Kyoto University states its mission to sustain and develop its historical commitment to academic freedom and to pursue harmonious coexistence within the human and ecological community on this planet.

Kyoto University will generate world-class knowledge through freedom and autonomy in research that conforms with high ethical standards.

As a university that comprehends many graduate schools, faculties, research institutes and centers, Kyoto University will strive for diverse development in pure and applied research in the humanities, sciences and technology, while seeking to integrate these various perspectives.

Within its broad and varied educational structure, Kyoto University will transmit high-quality knowledge and promote independent and interactive learning.

Kyoto University will educate outstanding and humane researchers and specialists, who will contribute responsibly to the world’s human and ecological community.

As a university committed to a broad social engagement, Kyoto University will encourage cooperation with local and national society, and will disseminate knowledge informed by the ideals of freedom and peaceful coexistence.

As an international institution, Kyoto University will promote foreign academic exchange and thereby strive to contribute to the well-being of the world.

In order to enhance the free development of learning, Kyoto University will pay due respect to the administrative independence of each of its component institutions, while promoting cooperation among them.

Kyoto University will conduct its administration with regard for the environment and respect for human rights and will be accountable to society at large.
It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the 2020 edition of Kyoto University at a Glance. My term as the 27th president of Kyoto University began on October 1, 2020. I hope that during my six-years as president I can successfully guide the university to yet further prominence in the international academic community, and that the university’s unique and vibrant academic traditions will find new and creative ways to flourish as we continue into the 21st century.

Since its foundation in 1897, Kyoto University has cultivated a spirit of creativity and originality in its students and researchers through an institutional philosophy of academic freedom founded on frank and open dialogue. From its earliest days, the university has placed great importance on steadily increasing its international presence—expanding its partnerships and making a meaningful contribution to the international community.

Kyoto University’s international exchange and collaboration is pursued through close partnerships with institutions overseas, student and researcher exchange programs, interdisciplinary research collaboration, and a multitude of other activities. The creative and groundbreaking accomplishments of the university’s researchers continue to garner international recognition in the form of prestigious accolades, such as the Nobel Prize, Fields Medal, and other prestigious awards.

One unique feature of Kyoto University’s syllabus is that it provides our undergraduate students with opportunities to experience innovative and advanced research right from their first-year of study—an approach rooted in the university’s long-standing tradition of fostering a spirit of adventurous self-reliance and independence in its students, as well as stressing the importance of hands-on interaction and dialogue.

In 2017, Kyoto University was assigned by the Japanese government as one of the first Designated National Universities (DNU). DNU status has enabled the university to implement even more ambitious initiatives in the areas of university management, education, and research, and it positions Kyoto University at the forefront of a new era of international academic exchange and collaboration. In the field of industry-government-academia collaboration, the university has established a new “KyotoU Model,” which includes four university subsidiary companies that make diverse use of the university’s advanced knowledge “seeds” to further engage with and contribute to society.

At the time of writing this introduction, the global spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) remains a serious problem for all sectors of society, necessitating universities and other institutions to adapt to new modes of operation. As a national academic institution, Kyoto University has a duty to disseminate its scientific knowledge and ensure its effective utilization for the benefit of society. As we face new challenges, such as those posed by the novel coronavirus pandemic, we will continue to respond flexibly and creatively, making every effort to provide our students and researchers with the best possible environment in which to maximize their talents and abilities, and make a difference to society and the world at large. Our doors are always open to keen and creative students and researchers from around the world—I invite you to join us.

Nagahiro Minato
October 2020
Kyoto University was established in 1897 as Japan’s second imperial university. It is located in the historic city of Kyoto, which flourished as the nation’s capital for over a thousand years until that status was transferred to Tokyo in the wake of the Meiji Restoration. Even after the relocation of the capital, Kyoto continued to be a hub of culture and technology. Japan’s first elementary school and girls’ school were opened there, and it was the location of the country’s first commercial hydroelectric plant and first streetcars. It was within that milieu of cultural, technological, and industrial advancement that Kyoto University was established.

During its early period, Kyoto University developed various new approaches to education and research, including small-group seminars that emphasize interaction between students and instructors, incorporating thesis submission as a graduation requirement, and providing students with increased freedom in selecting their study subjects as a way to enhance motivation and encourage creativity. These innovative approaches pioneered by the University were eventually adopted as standard practices in Japanese higher education.

It was also in the early phase of its development that Kyoto University firmly grasped the importance of university autonomy. Academic freedom is essential to the scholarly quest for the truth—a goal common to all universities—and university autonomy is essential in ensuring academic freedom. Kyoto University was the first university in Japan to implement a structure whereby its faculty were free from external interference.

Through its pioneering approach to education and research, Kyoto University has cultivated some of Japan’s finest minds and made significant contributions to the advancement of scholarship and science. Numerous winners of major international awards are affiliated with the University, such as renowned physicist Hideki Yukawa, Japan’s first Nobel laureate.

To this day, the University is known throughout Japan and around the world for its unique culture of academic freedom, and for being at the vanguard of cutting-edge research.

Kyoto University is one of the most respected research universities in Asia. This is testified by the accolades conferred upon its researchers past and present.

### Nobel Prize
- 1949 Physics
  - Hideki Yukawa
- 1985 Physics
  - Sin-itiro Tomonaga
- 1987 Physics
  - Makoto Kobayashi
- 1990 Chemistry
  - Kenichi Fukui
- 1993 Chemistry
  - Makoto Kobayashi
- 1996 Chemistry
  - Kiyoshi Arata
- 1998 Chemistry
  - Masatoshi Nei
- 2000 Physics
  - Makoto Kobayashi
- 2001 Chemistry
  - Ruou Noyori
- 2002 Chemistry
  - Masatoshi Nei
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  - Toshihide Masukawa
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### Gauss Prize
- 2006 Mathematics
  - Kiyoshi Itō

### Lasker Award
- 1987 Basic Medical Research
  - Susumu Tonegawa
- 1989 Basic Medical Research
  - Yosutomi Nishizuka
- 1998 Basic Medical Research
  - Yoshio Masui
- 2009 Basic Medical Research
  - Shinya Yamanaka
- 2014 Basic Medical Research
  - Kazutoo Mori

### Japan Prize
- 1995 Basic Sciences
  - Chushiro Hayashi
- 1998 Basic Sciences
  - Kiyoshi Ito
- 2004 Advanced Technology
  - Alan Curtis Kay
- 2009 Advanced Technology
  - Isamu Akasaki
- 2010 Advanced Technology
  - Shinya Yamanaka
- 2013 Basic Sciences
  - Masatoshi Nei
- 2016 Advanced Technology
  - Takeo Kanade
- 2018 Advanced Sciences
  - Tasuku Honjo
- 2019 Advanced Sciences
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### Kyoto Prize
- 2018 Mathematical Sciences
  - Masaki Kashiwara

### Chern Medal
- 2018 Mathematics
  - Masaki Kashiwara

### Fields Medal
- 1970 Mathematics
  - Heisuke Hironaka
- 1980 Mathematics
  - Shigefumi Mori

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- 1949 Mathematics
  - Hideki Yukawa
- 1959 Mathematics
  - Yoichiro Nambu
- 1962 Mathematics
  - Shun-ichiro Tanaka
- 1970 Mathematics
  - Shigefumi Mori
- 1982 Mathematics
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Kyoto University at a Glance

Established in 1897
The second oldest national university in Japan
Research oriented
Tradition of pioneering fieldwork
Incorporating the philosophic traditions of Kyoto

11 Award winning research
Nobel laureates

2 Fields Medalists
1 Gauss Prize winner
5 Lasker Award winners
1 Chern Medalist

10 Faculties
18 Graduate schools
13 Research institutes
22 Centers & other organizations

2 Semesters
Apr. – Sept.
Summer holiday
Aug.–Sept.
Oct. – Mar.
Spring holiday
Feb.–Mar.

2,2600 Students
9,500 Graduate
13,100 Undergraduate

2,700 International students

3 Campuses in Kyoto, the cultural heart of Japan

3,500 Faculty
3,500 Non-teaching staff
400 International faculty and staff

7,400 Faculty and staff members

JPY 173 Billion
(USD 1,600 million)

173 Expenditure in academic year 2019

43 Off-campus research and education facilities in Japan

22,600 Students
13,100 Undergraduate
9,500 Graduate

335 Student exchange agreements
65 Overseas offices and facilities

937 MOUs

145 University level
190 Department level

193 University level
744 Department level

International students

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(As of May 1, 2020)
Current Initiatives at Kyoto University

Designated National University (DNU) Initiatives at Kyoto University

In 2017, Kyoto University was selected by Japan’s Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) as a Designated National University (DNU). DNUs are expected to implement effective strategic initiatives to create a “virtuous cycle” that brings in talented human resources, strengthens research capabilities, and garners the acknowledgement and support of society. Each DNU sets its own timeline for the achievement of its initiatives. In line with its DNU proposal, submitted to MEXT, Kyoto University is implementing the following initiatives.

1. A flexible and dynamic approach to knowledge creation
   Advancing the frontiers of interdisciplinary research and enhancing international collaboration
   - Leveraging the University’s unique strengths, the Kyoto University Institute for Advanced Study (KUIAS) promotes cutting-edge research led by internationally renowned researchers, including Distinguished Professor Tasuku Honjo, the 2018 Nobel laureate in physiology or medicine.
   - Through its San Diego Liaison Office, the University is promoting international research collaboration and supporting industry-academia collaboration with partners on the West Coast of the US.
   - As of 2019, Kyoto University has established a total of 10 On-site laboratories through its On-site Laboratory Initiative. (See P.12 for details.)

2. Generating a high-level and diverse flow of talent
   Promoting international mobility by students, researchers, and staff
   - The Hakubi Project is an initiative to foster early-career researchers by providing them with an ideal environment to fully devote themselves to their research for five years. As of 2019, the University has employed 167 researchers through the project. Approximately 70% of researchers who have completed the program have gone on to attain tenured or tenure-track positions at a university or research institution in Japan or overseas.
   - The Kyoto University International Undergraduate Program (Kyoto IUP) was launched in 2018 to facilitate the enrollment of talented and motivated international undergraduate students. No Japanese language ability is required at the time of admission, as the program includes intensive Japanese study up to the level required to take specialized courses taught in Japanese.

3. Exploring new forms of social engagement
   Developing new strategies to maximize the social impact of research and education through industry-government-academia collaboration
   - The University has established the Kyoto University Open Innovation Institute to develop a new “KyotoU Model” of industry-government-academia collaboration. (See P.10 for details.)
   - In collaboration with the NTT Corporation, the University has established the Prime Research Institute for Medical RWD, Inc. (PRiME-R). By collecting, analyzing, and utilizing real world data (RWD), PRiME-R seeks to promote the advancement of innovative clinical practices, enhance medical safety management, improve medical technologies, and develop new forms of medical care.
   - The Unit of Kyoto Initiatives for the Humanities and Social Sciences was established to conduct world-leading interdisciplinary research in humanities and social sciences fields. Research outcomes are disseminated through the unit’s symposiums and publications.

4. KyotoU’s world-class management style
   - The University has established a provost system to enhance its governance. The Strategic Council, headed by the provost, facilitates the swift and effective implementation of DNU initiatives.
   - The University is enhancing the functions of its Institutional Research Office and the Kyoto University Research Administration Office (KURA) to promote evidence-based management of the University with an international outlook.

Developing the “KyotoU Model” and Promoting Innovation through Industry-Academia Collaboration

In accordance with its institutional mission and management policies, Kyoto University has been accelerating the development of the “KyotoU Model” for industry-government-academia collaboration. The model seeks to create new and large-scale businesses through practical cooperation between the Office of Society-Academia Collaboration for Innovation (SACI) and three university subsidiary companies: Kyoto University Original Co., Ltd. (training and consulting services), TLO-KYOTO Co., Ltd. (technology transfer and licensing), and Kyoto University Innovation Capital Co., Ltd. (funding activities to support venture businesses).

Additionally, the Kyoto University Open Innovation Institute was established in July 2019, as part of the University’s efforts to promote industry-academia collaboration as a Designated National University. The new institute seeks to promote the use of research outcomes for the benefit of society and advance innovation through the enhancement and acceleration of organization-to-organization research collaboration with industries. The institute is developing an integrated management system for industry-academia collaboration, including large-scale research collaboration. It also provides support for the practical application and commercialization of the knowledge “seeds” generated by the University’s researchers, while maintaining an awareness of pressing societal issues and exploring the true “needs” of industries. Through these efforts, the University advances creative research and education, and promotes innovation in cooperation with industry. The University will continue to promote industry-government-academia collaboration on an organization-to-organization basis, both in Japan and overseas.

Kyoto University Open Innovation Institute
www.oii.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/

Office of Society-Academia Collaboration for Innovation
www.saci.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en

The KyotoU Model of Industry-Government-Academia Collaboration Organizational Chart

The Kyoto University Group

Main subsidiary companies (directly financed)

TLO-KYOTO
Technology Transfer
www.tlo.kyoto.co.jp/english

Kyoto University Original
[Consulting / Training and Education]
www.kyodai-original.co.jp/?page_id=578

KYOTO-iCAP
[Incubation / Start-Up Support]
www.kyoto-unicap.co.jp/en
International Partners / Overseas Offices and Facilities

Kyoto University connects with the global community in diverse ways: through academic cooperation and partnerships, its overseas facilities, multilateral networks, and its alumni associations in various countries. International partners are an essential asset to the University, contributing to the development of its research and education endeavors and enriching its activities with multicultural diversity.

Research fieldwork sites at locations around the world are also a part of the University’s international network, providing a foundation for local engagement and cooperation.

The University's overseas offices serve as its bridges to key regions around the world, implementing international outreach initiatives that capitalize on the unique qualities of those regions and providing support for researchers stationed overseas. Currently, the University has offices in Heidelberg (Germany), Bangkok (Thailand), and Washington, DC (USA).

Kyoto University is itself an international hub where researchers from around the world gather to share and disseminate knowledge, promote research and technology transfer, and above all, connect with people who share their passions.

www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/global/global_partners

On-site Laboratory Initiative

"On-site Laboratories“ are locally managed laboratories established collaboratively by Kyoto University academic departments and overseas partners. The laboratories may be established either on the campus of Kyoto University, or on that of the partner institution. The initiative aims to promote world-leading advanced research, increase the University’s recruitment of talented international students, and expand collaboration with industrial partners. Through the initiative, the University seeks to strengthen its institutional infrastructure as a key player in international academia.

Overseas offices and facilities

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(As of May 1, 2020)

Kyoto University maintains an expanding network of former students, researchers, and academic staff through its alumni associations. Currently, there are approximately 120 alumni associations in Japan and overseas.

The University promotes networking opportunities among its alumni around the world, and each regional association also plays a key role—bringing together people with shared personal experiences and a shared affection for their alma mater.

www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/alumni

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Undergraduate Faculties and Graduate Schools

Undergraduate Faculties

- Integrated Human Studies
  www.h.kyoto-u.ac.jp/index_e.php
- Economics
  www.econ.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Engineering
  www.Eng.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Agriculture
  www.kais.kyoto-u.ac.jp/english
- Pharmaceutical Sciences
  www.pharm.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Letters
  www.bun.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Science
  www.sci.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Medicine
  www.med.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Law
  law.kyoto-u.ac.jp/english
- Education
  www.educ.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en

Graduate Schools

- Integrated Human Studies
  www.h.kyoto-u.ac.jp/index_e.php
- Economics
  www.econ.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Engineering
  www.Eng.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Agriculture
  www.kais.kyoto-u.ac.jp/english
- Pharmaceutical Sciences
  www.pharm.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Letters
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- Science
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- Medicine
  www.med.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Law
  law.kyoto-u.ac.jp/english
- Education
  www.educ.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Energy Science
  www.energy.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/education/course-overview
- Informatics
  www.i.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Biostudies
  www.kais.kyoto-u.ac.jp/english
- Advanced Integrated Studies in Human Survivability (GSAIS)
  www.gsa.is.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en-top
- Global Environmental Studies (GSSES)
  www2.ges.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Global Environmental Management
  www.gsm.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en
- Agriculture
  www.kais.kyoto-u.ac.jp/english

Kyoto University International Undergraduate Program (Kyoto iUP)

Kyoto iUP is a 4.5-year program comprising a six-month preparatory course followed by four years of undergraduate study. Japanese language proficiency is not required at the outset, and upon graduation, students are awarded a bachelor’s degree in their selected major.

English-Taught Undergraduate Program

- Engineering
  Undergraduate International Course Program of Civil Engineering
  www.s-gc.t.kyoto-u.ac.jp/int/en

English-Taught Graduate Programs

- Economics
  International Graduate Programme for East Asia Sustainable Economic Development Studies
  www.econ.kyoto-u.ac.jp/kuesac
- Energy Science
  International Energy Science Course
  www.energy.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/education/course-overview
- Informatics
  International Course in Intellgence Science and Technology
  www.i.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/introduction/g30.html
- Biostudies / Medicine
  Global Frontier in Life Science
  www.lif.kyoto-u.ac.jp/global_frontier_in_life_science/index.html
- Global Environmental Studies
  International Environmental Management Program
  www2.ges.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/activities/educational-activities/iemp
- Management
  International Business Administration Program
  International Project Management Program
  www.gsm.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en

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Kyoto University degree system

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www.iup.kyoto-u.ac.jp/
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### Social Engagement Activities by Research Institutes

Kyoto University’s research institutes actively engage in a variety of diverse social engagement activities. One example is the Uji Open Campus. Uji Campus is home to many of Kyoto University’s research institutes in the natural sciences and energy-related fields, and the open campus is held annually to provide the general public with an opportunity to see the institutes’ activities firsthand. The open campus includes activities that can be enjoyed by people of all ages, including small children and the elderly. Activities include lectures by faculty members, an exhibition introducing the various research institutes on campus, and several research facilities and laboratories that open their doors to the public. Recent years have seen over 3000 people visiting the campus for the event.
General Information: Core Facilities

Distinctive Education and Research Facilities

Institute for Liberal Arts and Sciences (ILAS)
By integrating the efforts of diverse faculties and departments throughout the University, ILAS plans and implements the courses that are common to all of the University’s undergraduate programs, such as courses in the liberal arts, foreign languages, and introductory courses on basic sciences.

This ensures that the University’s undergraduate programs are well balanced and provide a rich liberal arts and sciences component to complement their major fields of specialization. It also enables the programs to better meet students’ individual interests and career plans.

The institute provides over two hundred courses entirely in English, helping Japanese students to cultivate an international mindset and providing international students with flexible curricula options. ILAS Seminars for first-year students are designed to ensure a smooth transition from high school to university education. The approach taken by ILAS helps students to broaden their horizons, develop new interests, and ultimately become more versatile and adaptable.

www.i.k.kyoto-u.ac.jp

Kyoto University Library Network
Kyoto University Library Network plays a central role in the accumulation and curation of the University’s intellectual assets, and in facilitating their utilization for education, research, and community engagement. Its collection comprises over seven million volumes, including a designated national treasure and other rare materials.

In addition to a wide range of journals, books, and databases, Kyoto University Library Network also provides online access to the University’s research information repository and its digital archive of rare materials. The Main Library building includes versatile facilities to support study and research, such as the Learning Commons (group-work space) and the Media Commons (multimedia facility).

www.kulib.kyoto-u.ac.jp/?lang=en

Kyoto University Hospital
Established in 1899, Kyoto University Hospital has trained leading experts in diverse medical fields for over a century, and made significant contributions to the advancement of medicine and healthcare in Japan. As a government-certified institution, it provides a wide array of advanced treatments, and currently comprises 34 clinical departments, 15 cross-departmental clinical divisions, 15 central facilities divisions, 14 clinical management support facilities, the 7 divisions of the Institute for Advancement of Clinical and Translational Science (iACT), and 7 clinical research and education divisions.

Functioning as both a cutting-edge medical research facility and a community-oriented healthcare institution, the hospital’s mission focuses on the three areas of medical care, research, and education. In fulfilling its mission, the hospital provides high-quality patient-oriented medical care (including a state-of-the-art Cancer Center), develops innovative new medical treatments in cooperation with other research facilities (such as the University’s Center for iPS Cell Research and Application [CiRA]), and fosters conscientious and compassionate healthcare professionals.

www.kuhp.kyoto-u.ac.jp/english

The Kyoto University Museum
The Kyoto University Museum is a center for research based on specimens accumulated by the University’s scholars throughout the course of its long history. To this day, it continues to advance groundbreaking new research utilizing its expanding collection, which currently comprises 2.6 million items that are relevant to a wide spectrum of fields—from cultural sciences, to natural history, to engineering. The museum is open to students and the public, exhibiting highlights from its collection and showcasing the University’s research activities.

The museum also serves as a bridge connecting the University with the community—through exhibitions, lectures, and other events. It is also the coordinating institution of a worldwide network of university museums, and has organized several international symposia focusing on the new research field of museum science.

www.museum.kyoto-u.ac.jp/index_e.htm

www.museum.kyoto-u.ac.jp/index_a.htm
Support Services

**Support Services for International Researchers and Students**

**Information and Advising Services**
Information and advising services are available for international researchers and students who have concerns about their studies or about daily life in Japan.

International Student Advising Room
(For advice on academic studies and life in Japan)
www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/education-campus/facilities/international-student-advising.html

Kyoto University International Service Office
(For information about visas, accommodation, and daily life)
kuiso.oc.kyoto-u.ac.jp/top/en

**Cultural Exchange and Language Learning Opportunities**
Kyoto University frequently holds events to promote intercultural exchange in which students can participate, and various forms of support are provided for students and researchers seeking to improve their Japanese language skills.

Student Lounge KI-ZU-NA

Education Center for Japanese Language and Culture
www.z.k.kyoto-u.ac.jp/introduction/education-center-for-japanese

**Health Services**
The Kyoto University Health Service provides medical and mental health services for students, faculty, and staff, including consultation, treatment, and health checkups. In addition to the clinic on Yoshida Campus, there are also branch clinics on the Katsura and Uji Campuses.

www.hoken.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en

**Kyoto University’s Response to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)**
At the time of this booklet’s publication, university activities have been significantly affected by the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Please see the following webpage for updated information on the pandemic and Kyoto University’s response measures:

www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/about/safety/coronavirus.html

**Accommodation**
Kyoto University provides accommodation for international researchers and students at several locations close to its campuses, including two new dormitories near Yoshida Campus that opened in October 2019. The two new dormitories increase the number of rooms provided exclusively for international researchers and students by approximately 130, bringing the total number of rooms to approximately 550.

kuiso.oc.kyoto-u.ac.jp/housing/facilities/en

**Support in Applying for Research Grants**
The Kyoto University Research Administration Office (KURA) provides faculty members with comprehensive support in acquiring grants. Staffed by a team of knowledgeable experts in research development, KURA organizes seminars to provide information about available funding, and assists researchers with drafting proposals.

Kyoto University Research Administration Office (KURA)
www.kura.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en

**Support for Childcare and Work-Life Balance**
The Gender Equality Promotion Center provides various support services, including:
- Childcare support
- Care for sick children
- Support to maintain a healthy work-life balance
(Please contact the center in advance to check eligibility and other requirements)

Gender Equality Promotion Center
www.cwr.kyoto-u.ac.jp/eng/
Campuses and Facilities

General Information:

Campuses Facilities throughout Japan

Location of the Campuses in Kyoto

Yoshida (Main Campus)
Located near the center of Kyoto City, Yoshida Campus is close to many scenic and natural spots, such as the famous Philosopher’s Walk and the Kyoto Imperial Palace. As the University’s main campus, it has long been a familiar landmark for Kyoto citizens, and well-known as a vibrant, bustling hub of student life. Buildings on the campus present a variety of architectural styles—from traditional Japanese wood and brick buildings dating back to the time of the University’s establishment, to modern laboratory buildings that house cutting-edge facilities.

Katsura
Katsura Campus comprises three clusters of buildings overlooking Kyoto from the hills to the west of the city. It was conceived as a “Techno-Science Hill” for graduate studies in engineering, where technology and science come together to provide an innovative new style of education and research environment.

Uji
Located to the south of Kyoto City, Uji Campus is close to two UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Byōdō-in Temple and Uji-gami Shrine. It is home to a number of leading research institutes and centers, including several large-scale facilities devoted to laboratory work in the natural sciences and energy-related fields.

Facilities throughout Japan
Since its establishment, Kyoto University has been renowned for its diverse fieldwork achievements. To facilitate those efforts, the University maintains a number of facilities at locations throughout Japan that serve as valuable resources for the activities of researchers.

Location of the Campuses in Kyoto

Access from Kansai International Airport

Disaster Prevention Research Institute
1. Ogata Wave Observatory, Niigata
2. Hodakají Sedimentation Observatory, Gifu
3. Kamiyama Observatory, Gifu
4. Hokuriku Observatory, Fukui
5. Osakayama Observatory, Shiga
6. Ujiyama Open Laboratory, Kyoto
7. Aboyama Observatory, Osaka
8. Donzurubō Observatory, Nara
9. Shionomisaki Wind Effect Laboratory, Wakayama
10. Shirahebi Oceanographic Observatory, Wakayama
11. Tottori Observatory, Tottori
12. Tokushima Observatory, Tokushima
13. Tokushima Landslide Observatory, Tokushima
14. Miyazaki Observatory, Miyazaki
15. Sakurajima Volcanological Observatory, Kagoshima

Graduate School of Science
16. Hida Observatory, Gifu
17. Kwasan Observatory, Kyoto
18. Okayama Observatory, Okayama
19. Beppu Geothermal Research Laboratory, Oita
20. Ao-ba Volcanological Observatory, Kumanoto

Research Institute for Sustainable Humanosphere
21. Shiranuka M.U. Observatory, Shiga
22. Living-sphere Simulation Field, Kagoshima

Wildlife Research Center
23. Kōshima Field-Station, Miyazaki
24. Kumamoto Sanctuary, Kumamoto
25. Yakushima Field-Station, Kagoshima

Others
26. Tokyo Office, Tokyo
27. Primate Research Institute, Aichi
28. Center for Ecological Research, Shiga
29. Institute for Integrated Radiation and Nuclear Science, Osaka

Field Science Education and Research Center
30. Hokkaido Forest Research Station
31. Shiretoko Branch, Hokkaido
32. Hokkaido Forest Research Station
33. Shiranuka Branch, Hokkaido
34. Aishu Forest Research Station, Kyoto
35. Kamigamo Experimental Station, Kyoto
36. Koshikihaka Experimental Station, Kyoto
37. Maizuru Fisheries Research Station, Kyoto
38. Kit-Dēma Research Station, Wakayama
39. Seto Marine Biological Laboratory, Wakayama
40. Wakayama Forest Research Station, Wakayama
41. Tokushima Experimental Station, Yamaguchi
42. Graduate School of Agriculture
43. Livestock Farm, Kyoto
44. Laboratory of Crop Evolution, Kyoto
45. Experimental Farm, Kyoto
46. Graduate School of Environmental Studies
47. Research Center for Environmental Quality Management, Shiga

Shuttle Bus Service

Access from Kansai International Airport

www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/access

Kansai International Airport
Approx. 50 min. by JR Airport Express Train (‘Haruka’)
Kansai International Airport

Kansai International Airport
Kansai International Airport

Shuttle Bus Service

Uji Campus
50–60 min. by shuttle bus

Yoshida Campus
50–60 min. by shuttle bus

Katsura Campus
50–60 min. by shuttle bus

Kyoto flourished as the capital city of Japan from 794 to 1868, and to this day, possesses a rich cultural heritage that draws visitors from around the world. It is home to 17 UNESCO World Heritage Sites, many world-famous temples and shrines, ornate gardens, and traditional festivals.

Founded on a community of skilled artisans and craftspeople versed in aesthetics developed over a millennium, modern-day Kyoto is also the birthplace of frontier technologies and international business successes. It is a city in which one can find the best of both the ancient and modern.

Students and researchers at Kyoto University find that the vibrant backdrop of Kyoto City brings constant inspiration and new discoveries in their daily lives and academic endeavors.