

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (SEP)

**Information for Students on Exchange**

<b>A. University</b>	Osaka University
<b>B. Country</b>	Japan
<b>C. Academic Calendar</b>	1st semester: Early April to mid-August 2nd semester: Early October to mid-February
<b>D. Exchange Duration</b>	One semester of full-year
<b>E. GPA Requirement</b>	Minimum GPA of 3.0/4.0 scale (equivalent to NUS GPA 3.75/5.0)
<b>F. Language Proficiency Requirement</b>	<p>Japanese language proficiency is not required for the Osaka University Short-term Student Exchange Program (OUSSEP) and FrontierLab@OsakaU, where participants mainly study research themes while attached to science laboratories. However, it is recommended that students have basic Japanese language knowledge.</p> <p>JLPT N1 or N2 is required for iExPO, in which students are placed in a school/faculty at Osaka University to take courses in a specific major.</p> <p>Japanese language proficiency equivalent to or higher than Level N4 of the JLPT is required for the Maple Program, an intensive year-long Japanese language and culture program for exchange students.</p>
<b>G. Course Load</b>	<p>For OUSSEP: Minimum of 14 credits per semester</p> <p>For FrontierLab: 10 or 14 credits per semester</p>
<b>H. Accommodation</b>	Both on-campus and off-campus housing are available for students. As a general rule, exchange students are guaranteed a single room in university housing. However, due to the lack of housing or other circumstances, you may not be placed in the dormitory of your choice.
<b>I. Visa</b>	Accepted students must obtain a student visa issued by the Japanese Embassy or Consulate in their country of residence. The Support Office for International Students and Scholars of Osaka University will assist with the visa application process.
<b>J. Insurance</b>	<p>All full-time NUS students are covered under the university’s Student Group Personal Accident &amp; Medical Insurance and the Student Travel Insurance. For more information on the university medical insurance, please refer to <a href="https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/">https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</a>.</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>

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	<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><b>K. Useful Links</b></p>	<p>Student Exchange Information: <a href="https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program">https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program</a></p> <p>Course Information: Courses taught in English: <a href="https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program/eng_course">https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program/eng_course</a></p> <p>Osaka University-wide Syllabus: <a href="https://koan.osaka-u.ac.jp/campusweb/campussquare.do?flowExecutionKey=c6F863077-0289-7783-C16B-2F8C1E532336_k0BC019AC-13B9-0E71-2993-6209F8F44EF4">https://koan.osaka-u.ac.jp/campusweb/campussquare.do?flowExecutionKey=c6F863077-0289-7783-C16B-2F8C1E532336_k0BC019AC-13B9-0E71-2993-6209F8F44EF4</a></p>