

Double/Joint Degree Programs [Regular Students]

Kyoto University offers a wide variety of double and joint degree programs in partnership with overseas institutions. Details are available by contacting the KyotoU graduate schools running these programs.

Partner Institutions: <https://u.kyoto-u.jp/3sy89>

Double Degree Programs (as of April 2021)			
Country/region	Partner institution	KyotoU graduate school	Degree offered
China	Tsinghua University	Global Environmental Studies	Master's
	Zhejiang University	Energy Science	Doctoral
France	École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS)	Letters	Doctoral
	Université de Bordeaux	Energy Science	Doctoral
Indonesia	Bogor Agricultural University	Global Environmental Studies Agriculture	Master's
	Gadjah Mada University	Agriculture	Master's
	Institut Teknologi Bandung	Agriculture	Master's
Malaysia	University of Malaya	Energy Science	Master's
Taiwan	National Taiwan University	Public Health, Medicine Management, Agriculture	Master's
Thailand	Chulalongkorn University	Public Health, Medicine, Energy Science	Master's
	Kasetsart University	Agriculture	Master's
	King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi	Energy Science	Master's
	Mahidol University	Public Health, Medicine, Global Environmental Studies, Agriculture	Master's
United Kingdom	University of Glasgow	Economics	Doctoral
United State of America	Cornell University	Management	Professional
Germany	University of Hamburg	Management	Professional/Master's

Joint Degree Programs (as of April 2020)			
Country/region	Partner institution	KyotoU graduate school	Degree offered
Canada	McGill University	Medicine	Doctoral
Germany	Heidelberg University	Letters	Master's
United Kingdom/Spain	University of Glasgow / Universita de Barcelona	Economics	Master's

Research Students [Non-Regular Students]

The Research Student (Kenkyusei) enrollment option allows students to conduct research at a graduate school/research institute of their choosing, enabling prospective master's and doctoral students from abroad to prepare for their desired programs under faculty supervision. To qualify for this status, applicants must contact and obtain approval from a prospective advisor, who may be selected by searching the Activity Database on Education and Research (external link) or the websites of Kyoto University and its individual Faculties, Graduate Schools, or research institutes/centers. Applicants must then submit an admission form and other required documents to the University. For more details, contact relevant administrative offices (ref. P.27-28). Graduates of overseas universities wishing to enroll in a Kyoto University Graduate School as a research, master's, or doctoral student are required to contact the Admissions Assistance Office (AAO) for a preliminary review before submitting application documents. Please refer to the websites below for details.

Research Students: <https://u.kyoto-u.jp/ilx5y>

Exchange Students [Non-Regular Students]

Overview of Exchange Program at Kyoto University

Kyoto University offers two incoming exchange programs - both accepting students from institutions with a university-level exchange agreement - for one semester (6 months) or two (12 months) in Kyoto. Application guides for both programs are sent out to partner institutions in June and December. Applications should be submitted to Kyoto University through the home institution's international office; direct applications from students will not be accepted. The application deadline is February for October enrollment, and September for enrollment in April of the following year.

Exchange Students: <https://u.kyoto-u.jp/-sp73>

Kyoto University "University-level student exchange partners": <https://u.kyoto-u.jp/partners>

① **Kyoto University International Education Program (KUINEP)**

This program enables undergraduates from partner universities to study in English. Participants are required to register for at least seven courses per semester, mostly from the Liberal Arts and Sciences. This may include up to two Japanese language classes (credited). They can also take courses offered by undergraduate faculties, including those taught in Japanese, subject to approval from the lecturers in charge. Each course usually comprises two hours of lecture time per week, and carries two credits.

■ KUINEP guidelines: <https://u.kyoto-u.jp/nvl8d>

② **Kyoto University General Exchange (GE) Program (enrollment status: GEA or GESR)**

In this program, students either take courses, mostly from the Kyoto University Faculties or Graduate Schools to which they are affiliated [as "General Exchange Special Auditors", or GEAs], or conduct research under academic supervisors without attending classroom lectures [as "General Exchange Special Research Students", or GESRs]. Undergraduate GEAs must take at least seven courses per semester. This may include up to two Japanese language classes. The requirement for postgraduate GEAs is four courses, not including Japanese language classes. Many of courses are offered in Japanese language so that Japanese language proficiency is often required. For those who only take courses offered in English need only English proficiency. In the case of GESRs - an enrollment status available only to graduate students - language requirements depend entirely on their supervisors.

■ Kyoto U General Exchange Program guidelines: <https://u.kyoto-u.jp/e5pi3>

Japanese Language Study

Both KUINEP and General Exchange Program students are eligible to take Japanese language courses from ILAS' Education Center for Japanese Language and Culture. Some are included in the regular curriculum and credited, while others are not. GESRs may take non-credited courses only, while KUINEP and GEAs may take both credited and non-credited ones. Grades for the credited Japanese language courses taken will be included in the official transcript (ref.P.23, Studying Japanese).

■ Japanese language courses offered by the Education Center for Japanese Language and Culture:
<https://u.kyoto-u.jp/au51h>

Undergraduate Summer Research Program in Science and Biotechnology [Non-Regular Students] Kyoto University Amgen Scholars program

The Kyoto University Amgen Scholars Program is a short summer scholarship program launched in 2015. The program enables students from around the world to gain research experience under the supervision of leading scientists. Please visit the websites listed below for the latest information (program information is updated annually). This summer program will not be implemented in 2021. For information on 2022 and recruitment, please refer to the following information of the year 2020, and check the latest information on the website of the Kyoto University Amgen Scholars Program.

◆ **Program Outline**

- ◆ Program Dates: 8 weeks (June 9 to August 8 for the year 2020)
- ◆ Number of Participants: 15
- ◆ Application Period: Online applications open in November every year (subject to change)
- ◆ Eligibility Requirements (Applicants must meet all of the following criteria)

Applicants must be undergraduate students who:

- Are enrolled in colleges or universities worldwide that award a bachelor's degree (or equivalent)
- At the minimum, have completed their first year of undergraduate study at the time the summer program begins
- Are not graduating before the Amgen Scholars Program begins and will resume undergraduate studies for at least one semester or one quarter after the program ends

Applicants must also have:

- A strong record of academic performance
- A good functional knowledge of English. Students whose first language is not English must have one of the following: a minimum TOEFL (iBT) score of 72, IELTS overall band score of 5.5, Cambridge English FCE, TOEIC score of 1095, TOEIC L&R score of 785, or TOEIC S&W score of 310
- An interest in pursuing a Ph.D.
- ◆ Financial Support: Travel costs, a scholarship of 180,000 JPY, accommodation, etc.

- Kyoto University "Amgen Scholars Program": <http://www.opir.kyoto-u.ac.jp/study/en/curriculum/amgenscholars>
- Amgen Scholars: <https://amgenscholars.com/>

Short-Term International Students [Non-Regular Students]

In addition to Amgen Scholars Program, some of the faculties and graduate schools offer short-term special courses such as short summer programs and internships, and accept "Short-Term International Students" although most of them are designed for students whose institutions have a university-level student exchange agreement with Kyoto University. Please contact the relevant faculty for details.

- Kyoto University "Short-Term International Students": <https://u.kyoto-u.jp/short>
- Kyoto University "University-level student exchange partners": <https://u.kyoto-u.jp/partners>
- Kyoto University "International Education Initiatives": <https://u.kyoto-u.jp/initiatives>