, 2007. The purpose of this new faculty is to produce economics, politics and international relations, as a graduates who have an ability to identify problems solid foundation to develop their abilities to deal with by themselves, and then to find appropriate actual problems. Then we offer chances to study solutions within given conditions. The word 'policy' more specialised topics. Students at the Department in our faculty name does not only mean public of Policy Studies can choose one of the four courses policies set by various government officials. It rather according to their own interests. The courses are 1) means wide-range of plans of action to solve any International Politics and Economics, 2) Politics and kind of problem, and to break through an impasse. Policy, 3) Local Community and Administration, 4) We believe that it is necessary for those who wish to Organisation and Management. The new make themselves useful in the real world to acquire department of Global and Asian Legal Policy wide-range of balanced social scientific knowledge Studies launched in 2013 offers a chance to study in order to analyse problems accurately and then to various (especially Asian) societies through a legal 政策創造学部



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Department of Global and Asian Legal Policy Studies

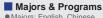
Faculty of Foreign Language Studies

in the country of their language major. We also offer and translation.

The mission of the Faculty of Foreign Language dual language study abroad programs where Studies is to train students to become leaders in students study their language major in the country of today's global society through the use of their foreign their language minor. For example, students can language skills and cultural knowledge. To study English and Korean in Korea. The content of accomplish this goal we offer five programs and two the five programs is as follows: In Language language majors. The five programs are Language Teaching, students learn the basic theories of foreign Teaching, Intercultural Communication, Linguistic language education as well as practical skills for Analysis, Area Studies and Interpreting and teaching English, Chinese and Japanese as a foreign Translation. The two language majors are English language. In Intercultural Communication, students and Chinese. Students can choose among English, learn about culture, psychology, intercultural contact, German, French, Spanish, Russian, Chinese and and intercultural negotiation. In Linguistic Analysis, Korean as their second foreign language. All second students study the structure, meaning and functions vear students are required to participate in study of language. In Area Studies, students study about abroad programs tailor-made for students of the regional cultures. In Interpreting and Translation, Faculty of Foreign Language Studies. Students study students learn the theory and practice of interpreting







Programs: Language Teaching, Intercultural Communication, Linguistic Analysis, Area Studies, Interpreting and Translation

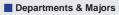
Faculty of Health and Well-being

In 2010, the Faculty of Health and Well-being was systematic curriculum. The "Humor Study Program" focusing on each course's specialty under the sports and fieldwork.

established at the Sakai Campus in Sakai City, a is a new addition to our faculty from 2014. This government-ordinance-designated city. Our enables third-year students to extend their mission is to conduct education and research scholarly interest to a new research field. Then, aimed at realizing a healthy and mature way of life, they will go on to specialized seminars in the third while taking an integral approach to one's mind, year followed by seminars required for graduation body and life. In the first year, students will take in the fourth year. These seminars are designed to introductory courses with various topics emphasize practical education for students in concerning health and well-being. In their second small groups. In addition, in cooperation with Sakai year, they will choose to take a basic seminar City, the faculty promotes regional projects depending on their interests, and register with one regarding sports, wellness and welfare, while of two courses in the faculty, Sport and Wellness providing students with opportunities to learn about Course and Social Work and Well-being Course, healthy lifestyles through practicums of community







Sport and Wellness Course, Social Work and Well-being Course





Faculty of Informatics

The Faculty of Informatics was established in 1994 First-Year Experience; 2. Basic Subjects; 3. at the Takatsuki Campus in response to the needs. General Education: 4 Foreign Languages: 5 Core of our information-oriented society. Our mission is Subjects; 6. Applied Subjects; 7. Laboratory and to give students opportunities to study information Studio Sessions; 8. Seminars. The faculty is media from various perspectives, including equipped with state-of-the-art computing facilities information science, computer science, and high-tech media studios where students learn management science, and behavioral and how to produce software, graphics, and videos. communication theories. Graduates of the Seminars place emphasis on student discussion Informatics program will be qualified for jobs in the and analysis through case-studies to develop information industry, and also in business, public theoretical and practical skills which will prepare services, education, and various other professions. them for the workforce. The curriculum consists of eight categories: 1.



総合情報学部







Faculty of Safety Science

graduate school were established in 2010. This Industrial Products and System Safety, Introduction new faculty is in the newly built Takatsuki Muse to Social Research, Administrative Law for Safety Campus located in front of JR Takatsuki Station. and Security, Economics of Risk and Disasters, FSS is unique and no other universities have such Transportation Systems, Crisis Management and a faculty in Japan. FSS focuses especially on Leadership, Research Methods for Behavioral natural disasters such as earthquakes, tsunami, Sciences, Programming and Quality Management, such as traffic accidents, nuclear accidents etc. Psychology, Urban Design for Disaster Mitigation, However, in order to promote Safety Science in Mental Health, Earthquake Disaster, Food Safety, Japan, FSS maintains a diverse academic Hydrosphere Disaster, Safety of Medical Care and standpoint covering natural sciences, social Pharmaceticals, Disaster Response and Recovery, sciences, and human sciences in its research and Accident Investigation, and Environmental Policy. education. The curriculum consists of lectures,

The Faculty of Safety Science (FSS) and its seminars, and practicums. Examples include



社会安全学部

Departments & Majors

Natural Disaster Management Course Social Disaster Management Course

Faculty of Engineering Science

innovative educational approaches where students chemical and environmental industries.

The Faculty of Engineering Science offers courses conduct experiments in laboratories and relevant to the principal range of engineering participate in practical exercises in the field. They science with four-year undergraduate programs also study mathematics, physics, information leading to the degrees of Bachelor of Engineering technology, and mechanical/electrical and and Bachelor of Science. The principle feature of electronic engineering. The curriculums are education in the Faculty of Engineering Science is constructed to encourage consideration for its focus on "Engineering System Design". Our scientific and engineering ethics, communication courses are designed to contribute to human ability, and a broad vision of culture, society and welfare in harmony with sustainable scientific the economy. Alumni are active in professional development, technology, and economic factors. engineers, researchers, and various occupations The Faculty of Engineering Science takes in the machinery, electrical, electronic, civil,



■ Departments & Majors

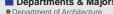
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- Department of Pure and Applied Physics Physics Course Applied Physics Course
- Department of Mechanical Engineering
- Mechanical Science Course Mechanical Systems Course
- Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering Course Information and Communication Engineering Course Applied Information Engineering Course

Faculty of Environmental and Urban Engineering

The Faculty of Environmental and Urban such as overpopulated cities, traffic, natural tackles serious global environmental problems fundamental and technical education.

Engineering offers four-year undergraduate disasters and information systems. The Department programs leading to the degree of Bachelor of Ofhemical, Energy and Environmental Engineering Engineering. Students are trained in experimental educates researchers and engineers with the skills and laboratory work, as well as in theoretical to work with cutting-edge production systems, as studies related to environmental and urban well as waste treatment and resource recycling engineering. The Department of Architecture offers systems. The central objective of the faculty's a number of interdisciplinary subjects to equip curriculum is to stimulate intellectual growth, students with knowledge as professional architects, professional competence, and a strong sense of urban planners, architectural engineers, and social responsibility. The faculty stresses theoretical architectural researchers. The Department of Civil, and practical methods of dealing with Environmental and Applied System Engineering environmental problems through the integration of





- Departments & Majors Department of Civil, Environmental and Applied System Engineering

 - Department of Chemical, Energy and Environmental Engineering
 - Energy Engineering Course Environmental Chemistry Course

Faculty of Chemistry, Materials and Bioengineering

their supervisors, collaborators and each other in technologies.

In the Faculty of Chemistry, Materials and theoretical and practical ways of dealing with Bioengineering, students are trained in advanced various global environmental problems that have technology as engineers and scientists by arisen as a result of the rapid technological completing experimental and laboratory tasks in development. Our departments offer four-year addition to comprehensive theoretical studies. undergraduate programs leading to a bachelor They are taught to utilize their abilities in designing, degree in Engineering. Graduates from our faculty synthesizing and fabricating a variety of functional play an active part in industries based on molecules and materials. They also train how to chemistry, materials and biochemistry, and analyze and evaluate structures, and to elucidate advanced technologies including nanoproperties and functions of materials, bio-related technologies, biotechnologies, energy and molecules and organisms. Students discuss with environment related technologies, and medical



■ Departments & Majors

nent of Chemistry and Materials Engineering

Materials Science and Engineering Course Applied Chemistry Course Bio-Related Chemistry Course

Life Science Course Biotechnology Course

Kansai University Graduate Schools

theoretical and practical instruction in the fields of Law, recognized as such by MEXT, and then pass a further Letters, Economics, Business and Commerce, Sociology, series of entrance examinations. Post-graduate students Informatics, Science and Engineering, Foreign Language who have fulfilled the course-requirements for a Ph.D. Education and Research, and Psychology. Master's program within the fixed time period, and whose degrees are generally two-year courses, while each research documents have been approved, receive Ph.D. program usually takes three years to complete. doctoral degrees. Candidates for the Ph.D. programs must have completed

Kansai University's Graduate Schools provide a Master's degree or higher-education of that level









Graduate Schools	Majors		
	Master's Degree Program	Ph. D. Degree Program	
Law	● Law and Politics	• Law and Politics	
Letters	● General Humanities	● General Humanities	
Economics	● Economics	● Economics	
Business and Commerce	■ Commerce	● Commerce ● Accounting	
Sociology	SociologySocial System DesignMass Communication	SociologySocial System DesignMass Communication	
Informatics	Social InformaticsIntelligent Informatics	• Informatics	
Science and Engineering	Engineering ScienceEnvironmental and Urban EngineeringChemistry, Materials and Bioengineering	● Integrated Science and Engineering	
Foreign Language Education and Research	● Foreign Language Education and Research	● Foreign Language Education and Research	
Psychology	Cognitive / Developmental Psychology Social Psychology	● Psychology	
Safety Science	Disaster Prevention and Reduction	Disaster Prevention and Reduction	
East Asian Cultures	 ◆ Cultural Interaction Studies 	Cultural Interaction Studies	
Governance	● Governance		
Health and Well-being	 ◆ Health and Well-being Studies 	_	

■ Graduate School of Law

There are four courses in Kansai University's Graduate School of Law. The Business Law Course (professional program) is a Master's degree course which provides students seeking to become professionals in business law or law-related careers with the advanced knowledge and competence required in specialized professions. The Public Policy Course (professional program) is a Master's degree course, and provides students who desire to enter such professions such as the civil service, public organizations, or journalism with the specialized legal knowledge necessary to excel in their chosen vocation. The Global Cooperation Course is a course designed especially for students from Africa and the instruction will be in English. The Legal and Political Studies Course is a research-oriented program culminating in a Ph.D., and is designed to prepare students for a career in research or academia.

Master's Program

- Law and Politics Major Legal and Political Studies Course Business Law Course Public Policy Course Global Cooperation Course **Doctoral Program**
- Law and Politics Major

■ Graduate School of Letters

The Graduate School of Letters offers a range of graduate studies, with one major Master's and Doctoral program in General Humanities and a minor program in EU-Japan Education Research. One of the main characteristics of the Graduate School of Letters is the high level of instruction students receive from experts in each field. Another feature is the diversity of knowledge imparted to students. In addition to instruction in their chosen area of speciality, students also take classes in general subjects giving them a comprehensive academic outlook. Graduate students hold seminars together, and engage in fieldwork and research projects to gain the expertise and experience to excel in chosen careers in secondary and tertiary education, or in various corporate and industrial professions.

Master's Program

• General Humanities Major English Linguistics and Literature / Cross-Cultural Studies / Japanese Language and Literature / Philosophy / Art Theory, Art History and Aesthetics / History of Japan / World History / German Studies / French Linguistics and Literature / Chinese Literature / Geography / Education / Cultural Symbiotics / Embodied Culture / Film and Media Studies

Doctoral Program

• General Humanities Major English Linguistics and Literature / Japanese Language and Literature / Philosophy / History / German Studies / French Linguistics and Literature / Chinese Literature / Geography / Education



■ Graduate School of Economics

The Master's Program of the Graduate School of Economics consists of the Project Course and the Academic Course. The former aims to instruct students in the skills they will need to enter the workforce as teachers, civil servants, accountants, or company workers. The Academic Course is intended for students who wish to pursue an academic career and continue to the doctoral level. This program offers the following five different fields of research: Economist Field, Public Policy Field, Regional and International Economy Field, History and Society Field, Corporation and Finance Field. The school welcomes international students and mature students from the workforce who desire to increase their knowledge in the field of economics and enhance their career opportunities.

Master's Program

● Economics Major Project Course Academic Course

Doctoral Program

Economics Major

■ Graduate School of Business and Commerce

The Graduate School of Business and Commerce offers two programs, a Research-oriented Program and a Professional Program. The Research-Oriented Program offers seminars and thesis guidance courses, with the aim of providing students with the advanced skills essential to the conduct of effective independent research in their respective areas of specialization. The Professional Program aims to educate future business consultants, securities analysts, or certified tax accountants in their professional areas, with a flexibility of mind, and with a sense of reality. Offered in this program are both theoretical and practical courses, including workshops (practical training internship at corporations) and method courses designed to equip the students with insights, analytical minds, and expressiveness. The Graduate School of Business and Commerce trains researchers and professionals who can offer solutions to a wide range of current business problems based on their analysis of corporate behavior. In 2015, the Data Scientist Program (DS Program) will be established for the purpose of fostering Data Scientists who can generate the valuable information with the application of large-scale data stored in and out of enterprises, through advanced information technology.

Master's Program

Commerce Major Research-Oriented Program Professional Program

Doctoral Program

Commerce Major

Accounting Major

■ Graduate School of Sociology

Students in the Graduate School of Sociology are introduced to a comprehensive curriculum of theory and practical knowledge in all aspects of society and the media. Students investigate an array of subjects including social theories, social problems, human relationships, institutions, modern culture, social history, social networks, social welfare and so on. Our curriculum includes the inter-disciplinary studies such as cultural anthropology, economics, business administration, advertising, press ethics, history of technology etc. Students polish their research and presentation proficiency, and conduct independent studies while attending lectures, seminars, and practical laboratories. Graduates are highly sought after in research centers, government, industry, and schools. Sociology Major provides the courses for the Certificate of Advanced Social Researcher granted by the Japanese Association for Social Research.

- Sociology Major
- Social System Design Major
- Mass Communication Major

■ Graduate School of Informatics

The Graduate School of Informatics was formed in 1998. Our students study a broad range of topics such as the effective use and management of computer-based information systems in businesses and organizations. They have the option to take a variety of courses including policy formulation, organizational behavior, management information, and innovation theories. Students nurture the ability to analyze business and organizational issues from an information point of view, and find effective ways to design, implement and manage information systems to meet the tactical and strategic needs of organizations. Our graduate students also analyze the media and communication from linguistic, psychological, sociological, educational, and cultural perspectives. They acquire technical skills in designing, producing, evaluating, and managing the development of interactive digital content and services for the Internet and other forms of media. The curriculum is creative, and constantly being updated in accordance with current technological advances.

Master's Program

- Social Informatics Major
- Intelligent Informatics Major
- **Doctoral Program**
- Informatics Major

■ Graduate School of Science and Engineering

Courses offered in the Graduate School of Science and Engineering extend from those in our undergraduate program. Our students can choose to specialize in subjects such as mathematics, physics, mechanical and electrical engineering, architecture and urban design, biotechnology, material science, and chemistry. There have been significant developments in all of these fields in the past decade. The Graduate School is an innovative research institution keeping pace with the rapid technical and scientific advances, and ensuring that graduate students cultivate the aptitude to be world leaders in their fields. Alumni are active in many industries around the world. The Graduate School actively accepts international students to accelerate the globalization of its education and research activities.



Master's Program

- Engineering Science Major Mathematics / Pure and Applied Physics / Mechanical Engineering / Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Environmental and Urban Engineering Major Architecture / Civil, Environmental and Applied System Engineering / Chemical, Energy and Environmental Engineering
- Chemistry, Materials and Bioengineering Major Chemistry and Materials Engineering / Life Science and Biotechnology **Doctoral Program**

● Integrated Science and Engineering Major

■ Graduate School of Foreign Language Education and Research

The goal of the Graduate School of Foreign Language Education and Research is to foster researchers and leaders in the field of foreign language teaching. Established in 2002, it is the first graduate school of its kind in the nation. The school accepts 25 students a year into its Master's program, and three students a year into its Ph.D. program. The Master's program strives to maintain a balance between theory and practice subjects. The Ph.D. program offers seminar-style classes on theoretical issues.

• Foreign Language Education and Research Major

■ Graduate School of Psychology

The Graduate School of Psychology offers a Ph.D. program in psychology and a Master's program in two areas: (a) Cognitive and Developmental Psychology, and (b) Social Psychology. The curriculum covers cognitive, developmental, social, and clinical psychology as taught in the undergraduate programs in the Faculty of Letters and of Sociology. Students are required to conduct independent research projects, making use of various research methods (whether quantitative or qualitative, or a mixture of both). They may concentrate on in related areas in psychology and behavioral sciences. Since 2009, the Graduate School of Clinical Psychology was established to offer an intensive training program in professional psychology. Alumni are working as professional clinical/school psychologists, teachers, civil servants, and company employees.

Master's Program

- Cognitive / Developmental Psychology Major
- Social Psychology Major

Doctoral Program

Psychology Major

■ Graduate School of Safety Science

The Graduate School of Safety Science Master's course commenced from April, 2010. The Doctoral course started from April, 2012. Providing integrated studies in disaster prevention and reduction, graduates from the program will be qualified to work and to establish research frameworks at the frontline of making society safer and a more secure vital domain for the future of our country. We intend to produce graduates who can build and develop the field of Safety Science. In order to respond to this huge task, the Graduate School of Safety Science will analyze disaster prevention and reduction from the purview of numerous academic disciplines including law, political science, economics and management, sociology, psychology, science, informatics, engineering, and social medicine. Our objective is to move ahead with highly developed education and research through procuring and systemizing all aspects "safety knowledge".

Disaster Prevention and Reduction Major

■ Graduate School of East Asian Cultures

The mainstay of research and education at the Graduate School of East Asian Cultures is cultural interaction studies. This field of research seeks to elucidate comprehensive modes of total cultural interaction while looking at cultural generation, diffusion, contact, and change within the area of East Asia. This entails transgressing the established research frameworks of established fields of humanities and national studies. The objective of this area of academic inquiry is to comprehend cultural interaction in East Asia as a whole, and to cross borders in nurturing an understanding of East Asia as comprising of diverse cultural connections. Research in the Graduate School of East Asia Cultures will focus on the three fundamental areas of "East Asian Languages and Symbols", "East Asian Thought and Structure", and "East Asian History and Dynamics". Graduate students will choose one of these three areas as the basis for their studies, and will endeavor to develop their research by going beyond their initial fields and regions of investigation.

Cultural Interaction Studies Major

■ Graduate School of Governance

For a long time, it has been assumed that the main agent for solving various social problems should ultimately be the state, which actually means elected politicians and bureaucrats. However, reflecting the increasingly diverse and complex nature of our society, recently it has become more desirable and necessary for other organizations, including private companies and civic groups, to also become involved in the process of designing and governing society. This graduate school was created with the intention of fostering human resources who can actively contribute to this new social condition. We offer a wide range of subjects in social science in order to train public-minded students who are capable of grasping and analyzing social issues, and then finding possible solutions. After learning the basic constructs of social science, students will be expected to apply this knowledge in designing responses to particular problems in society.

Master's Program

Governance Major

■ Graduate School of Health & Well-being

The Graduate school of Health and Well-being combines the subject areas of Health, Sport and Social Welfare. The school aims to train professionals for Health Promotion and Sport Promotion, who have comprehensive and established skills to facilitate Health and Well-being in school and the community. We will also teach fundamental skills for research in the field of Health, Sport Promotion and Social Welfare. Students will develop a broad perspective and practical know-how to apply the results of their studies for the improvement of people's lives Additionally, our school has strong links with comprehensive sport clubs, educational institutes and social welfare facilities across Osaka prefecture, and further afield for the sake of promoting research activities.

Master's Course

● Health & Well-being Studies Major

Specialist Professional Graduate Schools

■ School of Law

Kansai University established a law school in April, 2004, for the purpose of nurturing professional legal specialists. Kansai University School of Law offers courses designed to develop legal skills through clinics and seminars on judicial proceedings. In principle, each class consists of a small number of students, who are taught using interactive methods of discussion such as the "Socratic method". Enrollment for each academic year is limited to 40 students, and the faculty consists of distinguished professors, including attorneys, ex-judges and exprosecutors. The "Ibunkan", the law school building, was built on the Senriyama campus in 2003 to facilitate interactive classes.

■ Graduate School of Accountancy

The Graduate School of Accountancy, established in April, 2006, educates students who desire to become Professional Accountants (PAs) not only in the professional accounting firms but in business. Students completing the course of study will be conferred the MBA in Accountancy, and are exempted from the multiple-choice test on the national CPA examination. The Graduate School of Accountancy's educational approach is to bring theoretical knowledge into practical use, i.e., to produce PAs with excellent professional comprehension and skills in accounting, and to help each student to exhibit competitive leadership qualities in the global market. Ultimately, our purpose is to foster PAs to become leaders in auditing and assurance, finance, IT, law, business administration, and public administration.

■ Graduate School of Professional Clinical Psychology

Kansai University's Graduate School of Professional Clinical Psychology opened in April 2009, and is dedicated to the training of highly advanced professional clinical psychologists. Students completing the required course of study will be conferred with an academic degree, Master of Professional Clinical Psychology, and will be eligible for official qualifying examination for clinical psychologists administered by the Japanese Certification Board for Clinical Psychologists. The objective of our graduate school is to train highly competent professionals who can treat complex and serious psychological problems of people in contemporary society. The school also supports the acquisition of advanced skills required by psychologists working in various domains such as education, medical care, welfare, and industry.



Research Institutes



One of the distinguishing features of Kansai University is its diverse range of research institutes. These provide venues for students and scholars from Japan and around the world to join forces and cooperate in researching an assortment of vital issues in politics, history, culture and human sciences, and so on. All of KU's research institutes are involved in community activities, and produce an extensive range of resources for use by researchers and the general public.



Organization for Research and Development of Innovative Science and Technology (ORDIST)

ORDIST was founded in April of 2002 for the purpose of contributing to the improvement of human life and the protection of the global environment through research and development of innovative science and technology. ORDIST consists of four research departments: "N" (New material, functional element and production technology), "I" (Information, communication and electronics), "B" (Life, human sciences and robotics), and "E" (Environment, energy and society). These departments have established research groups and are collaborating on innovative science and technology with a number of private companies. For more advanced research, the Strategic Research Center for Science and Technology, the Collaborative Research Center of Engineering, Medicine and Pharmacology, and the Research Center for Regional Revitalization were established.



Kansai University Information Technology Center

The Center is one of the learning and training facilities in scientific and scholarly areas at the university. We are in charge of computer networks and the school information system, offering internet-based services and support for students, researchers and other staff. Each campus is linked to a high-speed network. In addition, we are one of the SINET4 (Science Information NETwork4) nodes. The SINET4, which is operated by the National Institute of Informatics (NII), is a Japanese academic backbone network for more than 750 universities and research institutions. These networks are used to collaborate with research institutes both inside and outside the university, as well as to provide high-level education using various multimedia tools. About 7000 PCs are available for users in the school. We also offer remote lectures and presentations with universities and colleges around the world through our video-conferencing system. We welcome visiting scholars and international students to use our facilities at any time to enhance their studies. Our information system is constantly being updated in order to keep up with advances in technology and provide an optimum research environment.



Research Institute for Socionetwork Strategies

The Research Institute for Socionetwork Strategies (RISS) was approved by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) as a promotion project for joint research between the humanities and social sciences in June 2008, and then as a promotion project for distinctive joint research in 2010. As of April 2013, it is the only joint usage and joint research institute in a private university in the field of economics authorized by MEXT. "Socionetwork Strategies" is a new field of science which integrates computer science and economics. Its foundation is based on statistics and the modern academic field of computer-integrated science. RISS is conducting comprehensive policy studies on network strategy using high-speed information-communication technology. The objective of this undertaking is to establish and discover ways of resolving global issues by promoting collaborative research between public and private universities.



Institute of Oriental and Occidental Studies

This Institute was established in 1951 to promote comparative studies between Eastern and Western cultures. Most of the researchers are fulltime faculty members at Kansai University, although a number of top-level scholars from other institutions also participate in a range of research projects. Members work in eight groups which study comparative cultures and cultural Interaction from different perspectives. Their findings have been published in various forms, including a bulletin, a newsletter and a series of monographs, "Sources and Materials", "Index", "Translation and Annotation" and "International Joint Studies". Furthermore, with the aim of evolving the discipline, the Institute for Cultural Interaction Studies (ICIS) was founded in 2012. ICIS has taken over the results that have been achieved by Center of Excellence (COE) Program of Kansai University which is supported by Mext and continues to seek new areas of academic inquiry and to train young researchers.



Institute of Economic and Political Studies

This institute was founded in 1958 for the purpose of fostering vigorous academic research and contributing to the improvement and development of the national standard of living. As a center for joint research in the social sciences, with weight on interdisciplinary exchange and internationalization, the institute has taken up several research projects. Individual projects are undertaken by teaching staff selected from all faculties for a research period of two or four years. Results of the research have been published in a series of bulletins, such as "Economic & Political Studies Series", "Survey & Data Series", and an "Annual Report" of public lectures and seminars. Further, for the help and assistance of the local community, the institute holds open seminars on industry and public lectures.



Institute of Legal Studies

The main intention for establishing the Institute of Legal Studies (ILS) in 1987, was to initiate opportunities for joint research projects on complex legal and social problems. ILS is currently conducting four research projects:

- (1) Research on European Private Law
- (2) Research on Law and Business Activities
- (3) Research on Local Democracy
- (4) Research on the collection and Preservation of Forensic Evidence

The ILS publishes periodicals such as "Nomos" and the "ILS Research Report" Series, and holds seminars, symposia, and public lectures.

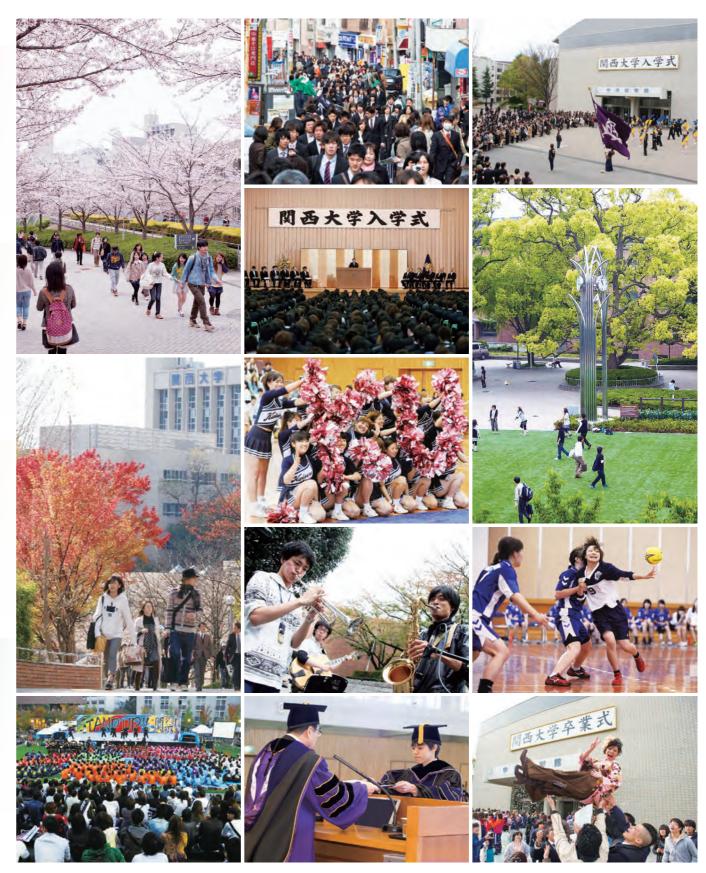


Institute of Human Rights Studies

The Institute of Human Rights Studies is a comprehensive research institution which aims to help promote fundamental human rights through educational programs in and outside the university. Established in 1974 as the Institute of Buraku Studies, the first of its kind in a private university in Japan, it was subsequently reorganized as the Institute of Human Rights Studies in 1985. Research is conducted into many topics dealing with human rights such as *buraku*, race and ethnicity, people with disabilities, and gender. Research findings are reported in publications such as the "Bulletin of the Institute of Human Rights Studies", circulated throughout Japan. In addition, the activities and data of the institute are outlined in the "Institute of Human Rights Studies Newsletter", and public lectures are held four times a year for students, teaching staff and the general public.

Main Events Throughout the Year at Kansai University





People

Kansai University has a student body of over 30,000 undergraduate and graduate students, and 390,000 alumni. Many of our graduates have achieved great things in Japan and around the world in many different professions.

Some KU Notables



Ohtsubo Fumio Special Corporate Advisor (Panasonic Corporation)



Iwata Minoru Hanshin Tigers



People

Takahashi Daisuke Pitcher for the professional baseball team the Figure Skater (Japanese representative and Bronze medallist at the Vancouver Winter Olympics, 2010)



Oda Nobunari Vancouver Winter Olympics, 2010)



Machida Tatsuki Figure Skater (Japanese representative at the Figure Skater (Japanese representative at the Sochi Winter Olympics, 2014)

Recipients of Kansai University Honorary Doctorates (July, 2015)



Dale W. Jorgenson (Harvard University) 2009.1.14



Professor

Irie Akira (Harvard University) 2009.6.27



Professor Martin Charles Collcutt Francis Fukuyama (Princeton University) 2009.6.27 (Stanford University) 2009.6.28



Senior Fellow



Professor Willy F. Vande Walle (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven) 2009.6.28



Ohtsubo Fumio (Special Corporate Advisor of Panasonic Corporation) 2009.7.6





Shiba Yoshinobu Pirom Kamolratanakul Executive Librarian of TOYO BUNKO Wang Xiao Qiu



Professor (Chulalongkorn University) 2011.8.26 (THE ORIENTAL LIBRARY) 2011.11.11 (Peking University) 2011.11.11



Noda Masahiro (Chairman and CEO of OBIC Co.,

Kansai University History



The notes and writing kit of KU's first graduate, Uchida Shigenari

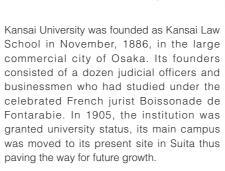


The type of hat that students wore as a part of their uniform. This one is dated at 1917





KU's Dai-ichi Senior High School





Professor Herbert Gawen of Washington University at KU as a guest speaker in 1923



KU Baseball Club enroute to Hawaii in 1936





KU Centenary Memorial Hall



Kansai University History

Following educational reforms after the Second World War, Kansai University expanded its scope for tuition to comprise of the four faculties of Law, Letters, Economics and Commerce. KU's first Graduate School was established in 1950. Subsequent to this, the Faculty of Engineering was founded in 1958, and the Faculty of Sociology was established in 1967. KU continues to grow, and currently there are thirteen faculties in total which include Law, Letters, Economics, Commerce, Sociology, Policy Studies, Foreign Language Studies, Informatics, Engineering

Science, Environmental and Urban

Engineering, and Chemistry, Materials and Bioengineering. Two new faculties of Health and Well-being and Safety Science started from April, 2010. In addition, KU boasts distinguished graduate schools extending from the various faculties, as well as professional qualification courses in Law, Accountancy, and Professional Clinical Psychology. The university, with its attached senior and junior high schools and kindergarten, has a total student body of thirty thousand, making it the largest in west Japan.

SENRIYAMA Campus

Senriyama has been the home of Kansai University's main campus since 1922, and most of our departments are located here. Equipped with state-of-the-art facilities, the campus is located in the scenic hills of Senriyama, and is



Kansai University Museum

Kansai University Museum opened in 1994. The previous museum was established together with Kansai University's Archaeological Research Institute in 1954 by the late Professor Emeritus Suenaga Masao (1897-1991). The museum houses approximately 30,000 valuable artifacts, most



(1853-1932), former president of the Mainichi Newspaper. There are four exhibition galleries. Archaeological and historical objects, including sixteen "Important Cultural Properties" are exhibited in the main gallery. The museum also holds special exhibitions and extension classes for the public, and plays an important role in higher education through academic research, courses in museum studies, and support for the archaeological training of university students.









Kansai University Library

The Kansai University Library consists of the General Library on the Senriyama Campus and three campus libraries - i.e. the Takatsuki Campus, the Takatsuki Muse Campus and



the Sakai Campus. The total holdings of printed books and periodicals amount to approximately 2,266,000 volumes, in addition to which Kansai University Library has a large collection of invaluable manuscripts, 21,000 electronic journal titles, and other materials of various media. The annual acquisition of books, periodicals, and other materials number approximately 26,500 volumes.

The General Library is now one of the largest private university libraries in Japan and its layout affords faculty members and students easy access to a full range of library resources. The Reference Room on the first floor is a section for study. equipped with new magazines, reference books, newspapers, maps. EU materials, and CD-ROMs. Designed also as a section where information can be retrieved, the room is equipped with PCs for that purpose, along with an Internet environment. Users can research for materials kept at Kansai University, using the original searching system called KOALA (Kansai University OPAC for the Library). On the first floor, the "Learning Commons" opened in April 2015. It is a study space that students share for group learning, preparation for presentations, etc. They have access to books and magazines. and also electronic journals and databases. The second floor serves as an open-stack reading room that houses mainly books, dictionaries and audio-visual materials to aid undergraduate students. The third floor houses three general reading rooms, three group study rooms, and a stack room of rare books, as well as a multi- purpose reading room. The stack room stores the most precious materials (approximately 16,000 volumes) among the books in the library





The first independent library of the Kansai University was founded in 1914. After many changes, the present General Library situated in the heart of Senriyama Campus opened in 1985. The university library celebrated its centennial anniversary in 2014. As a central resource for scientific information, the Library aims to enrich



the collection of classics rooted in the history and tradition of the University, and also to improve and innovate the provision of electronic materials. Following the philosophy of "Succession and Change", we will continue to improve services for our users.

University Library

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(1) ENSHINKAN

(International Student House)

@ Gymnasium-Senriyama Central (Store) Athletic Ground-Senriyama Central

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M KANSAIDAIGAKU-KAIKAN (Administration Office)

Centenary Memorial Hall (Restaurant, Swimming Pool, KANDAI Pensee

KYOIKU-KAIKAN

(B) KOYU FUBO-KAIKAN (Alumni Association, Parents' Association

MYOIKU-KAIKAN-BEKKAN (Kansai University Press)

TAKATSUKI Campus

The Takatsuki Campus is nestled in the hills of Takatsuki, between Osaka and Kyoto, and is the home of the Faculty of Informatics. Apart from the cutting-edge facilities for media studies, the campus also contains modern sporting venues including an ice rink.





1 Faculty Office, Administration Office ② Classrooms, Library 3 Computer Rooms, Studio Graduate School Research Center for Networking Seminar Rooms, Laboratories, Career Center 3 Cafeteria, Store Research House Gvmnasium 2 All Weather Court ® Riding Ground (I) Golf Range 15 Tennis Courts
16 1st Athletic Ground 7 2nd Athletic Ground 19 3rd Athletic Ground Seminar House KOGAKUKAN

TAKATSUKI MUSE Campus

The Takatsuki Muse Campus is a modern 13 story building situated close to JR Takatsuki Station. The campus has been operating since April 2010. The word 'Muse' has its origins in the Greek goddess of art.







West Bldg. (Faculty, Graduate School, Office) Faculty of Safety Science, Graduate School of Safety Science

University Library, "Muse"
Kids' Library
Museum of Safety Science

3 North Bldg. (Gymnasium, Restaurant)

SAKAI Campus

The Sakai Campus was constructed on the former site of Sakai's Commercial High School to house the new Faculty of Health and Well-being from 2010, a project enthusiastically supported by Sakai City.







② Classrooms, Library, Cafeteria, Store

Swimming Pool

5 Facility for Experiential Learning Activities

HOKUYŌ Campus

The Hokuyō Campus is located in a very convenient area, and provides an environment for each student to develop their individuality and talents at the junior and senior high schools based there.





Mansai University Hokuyō Senior High School Kansai University Hokuyō Junior High School (Office) Athletic Ground

Minami-Senri International Plaza

Minami-Senri International Plaza, which consists of an educational facility and a student dormitory with 165 rooms, is situated in a convenient location only 30 minutes away from downtown Osaka by train, and 15 minutes away from the main campus by bicycle.





- Classrooms, Library, IT Room, Office
- Dormitory Building

South Square

Residence rooms, Multipurpose Room, Recreation Room

Kansai University Tokyo Center

The Kansai University Tokyo Center, situated in front of JR Tokyo Station, was established in July 2003 as the university's information portal in the capital and Kanto region. The Center's functions range from lending support to our students who are seeking employment; maintaining close contact with alumni, school benefactors, and parents/quardians of our students: sustaining relations with MEXT and corporate businesses; and recruiting prospective students





Kansai University Umeda Satellite Office

The Umeda Satellite Office was opened in the Umeda Square Building in Osaka City in November 2014, as a hub for educational and research activities, as well as career support. The office houses the "Psychological Service Center, Umeda Counseling Room," which provides comprehensive clinical psychological services to the public, and the "Career Center, Umeda Office," which offers job-seeking support to students. Services such as work-related mental health support and stress management offered in the counseling room can be utilized by companies and their employees, and there is also conventional-style counseling for individual clients. The career center gives active support for job-seeking students. and is located in an ideal spot in the business center of the Kansai region.







Kansai University's Annex Schools

Although Kansai University is well known throughout Japan as a high level academic institution, education at the preschool, elementary and secondary levels are also an important aspect of our operation. Providing quality education in the community at all levels is one of our priorities, and for this purpose we also operate a number of annex schools in the Kansai area.

Kansai University Dai-ichi Junior High School and Kansai University Dai-ichi Senior High School

Kansai University Dai-ichi Senior High School opened in April, 1948. The school offers a fulltime, comprehensive three-year course consisting of ten classes each year. The Dai-ichi Junior High School was opened in April 1947. This school also offers three years of education with six classes each year. Both of these institutions were initially boys' schools, apart from a brief time in the postwar period. However, the Dai-ichi Junior High School became co-educational from April 1995, and the Dai-ichi Senior High School followed in April 1998. From 2011, six classes at the Dai-ichi Senio High School are made up of students from the Dai-ichi Junior High, making educational continuity possible from junior to senior high school level.





Kansai University Dai-ichi Junior High School

Kansai University Kindergarten

Kansai University Kindergarten, which has 60 years of history, recognizes the growing importance of early childhood education, and sees significance in providing both an emotional and physical environment where creativity and social skills are fostered. Its garden boasts flora and fauna which can be enjoyed throughout the year, as well as a large camphor tree that overlooks the facility. Its experience-oriented program offers various activities unique to each season. With all the elements combined children are encouraged to become well-developed individuals both mentally and physically. Library services with cooperation of parents/ guardians, as well as educational counseling by the kindergarten's teachers and faculty members in the Faculty of Sociology at Kansa University are some of the many highly respected services offered.





Kansai University Kindergarter

Kansai University Hokuyō Senior High School and Junior High School

Established with the objective of "Harmony of Intellectual, Moral and Physical Education", students cultivate their individuality throughout their continuing education from junior high school through to university level. "Human capacity" refers to the comprehensive strength of people which cannot be measured in terms of just academic ability and skills. It can also mean "the unified strength of intellect, morality and body". At the Kansai University Hokuyō Senior High School and Junior High School, students learn the fundamental research skills needed at university through abundant time in the classroom, and in a wide selection of available subjects on offer. We also have a support system in place for giving each student tailor-made study programs for holiday periods and instruction for learning at home, sitting certification examinations, and overseas Englishlanguage study seminars. Above all, cultivating individuals rich in humanity is prioritized throughout the students' time studying at the junior and senior high





Kansai University Hokuyō Senior High Schoo

Kansai University Elementary School, Junior High School and Senior High School - Takatsuki, Osaka

Conveniently near JR Takatsuki Station and attached to the university's Safety Science building, all three levels of the school are housed in the 13 story east wing, opened in April, 2010. The ICT environment with interactive flat screen displays and Wi-Fi connectivity readily allows staff and students remote access to the computer network in each classroom. Students learn practical thinking skills, utilize ICT tools, and communicate with exchange parthers from overseas. Students are encouraged to cultivate a global outlook. Under the slogan "Think x Act", students are challenged to develop independence a balanced character, a healthy body, and leadership skills. "Realistic study" at Kansai University aims at a balance between academic and practical knowledge and skills that equips all students for the 21st century.



Kansai University Elementary School, Junior High School and Senior High School

Seminar Houses



Asuka Institute of Kansai University **Ueda Memorial Hall**

The Asuka Seminar House is located in Asuka village in Nara. It is blessed with beautiful scenery and numerous remnants of ancient Japan nearby. For example the Asuka Temple, Kawara Shrine, and a "stone stage" which may have been the burial mound of an ancient noble. The Asuka Institute is the ideal starting point for a walk through famous historic and



Hikone-So

This villa is located near the eastern shore of Lake Biwa. There are two tennis courts and an avenue of cherry trees on the site making it a picturesque and invigorating venue for seminars throughout the year.



Rokko-Sanso

This mountain villa is situated on Mt. Rokko, an area north of Kobe City. There are panoramic night views from the terrace, an artificial snow ski area, Mt. Rokko Country House, and the Rokko Alpine Botanical Garden nearby.



Kogaku-Kan

Kogaku-Kan was built on the Takatsuki campus as a part of the 100th anniversary of the founding of Kansai University. At the nearby Settsu Gorge, visitors can take pleasure in the colors of the four seasons with over 3000 cherry trees in bloom during spring, vivid fresh foliage in the summer, and red leaves during the autumn.



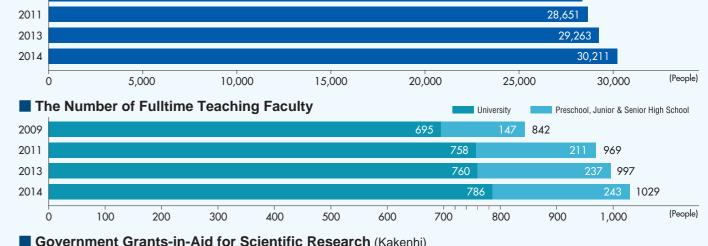
Hakuba Tsugaike-Kogen Lodge

Hakuba Tsugaike-Kogen Lodge in the northern part of Nagano is situated at the foot of the Tsugaike ski area. Visitors can enjoy skiing and snow-boarding in the winter, and a range of beautiful and rare flora the rest of the year.

Facts KU Expansion

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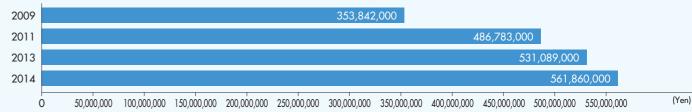




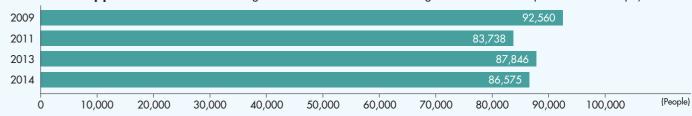
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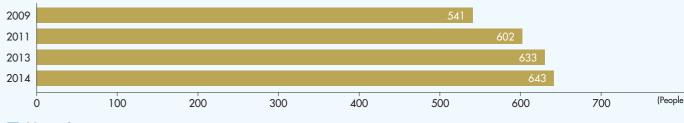
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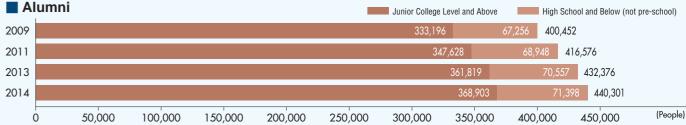


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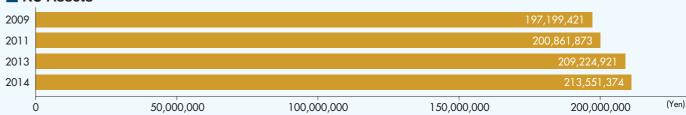


■ The Number of Fulltime Office Staff





KU Assets



Location and Transportation

Kansai University in OSAKA



















main island of Honshu. Bordering Osaka are the prefectures of Kyoto to the north, Wakayama to the south, Nara to the east, and Hyogo to the west. Since the 7th and 8th centuries, Osaka has thrived as a hub for land and marine transportation,

three-million people, it is the third largest city in Japan after Tokyo and Yokohama. Osaka is the second smallest prefecture in Japan in terms of total area, but its nearly nine-million inhabitants make it the second most populous prefecture in the country after Tokyo. Other major cities located in Osaka Prefecture include Sakai, Higashi Osaka, Toyonaka, Hirakata, Takatsuki, and Suita – the home of Kansai University's main campus.

Osaka are known for their pragmatism, entrepreneurial savoir-faire, and unique sense of humor. Kansai University is considered to be one of Osaka's representative universities, and the campuses are situated in perfect locations to enjoy the excitement of downtown Osaka, and the cultural treasures of Kyoto, Nara and Kobe, all of which are accessible by short train rides.

Transportation to Kansai University

Senriyama Campus

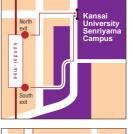
3-3-35 Yamate-cho, Suita-shi, Osaka 564-8680 JAPAN Tel: +81-6-6368-1121

Take the Hankyu Senri Line from Osaka (Umeda) to Kandai-mae. From the station it is about a 5-minute walk to the main gate.

Minami-Senri International Plaza

1-2-20 Satakedai, Suita-shi, Osaka 565-0855 JAPAN Tel: +81-6-6831-9180

Take the Hankyu Senri line from Osaka (Umeda) station to Minami-Senri station. The plaza is approximately 5-minutes by foot from the station.



Takatsuki Campus

2-1-1 Ryozenji-cho, Takatsuki-shi, Osaka 569-1095 JAPAN Tel: +81-72-690-2153

Take the Takatsuki City bus from JR Takatsuki Station or Settsu Tonda. It takes approximately 20-minutes from either station to the Kansai Daigaku bus stop situated on campus.



Takatsuki Muse Campus

7-1 Hakubai-Cho, Takatsuki-shi, Osaka 569-1098 JAPAN Tel: +81-6-6368-1121

The Takatsuki Muse Campus is a 7-minute walk from JR Takatsuki Station, and a 10-minutes walk from the Hankyu Takatsuki-



Sakai Campus

1-11-1 Kaorigaoka-cho, Sakai-ku, Sakai-shi, Osaka 590-8515 JAPAN Tel: +81-72-229-5022

Take the Nankai Dentetsu Koya Line to Asakayama Station. The campus is approximately 1-minute on foot from the station



Hokuyō Campus

1-3-26 Kamishinjo, Higashiyodogawa-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka 533-0006 Japan Tel: +81-6-6328-5964

Hankyu Railways: About 8-minutes walk from Kami-shinjo Station on the Kyoto Line. About 10-minutes walk from Shimo-shinjo



Station on the Senri Line. **Tokyo Center** 9F Sapia Tower, 1-7-12 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-0005 JAPAN Tel: +81-3-3211-1670 Osaka Prefecture is located in the Kansai region situated in the central area of the The office is near the Nihonbashi exit in JR Tokyo Station. It is also accessible from **Tokyo** Tokyo Metro Tozai Line's Otemachi Station. and is thus recognized as being the historical commercial center of Japan. Osaka City serves as the prefecture's capital, and with a population of approximately Featuring at the center of Japanese commerce since ancient times, the people of