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		Date	Process
		29 February 2024	
		20 March 2024	STEP 1*
		31 May 2024 (TBD)	STEP 2
		15 June 2024	STEP 2
	申請依頼	15 June 2024	Support Office website
	By the end of July to early Au		STEP 3
宿舎(奨学金)通知		(TBD)	SILF 3
		Early September (TBD)	
		Middle of September 2024	STEP 3
		OUSSEP, FrontierLab, and iExPO:	
		14 to 25 September 2024 (TBD)	
		Maple: 20 to 25 September 2024	
		(TBD)	
		Late September 2024 (TBD)	

application for any one of OU participants in principle if the				accept second-time exchange
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Academic Requirements	5			
Exchange students with exce	ellent academic per	rformance are e	expected to be n	ominated. Generally, this means having
a 3.0 GPA on the 4.0 scale; u	upper second-class	s in the UK's un	dergraduate ho	nors grading system; a B in ECTS
grading scale; or 80-85% in 0	Chinese and Korea	an universities ir	the current de	gree program at their home university.
		GPA4.0	3.0	Upper second-class
ECTS B	80-85%			
Language Requirements	6			
•	in the iExPO progr	am in which Ja	panese is the m	exchange program to which they apply. ain language of instruction, must be
Citizenship Students must be a citizen, le Japanese citizenship may be	_		, ,	of their home university. Students with of Japan.
Health Exchange students must med	et the minimum red	quirements of p	hysical, mental,	and social health to study abroad.
Notice •				
•	ase make sure to c	louble-check th	at you have office	ur Japanese passport. If you renounced cially renounced Japanese nationality.

✓	OUSSEP is a general study/liberal arts program tailored for bachelor's degree students and therefore, Master's degree or postgraduate level courses are not offered. Only if home institution approves undergraduate level courses as appropriate to take, we will consider postgraduate students' application to OUSSEP. Please note that graduate students cannot participate in field trips of the OUSSEP program, and will be awarded "OUSSEP participation" instead of "OUSSEP completion".
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◆ ✓	Check if our academic calendar and formal grade release do not conflict with your graduation/grade report schedule.
✓	If you are graduating from home university within 1-2 months after proposed exchange period, please consult your university to see whether it is feasible for you to fully participate in an exchange program AND to complete
	your degree (graduation) procedures at home university in time. 1 2
✓	The OU grade release is after mid-September for spring / summer term, and late March for fall / winter term. Please be reminded that the grade release timing is NOT negotiable as it tends to involve many different
	academic schools and departments. If exchange credits and grades must be transferred to home university
	immediately after exchange period, OU may not be a right exchange destination for you.
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√	Double-check that you are eligible and guaranteed to re-enter the country of home university after the exchange program with a valid visa.
	program with a valid vioa.
Osa	aka University currently receives exchange applications for university-wide programs twice a year, for April intake
	I late-September intake.
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4. Program (iExPO, OUSSEP, FrontierLab, Maple)

iExPO students will be placed in a school/faculty/graduate school/research institute at Osaka University to take courses in a specific major or do graduate research under the guidance of a faculty member. Since the majority of degree courses are taught in Japanese, participants need to have a high level of general Japanese language proficiency. If there are many applicants for the program, document screening may be conducted. iExPO

iExPO

For graduate students who wish to do full-time research work, you need to find your preferred academic supervisor from the website of "OU academic schools and fields of study" below and list the his/her name on the application form. When you couldn't find a supervisor, we may reject your applications.

Students who wish to do full-time research work in science and technology fields are recommended to apply for FrontierLab.

FrontierLab

FrontierLab is a unique, long-term exchange program that functions as an academic internship in science and
technology. Participants will become student members of a research group in one of Osaka University's internationally
renowned science and technology fields and do full-time research work under the academic supervision of a faculty
member
FrontierLab

School of Dentistry	https://global.dent.osaka-u.ac.jp/academics/graduate-school-of- dentistry/
School of Pharmaceutical Sciences	https://www.phs.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/research/course.php
School of Engineering	https://www.eng.osaka-u.ac.jp/department/en/
School of Engineering Science	https://www.es.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/faculty-research/academic- staff/index.html
Graduate School of Information Science and Technology	https://www.ist.osaka-u.ac.jp/english/introduction/organization.html
Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences	https://www.fbs.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/research_group/
Research Institute for Microbial Diseases	http://www.biken.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/laboratories/
The Institute of Scientific and Industrial Research	https://www.sanken.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/about_isir/member/
Institute for Protein Research	http://www.protein.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/research-groups/
Joining and Welding Research Institute	http://www.jwri.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/research/index.html
Institute of Laser Engineering	https://www.ile.osaka-u.ac.jp/eng/groups/list/index.html
Research Center for Nuclear Physics	http://www.rcnp.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/about/member.html
Cybermedia Center	https://www.cmc.osaka-u.ac.jp/?page_id=2306⟨=en
Immunology Frontier Research Center	http://www.ifrec.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/laboratory/

Please note the following as this program is becoming popular.

- Students may not be assigned to one of their prioritized laboratories due to the capacity/popularity etc.
- -If you do not get pre-approval from your preferred supervisor before your application, please list your preferred laboratory from 1st choice to 3rd choice in the application form.
- We may ask applicants to reconsider their research topic in case we couldn't find an appropriate laboratory.
- When we couldn't find a supervisor after all, we may reject some applicant's applications.

This program is designed for undergraduate students in their 3rd or 4th year from overseas partner universities across the globe. Participants are offered Japanese language classes and lecture courses taught in English called "International Exchange Subjects" which consist of liberal arts courses offered by various school of Osaka University. No postgraduate courses are offered within this program, however we will consider to accept postgraduate students only if home university approves undergraduate level courses as appropriate to take.

Please note that since OUSSEP is designed for undergraduate students, postgraduate students will be awarded "OUSSEP Participation" instead of "OUSSEP Completion". Furthermore, graduate students cannot participate in field trips, which are required for completion for OUSSEP program.

Find International Exchange Subjects: https://ciee.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/short-term_programs/exchange_programs/syllabus/

Please note the following:

- Independent Study and Internship Course in OUSSEP are optional and required to be approved by program committees. There is no guarantee that students can register these courses according to the result of arrangement.
- In principle, withdrawal from the Independent Study and Internship Course after your exchange program started is unacceptable. Please consider it carefully.

The Maple Program is designed to help, in principle, 3rd year or higher students improve their Japanese language skills as well as enhance their knowledge of Japanese culture and society, moving them further towards their own academic goals. Moreover, it aims to cultivate individuals who deeply understand Japan from various perspectives by giving students the skills to compare and to contrast Japanese language, culture, and society with their own, and then share that knowledge widely. If there are many applicants for this program, document screening will be conducted.

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Maple

CJLC Office Email: kouryu<at>cjlc.osaka-u.ac.jp Phone: +81 72 730 5075 / Office hours: Mon-Fri, 08:30-17:15

Type of Program

Program	iE	ExPO	Fronti	erLab	OL	JSSEP	Ма	ple
Level of degree sought at home university	UG	PG	UG	PG	UG	PG	UG	PG
Credit-based						()		
Full-time class work only			-	-		()		
Full-time class work with tutorial / independence study & /	-	-	-	-		()		
Full-time class work with supervision & guidance	-				-	-	-	-

UG : Undergraduate/Bachelor's degree (Bologna First Cycle equivalent)

PG : Postgraduate/Master's or PhD (Bologna Second/Third Cycle equivalent)

(): Not exclusively for undergraduates; postgraduate-level courses are not offered.

Program Details

	iExPO	FrontierLab	OUSSEP	Maple	
Applicable exchange agreements		Active university-wide ac			
Campuses	Toyonaka, Suita or Minoh	Toyonaka or Suita Toyonaka, Suita, M		Minoh	
Study type	class work	Research work	Cour	se work	
Language of instruction	Japanese	English or Japanese	English	Japanese / English /	
Japanese Class	Optio	onal	Recommended	Mandatory	
Work load	Full-time credit load	d	Full-time	credit load	
Core courses	Courses for degree modules offered by the student's affiliated school	FrontierLab research module International Exchange Subjects (CIEE liberal arts courses) Independent study (Only students who select this course)		Directed Research and Reading Research Subjects in Japanese Studies, Independent Study, Japanese Language Subjects	
Standard credits	14 credits/ each semester (including more than 10 credits acquired at the students' affiliated school) 14	14 credits/ each semester / 14		30 credits/year 30 /	
Start date	Late September (fall/win	ter term) Beginning of April (spri	Late September 9		
Duration	Two terms (5 m 2	nonths) or Full academic year (11 i 5 1 11	Full academic year (11 months) 1 11		
For who?	Students who have proficient Japanese skill and wish to take courses in undergraduate or graduate schools.	Students who wish to do research in a scientific research group under the supervision of academic advisor	Students who wish to take CIEE liberal arts courses taught in English and beginners or intermediate Japanese classes	Students who have interest in studying Japanese culture and society by taking courses and seminars.	
Academic and language requirements	- Have a high proficiency in academic Japanese - Have completed at least one year tertiary study in a relevant academic discipline before exchange 1	- Have a sound basis of the field of study - Have a good command of English or Japanese	- Have a high proficiency in spoken and written English. Prior Japanese language knowledge is not required.	- Have Japanese language proficiency equivalent to or higher than N4 in Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) JLPT N4	

	iExPO	FrontierLab	OUSSEP	Maple	
Requirements for "Program Completion Certificate"	1. Successful completion of 14 or more credits (including more than 10 credits at the students' affiliated school) for those who wish to stay for one semester 1 10 2. Successful completion of 28 or more credits (including more than 20 credits at the students' affiliated school) for those who wish to stay for two semesters 2 28	Successful award of FrontierLab research work credits and giving a research presentation in the 'Final Presentation'	Successful completion of 14 or more OU credits including 12 or more credits from International Exchange subjects and participation of mandatory guided field trips (Not applicable for graduate students)	Successful completion of 30 or more OU credits in an academic year 30 /	
Program-specific activities		Final presentation	Mandatory guided field trips	Study tours and cultural experience activities	
Accommodation	In principle, FrontierLab, iExPO an students will be allocated Global V assist in finding a private accommon FrontierLab/ iExPO/ OUSSEP	illage Minoh Semba. In the event t			

Submit any one of them.
a) TOEFL iBT 80 / IELTS 6.0 or higher b) Cambridge English with CEFR B2 level or higher
c) Official assessment report (on both receptive and productive skills) of home university's language centre
d) Official certificate/letter which proves English is the medium of instruction in student's faculty

^{*}Test scores older than two years are acceptable 2

School/Graduate School	Undergraduate Graduate			
Letters/ Humanities				
Economics JLPT N1*				
Science				
Foreign Studies/ Humanities	JLPT N2 JLPT N1			
Law / Law and Politics	JLPT N2			
Human Sciences	OLI I IVZ			

Pharmaceutical Sciences (excluding Master's students)		
Engineering		
Engineering Science		
Faculty of Medicine Graduate School of Medicine (for PhD candidates Only)		
School of Allied Health Science Graduate School of Medicine, Division of Health Science	-	
Dentistry (for PhD candidates Only)		
OSIPP		JLPT N2
Information Science and Technology		JLT I INZ
Frontier Biosciences	1	

^{*} The JLPT (Japanese-Language Proficiency Test) is used to certify the Japanese language proficiency of those whose native language is not Japanese.

JLPT N4 or higher

If the student cannot submit a JLPT passing certificate for reasons such as being a student from a country that does not administer the JLPT, a Japanese Language Proficiency Verification in the form designated by the Center for Japanese Language and Culture (CJLC) will be accepted. On this form, the Japanese language teacher in home university charge of the most recent Japanese language course the applicant has attended should mention the reason why the student was unable to obtain a JLPT passing certificate.

Please contact the CJLC to request the designated form.

JLPT

CJLC

OU Academic Schools and fields of study

Undergraduate School /

Graduate School /

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https://www.let.osaka-u.ac.jp/en	https://www.hmt.osaka-u.ac.jp/
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https://www.let.osaka-u.ac.jp/en http://www.law.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/	https://www.hmt.osaka-u.ac.jp/ http://www.law.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/
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Please use Osaka University's online application system.			
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and there is no need for your university to send t	he original documents by post after completing online		
submission. Student and/or coordinators will need to have a	access to the following system and hardware.		
Windows PC or Mac computer with secured internet access The online application system is designed to operate with desktop/laptop computers and not guaranteed to work on tablet computers, smartphone or any other mobile devices.			
PDF converter software PDF			
Some documents have to be submitted in PDF and no other	er file formats are accepted. The computer should have a		
PDF convertor, such as Adobe Acrobat, Microsoft Office ac	dd-in etc.		
PDF	PDF		

Image scanner

Students will have to upload scanned PDF files from the application website.

PDF

E-mail

As we are unable to check undelivered emails on the system, it is extremely important students register an active and reliable email account. Both university and personal email, web-based and client based email can be used. Please note that the following emails may be rejected from our university emails.

'@naver.com' '@daum.net' and '@qq.com' domains

Use of student's personal information

The applicant's personal data such as name and address obtained through our application website will be used only for the purpose of admission. The submitted personal information and documents will be kept strictly confidential.

Application Process

When your online nomination is completed by the exchange coordinator of your home university, you will receive;

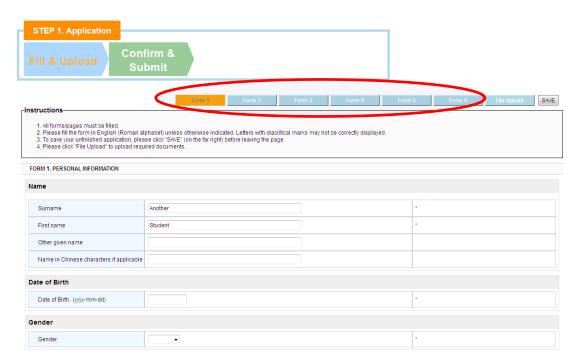
- 1) Student authentication password from the exchange coordinator of your university
- Email of registration notification with authentication web page URL (to your contact email your coordinator has registered.)

Once you have both, you can go to the web page to be authenticated and get your own ID and password to log on your personal web page to apply for an OU university-wide exchange program. Your user ID and password will be sent by email if the authentication is successful. Please make sure to set up the filter to receive e-mails from <u>T-cens.support@studentexchange.osaka-u.ac.jp</u>.

URL ID

 $\underline{\text{T-cens.support@studentexchange.osaka-u.ac.jp}}$

Application



Please fill in all forms using the form tabs on the top .



Before uploading documents, you will have to download several forms (MSWord).

MS Word

F: FrontierLab, I: iExPO, O: OUSSEP, M: Maple

Document	Program	Form to upload	Instructions
Statement of purpose			
Career goal	All		
School affiliation request	Ο, Ι	DDE	Student must log on their personal page and download the forms in MSWord from 'File Upload' tab and fill out and save as a PDF.
Intended list of courses	O, I	PDF	PDF
Research application	F		PDF
Independent study / Internship Course application	O – optional		
Latest academic transcripts	All	PDF	A copy of latest official academic transcripts in English, or a version with English/Japanese translation. The documents should include enrolment year, program, course titles with grade and number of credit hours, issue date and course grading details. If these details are not shown on the transcripts, please provide the information in a separate certification issued by the academic registry of home university.
Academic reference letter	All	PDF	One page of A4 paper in English or Japanese from a faculty member of his/her home university in the student's major. However, the letters from student's teaching assistants' or coordinator will not be accepted. There is no specific format or guideline, but referee's signature or university's letterhead should be included and the content should include traits and abilities, achievements and personal view on applicant. ※For the Maple program, there is a designated form. It can be downloaded from T-cens. A4
Official language test report	O, I, F	PDF	Apart from a native user of English, all students must submit an official language test report required by the program by the application deadline, such as IELTS academic module, TOEFL iBT for English, or JLPT (or J.TEST) for Japanese. TOEIC and TOEFL ITP/PBT are not accepted as writing and speaking assessment is not included. Test scores older than two years are acceptable if student has a copy of score report.

Document	Program	Form to upload	Instructions
Official language test report	O, I, F	PDF	TOEFL iBT IELTS / JLPT J.TEST TOEIC TOEFL ITP/PBT 2 We do NOT accept a coordinator's or academic supervisor's letter as an alternative for the official language test report. However, we accept an official assessment report (on both receptive and productive skills) of home university's language education center or an official certificate that proves English is the medium of instruction at home university.
Official language test report of Japanese proficiency	M	PDF	Students are required to submit a JLPT passing certificate for level N4 or higher. However, if the student cannot submit a JLPT passing certificate for reasons such as being a student from a country that does not administer the JLPT, a Japanese Language Proficiency Verification in the form designated by the CJLC will be accepted. On this form, the Japanese language teacher in home university should mention the reason why the student was unable to obtain a JLPT passing certificate. **Please contact the CJLC to request the designated form. JLPT N4 JLPT CJLC CJLC
Photocopy of passport	All	JPEG	A photocopy of passport, which student will travel on. If the passport is still being processed, please substitute it with the old passport or other type of official ID written in English, and upload the copy of new passport later in STEP2.
Certificate of enrollment	М	PDF	It should be written in English or in Japanese, using a designated form of applicant's home university.
Student Information and Learning Record Form	М	PDF	The form can be downloaded on T-cens. T-cens

Document	Program	Form to upload	Instructions
GPA score rules GPA	М	PDF	Only if it is possible to submit.

Notification of admission

Notification of admission will be sent on your application web page. When you receive admission notification, please decide whether you accept the offer and proceed to STEP2. Read the conditions of participation and sign, submit all the necessary documents by the deadline. Application for CESR, Certificate of Eligibility for Status of Residence, must be made from a separate web page of Osaka University Support Office. Application submitted prior to receiving notification of admission will be rejected.

STEP2

CESR

Application Stage (STEP 2) STEP2

Application Stage (OTEL 2)	JILIZ	
Offer Acceptance Form	PDF	All
Financial Plan and Declaration Form	PDF	All
ID photograph	JPEG	All
Accommodation request	Online forms	OUSSEP, iExPO, FrontierLab **Applicants for the Maple program can request university accommodation only in Step1.
Independent Study (MIS) 自主研究科目希望届	PDF	Maple **The form can be downloaded on T-cens. T-cens

Accommodation

Students can request university accommodation from the web page/ T-cens. In principle, our exchange students will be assigned to Global Village dormitory. If university accommodation is not available, we will assist in finding a private accommodation.

Web / T-cens

OFF CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION		Global Village Tsukumodai (Shared) (FrontierLab, iExPO, OUSSEP)	Global Village Minoh Semba (Private) (Maple)
When to apply		After students receive notification of acceptance	STEP 1, Form 6 accommodation section of the online application
Room type		9 or 7 or 5 person unit	Private room
	To Toyonaka	approx. 30 min by monorail	approx. 20 min by campus bus
Access to campuses	To Suita	approx. 50 min by walk	approx. 20 min by campus bus
To Minoh		approx. 50min by monorail and walk	On campus dormitory
Accommodati	ion type	Co-ed/mixed	Co-ed/mixed
	Room	37,400 - 40,500 JPY / month (Utility fees included)	40,000 JPY / month
Fees (monthly)	Electricity, Gas, Water, Internet	Internet fee: 1,320 JPY / month (mandatory) Common area charge: 12,500 JPY / month (mandatory)	Internet fee: 1,100 JPY / month (mandatory) Utility fees must be paid individually.
	Bedding	8,910 JPY (mandatory)	5,390 JPY (mandatory)

URL to Global Village Tsukumodai / Minoh Semba: https://globalvillage.icho.osaka-u.ac.jp/index-en.html

Funding

You are responsible for all costs to study and live in Osaka while your OU tuition is waived in the framework of agreement. The costs include accommodation, utilities, commuting expenses, food, insurances and medical fees, books, stationaries and all other personal expenses. To cover daily living expenses and be prepared for unforeseen costs, exchange students should secure at least 80,000 yen for a month stay.

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Scholarships

Osaka University offers a certain number of scholarship positions (JASSO / OU) to our incoming exchange students. The number of awards greatly varies by year and admission cycle depending on the available fund. There are no scholarships for which exchange students can apply after they arrive in Japan. As the number of scholarship award is decreasing every year and only for limited number of students, you should make an appropriate financial plan without scholarship. For April intake, the scholarship notification tends to be as late as early to late-February.

JASSO OU		
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AMOUNT OF AWARD	80,000 JPY per month of award
	80,000 /

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CITIZENSHIP AND VISA	Non-Japanese citizenship with a student	-Non-Japanese citizenship with a
	('Ryugaku') visa	student('Ryugaku') visa or
		-Japanese citizenship

ELIGIBILITY 1)

REQUIREMENTS

Maple program

CJLC – Center for Japanese Language and Culture (MINOH)

Email: kouryu<at>cjlc.osaka-u.ac.jp Phone: +81 72 730 5075 / Office hours: Mon-Fri, 08:30-17:15

*Please indicate your name, intended enrolment date and program. We normally will not answer questions on your exchange study from someone else, e.g. your friend, acquaintance or family members etc. If you seek assistance in asking questions, please make a query through your exchange advisor.