

# Comprehensive Support for International Student Life

## KIZUNA Student Lounge for Intercultural Exchange



Student Lounge KI-ZU-NA (KIZUNA) is a place for students to create bonds of friendship across borders. The facility features a Reading Room, stocked with extensive collection of language learning materials available for studying, and facilitates language exchange opportunities. KIZUNA also organizes many activities to experience Japanese culture such as tea ceremonies, origami, and calligraphy for international exchange.



## Various support for study and daily life of students (Mentors and Tutors)



In addition to the regular support provided by the Academic Affairs Office, Kyoto iUP students receive a comprehensive and diverse support systems to ensure a fulfilling student life. All students are assigned a mentor throughout the whole program, enabling them to consult with academic matters. Also, all students are assigned an individual tutor until the end of their second year of undergraduate study. Tutors are senior students and provide advice on school and daily life.



## Kyoto University International Houses



Kyoto iUP students are provided with accommodation in the university's international dormitory. Every student has their own private furnished room with air conditioning, free internet access and bedding. The dormitory also has a communal lounge where students can interact and socialize. Around the dormitory there are many convenient facilities within walking distance such as supermarkets, 24-hour convenience stores, restaurants, post office, and clinics.



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# A Unique Opportunity for Undergraduate Study in Japan

- ◆ 4.5-year program comprising a six-month preparatory course followed by four years of undergraduate studies
- ◆ Graduates earn a bachelor's degree in their chosen field of specialization
- ◆ No Japanese language proficiency required at the outset
- ◆ Intensive Japanese language training throughout the program which enables students to acquire academic-level language proficiency
- ◆ Financial supports including admission/tuition fee waivers and monthly scholarships



## After Graduation: Diverse Future Opportunities

Kyoto University provides extensive career support both for students who are aiming to continue to graduate studies in master and doctoral programs, as well as for those who are seeking employment in and outside Japan. A large number of Japanese companies are actively recruiting talented international students and some of them offer internship programs for Kyoto iUP students.

Private & Public Sectors

Employment in Companies & Organizations

Academic & Research Sectors

Master's Programs  
Doctoral Programs

Exciting career opportunities in Japan!  
Corporate employment?  
Academic sector?

First Step

first 6 months

Preparatory Course

- Intensive Japanese language and culture study
- English-taught seminars in natural and social sciences

Second Step

1st year > 2nd year

Liberal Arts Curriculum for Undergraduates

- Liberal arts lectures and seminars conducted in English and Japanese for all major fields
- Approximately 300 courses offered in English
- Intermediate and advanced Japanese language classes

Kyoto iUP students take the same major curriculum for undergraduates with Japanese students.

Third Step

3rd year > 4th year

Major Curriculum for Undergraduates

- Courses in your chosen major field, including discussions and assignments, conducted mainly in Japanese
- Opportunities for internships at Japanese corporations

## The Fast Track to Becoming a Japanese-speaking Specialist

Kyoto iUP provides students with all of the support and facilities they need to attain Japanese language proficiency quickly and effectively.

Before arrival in Japan:

- Access to the "Samidori" online Japanese learning system (<https://www.samidori.k.kyoto-u.ac.jp/>)

After arrival in Japan:

- Japanese language courses tailored to students' needs and current level of proficiency
- Access to the Nihongo Study Room, where teaching assistants provide extra support for Japanese language learning

## Experience the Cultural Heart of Japan!

Kyoto is one of the most popular tourist destinations in Japan and boasts 17 UNESCO World Heritage Sites. In this city, you can learn about Japanese culture and history in everyday life. As university students account for approximately 10 percent of the Kyoto city's population, the city is extremely convenient for students, with many restaurants and stores for students as well as lower living expenses compared to other big cities in Japan. The city is also blessed with an abundance of nature and so compact that the residents can go anywhere on a bicycle.

Life in Kyoto





# KYOTO UNIVERSITY

## For October 2025 Enrollment

Before applying, please refer to the Application Guidelines on the website below.  
Please be sure to follow the application procedures as described.

<https://www.iup.kyoto-u.ac.jp/>



### Application Process

A) Application Period*	November 1 to December 2, 2024
B) Notification of the First Screening Result	February 7, 2025
C) Second Screening (Interview)	February 27 to March 14, 2025
D) Notification of the Second Screening Result	April 4, 2025
E) Enrollment in the Preparatory Course	October 1, 2025

Note:  
Please apply through the Online Application System, and be sure to upload all necessary documents and information.  
<https://admission.iup.kyoto-u.ac.jp>

### Undergraduate Faculties

Enrollment in the following faculties\*<sup>1</sup> is available through the program:

- Faculty of Integrated Human Studies
- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Economics
- Faculty of Science\*<sup>2</sup>
  - Mathematical Sciences
  - Physics and Astrophysics
  - Earth and Planetary Sciences
  - Chemistry
  - Biological Sciences
- Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Faculty of Engineering\*<sup>2</sup>
  - Civil, Environmental and Resources Engineering
  - Architecture
  - Engineering Science
  - Electrical and Electronic Engineering
  - Informatics and Mathematical Science
  - Chemical Science and Technology
- Faculty of Agriculture\*<sup>2</sup>
  - Bioresource Science (Agricultural Biology)
  - Applied Life Sciences (Agricultural Chemistry)
  - Agricultural and Environmental Engineering
  - Food and Environmental Economics
  - Forest and Biomaterials Science

Notes:  
\*1 The program does not currently offer enrollment in the Faculties of Letters or Medicine.  
\*2 Applicants seeking to enroll in the Faculties of Science, Engineering, and Agriculture must specify the department(s) in which they wish to enroll at the time of application.

### Scholarship

- Generous merit-based scholarship of up to **JPY 120,000** per month
- Full or partial exemption of admission and tuition fees
- The university's international dormitory is available for students for the first two years of the program.

### Cost of Living

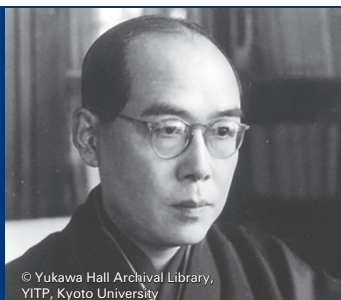
An estimate of the average monthly expenses for an international student is shown below. Please note that figures are for reference purposes only.  
Source: Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)

Groceries .....	JPY 28,000 (USD172)
Rent per month .....	JPY 38,000 (USD234)
Fuel and Light Expenses ...	JPY 7,000 (USD43)
Health Care .....	JPY 3,000 (USD18)
Sports and Leisure .....	JPY 5,000 (USD30)
Petty Expenses .....	JPY 8,000 (USD49)
Transportation .....	JPY 4,000 (USD24)
Total	JPY93,000 (USD574)    USD 1 = JPY 162 (as of 2024.6)



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## Nobel Laureates



1949 ■ Physics

**Hideki Yukawa**

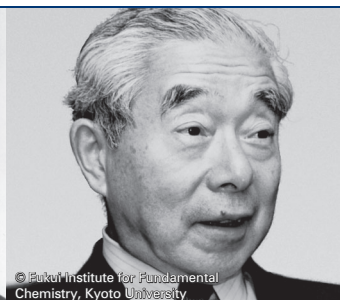
Prediction of the existence of mesons on the basis of theoretical work on nuclear forces



1965 ■ Physics

**Sin-Itiro Tomonaga**

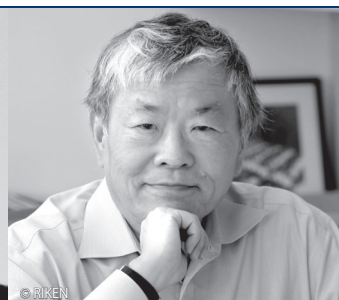
Fundamental work in quantum electrodynamics, with deep-ploughing consequences for the physics of elementary particles



1981 ■ Chemistry

**Kenichi Fukui**

Theories, developed independently, concerning the course of chemical reactions



1987 ■ Physiology or Medicine

**Susumu Tonegawa**

Discovery of the genetic principle for generation of antibody diversity



2001 ■ Chemistry

**Ryoji Noyori**

Work on chirally catalysed hydrogenation reactions



2008 ■ Physics

**Makoto Kobayashi**

Discovery of the origin of the broken symmetry which predicts the existence of at least three families of quarks in nature



2008 ■ Physics

**Toshihide Maskawa**

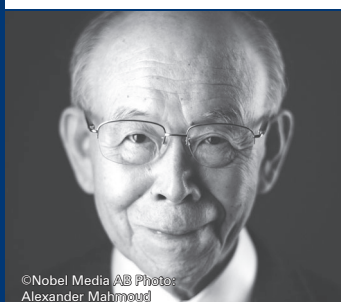
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2012 ■ Physiology or Medicine

**Shinya Yamanaka**

Discovery that mature cells can be reprogrammed to become pluripotent



2014 ■ Physics

**Isamu Akasaki**

Invention of efficient blue light-emitting diodes which has enabled bright and energy-saving white light sources



2018 ■ Physiology or Medicine

**Tasuku Honjo**

Discovery of cancer therapy by inhibition of negative immune regulation



2019 ■ Chemistry

**Akira Yoshino**

Development of lithium-ion batteries

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