

KYOTO INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (KIT)

FACT SHEET for STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM AY 2027/ 2028

1. Institutional Information

1) Institutional details

Name of institution	Kyoto Institute of Technology (National University Corporation)
Erasmus Code / PIC	924227738
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2. Schedule for Student Exchange (Inbound)

1) Academic calendar

Website	https://www.gakumu.kit.ac.jp/ead/ead_portal/?c=year_schedule
Spring Semester	April 1, 2027 – End of September 2027 (Summer vacation: Middle of August – End of September)
Fall Semester	End of September 2027 – March 31, 2028 (Spring vacation: Middle of February – End of March)

2) Nomination Period by partner universities **(No nominations outside this period will be accepted.)**

Spring Semester	July 1, 2026 – August 20, 2026 (both inclusive)
Fall Semester	December 1, 2026 – February 10, 2027 (both inclusive)

3) Application deadline by students

Spring Semester	September 3, 2026
Fall Semester	February 25, 2027

4) Orientation for new international students

Spring Semester	Beginning of April 2027
Fall Semester	End of September 2027

3. Nomination / Application process

Nomination by partner universities	<p>The number of "tuition-waiver" exchange students that KIT can accept is determined by the "quota" in each Memorandum on Student Exchange. Students accepted "beyond this quota" will be classified as "tuition-paying." Partner institutions are requested to manage their nominations "within this agreed framework."</p> <p>Partner universities are expected to nominate students using the online form during the Nomination Period indicated in 2-(2) above.</p> <p>Online nomination form: https://www.kit.ac.jp/application/view/index.php?id=361079 (Nominations received outside the periods above, will not be accepted)</p> <p>After receiving a nomination, we provide each nominated student with the necessary ID and password for completing the online application process.</p>
Application by students	<p>Students access the "Online Application Form" from the link below. The required password will be provided directly to officially nominated students. Students need to fill in the fields and upload the required documents through the form. https://www.kit.ac.jp/application/view/index.php?id=577251</p>
Required application documents	<p>Please refer to: https://www.kit.ac.jp/en/prospective_student/exchange-short-term-programs/</p>
Available Academic Programs	<p>KIT offers the academic programs listed at the website below. https://www.kit.ac.jp/en/academic-programs/ We welcome nominations from students researching areas related to the listed fields.</p> <p>Note: KIT offers programs in science and engineering only, and does and does not accept students for language or cultural studies.</p>
Language requirements	<p>*Please refer to the table at the end of this FACT SHEET for language requirements and available activities by academic level.</p> <p>Note: Proof of language proficiency must be submitted at the time of nomination; late submissions will not be accepted.</p>

Courses

1) Study level

<p>All levels (Bachelor, Master's, and PhD) of inbound exchange are available. It should be noted that we strongly recommend master's and doctoral students be affiliated with a KIT laboratory and conduct research. Note: All exchange students interested solely in taking courses, are required to be affiliated with a KIT laboratory and receive guidance from a faculty supervisor.</p>

2) Course information and language of teaching

Courses available to exchange students	<p>Course information: https://www.syllabus.kit.ac.jp/ If you are unable to access the link above, please use the following alternative link: https://www.kit.ac.jp/campus_index/syllabuslistpdf/</p> <p>Course Registration Information for International Exchange Students: https://www.kit.ac.jp/en/prospective_student/exchange-short-term-programs/</p> <p>Please refer to the following sections for details: Course Enrollment 1. Course Enrollment Information for International Exchange Students 2. How to Take Courses</p> <p>(This course list applies to the Fall 2025 and Spring 2026 semesters. Same courses are not guaranteed for future years. (Next update: September 28, 2026). Note: Course registration opens on the first day of each semester. Please read the linked information carefully before registering.</p> <p>For graduate courses, only those on the list are available. The availability of courses conducted in English varies by major. The majority of courses in certain majors are conducted exclusively in Japanese.</p> <p>All undergraduate courses are conducted exclusively in Japanese. However, research instruction may be provided in English. Students wishing to conduct research in English must contact their prospective supervisor in advance to confirm availability. For coursework purposes, final-year students may take graduate courses taught in English, while non-final-year students are required to have Japanese language proficiency.</p> <p><u>*Please refer to the comparison table at the end of this FACT SHEET for language requirements and available activities by academic level.</u></p>
Course registration	<p>Each exchange student should consult his/her/their assigned supervising professor before selecting courses from the link above and completing online course registration.</p>

3) Credit system

Generally, 1 credit is equivalent to 15 lecture hours; 30 practicum hours or 45 experiment, practical training or practical skill acquisition hours at KIT.

Note: Credit transfer, the number of credits approved and credit conversion methods are at the discretion of students' home institutions. KIT is unable to provide guidance in this regard.

4) Grading scale

Pass: A score of 60 to 100 (Lowest passing grade is a score of 60)
Fail: A score of 0 to 59

5) Weekly workload

1st through 3rd year undergraduate students must take at least 20 hours of classes per week
4th year undergraduate students must conduct research or take classes for at least 20 hours per week.

6) Japanese language courses

The Japanese classes below are available to inbound students.
-Japanese Communication: I through X
-Japanese for Beginners: I and II

7) Types of courses

Classes are generally conducted face-to-face.

4. Practical information

1) Accommodation

Accommodations available for exchange students and estimated rent

Please refer to:

<https://www.kit.ac.jp/en/facilities-services/accommodation/>

Note:

-Information regarding room availability will be sent via email approximately one month prior to your move-in date.

-Due to limited availability, KIT accommodation is not guaranteed. We can refer students to student housing agents.

2) Estimated living costs

At least 100,000 yen per month.

3) Visa

Students who stay at KIT for a period of more than three months are required to obtain a student visa before entering Japan. To obtain a visa, please follow the procedures below.

***CoE application details will be provided with the Letter of Acceptance.**

1. Fill in the online CoE application form sent by email with the Acceptance Letter.
2. KIT will review and submit your CoE application to the immigration office in Kyoto.
3. Once the CoE is issued, KIT will email it directly to the student or the international office of the student's university.
4. Upon receiving the CoE, student must promptly apply for a visa at the nearest Japanese embassy or consulate in their country.

4) Insurance

To cover difficulties or incidents during travel from, and back to, their countries, we strongly recommend students obtain travel insurance, before they leave their countries.

After arriving at KIT, students must purchase mandatory student insurance, as well as Japanese National Health Insurance.

-National Health Insurance (cost: around 1,500 JPY per month, subject to change)

-Student Insurance ("Gakkensai" and "Gakkenbai") (cost: 1,340 JPY per year, subject to change)

- Upon their arrival at our university, students are also required to purchase "Comprehensive Insurance for Students Lives" to supplement their coverage post-arrival.

5) Scholarships

In principle, scholarships are NOT available; KIT will contact eligible students if an opportunity arises.

Please prepare a financial plan to cover your living expenses in Japan which average about 100,000 JPY per month.

5. Other

-We reserve the right to refuse students based on laboratory / program capacity, changes in circumstances resulting from infectious disease outbreaks, or natural disasters.

-Please note that acceptance may be limited, particularly in architecture or design, due to capacity constraints or supervisor unavailability.

-KIT does not issue certificates or agreements prior to student enrollment.

Appendix: Comparison Table — Language Requirements and Activities by Academic level

Degree level	Grade	Activities	Course level	Language Requirements
Undergraduate	Non-final-year (*1)	Coursework	Undergraduate	JLPT N2
	Final year (*2)	Coursework	Graduate only	CEFR B2 or JLPT N2
			Incl. Undergraduate	JLPT N2
		Research	-	CEFR B2 or JLPT N2
		Both (Coursework + Research)	Graduate only	CEFR B2 or JLPT N2
	Incl. Undergraduate		JLPT N2	
Graduate	All years	Coursework	Graduate only	CEFR B2 or JLPT N2
			Incl. Undergraduate	JLPT N2
		Research	-	CEFR B2 or JLPT N2
		Both (Coursework + Research)	Graduate only	CEFR B2 or JLPT N2
			Incl. Undergraduate	JLPT N2

(*1) “Non-final-year” refers to students not in their final year of study (e.g., 3rd year in a 4-year program, 2nd year in a 3-year program).

(*2) Final year refers to students in their final year of study (e.g., 4th-year in a 4-year program, 3rd-year in a 3-year program).