**Program Outline**

**Contemporary Japan Program (CJP)**

There are two study tracks available within the CJP. Students can choose one of the following study tracks:

- **Japanese Language Track**, for students who wish to focus on their Japanese language studies
- **Modern Japan Track**, for students who wish mainly to learn about Japan via English-taught courses through a variety of subjects.

**Eligibility**

Must be an undergraduate or graduate student nominated by a KGU partner institution.

**Language Requirements**

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<th>Tracks</th>
<th>Japanese Language Track</th>
<th>Modern Japan Track</th>
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<td>Japanese</td>
<td>Students must at least be able to fluently read, write, understand and pronounce the Japanese Hiragana and Katakana phonetic scripts by the time they arrive in Japan.</td>
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<td>English</td>
<td>As a number of elective courses are held in English, students whose native language is not English are expected to have an English proficiency equivalent to a TOEFL iBT® score of 71 or higher. Students are not required to submit any certifications for English proficiency.</td>
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**Available Period of Study**

One Semester or Full Year

Start: Fall or Spring

**Language of Instruction**

Japanese or English

**Application Deadlines**

All required hard copies of application documents must arrive at KGU by the following dates:

- **2021 Fall Semester intake**: April 15, 2021
- **2022 Spring Semester intake**: November 15, 2021

**Application Process**

Application information can be found on the following webpage and is updated around two months before each deadline: [https://ciec.kwansei.ac.jp/study/exchange/prospective/apply.html](https://ciec.kwansei.ac.jp/study/exchange/prospective/apply.html)

**Program Dates (tentative)**

### Fall Semester

- **Designated Arrival Date**: Early September 2021
- **First Day of Classes**: September 20, 2021
- **Winter Break**: December 24, 2021 – January 5, 2022
- **Last Day of Classes**: January 13, 2022
- **Final Examination Period (1)**: January 15 – 28, 2022
- **Winter Intensive Period for students who enroll at KGU for two semester beginning in the Fall**:
  - **First Day of Classes**: February 3, 2022
  - **Last Day of Classes**: March 16, 2022
- **Spring Semester 2022 (Academic calendar for the 2021 spring will be finalized in Nov. 2021)**
  - **Designated Arrival Date**: Mid-March 2022
  - **First Day of Classes**: April 7, 2022
  - **Last Day of Classes**: Mid-July 2022
  - **Final Examination Period (1)**: Third/Fourth/Fifth Week of July

Note: Classes may be held on some Japanese national public holidays.

(1) Final Examinations for courses listed under "Other Elective Courses" may take place during the KGU Regular Class Examination Period.

**Scholarship**

**KGU-Sponsored Scholarships**

Exchange students can apply for a scholarship through KGU along with their application to KGU. Applicants will be informed if they will receive the scholarship roughly a week before arriving in Japan. However, there are circumstances in which students may not be informed until after their arrival in Japan. Note: Please be informed that the number of available scholarships has decreased over the last several years, and that applicants should not expect to receive a scholarship. All students must plan for financing their exchange without the help of this scholarship.

**Other Scholarships**

- **Japan-Taiwan Exchange Association (Taiwan students only)**: [https://www.koryu.or.jp](https://www.koryu.or.jp)
Accommodation
KGU, in principle, guarantees accommodation to incoming exchange students who request it, but not all students will be able to be placed in the accommodation of their choice.

| Accommodation Options | 1. Homestay (400,000 JPY/ semester) | Includes 2 meals/day on weekdays, 3 meals/day on weekends and holidays, and utilities | 2. Dormitory (240,000 - 400,000 JPY/ semester) | Excludes meals and utilities | Details about the dormitories available here. |

Courses Offered

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<th>Mandatory Courses</th>
<th>Elective Japanese Language Courses (JLC) for Japanese Language Track Students</th>
<th>✓ 5 class per week</th>
<th>✓ Taught in Japanese</th>
<th>JSC Modern Japan Seminar for Modern Japan Track Students</th>
<th>✓ 1 class per week</th>
<th>✓ Taught in English</th>
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<td>Elective Japanese Language Courses (JLC)</td>
<td>✓ Taught in Japanese</td>
<td>✓ Availability depends on Japanese level of student</td>
<td>Elective Japan Studies Courses (JSC)</td>
<td>✓ Taught in English</td>
<td>✓ Wide variety from 5 categories: Art &amp; Culture, Linguistics, Politics &amp; International Relations. Society, Business &amp; Economy</td>
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<td>Other Elective Courses</td>
<td>✓ Taught in English</td>
<td>✓ For Undergraduate level students only: Courses shared with the School of International Studies (SIS), School of Economics (SE), School of Human Welfare Studies (SHWS)</td>
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<td>✓ For Graduate level students only: Courses shared with the Institute of Business and Accounting (IBA)</td>
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<td>Regular University Courses</td>
<td>Students who possess an extremely high ability of Japanese can enroll in regular university courses conducted in Japanese if they meet the either one of the following requirements:</td>
<td>1. Pass level N1 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test before arriving in Japan (students who already have N1 are still required to take the RCA test)</td>
<td>2. Obtain a high score on the placement test, and then pass the RCA (Regular Course Aptitude) test held later during orientation</td>
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Course List
The course list can be found in the latest CJP Brochure.

Online Syllabus
https://syllabus.kwansei.ac.jp
Use online syllabus tool above to search for course code listed in the latest CJP Brochure (See link below).

Course Load (per week)
Exchange students must register and attend more than 10 hours of classes per week. To fulfill this requirement, registering and attending at least 7 periods every week is necessary.

Credits at KGU
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Exchange students cannot register for more than 24 KGU credits per semester.

Other Information

KG Buddies
Acting as partners the exchange student’s first semester, KGU local student volunteers assist the exchange students in their life on and off campus.

Global Student (GS) Network
The GS Network is the official student group endorsed by CIEC and provides various supports to exchange students during orientation. They also plan and hold cultural exchange activities for both exchange students and KGU students over the course of the year.

Transcripts
Two grade transcripts will be sent to the home institution after the last semester of the student’s exchange ends. The home institution will give one copy to the student and keep one for their records. The transcripts will be sent out in the following periods:

| Spring Semester (WIP) | Early September |
| Fall Semester | Mid-March |

Bringing Prescription Drugs to Japan
There is a form called a “Yakkan Shomeisho” that you need to submit and send to Japan in order to bring prescription drugs and other medical equipment such as prescription contact lenses into Japan. It will then be sent back to you, but can take some time, so please make sure that you look into this several months before you leave for Japan.