# UNIVERSITY-WIDE INCOMING STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES (LONG-TERM)

## FACT SHEET 2018-19

### UNIVERSITY AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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<th>Name of University</th>
<th>Osaka University 大阪大学</th>
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<td>Campus location</td>
<td>Suita, Toyonaka &amp; Minoh, Osaka, Japan</td>
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<td>Course information</td>
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<td>Office in charge of university-wide student exchange</td>
<td>International Student Affairs Division</td>
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### Exchange students TO Osaka

#### I. iExPO, OUSSEP, FrontireLab & general inquiry

University-wide Student Exchange Program - Inbound Team  
International Student Affairs Division (SUITA)  
Email: exchange@ciee.osaka-u.ac.jp  
Phone: +81 6 6879 4026 ext. 9538  
Office hours: Mon-Fri, 08.30-17.15  
Postal address:  
International Student Affairs Division, Osaka University,  
IC-Hall, ground fl., 1-1 Yamadaoka, Suita, Osaka 565-0871 JAPAN

#### II. MAPLE (Intensive Japanese Language and Culture Program for Exchange Students)

Center for Japanese Language and Culture (MINOH)  
Email: kouryu@cilc.osaka-u.ac.jp  
Phone: +81 72 730 5072  
Office hours: Mon-Fri, 08.30-17.15  
Postal address:  
Center for Japanese Language and Culture, Office for International Programms  
8-1-1 Aomatanai Higashi, Minoh, Osaka 562-8558 JAPAN

#### III. Exchange students FROM Osaka

Please contact the outbound team of International Student Affairs Division (SUITA)  
Email: studyabroad<at>ciee.osaka-u.ac.jp  
Phone: +81 6 6879 7102  
Office hours: Mon-Fri, 08.30-17.15  
Postal address:  
International Student Affairs Division, Osaka University,  

### ACADEMIC CALENDAR

| Arrival/dormitory check-in | September intake: Mid/late September  
| April intake: End-March/Beginning of April |

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Mandatory orientation
- September intake: End-September
- April intake: Early April

Exchange terms
- Fall&Winter: Late September to February (15 course work weeks)
- Spring&Summer: April to August (15 course work weeks)

Term-end exam periods
- Fall&Winter: End-January to Early February
- Spring&Summer: Early to Mid-August

Term breaks
- Fall&Winter: End-December to Early January, Mid-February to End-March
- Spring&Summer: Mid-August to End-September

Course registration periods
- Fall&Winter: Early to mid-October
- Spring&Summer: Mid to late April

Grade release
- Fall&Winter: Late September
- Spring&Summer: Late March

ACADEMIC INFORMATION
Exchange period
Standard 5 months or 10 months, starting either in April or September*
Degree level
Undergraduate and postgraduate
Relevant major/degree
Any fields of degree accepted**
Credit award
☑ Special Auditor (S.A., credit-based)
□ Special Research Student (S.R.S., non-credit based)
Programs
iExPO(S.A./S.R.S.), FrontierLab(S.A./S.R.S.), OUSSEP(S.A.), Maple(S.A.)
*All incoming exchange students MUST enroll in one of these programs.
Study type
Course work (S.A.) or Research (S.A./S.R.S.)
Instruction languages
Japanese or English
Credit and grading system
S(100-90) / A(89-80) /B(79-70) /C(69-60) /F(59-)
FAIL
One OU credits are equivalent to 45-hour study including class, revision and self-study. A semester-long 90-minute weekly lecture (15 sessions) is typically worth two credits.
Japanese language class
Both credit-based and non-credit courses are open for registration.

BASIC ELIGIBILITY FOR APPLICATION
Student/academic residency
Degree-seeking student on continuous full-time status at home university, successful credit accumulation of at least one academic year in the degree program of home university (by the time of application), good academic standings (equivalent to GPA 3.0+/4.0, B+ in ECTS grading)
Language requirements
Varies by program - typically TOEFL iBT 80+/IELTS 6.0 for English; JLPT N1 or N2 for iExPO Japanese-based program; N3-N4 for Maple language program

APPLICATION PROCESS
Application information availability
Emailed to the registered exchange coordinator/study-abroad office of our partner 8 months before enrolment. Application guides and information are not put on university web page.
- September intake (Fall&Winter): End-December
- April intake (Spring&Summer): End-August
Nomination deadline
- September intake (Fall&Winter): Last day of February
- April intake (Spring&Summer): Last day of September
Application deadline
- September intake (Fall&Winter): End-March
- April intake (Spring&Summer): Last day of October
Method of nomination
Online (exchange coordinator’s log-in required, web form)
Method of application/documents submission
Online (student’s log-in required, web form & PDF upload)
IT facility requirements to use online application web page
1. Windows PC or Mac computer with secured internet access*
2. PDF converter software
3. Image scanner
4. Reliable E-mail
* The application web page is not guaranteed to work on tablet computers, smartphone or other mobile devices.

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| Date of admission notice | - **September** intake (Fall&Winter): End-May  
- **April** intake (Spring&Summer): End-December                                                                                                                                  |
| Offer-acceptance deadline | - **September** intake (Fall&Winter): Mid-June  
- **April** intake (Spring&Summer): Mid-January                                                                                                                                  |
| Documents to be submitted on offer acceptance*** | Participant’s agreement form, financial planning and declaration form, documentation of financial resources, latest ID photo, accommodation request, CESR immigration document application |
| Information to be submitted before departure | Arrival information and emergency contact                                                                                                                                                           |
| Method of application/documents submission | Online (student’s log-in required, web form & PDF upload)                                                                                                                                 |
| Japan visa | Non-Japanese students must obtain **Student Visa** at a Japan consulate on their own responsibility. No other visa types are accepted. Osaka University Support Office makes a proxy application for a Certificate of Eligibility (CESR, an immigration certification) for students who need a visa after admission offer. |
| **COSTS** |                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Tuition | OU tuition waived (by a relevant student exchange agreement)                                                                                                                                 |
| Mandatory fee | - College insurance (c.12,000JPY/semester, c.16,000JPY/year)  
- National Health Insurance (2,000-3,000JPY/month)                                                                 | |
| Accommodation | Rates of residence hall/apartment c.20,000 - 40,000JPY/month  
For private accommodation, average rent will be 35,000 - 60,000JPY/month |
| Other costs | Flight to and from Japan, food, public transport, text books, winter clothing (if necessary) etc. Students are strongly advised to have at least c.100,000 JPY per month at their disposal. |
| **ACCOMMODATION** |                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| University Accommodation | Apply for university accommodation via online application before enrolment (on- or off-campus). Due to the capacity limit for exchange students, some students may not be assigned to one of university accommodation. In the event that university accommodation is not available, we will assist in finding a private accommodation. |
| Accommodation type | Dormitory, apartment or shared flat                                                                                                                                                            |
| Room type | Single room or shared flat                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Single-sex/co-ed | Single-sex and co-ed                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Meal plan | Not available                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| **SCHOLARSHIP** |                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Pre-arrival scholarship award | Successful candidates may be eligible to apply for JASSO and OU incoming exchange scholarship. (5 months: c 320,000-40,000JPY, 10 months: c.800,000-880,000JPY, paid in instalments during exchange). Number of scholarship awards and notification timing vary by year and admission cycle. |
| How and when to apply | Students should see the notes on “Application Guide” of the relevant admission cycle and follow the instruction after being nominated by home university. |

* One semester and April intake is not available in "Maple".
**Enrolment restrictions may apply to some medicine/dentistry-related schools.
***These documents are not required at the time of application.