



KYOTO UNIVERSITY OF THE ARTS

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FACT SHEET 2023/2024

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Academic Calendar 2023/2024

※ **There's a possibility that schedule may be modified.**

Spring/First Semester 2023

Mid March	Orientation / Class registration for exchange students
April 12	Class begin
May 3 - 5	National holidays
July 28	Class end
August 1 - August 5	Examinations (lecture classes only)

*National holidays, but classes will be held: April 29 and July 17 in 2023

Fall/Second Semester 2023/2024

Early in September	Orientation / Class registration for exchange students
September 21	Class begin
December 28 - January 8, 2024	Winter break
January 22, 2024	Class end
January 23 - 30, 2023	Examinations (lecture classes only)

*National holidays, but classes will be held: September 23 and November 3 in 2022

*No classes: December 27

*No classes due to Entrance Examinations:

Students are prohibited from entering the campus on these days: November 23-24 in 2023, January 24-25 in 2024

*Exchange students who take only studio classes do not have any examinations, so in that case, the semester will end on the last date of Classes.

Academic Information

■ **Department of Fine and Applied Art** Japanese Painting Course / Oil Painting Course / Kyoto Art Course / Photography and Video Course / Textiles Course / Mixed Media Course

■ **Department of Manga** Manga Course

■ **Department of Character Design** Character Design Course

■ **Department of Spatial Design** Spatial Design Course / Fashion Design Course

■ **Department of Product Design** Product Design Course

■ **Department of Environmental Design** Architecture, Interior and Environmental Design Course

■ **Department of Performing Art** Directing and Acting Course / Stage Design Course

■ **Department of Information Design** Visual Communication Design Course / Illustration Course

/ X tech Design Course

■ **Department of Film Production** Film Production Course / Film Acting Course

■ **Department of Creative Writing** Creative Writing Course

■ **Department of Art Studies and Cultural Production** Art Studies and Cultural Production Course

■ **Department of Art and Child Studies** Art and Child Studies Course

■ **Department of Historical Heritage** Conservation of Cultural Property and Historical Culture Studies Course

● Graduate School

Art and Cultural Field / Historical Heritage Research Field / Fine and Applied Arts Field
Design Field / Environmental Design Field

Undergraduate

<http://www.kyoto-art.ac.jp/en/academics/undergraduate/faculty-of-art-and-design/>

Graduate

<http://www.kyoto-art.ac.jp/en/academics/graduate/studies/>

Partner Universities

<http://www.kyoto-art.ac.jp/en/international/partnered/#partnered>

Application Deadlines

October 15th, 2022 for Spring Semester (April 2023 – July/August 2023)

April 15th, 2023 for Fall Semester (September 2023 – January/February 2024)

Required Documents

Please submit the following documents to International Center at KUA by the deadline.

1. Application Form for an Exchange Student
2. Skill Sheet (prescribed in Application Form)
3. Health Check Sheet (prescribed in Application Form)
4. Curriculum Vitae
5. Letter of Motivation (Including study / research plan at KUA)
6. Letter of Recommendation by professor of your home institution
7. Academic Transcript
8. Passport Copy
9. Portfolio - Online or PDF.

Accommodation

Unfortunately we do not have our own dormitory. Exchange students need to find the accommodation by themselves. International Center will provide the information of the accommodation in Kyoto (weekly apartment, guesthouses and off campus student house etc.).

Academic Hours (Time table)

1 st Period:	9:30-10:50	4 th Period:	15:10-16:30
2 nd Period:	11:10-12:30	5 th Period:	16:50-18:10
3 rd Period:	13:30-14:50	6 th Period:	18:20-19:40

Language and Courses

The exchange students are required the basic language skill of Japanese to apply for exchange program at KUA.

All classes **are taught in Japanese only** and we do not have any classes taught in English. Most of the exchange students who do not speak Japanese well take the studio classes (instead of the lecture classes).

The studio classes for exchange students are also limited depending on their Japanese skills. The class list for each exchange student will be provided before they arrive in Kyoto.

Exchange students need to consult with their supervisors about the classes at KUA, upon their arrival, which should be decided basically from your accepted department classes and Liberal arts classes.

Considering the available classes at KUA and daily life in Japan, **we strongly recommend that exchange students learn basic Japanese skill before coming to study at KUA.**

Credits and Contact hours

[Bachelor]

1 Credit for studio class = 20 teaching hours (1200 minutes)

1 Credit for lecture class = 10 teaching hours (600 minutes)

* Normally 1 studio class has 2 credits = 40 hours
= 80 minutes x 2 times/week x 15 weeks/semester

Average credits point that past exchange students earn per semester at KUA

: 6-10 credits (3-5 classes of studio courses)

* If exchange student has Japanese language skill, he/she can add 2-4 more credits of lecture classes.

*We do not have any official transfer system to ECTS, but it is assumed that our 1 credit is nearly equal to 2 ECTS undergraduate program.

[Master]

Exchange students are able to take **4 credits** per semester that is one seminar/research class only. Seminar/research classes do not have specific timetable, so the students study by themselves under the supervision of the professors.

*Regular students are required to gain 32 credits for obtaining master degree for two years.

Academic Transcripts

We will issue the academic transcripts for the exchange students and send them to the international office at their home university.

Grading System

Grade	S	:	100-90 points	[Excellent]
Grade	A	:	89-80 points	[Good]
Grade	B	:	79-70 points	[Average]
Grade	C	:	69-60 points	[Satisfactory]
Grade	D	:	59-0 points	[Fail]

When the transcript is reached to their home university

Spring Semester	:	Middle of September
Fall Semester	:	Middle of March

Useful Links

Visa	https://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html
Residence Card (Immigration)	http://www.immi-moj.go.jp/newimmiact_1/en/index.html
Student Guide to Japan	http://www.jasso.go.jp/en/study_j/sqti.html
Kyoto Information	http://www.kcif.or.jp/en

※ Points of Attention Regarding Covid-19

Practical classes are basically face-to-face, but they will switch Online if the infection spreads quickly. In that case, you will need more Japanese language ability than before.