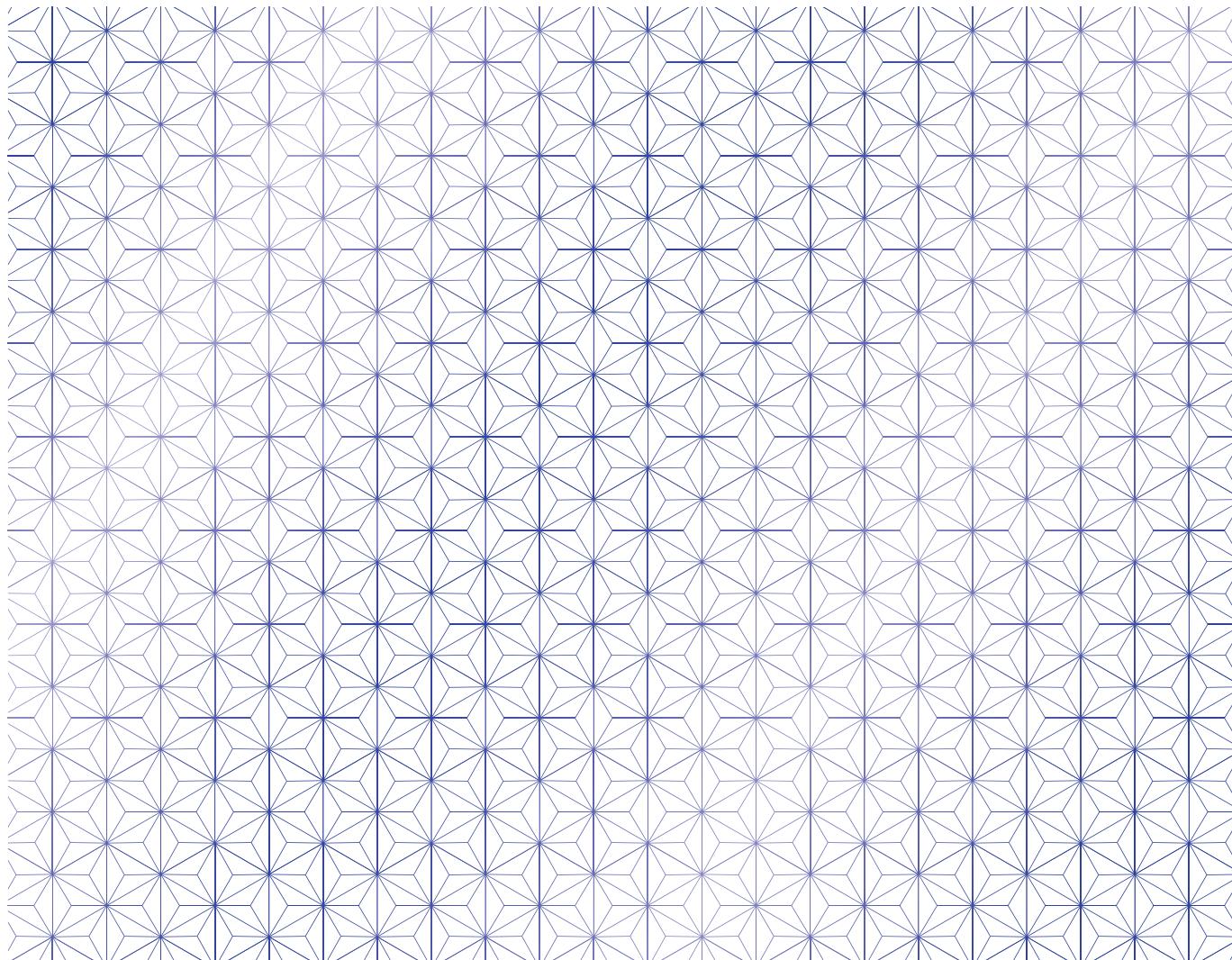


Pride of Osaka

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The word *omoshiroi* means "interesting" in Japanese,
but *omoroi* in the Osaka dialect takes this idea even further.
Omoroi encompasses the emotions of excitement, curiosity,
and anticipation all in one word.



OMOROI OSAKA



Osaka, Japan

The city of Osaka, the capital of Osaka Prefecture, is one of the biggest metropolitan areas in Japan. Though the prefecture itself is the second smallest in Japan, it ranks second economically, and has the third highest population in Japan. About ten percent of all foreign residents make Osaka their home, and it is the second most popular destination for study abroad students. It is the center of the Kansai region: an area composed of Osaka, Kyoto, and several other prefectures, and has fast, efficient public transport to travel quickly to and from the surrounding areas. Despite being a sprawling metropolis, The Economist's Intelligence Unit ranked Osaka third in the world in their Safe Cities Index in 2015.

Welcome to Osaka

A Gateway to Asia and the World

The artificial island that houses Kansai International Airport was the first 24-hour airport in Japan. It is an architectural marvel, and many world famous engineers and architects come even today to study its construction. It was built to further connect Japan internationally and domestically, and currently holds the record for the most LCC airlines flying in and out of its terminals in Japan. These budget flights make traveling all over the country a breeze, and the airport remains popular for tourists looking to hop around the island. You can also catch a flight from the nearby Osaka (Itami) Airport as well!



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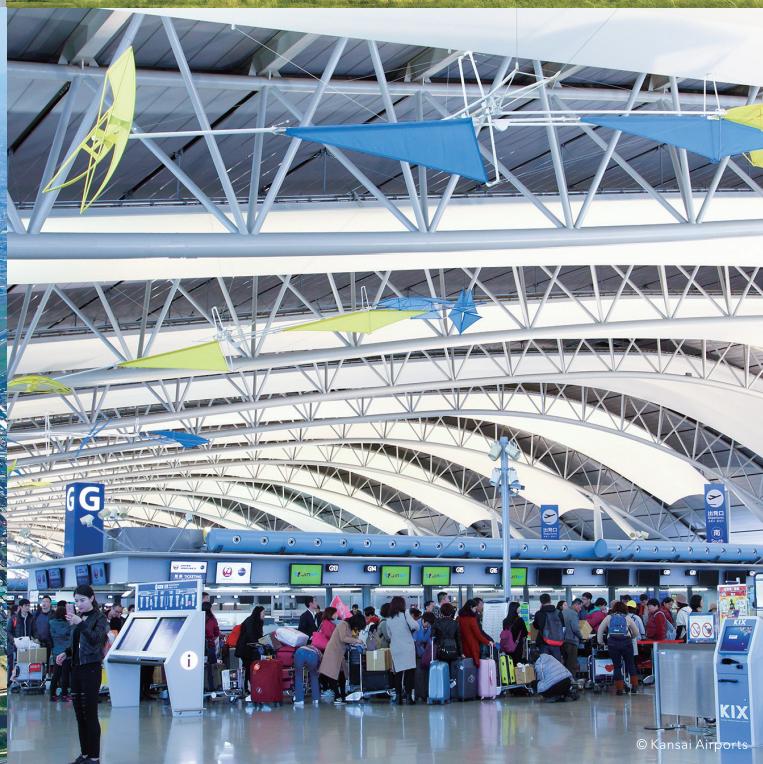
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From Kansai Airport to the City

Osaka's *Rapi:t* Train Operated between KIX and Namba in Just 38 Minutes

Osaka has a sound infrastructure, with multiple train lines, a monorail, a subway system, buses and friendly taxis that create a network of connectivity all over Osaka. You can even set your watch to our transportation network, as Japan's train service in particular is famous for always being on time! Just a quick ride from the airport will bring you to Namba, one of Osaka's largest metropolitan areas in southern Osaka.



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Minami (South) Area

Traditional Osakan Culture, Entertainment, and Cuisine

A mix of the old world and modern, you can experience the traditional taste of Osaka and modern attitude in the South Area. Also known as the Osaka's entertainment district, you can feel the passion of Osaka in its many restaurants, nightclubs, arcades, shopping districts, and live comedy and music performances. You can even take a tour down its famous canal, or duck into a local place for to sample some fugu.



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Kita (North) Area

Modern Shopping, Art and Architecture with a Traditional Twist

You can discover the traditional scholar in yourself at the many museums and libraries in the Nakanoshima area, visit Tekijuku, one of Japan's oldest historical schools, or see the Osaka University Nakanoshima Center. For a taste of the fast-paced modern youth culture of Japan, Umeda, the center of Osaka, is just a quick train ride away. There, you can enjoy trendy shopping malls, amazing restaurants, and a multitude of sights and sounds.





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Rooted in Kaitokudo and Tekijuku and founded through
the passion of the people of Osaka,
Osaka University has defined *omoroi* since its founding in 1931.
With three campuses located in Suita, Toyonaka, and Minoh,
as well as a number of research institutes and centers,
Osaka University has remained as "omoroi" as ever in the twenty-first century and beyond.



OMOROI UNIVERSITY

Osaka University

Your Brand New Day Starts Here

Osaka University is located in northern Osaka, with its three campuses in Suita, Toyonaka, and Minoh cities. It is located just outside of the city center, and offers easy access to Osaka (Itami) Airport, the monorail, and the bullet train at Shin-Osaka Station. With its 11 schools, 16 graduate schools, 25 research institutes, four libraries, and two university hospitals, you can be sure that as a comprehensive research university it has anything and everything you ever wanted to study, including breakthroughs in cutting edge research and technology you may have never even dreamt about! Researchers and students from all over the world are welcome, and Osaka University has its doors open wide for you!





Suita Campus

Innovative Campus

Suita campus, the largest of the three campuses and the headquarters of Osaka University, is adjacent to the north edge of Expo '70 Commemorative Park. A large number of industry-university joint projects are conducted here, and it also houses numerous world renowned research institutes, schools, and graduate schools in addition to two university hospitals. Considered to be the center of innovation at Osaka University, you will find numerous opportunities for research, learning, and collaboration in our numerous centers and facilities here.

Collaborative Space, Center for Gender Equality Promotion



Toyonaka Campus

Vibrant Campus

The Main Library, the Museum of Osaka University, five schools and eight graduate schools are located on our Toyonaka campus. It is always bustling with students, and is considered our most lively campus. It is a great place to find friends and get in touch with the community! First and second year undergraduate students spend most of their time on this campus studying general education at the Center for Education in Liberal Arts and Sciences, and a number of graduate students and researchers study and work at the numerous graduate schools and research institutes on the campus.



Minoh Campus

Global Campus

The Minoh campus located in a peaceful area in northern Osaka. It is home to 25 language departments in our School of Foreign Studies, each of which has native speakers to guide students in language acquisition. This campus is one of the two national center for Japanese language studies. Here, you can make connections with people from all over the world!

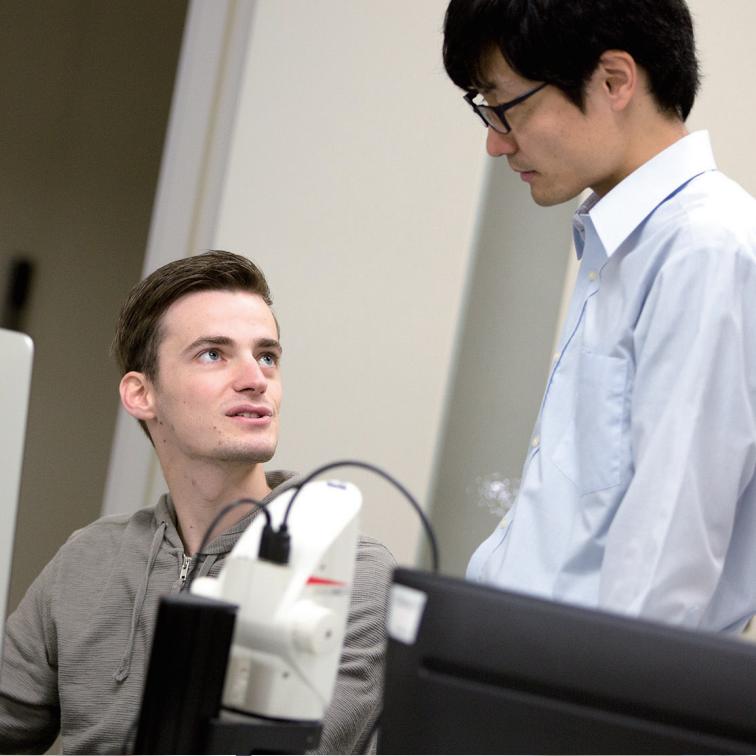
The word *omoroï* can take on many different meanings,
like "interesting," "exciting," and even "funny."

But the pride that Osaka University students and researchers take in
their research is no laughing matter.

Omoroi research is performed every day at Osaka University,
in the hope that new discoveries made at the university will make the world a happier place.



OMOROI RESEARCH



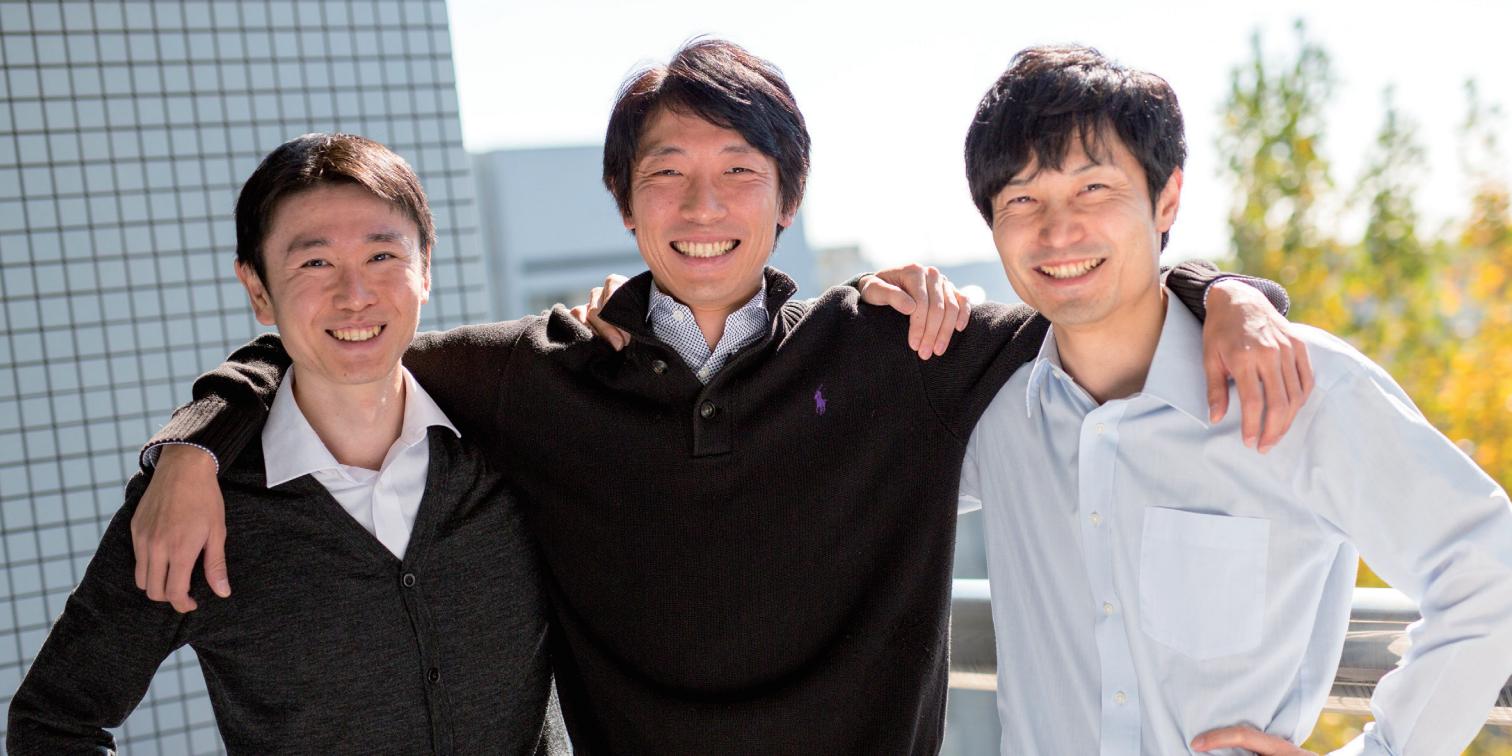


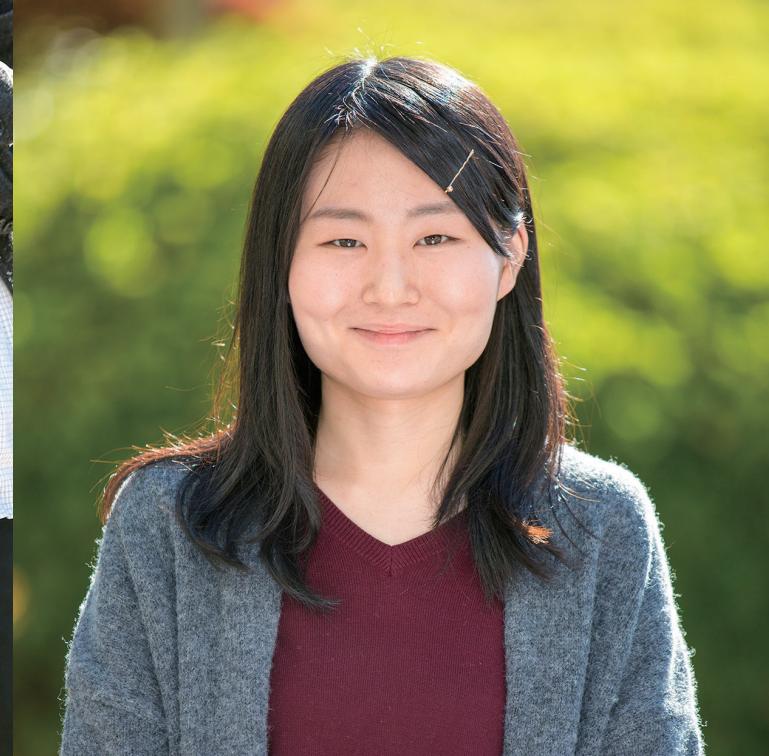
A university is nothing without its people,
and Osaka University is comprised of a diverse group of
omoroï individuals from all over the world.

With so many cultures, backgrounds, and ways of thinking all in one place,
Osaka University provides an enriching environment for both education and research.

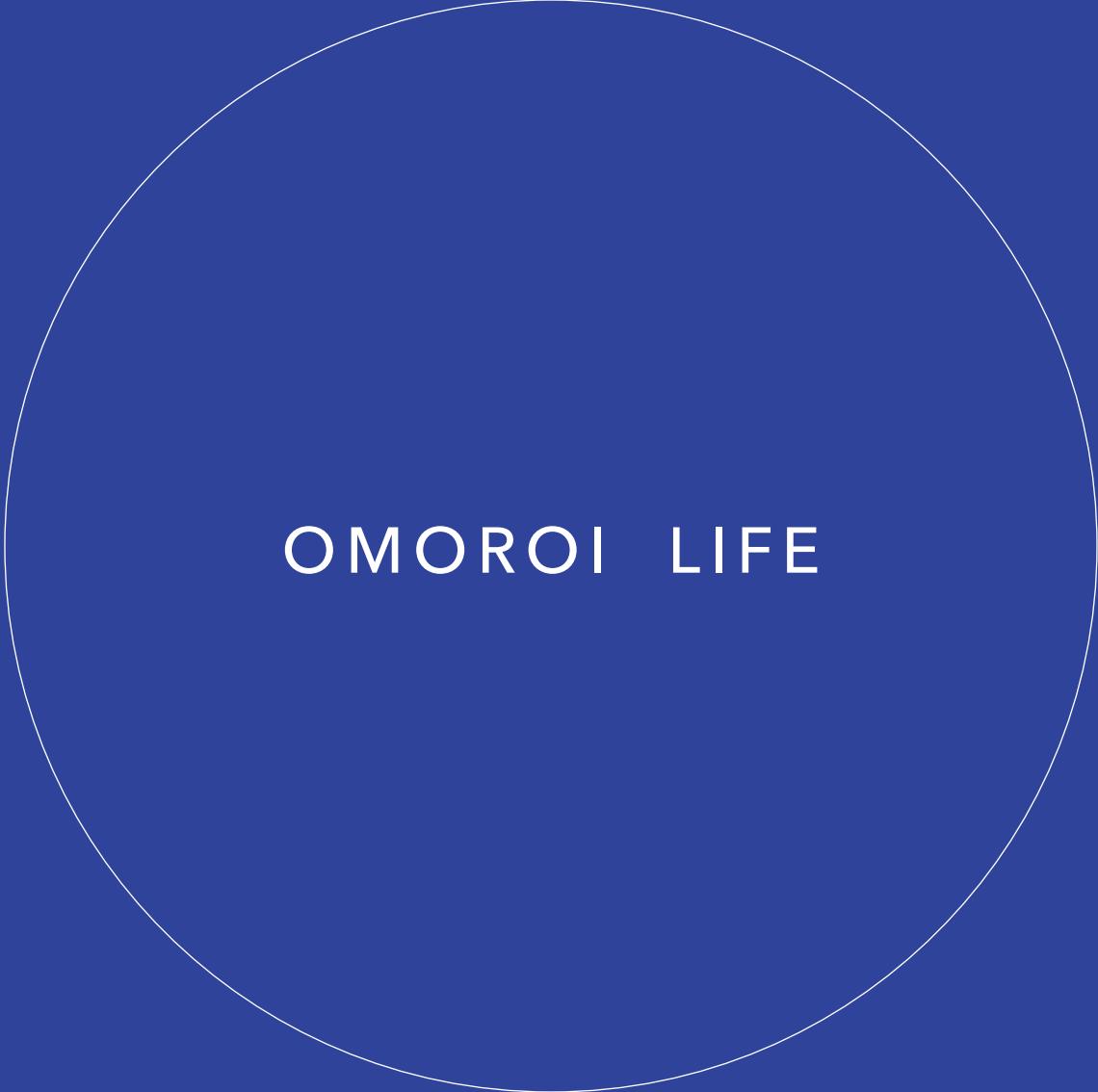


OMOROI PEOPLE





Life in Osaka is as *omoroï* as it gets.
From the local flavor around the university to a dynamic urban scene in
Osaka city and the surrounding Kansai area,
there's never a dull moment for members of the Osaka University Family.



OMOROI LIFE



Ishibashi Shopping Street

Friendly, Close, Convenient

The Ishibashi Shopping Street is just a 15-minute walk from our Toyonaka campus! It is a cozy, old-style shopping street, and very popular with our students and faculty. There are many stores, cafes, bars, and restaurants, as well as general stores for your campus life. All customers are considered "family" by the vendors, and are not shy about striking up conversations or being friendly and accommodating.



Osaka, the Kitchen of Japan

The Best Food Japan Has to Offer

Taste takoyaki and okonomiyaki, the traditional dishes of Osaka, or titillate your taste buds with dishes from all over Japan and our international fusion cuisine. Food culture is Osaka, and the restaurants on campus are no exception. There are more than 20 restaurants, cafes, and even a fresh bakery spread out over our three campuses. You will always have a variety of choice, whether you are craving Japanese food or cuisines from around the world! We also have a selection of Halal meals. Students rave about the quality of our dishes. Please do try our campus specialty, Tenshin-mabo: a topping of mabodofu over fried tenshinhan.

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Tenshin-mabo

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Life in Osaka

Support at Osaka University

Anyone moving to a new place is sure to have concerns. At Osaka University, we minimize those concerns and get you settled with orientations and counselors for dealing with daily life and issues in Japan. Notices, documents, and campus help is available in English and Japanese. We also hold numerous networking events for researchers, exchange students, and Japanese students, and people in the community to mingle and become friends. In addition, there are also dormitories and living spaces available on campus complete with staff on hand to support all aspects of your life on campus.

Osaka "Omoroi" Data Data listed below are prefectural data.

2 Airports — *Convenient access from both inside Japan and overseas!*

8,832,084 Population (3rd in Japan) — *Enough people to go around the Caspian Sea twice!*

18,411 International Students (2nd in Japan) — *A popular study abroad location!*

7,164,679 Inbound Tourists — *That's as many tourists as two World Cups!*

55 Universities (2nd in Japan) — *Osaka takes higher education seriously!*

376,000 Entrepreneurs (2nd in Japan) — *Osaka's merchant spirit is alive and well!*

3rd Safest City* in the World — *No need to worry about getting around at night!* * City data

2,850 Okonomiyaki, Takoyaki Restaurants (1st in Japan) — *No wonder it's called the "Kitchen of Japan!"*

2 Soccer Teams — *Osaka's got its own rivalry!*

1,115 Public Baths (6th in Japan) — *That's more than one every two square kilometers!*

2 Ferry Ports / **6** Destinations — *Osaka's location makes sea travel a breeze, even to places like China and Korea!*

8 Ferris Wheels — *The Redhorse OSAKA WHEEL is the tallest in Japan at 123 meters. It's also the fifth tallest in the world!*

A **2.6** km Shopping Street — *The longest in Japan, Tenjinbashiuji Shopping Street has about 600 shops!*

Osaka Firsts

Osaka is home to a number of firsts, like the first comedy school in Japan, Yoshimoto Kogyo's New Star Creation (NSC).

Some world firsts in Osaka include the first automatic ticket gate (Kita-senri Station), the first commodity futures exchange (Dojima Rice Exchange), the first cup noodle (NISSIN), and the first packaged food product (Bon Curry, Otsuka Foods).

Come find your OMOROI at Osaka University.



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