**Ryukoku University**

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| About partner | About partner | With its roots dating from 1639, Ryukoku University is one of the oldest Universities in Japan. Founded on the principles of Jodo Shinshu Buddhism, the University today has seven faculties ranging from the humanities to the natural sciences. Boasting a student population of approximately 20,000 spread over three unique, attractive and accessible campuses in the ancient capital of Kyoto and neighboring Shiga, the university continues to preserve the past while at the same time press the boundaries of knowledge into the future.  Ryukoku University has kept the international aspect in its field of view and has fostered sound bearers of knowledge that embody the founding spirit of the university. At the same time, the university has developed diverse and advanced academic research, and has contributed to society. Since Ryukoku University has developed in this way, the mission it must fulfil and the roles it must play are greater today than they were in the past. |
|  | About [partner city] | For over one thousand years, Kyoto was the capital of Japan and the heart of Japanese culture and politics. Kyoto is unique even within Japan as it was virtually untouched during World War II, leaving a myriad of temples, shrines and castles intact. This legacy has been recognised by UNESCO and 20% of Japan’s national treasures and 15% of the country’s cultural properties can be found in Kyoto.  Nearly 40 million tourists visit Kyoto each year to savor its treasures and pleasures, and to seek the essence of all that is traditionally Japanese. |
|  | Did you know? [fun fact about partner] | The university has in its possession over two million manuscripts with the oldest dating back to 1120. |
| Academic information | Main areas of study | * Letters * Economics * Business Administration * Law * Policy Science * Sociology * Science and Technology * Intercultural Communication * Agriculture   **Note**   * The listed areas of study are not necessarily exhaustive and other fields of study might also be available at the partner institution. Moreover, names for fields of study may be different overseas. * A discipline being listed does not in indicate the suitability of the program, nor does it indicate that the discipline is taught in English. * Approval to study particular subjects at any institution is always at the discretion of the departmental/discipline and faculty advisors at RMIT University and subject to available places at the host institution. |
|  | Language requirements | Language of instruction: Japanese/English. |
|  | Full time load [Equivalent to 96 RMIT Credit Points] | Students’ completion of the JCLP program will be recognized when they have studied in the program for one year and completed at least 32 credits (24 credits for compulsory Japanese language subjects and 8 credits for compulsory elective subjects). |
|  | Link to courses | <http://intl.ryukoku.ac.jp/english/html/s_jclp_01.html> |
| Living | Accommodation | Exchange students are placed in one of four university dormitories, the Ryukoku Kaikan, Mukaijima Gakusei Center, Lumiere Mamiya or Omiya-so.  There is a receptionist present and Japanese student tutors in each dorm to help you during your stay. |
|  | Health insurance | For students staying in Japan for at least one year, you must take out the Japanese National Health Insurance (approximately ¥18,000 a year). You can apply for this after your arrival in Japan.  For students staying less than one year, you can either use the Japanese insurance or overseas health insurance from your home country. |
|  | Living cost | A number of external services provide comprehensive overviews of global living costs, for example:   * [www.expatistan.com](http://www.expatistan.com) * [www.numbeo.com](http://www.numbeo.com)   **Note**  RMIT University is not affiliated with any of these page |
| Funding Opportunities | OS-HELP information | [OS-HELP Information page](http://www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships/os-help) |
|  | Link to scholarships page? | [All travel scholarships](http://www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships/travel) |
| Useful information | Link to partner exchange page | <http://intl.ryukoku.ac.jp/english/html/s_exchange_02.html> |
|  | Visa | To receive your student visa from your Embassy, you need a Certificate of Eligibility. The Ryukoku International Center will apply for this (in Japan) on your behalf after we have received all of your required application documents.  Once the request is complete, it generally takes 6-8 weeks for the Certificate to be issued, so be sure to submit all your materials as soon as possible to avoid lengthy delays. |