

Osaka University International Certificate Program 2023 Application Guidelines



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1. Program

- ✓ Osaka University International Certificate Program (OUICP) is an educational program in collaboration with Osaka University Joint Campus counterparts in ASEAN Countries. OUICP has six programs. Please refer to "5. course information" on page 7 for details about each program.
- ✓ Osaka University (OU) issues a certificate upon successful completion of the program on a specific field with 6 to 8 credits.
- ✓ OUICP is for Graduate students of Joint Campus counterpart universities and working people (non-students) who have received at least a bachelor's degree.
- ✓ The program starts in **December 2023** and ends in **August 2024**.
- ✓ Participants are required to take Practical Study Abroad (PSA) courses and study at OU for at least 60 days(This period does not include travel days) in one or more of preferable term(s)*. (For 2023-2024)
***Winter Term (February 1 – March 31) / Spring Term (April 1 – May 31) / Summer Term (June 1 – July 31 or July1 – August31)**
**** Please make sure to come to Japan before the beginning date.**

● Program Details

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| Applicable exchange agreements | Active university-wide agreement |
| Campuses | Toyonaka, Suita or Minoh |
| Study type | Participants can take lectures and earn credits at Osaka University Joint Campus throughout the year. While studying at OU, participants take one or more of the PSA courses composed of laboratory work, field study and internship. |
| Medium of language | English |
| Duration | From December 2023 to the end of August 2024. (Participants are required to stay in Japan for at least 60 days(This period does not include travel days) and must complete the PSA courses at OU). |
| Eligibility | Graduate students of Joint Campus counterpart universities, and working people who have received at least a bachelor's degree are eligible. *Graduate students of Joint Campus counterpart universities have to be registered as a student until the end of the program (August 2024). |
| Requirements for "Program Completion Certificate" | Successful completion of 6-8 credits during the program |
| Airport pick-up | Not available - directions and transportation information to the residence hall or university will be distributed. |

● Language Skill

Participants are recommended to have a high proficiency in spoken and written English as shown below.
 TOEFL iBT 80 / IELTS 6.0 or higher
 Cambridge English with CEFR B2 level or higher

2-1. Timetable for entry in December 2023 for PSA Winter term

| Event | Date |
|---|--|
| Home university's nomination deadline | 17 August 2023 |
| Student's online application deadline | 24 August 2023 |
| Notification of admission | Late October 2023 |
| <i>Student's CESR* registration deadline</i> | Non-Japanese participants must obtain a student visa at a Japanese embassy/consulate on their own responsibility. Osaka University Support Office makes a proxy application for a CESR for participants. Participants should apply for their CESR about three months before arrival in Japan. Participant's CESR document will be emailed only to their email address. |
| Accommodation allocation notification | About one month before arrival in Japan |
| Participant's VISA application and Flight booking | Immediately after receiving CESR (About one month before arrival in Japan) |

*CESR (Certificate of Eligibility for Status of Residence) registration can be completed on an independent web page administrated by Osaka University Support Office. (<https://iss-intl.osaka-u.ac.jp/supportoffice/eng/visa/>)

Please note the following deadlines for visiting Japan.

| Study Period in Japan (PSA course term) | CESR registration | Student's arriving itinerary submission | Arrival |
|--|-------------------|--|-------------|
| Winter (1 February 2024 – 31 March 2024) | 2 Nov 2023 | 5 Jan 2024 | 31 Jan 2024 |

2-2. Timetable for entry in December 2023 for PSA Spring / Summer term

| Event | Date |
|---|--|
| Home university's nomination deadline | 1 September 2023 |
| Student's online application deadline | 8 September 2023 |
| Notification of admission | Late November 2023 |
| <i>Student's CESR* registration deadline</i> | Non-Japanese participants must obtain a student visa at a Japanese embassy/consulate on their own responsibility. Osaka University Support Office makes a proxy application for a CESR for participants. Participants should apply for their CESR about three months before arrival in Japan. Participant's CESR document will be emailed only to their email address. |
| Accommodation allocation notification | About one month before arrival in Japan |
| Participant's VISA application and Flight booking | Immediately after receiving CESR (About one month before arrival in Japan) |

Please note the following deadlines for visiting Japan.

| Study Period in Japan (PSA course term) | CESR registration | Student's arriving itinerary submission | Arrival |
|--|-------------------|--|-------------|
| Spring (1 Apr 2024 – 31 May 2024) | 5 Jan 2024 | 5 Mar 2024 | 28 Mar 2024 |
| Summer (1 June 2024 – 31 Jul 2024) | 5 Mar 2024 | 5 May 2024 | 31 May 2024 |

3.Application

● Application materials

Applicants should make sure to submit all the required information and documents to OU through the online application system by the application deadline. Inaccurate or incomplete application and lack of correspondence may result in rejection. **The local program coordinator should register their students on the online application system to let them apply for OUICP.**

This Application Guidelines are also available from the following link.

[Osaka University International Certificate Program 2023 Application Guidelines](#)

URL: https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/action/asean/asean_icp/osaka-university-international-certificate-program

Participants should submit all the required documents listed on the online application system by the deadline.

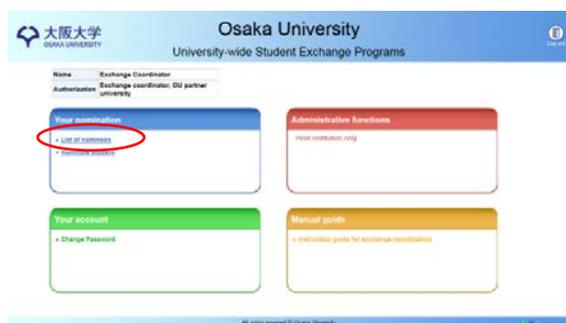
For working people (non-students) who want to participate in OUICP, please contact the International Student Affairs Division of OU in advance.

< International Student Affairs Division: intl-inbound@office.osaka-u.ac.jp >

【For Local Program Coordinator】

● Online Nomination

Please use online portal to nominate students. A login ID (with initial password), web site URL and other important information will be emailed to the registered coordinators of our partner universities in July. The email includes the password for your students to start their online application.



New partners will be requested to complete initial user authentication to receive a coordinator's ID and password. When you log on the web page with your ID and password to nominate students, the following details of the students will be required. A single nomination account is created for an institution.

● Required student details

Please have the following information with you when you nominate students.

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| Student's name |
| Student's E-mail (Valid and Active) |
| Passport country/citizenship |
| Current degree pursued at home university |
| Date of admission to the current degree program at home university (yyyy-mm) |
| Estimated date of graduation from home university AFTER intended exchange period at Osaka (yyyy-mm) |
| Proposed OU program – Choose “OUICP” for the Osaka University International Certificate Program |
| Student status – Choose “Credit-based postgraduate student (Special Auditor)” |
| Intended exchange period – Choose “Full academic year” |
| Priority Ranking |

Please complete your nomination with 'register' button at the bottom of the page.

● Student's authentication password

When your registration is submitted online, students will receive an automatic message with a web link. However, the email does NOT contain the preliminary authentication password. Nominated students will have to access the website with the student password you give them. **The student password is given by email which will be sent directly to a coordinator.**

When the authentication succeeds, students will receive an automatic confirmation email with a unique ID, password and web link for application. Then students can log on their own application web page and start with their application by filling in the online form and uploading PDF documents. **In case your student did not receive an automatic e-mail, please change his or her e-mail address to new one on your T-cens website.**

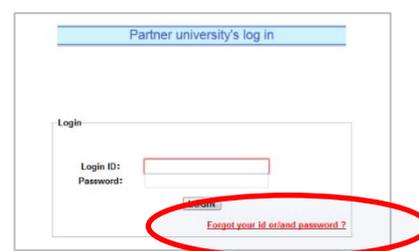
● Check your students' application progress

Student's application has three stages from STEP 1 (admission application), STEP 2 (offer acceptance and accommodation application) to STEP 3 (arriving itinerary and emergency contact). When it proceeds to next step, an email alert will be sent to the registered coordinator's email.

You can check your student's application status and documents from the coordinator's web page at any times. Please log on the coordinator's page with your user ID and password and go to 'list of nominees'.

● ID/password lost?

If you lose your user ID and/or password, please access the log-in screen and click on the web link in red.



【For Students】

● Official Nomination

Prospective incoming participants to OU must go through a selection process by the local program coordinator and receive nomination from home institution. OU does not accept direct application of participants.

● Application Process

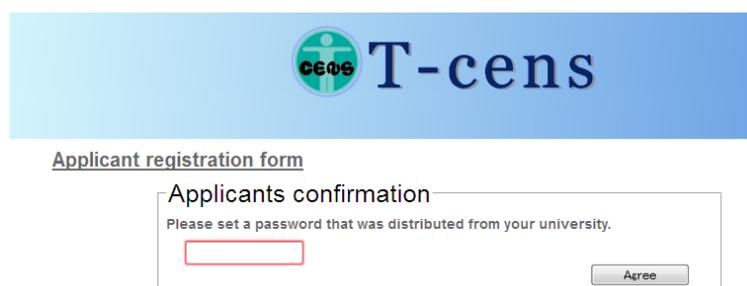
When your online nomination is completed by the local program coordinator of your home university, you will receive;

- 1) Student authentication password from the local program coordinator of your university
- 2) Email of registration notification with authentication web page URL (to your contact email your coordinator has registered.)

Once you have both, you can go to the web page to be authenticated and get your own ID and password to log on your personal web page to apply for an OU exchange program. Your user ID and password will be sent by email if the authentication succeeds.

Please make sure to set up the filter to receive e-mails from T-cens.support@studentexchange.osaka-u.ac.jp.

● Initial Authentication Process

A screenshot of the T-cens website. At the top, there is a blue header with the T-cens logo and the text "T-cens". Below the header, there is a section titled "Applicant registration form". Underneath, there is a sub-section titled "Applicants confirmation" with the instruction "Please set a password that was distributed from your university." and a password input field. An "Agree" button is visible at the bottom right of the form.

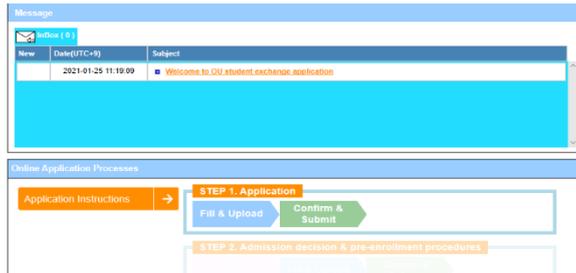
When you receive an email ([OsakaU] Request for initial authentication - Student Exchange Programs), please access the URL given in the email and enter the password you have received from your local program coordinator.

When authentication succeeds, you will receive another email from the system. Please check your email and find your ID, password and URL. (Authentication process is only one-time - you do not have to do it again.)

● Log-in

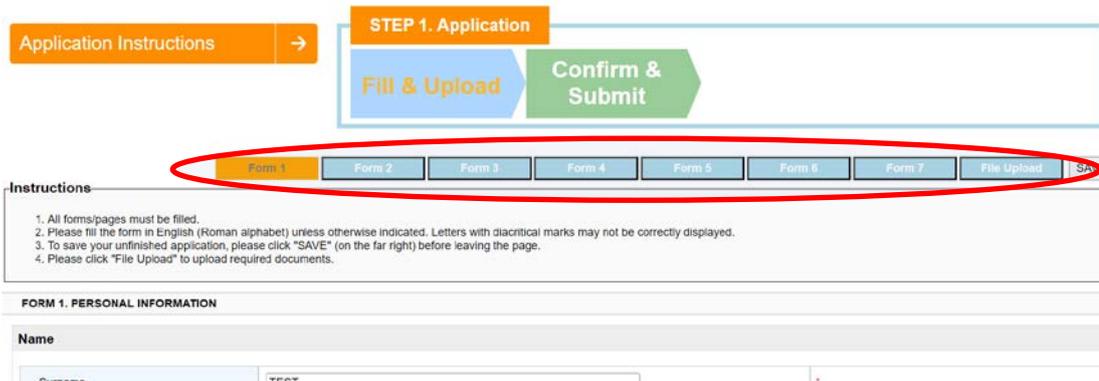


Please copy & paste the web link and go to log-in page.

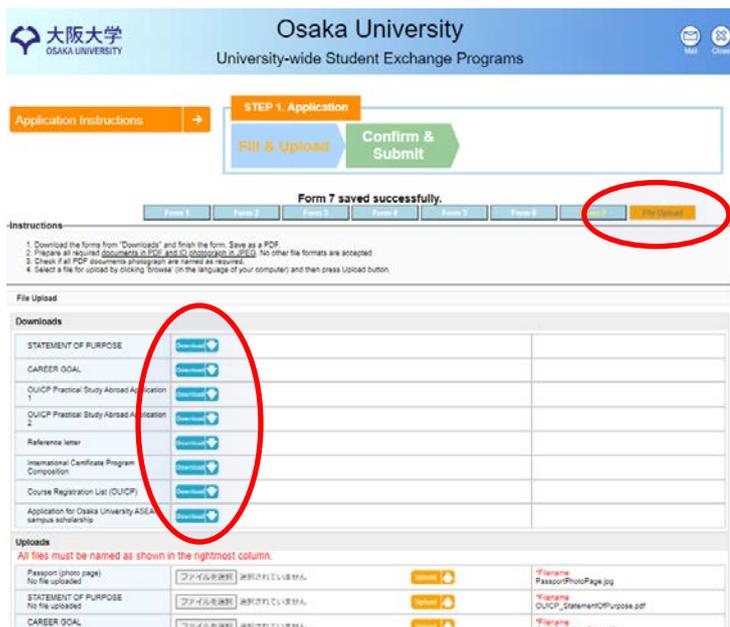


You will see your message box on the top. When a message is sent from OU, you will receive an e-mail. Please be sure to log on and check the new message when you receive it. We will send the important information through the message system.

● Application



Please fill in all the forms using the form tabs on the top right.



Before uploading documents, you will have to download several forms (MSWord/ MSeXcel).

● Notification of Admission

Notification of admission will be sent on your application web page after the decision has been made.

As the enrolment timing and duration will not be flexible after you receive an offer, please be sure to apply for the right admission cycle with right period of exchange.

Participants should proceed to apply for CESR after they receive the admission notification.

Application for CESR must be made from the web page of Osaka University Support Office. Upon receiving the CESR, the participants have to apply for the "Student visa" to the local Japanese embassy or consulate.

● Notes

- Participants must be a citizen, legal resident or visa holder in the country/region of home university. Participants with Japanese citizenship can be considered if they are mainly educated outside of Japan.
- Suitable conditions of physical, mental and social health to study abroad are necessary.
- In case the number of applicants exceeds the capacity, the number of participants may be limited after our selection process.
- The OU grades release is after mid-September for spring / summer term, and mid-April for winter term. If you are a final year student, please be reminded that the grade release timing is not negotiable as it tends to involve many different academic schools and departments.
- If you are an international student, please double-check that you have a relevant visa with a sufficient validity period to study at home university and that you are eligible and guaranteed to re-enter the country of home university.

4.General Information

| UNIVERSITY AND CONTACT INFORMATION | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Name of University | Osaka University 大阪大学 |
| University website | http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/ |
| Campus location | Suita, Toyonaka & Minoh, Osaka, Japan |
| Campus map | http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/access/for_print |

| COSTS | |
|----------------------|---|
| Tuition | OU tuition fee is waived (via a relevant student exchange agreement). Participants in the program exceeding the maximum number of incoming student exchange agreement and working people (non-students) will pay the following fees to Osaka University. Enrollment Fee: 28,200 yen Examination Fee: 9,800 yen Tuition Fee: 14,400 yen per credit |
| Insurance(mandatory) | [After arriving in Japan] -Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research (PAS) (1,000 yen/ 1 year). -Comprehensive Insurance for Students Live Coupled with Gakkensai(1,870 yen / 2 months or 2400yen / 3months) [Before coming to Japan] -Overseas travel insurance |

5.Course Information

OUICP consists of the following programs.

Halal Science, Technology and Innovation (HaSTI)

| Course Name | Course Affiliation | Credits | | Course Term |
|---|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------------------------|
| | | Required | Optional | |
| Halal Science | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | 1 | | Winter |
| SDGs and Asia-Pacific Region II | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | 1 | | Spring to Summer |
| Laboratory study I (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Laboratory study II (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Laboratory study III (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Field study I (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Field study II (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Field study III (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Internship I (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Internship II (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Internship III (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Advanced Technology for Halalan –Toyyiban | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Spring |
| Product and Service Innovation for Halalan – Toyyiban | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Spring to Summer |
| Halal in Southeast Asia I | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Spring to Summer |
| Halal in Southeast Asia II | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Spring to Summer |
| Halal in Southeast Asia III | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Spring to Summer |
| (SISC) Advanced Chemical Experiment | Graduate School of Science | | 1 | Winter |
| Industry and development in the modernization of Japan: university-industry collaboration | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Winter |
| Diversity and sustainability in food systems | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Spring to Summer |
| An Introduction to Qualitative Research | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Winter/ Spring to Summer |

* Participants have to choose two or three PSA courses.

Advanced Industrial Biotechnology

| Course Name | Course Affiliation | Credits | | Course Term |
|---|--|----------|----------|---|
| | | Required | Optional | |
| OUICP-Fundamentals of Industrial Biotechnology | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | 1 | | Winter |
| SDGs and Asia-Pacific Region II | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | 1 | | Spring to Summer |
| Laboratory study I (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Laboratory study II (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Laboratory study III (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| OUICP-Advanced Biotechnology | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Spring to Summer |
| ESP Frontier Chemistry A | Graduate School of Engineering | | 1 | Winter |
| ESP Frontier Chemistry B | Graduate School of Engineering | | 1 | Spring to Summer |
| International Exchange Special Lecture 2(Bio-Inspired Chemical Engineering 1) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) (Graduate School of Engineering Science) | | 1 | Winter |
| International Exchange Special Lecture 2(Bio-Inspired Chemical Engineering 2) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) Graduate School of Engineering Science | | 1 | Winter |
| Current Topics I | Graduate School of Science | | 1 | Winter |
| Natural Product Chemistry | Graduate School of Science | | 1 | Spring |
| Organic Biochemistry | Graduate School of Science | | 1 | Summer (It has not yet been decided if this course will be offered.) |
| Biomolecular Chemistry | Graduate School of Science | | 1 | Winter |
| Virology A | Graduate School of Medicine | | 1 | Winter |
| Virology B | Graduate School of Medicine | | 1 | Spring to Summer |

* Participants have to choose two or three PSA courses.

Nanoscience and Nanotechnology as Manufacturing Core

| Course Name | Course Affiliation | Credits | | Course Term |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------------------|
| | | Required | Optional | |
| Nanoscience and Nanotechnology | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | 1 | | Winter |
| SDGs and Asia-Pacific Region II | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | 1 | | Spring to Summer |
| Laboratory study I (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter / Spring / Summer |
| Laboratory study II (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter / Spring / Summer |
| Laboratory study III (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter / Spring / Summer |
| Internship I (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter / Spring / Summer |
| International Exchange Special Lecture 2 (International Exchange Lecture on Nanoscience and Nanoengineering A) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Spring |
| International Exchange Special Lecture 2 (International Exchange Lecture on Nanoscience and Nanoengineering B) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Summer |
| International Exchange Special Lecture 2 (International Exchange Lecture on Nanoscience and Nanoengineering C) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Summer |
| Special Lecture on Quantum Simulation I | Graduate School of Engineering | | 1 | Spring |
| Tutorial on Computational Nano-material Design | Graduate School of Engineering | | 1 | Winter |
| Industry and development in the modernization of Japan University-industry collaboration | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | | 1 | Winter |

* Participants have to choose two or three PSA courses.

Frontier Engineering Science: An Introduction through STEM-Centered Learning

| Course Name | Course Affiliation | Credits | | Course Term |
|--|--|----------|----------|--------------------------|
| | | Required | Optional | |
| Engineering Science: A First Step | Graduate School of Engineering Science | 1 | | Winter |
| SDGs and Asia-Pacific Region II | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | 1 | | Spring to Summer |
| Laboratory study I (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Laboratory study II (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Laboratory study III(PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Topics in Engineering Science 1 (Materials Engineering Science) | Graduate School of Engineering Science | | 1 | Winter |
| Topics in Engineering Science 2 (Mechanical Science and Bioengineering) | Graduate School of Engineering Science | | 1 | Spring |
| Topics in Engineering Science 3 (System Innovation) | Graduate School of Engineering Science | | 1 | Spring |
| Introduction to Chemical Engineering Science : Basic and Bio-Inspired Approach | International Exchange Subjects (GI) Graduate School of Engineering Science | | 1 | Winter |
| International Exchange Special Lecture 2(Bio-Inspired Chemical Engineering 1) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) Graduate School of Engineering Science | | 1 | Winter |

* Participants have to choose two or three PSA courses.

Introduction to Computational Materials Design

| Course Name | Course Affiliation | Credits | | Course Term |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------------------|
| | | Required | Optional | |
| OUICP-Introduction to computational materials design | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | 1 | | Winter |
| SDGs and Asia Pacific Region II | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | 1 | | Summer |
| Laboratory study I (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Laboratory study II (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Winter/ Spring/Summer |
| Tutorials on Computational Nano-Materials Design I | Graduate School of Engineering | | 1 | Winter |
| Topics in Quantum Simulations I | Graduate School of Engineering | | 1 | Spring |
| Topics in Quantum Simulations II | Graduate School of Engineering | | 1 | Summer |
| Solid State Physics | Graduate School of Engineering | | 2 | Spring to Summer |
| Selected Topics in Quantum Physics of Solids | Graduate School of Engineering | | 2 | Spring to Summer |
| Solid State Theory I | Graduate School of Science | | 2 | Spring to Summer |

* Participants have to choose two PSA courses.

Frontiers in Medical Physics and Medical Imaging

| Course Name | Course Affiliation | Credits | | Course Term |
|--|--|----------|----------|------------------|
| | | Required | Optional | |
| Advanced radiation treatment and nuclear medicine | Graduate school of medicine(master course) | 1 | | Winter to Spring |
| SDGs and Asia Pacific Region II | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | 1 | | Spring to Summer |
| Laboratory study I (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Spring/Summer |
| Laboratory study II (PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Spring/Summer |
| Laboratory study III(PSA) | International Exchange Subjects (GI) | * 1 | | Spring/Summer |
| Advanced medical imaging | Graduate school of medicine(master course) | | 1 | Winter to Spring |
| Radiation physics/chemistry, and radiation detection | Graduate school of medicine(master course) | | 1 | Spring to Summer |
| Radiobiological effects and radiation treatment | Graduate school of medicine(master course) | | 1 | Spring to Summer |
| Internship I | Graduate school of medicine(master course) | | 0.5 | Spring to Summer |
| Internship II | Graduate school of medicine(master course) | | 0.5 | Spring to Summer |
| Internship III | Graduate school of medicine(master course) | | 0.5 | Spring to Summer |

*Participants have to choose two or three PSA courses

6. Accommodation

Participants can request university accommodation after they receive notification of acceptance. There are both on-campus and off-campus accommodations as dormitory and flat type. However, due to the limited capacity for exchange students, participants may not be assigned to one of university accommodations. In the event that university accommodation is not available, OU will assist in finding a private and affordable accommodation.

7. Travel and Living Cost

Participants are responsible to bear the international travel and all costs of living in Osaka. The costs include accommodation, utilities, commuting expenses, food, insurances and medical fees, books, stationaries and all other personal expenses. To cover daily living expenses and be prepared for unforeseen costs, participants should secure at least 80,000 yen for a month stay.

8. Scholarships

Osaka University offers a certain number of scholarships to the incoming exchange students. The scholarship will be provided to the limited number of participants of OUICP during their stay in Japan. As the number of scholarship award is limited, students should make an appropriate financial plan (*) without scholarship.

(*)For example, participants need to prepare the bank statement which covers 80,000 yen per month during their stay in Japan for the procedure when coming to Japan. We will guide you regarding the procedures for your coming to Japan.

OU ASEAN Campus SCHOLARSHIP for OUICP

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|-----------------------------------|---|
| AMOUNT OF AWARD | 50,000 JPY per month |
| AWARD PERIOD | Three months at maximum |
| CITIZENSHIP AND VISA REQUIREMENTS | Non-Japanese citizenship with a student ('Ryugaku') visa |
| ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS | Candidate must have received at least a bachelor's degree and equivalent to the JASSO standard GPA 2.30 or higher for past one year and be expected to maintain the same standards during exchange period. In cases where the evaluation is not available in the form of GPA, the candidate's evaluation result must be equivalent or higher at each of the mentioned levels. |
| SELECTION | The decision will be made based on the submitted application documents for the program. |
| RESULTS NOTIFICATION | Notification will be sent by email as soon as the decision is made. |
| HOW TO RECEIVE | Handing over by a supervisor while at OU |
| FIRST DEPOSIT | Approx. one month after arriving in OU |

9. Handling of student's personal information

The applicant's personal data such as name and address will be used only for the purpose of admission. The submitted personal information and documents will be kept strictly confidential.

10. Contact

International Student Affairs Division, Osaka University

Email: intl-inbound<at>office.osaka-u.ac.jp

Office hours: Mon-Fri, 08:30-17:15 (JST)