

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (SEP)

Information for Students on Exchange

A. University	Keio University
B. Country	Japan
C. Academic Calendar	<p>Fall Semester: September to early February Spring Semester: March to late July</p> <p>Please note that Keio does not arrange for early exams for those who wish to leave early due to different academic schedules.</p>
D. Exchange Duration	One semester or full year
E. GPA Requirement	Minimum GPA of at least 3.0/4.0 scale (equivalent to NUS GPA 3.75/5.0)
F. Language Proficiency Requirement	<p>Japanese language proficiency is not required if only taking courses taught in English. However, it is recommended that students have basic Japanese language knowledge.</p> <p>Students who have advanced Japanese language proficiency (equivalent to JLPT N2 or above) may take courses in Japanese offered by faculties open to exchange students.</p>
G. Course Load	<p>A minimum of 7 courses per semester</p> <p>Please note:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Students on the Keio International Program (KIP) may choose to take up to 4 Japanese language courses each semester. 2. Undergraduate students are not allowed to take graduate-level courses offered by Graduate Schools.
H. Accommodation	<p>Off-campus housing that is subsidised by Keio is available. Exchange students have priority access to a room (but not guaranteed) if they complete their housing application on time.</p> <p>Housing options: https://www.ic.keio.ac.jp/en/life/housing/ryu_boshu.html</p>
I. Visa	<p>Exchange students are required to obtain a 'College Student Visa' in order to study at Keio University, and are required to enter Japan with the 'College Student Visa' under Japanese immigration law.</p> <p>Students will need a Certificate of Eligibility (COE) issued by the Japanese Ministry of Justice to apply for your Student Visa. Keio's Office of Student Services will apply for the COE on your behalf and send it to you via email when issued. Upon receiving the COE, students should apply for the</p>

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	<p>Student Visa at a Japanese diplomatic mission (embassy or consulate) in your country.</p> <p>Please note that as COE issuance depends on the Immigration Bureau of Japan, Keio is unable to provide the exact issuance timeline or expedite the process under any circumstances.</p> <p>https://www.ic.keio.ac.jp/en/study/exchange/visa.html</p>
<p>J. Insurance</p>	<p>All full-time NUS students are covered under the university’s Student Group Personal Accident & Medical Insurance and the Student Travel Insurance. For more information on the university medical insurance, please refer to https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</p> <p>It is compulsory for exchange students in Japan to join the National Health Insurance program. The insurance fee is around 1,500 JPY each month and you will only need to pay 30% of the medical costs when seeing doctors.</p> <p>It is recommended that you purchase a comprehensive travel insurance for the full duration of your stay abroad, including your personal travel within Japan. Please review your insurance coverages to ensure that they meet your needs.</p> <p>Students are strongly encouraged to assess the risk of their intended activities and purchase supplemental insurance plans to ensure they are adequately covered during their time abroad.</p>
<p>K. Useful Links</p>	<p>Student Exchange Information: https://www.ic.keio.ac.jp/en/study/exchange/courses.html</p> <p>Course Information and Restrictions: https://www.ic.keio.ac.jp/en/study/exchange/courses/courses_available_for_exchange_students.html</p> <p>Housing and Cost of Living: https://www.ic.keio.ac.jp/en/study/exchange/housing.html</p> <p>Application Guide: https://www.ic.keio.ac.jp/en/study/exchange/apply.html</p>