## Information for Students on Exchange

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### C. Academics

#### i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer

Please ensure that your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home faculty before the exchange.

After you have accepted the SEP offer from your faculty, you will be able to access the module mapping worksheet on myEduRec. You are encouraged to map some spare modules in the event that your preferred modules are not offered in that semester, unavailable or cancelled. Module mapping request is subjected to approval from the Faculties. Please ensure that your module mappings are approved by the relevant departments in NUS before you depart for the exchange.

Do note that modules approved in the past might not be offered by the host university or approved by your faculty when it is time for your exchange. Please check the latest course offerings at the host university while you are preparing your Study Plan.

[Click here](http://www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/education-campus/education-and-admissions/calendar) for a step-by-step guide on applying for module mapping.

#### ii) Academic Calendar

**Semester 1:** Early April to End September; Early April to Early August (for KUINEP English class)

**Semester 2:** Early October to End March; Early October to Early February (for KUINEP English class)


#### iii) Exchange Duration

One semester or Full year

#### iv) Examination

Students are expected to attend all mandatory examinations at the host university.

#### v) Curriculum Structure

Kyoto U offers the following programmes to exchange students:

Kyoto University International Education Programme (KUINEP)
- KUINEP offers undergraduate level courses in English. It aims to deepen students’ knowledge and understanding of Japan and its culture. Students enrolling into this programme have to take at least 7 courses per semester mainly from KUINEP courses offered by the Institute of Liberal Arts and Sciences (ILAS). Students can also choose to take some English courses offered by other faculties. Students with the appropriate Japanese language proficiency can also take regular classes offered by faculty with the lecturer’s permission.

**Kyoto University General Exchange Programme (GE Programme)**

- This programme allows exchange students to take regular courses offered by various Faculties & Schools. Majority of the courses will be taught in Japanese. Therefore, JLPT Level 1 is required to be enrolled into this programme. Students under the GE Program are affiliated to one of the undergraduate faculties or graduate schools, and choose all or most of courses from those offered by their own undergraduate faculties. Students are required to take a minimum of seven courses each semester. Students can also take the general education courses in Liberal Arts and Sciences which are taught in English.

**KUINEP (Undergraduate) – taught in English**

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**GE Programme (Undergraduate) – taught in Japanese**

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<td>Science</td>
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### vi) Entry Requirements

Completed at least one year of study at NUS upon application with host university. Minimum CAP of 3.0 out of 5.0 and no grade below C.

Check [here](#) for other eligibility criteria.

### vii) Language Proficiency Requirements

Japanese language proficiency is not required for KUINEP. However, it is recommended that students have basic Japanese language knowledge.

Students who have Japanese proficiency equivalent to JLPT level N1 may take courses in Japanese offered by various faculties in Kyoto U.

### viii) Faculties & Schools accepting exchange students

Each KUINEP student will be affiliated, as a special auditor, to one of the ten faculties at Kyoto U according to their area of interest. Students are advised to select their proposed faculty carefully as it is impossible to change the host faculty after arrival at Kyoto.

- Institute for Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Faculty of Economics
- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Engineering
- Faculty of Integrated Human Studies
- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Letters
- Faculty of Pharmaceutical Science
- Faculty of Science

### ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites

Graduate level courses are not available to undergraduate students.

Exchange students can take courses which start and end within the period of their exchange at Kyoto U.

Courses of Faculty of Medicine are not open to exchange students.

Please note that some courses offered by the Faculties, including almost all courses offered by Faculty of Letters start in April and end in March. Such courses can be taken only by students who stay at Kyoto U for one full year exchange.
## D. Application

### i) Procedures

Students may apply for SEP one year in advance through their home faculty in NUS between September and June. Please look out for your faculty’s announcement regarding the application period.

Once you have been selected by your home faculty for SEP, your faculty will contact you and provide information regarding application with your host university. Please prepare the necessary documents before the start of the application period at your host university.

### ii) Deadlines

All NUS students must abide by the internal application deadline set by their home faculty for exchange participation in the following academic year. After clearing the internal application and selection process, students have to take note of the application deadline set by the host university.

Failure to submit a formal application to the host university will result your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.

## E. Accommodations

### i) University Accommodation

Kyoto U has one on-campus and four off-campus International Houses, and other dormitories available to international students. Students do not have to apply for accommodation by themselves but will be required to send back the pre-registration form enclosed in the acceptance package.

Students can choose to stay in one of the following accommodations - Yoshida International House (located on campus), Shugakuin International House and Misasagi International House. Other accommodation options include Mizuki-Dormitory, Satuski-Domitory and Dormitory Hyakumanben.

For more information about accommodation, please refer to [https://kuiso.oc.kyoto-u.ac.jp/housing/facilities/en](https://kuiso.oc.kyoto-u.ac.jp/housing/facilities/en)

## F. Visa

### Consular/Visa Regulation

Upon acceptance, Kyoto U will apply for a Certificate of Eligibility on your behalf with the Japanese Ministry of Justice, and send it to you when issued. The certificate is required for you to apply for a study visa. Exchange students must obtain a “College Student” visa for the duration of their study in Japan. Please visit the Japan Embassy website for the required supporting documents for your visa application.

All students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they received the official offer letter/email from their host university. This is to ensure that you can obtain your visa in time before the start of your
exchange term. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.

For more information on visa applications, please refer to https://kuiso.oc.kyoto-u.ac.jp/visa/about/en

https://www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/education-campus/procedures/visa

http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html

G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

i) Health/Medical Insurance

All registered NUS students are covered under the university health insurance and the blanket travel insurance. For more information, please refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/students/student-travel.html.

Foreign nationals living in Japan for more than three months are required to join the National Health Insurance.

In addition, it is recommended that you purchase a comprehensive travel insurance for the full duration of your stay abroad, including your personal travel within/outside Japan. Please review the insurance coverages to ensure that they meet your needs. Students can purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.

For more information on health and insurance, please refer to https://www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/education-campus/procedures/visa

ii) Emergency Number at host university

+81-75-753-2546

H. Cost of Living

i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses

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<td>Accommodation</td>
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<td><strong>Monthly Estimate</strong></td>
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For more student exchange information, please refer to https://www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/education-campus/education_and_admissions/non-degree-programs/exchange-students