



Exchange Program Information Sheet

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1. General Information:

Name of university	Doshisha Women's College of Liberal Arts
Website	https://www.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp/english [English] https://www.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp/ [Japanese]
Location/ Address	Kyotanabe Campus: Kodo, Kyotanabe-city, Kyoto 610-0395, JAPAN Imadegawa Campus: Teramachi Nishiiru, Imadegawa-dori, Kamigyoku, Kyoto-city, Kyoto 602-0893, JAPAN
Language of instruction	Japanese/English
Brief introduction	Doshisha Girl's School was established in Kyoto in 1876 by Joseph Hardy Neesima, his wife Yae, an American missionary Alice J. Starkweather, and others. This school was chartered by Japan's government as a four year university status institution in 1949. It was then renamed Doshisha Women's College of Liberal Arts. Maintaining a history of constant innovation, the college today is a leading institution in women's higher education in Japan with approximately 6,600 students studying in eleven departments, one postgraduate certificate program and five graduate schools. ■ Undergraduate Level: Faculty of Liberal Arts -- Kyotanabe Campus - Department of Music - Department of Media - Department of International Studies Faculty of Contemporary Social Studies -- Kyotanabe Campus - Department of Social System Studies - Department of Childhood Studies Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences -- Kyotanabe Campus - Department of Clinical Pharmacy Faculty of Nursing -- Kyotanabe Campus - Department of Nursing Faculty of Culture and Representation -- Imadegawa Campus - Department of English - Department of Japanese Language and Literature Faculty of Human Life and Science -- Imadegawa Campus

	Department of Human Life Studies Department of Food Science and Nutrition ■ Graduate Level: Literary Studies -- Imadegawa Campus (English and Japanese Studies) and Kyotanabe Campus (Information and Culture Studies) English (M.A. and Ph. D.) Japanese Studies (M.A. and Ph. D.) Information and Culture Studies (M.A.) International Social Systems Studies -- Kyotanabe Campus International Social Systems Studies (M.A.) Pharmaceutical Sciences Clinical Pharmaceutical Sciences -- Kyotanabe Campus Clinical Pharmaceutical Sciences (Ph. D.) Human Life and Science-- Imadegawa Campus Life Style Design Studies (M.A.) Food Science and Nutrition Studies (M.S.) Nursing Science -- Kyotanabe Campus Nursing Science (M.S. and Ph. D.)
Numbers of exchange quota	One (1) to three (3) one-year students per year, depending on the home institution. One (1) one-year student is equivalent to two (2) one-semester students.

2. Academic Options:

Exchange students have the following three options for course arrangement.

Option 1	[For students with JLPT N1 or equivalent]
Regular Courses	Regular Courses for 24 credits per semester (12 classes per week) [For students with JLPT N2/N3 or equivalent] 1. Japanese Language Course for eight credits per semester (Four classes per week) 2. Comprehensive Japanese and Japanese Affairs Course for two credits per semester (One class per week), and 3. Regular courses for 14 credits per semester (Seven classes per week)
Option 2	[For students from English speaking countries with limited Japanese proficiency]
Japanese Studies Program	* Students from non-English Speaking Countries with high English proficiency may be accepted too. * Japanese Studies Program (JSP) is a fall semester program which starts in late-

[JSP] <i>Fall Semester Only</i>	September and ends in mid-December. 1. Japanese Language Courses for four credits per semester (Four classes per week) 2. Japanese Culture and Society Courses delivered in English for eight credits (Four classes per week) 3. Along with JSP, students may be allowed to take 1–2 regular courses taught in English for 1-4 credits per semester. For further information of JSP, please visit our website at: https://www.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp/english/school_life/international_exchange_system/international_exchange_system05/js_program
Option 3 Japanese Language Immersion Course [JLIC] <i>Spring Semester Only</i>	[For students with limited Japanese proficiency] 1. Ten 90-minute Japanese Language Classes per week [Non credit courses] This program consists of two four week terms, one of which is from mid-May to mid-June, and the other is from mid-June to mid-July. 2. Along with Japanese Language Classes, students may be allowed to take 1–3 regular courses taught in English for 1-6 credits per semester. For further information of JLIC, please visit our website at: https://www.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp/english/school_life/international_exchange_system/international_exchange_system05/concentrated_course
Note: 1. Japanese Language Courses are undergraduate regular courses offered at <u>Imadegawa Campus</u>. 2. A completion of certificate and transcript will be provided at the end of the program.	

3. Requirements:

GPA	Based on the sending institution's requirements.
Language proficiency test score (e.g. TOEFL, JLPT)	Students need to be sure they can attend either Japanese or English taught courses with the following proficiencies. (1) Regular Courses (Spring/Fall Semesters) Undergraduate Level <u>Japanese Requirement</u> - Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT): N3 or above. If a student has neither taken JLPT nor held N3, a recommendation letter by a professor will be required stating that she has Japanese language proficiency equivalent to N3 or above. Graduate Level <u>Japanese Requirement</u> Students attending Graduate Level courses are required to be certified with the 1st level of the JLPT (Japanese Language Proficiency Test) at the time of application.

	(2) Japanese Studies Program (Fall Semester only) <u>English Requirement</u> - A student from an English-speaking country or - A student who has taken CEFR B2 or above in an English Proficiency TEST (e.g. TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS). <u>Japanese Requirement</u> - Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT): N4 to 5 or - At least one year of Japanese study experience prior to the program *Applicants are requested to be able to read and write katakana and hiragana before arriving in Japan. (3) Japanese Language Immersion Course (Spring Semester only) <u>Japanese Requirement</u> - Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT): N4 or 5, or - At least six (6) months of Japanese study experience prior to the course. *It is desirable for applicants to be able to read and write katakana and hiragana before arriving in Japan.
VISA	All exchange students need to apply for a visa.
Insurance	All exchange students are required to join the National Health Insurance Program (Kokumin Kenko Hoken), which reimburses about 70% of medical costs. Also, students are required to purchase the Comprehensive Insurance designated by DWCLA.

4. Application Information:

Application deadlines	Semester 1 (Spring Semester 2027)
	• Nomination Sheet: October 30, 2026 • Application documents: November 25, 2026
	Semester 2 (Fall Semester 2027): (tentative)
	• Nomination Sheet: April 2, 2027 • Application documents: April 23, 2027
	<i>If the deadline is difficult to meet, please let us know so we can discuss it.</i>
How to obtain the application form	Applicants must request DWCLA's Study Abroad application form via the International Office of their home institution.
Note: An applicant must be a female student of a DWCLA sister institution. A student who has graduated or is going to graduate during the exchange period will not be accepted.	

Required documents	A complete set of application files will normally consist of: (i) DWCLA's Study Abroad application form, (ii) Certificate of Health, (iii) Japanese Language Inquiry, (iv) Statement of Purpose, (v) Applicant's academic transcript in English, (vi) ID photo (jpeg format, 600 px. x 450 px., taken within six months), (vii) Japanese Language Proficiency Score (if any), (viii) English Test Score (TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS etc., if any) and (ix) a Copy of Passport . * All documents must be in PDF except ID Photo. * DWCLA reserves the right to determine the final admission eligibility of each student nominated by a sister institution. * The status of students admitted by DWCLA will be that of an Exchange Student at DWCLA.
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5. Semester Dates:

Registration	Semester 1 (Spring Semester)	Semester 2 (Fall Semester)
	Mid- March	Mid- September
Orientation	Mid- March	Mid- September
First day of semester	Early April	Late September
Last day of semester	Early August	Mid- February
Academic calendar	https://www.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp/current/class_information/calendar	

6. Course:

Course Catalog (website)	https://www.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp/faculty_and_staff/teacher/syllabus Check “Curriculum Map (カリキュラムマップ)” for each department. Once you find an interesting course, please click the link below to open the “Search for Syllabus” page. Then click “Search by the Course Name (シラバス参照はこちら),” enter the course name, and click the “Search (検索)” button. To view the page in English, click “English” in the upper right corner. https://unipa.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp/uprx/up/pk/pky001/Pky00101.xhtml *Refer to the Syllabus without inputting an ID and a password.
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Courses in English	Courses written in English in the Course Catalogue on the above web address will be delivered in English, such as Speaking, Listening, Writing Strategies, Academic Skills, Topic in English, Studies in English etc.
Language Courses	Chinese, English, French, German, Italian, Korean, and Spanish *in some courses Japanese language proficiency required

7. Housing Options:

	Dormitory Name	Dormitory Features
Dormitory (Off-campus)	A. DWCLA's Dormitory [Migiwa-ryo] (administered by DWCLA)	● <u>Only one year students starting in Spring Semester may be accepted.</u> ● This dormitory provides meals (breakfast and dinner) for about 1,000 yen per day. Students have to pay for and take all meals. ● There is a curfew at this dormitory. Students are supposed to be in the dormitory no later than 11:00 pm.
	B. Other dormitories - Global House SHUGAKUIN Dormitory - Mukaijima Gakusei Center	● Students both one semester and one year can be accepted. ● These dormitories don't provide meals. Students have to cook their own meals at the kitchens. ● These dormitories have no curfews.
Websites	● <u>DWCLA's Dormitory [Migiwa-ryo]</u> (administered by DWCLA) ● https://www.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp/current/dormitory (Japanese) ● <u>Global House SHUGAKUIN Dormitory</u> (administered by NASIC Co., LTD) ● <u>Details of Global House SHUGAKUIN Dormitory</u> ● <u>Mukaijima Gakusei Center</u> (administered by Kyoto City) ● http://www.kyoto-jkosha.or.jp/center/about.html 	
Housing assignment	DWCLA will assign a dormitory to each student, based on availability. Students cannot select any specific dormitories.	
Move-in date	Mid-March / Mid-September	
Cost and Financial Aid	See 8.3	
Deposit	None	
Room Type	Single Room (Tentative)	
Detailed Info	See 10. "Comparative Chart of Dormitories"	

8. Cost and Financial Aid:

- 8.1 Tuition for DWCLA is NOT required.
- 8.2 For dormitories, students are required to pay **180,000 JPY per semester** or **360,000 JPY per year**.
Details regarding the payment method will be announced separately.
*Please also refer to the "Comparative Chart of Dormitories" on p.8.
- 8.3 All exchange students must pay the National Insurance fee required by the Japanese law.
Also, students are required to purchase the Comprehensive Insurance designated by DWCLA.
- 8.4 All personal costs (commuting expenses, meals, textbooks, travel, clothing, etc.) in Japan will be the responsibility of each student.

9. Contact Information:

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10. Comparative Chart of Dormitories (留学生寮 比較表)

	みぎわ寮 (DWCLA's Dormitory [Migiwa-ryo])	修学院グローバルハウス (Global House SHUGAKUIN)	向島学生センター (Mukajima Gakusei Center)
住所 (Address)	京都市上京区河原町通今出川下ル東入 堀井町447-20 (447-20 Kajicho, Inadegawa-kudaru Higashi-iru, Kawaramachi-dori, Kamigyo-ku, Kyoto)	京都府京都市左京区山端川岸町14-4 (14-4 Yamabata kawagishi-cho, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto)	京都市伏見区向島蔵場町 104-1 (104-1 Takaba-cho Mukajima, Fushimi-ku, Kyoto)
今出川キャンパスからの距離 (Distance from Inadegawa Campus)	徒歩10分[700m] (10 minutes' walk [700m])	●徒歩2分 [90m] + バス 18分 + 徒歩10分 [700m] (2 minutes' walk [90m], 18 minutes' bus ride and 10 minutes' walk [700m]) または ●徒歩5分 [400m] + 電車 7分 + 徒歩1分 [800m] (5 minutes' walk [400m], 7 minutes' train ride and 11 minutes' walk [800m])	徒歩17分 [1300m] + 電車 30分 + 徒歩5分 [400m] (17 minutes' walk [1300m], 30 minutes' train ride and 5 minutes' walk [400m])
電車・バス利用の際の運賃 (Fare for train use)	--	●京都バス 平八前-河原町今出川間は加茂大橋 (3ヶ月定期代) 27,530円 片道運賃 230円 / Kyoto Bus: Heihachi-mae to Kawaramachi-Inadegawa or Kamo-dashi 3-month commuter pass: ¥27,530 / One-way fare: ¥230 ※市バス定期券エリア内の市バス、京都バスなどが乗り放題 ! / Unlimited rides on Kyoto City Buses, Kyoto Buses, and others within the commuter pass area! または ●叡山電鉄 修学院-出町柳 (3ヶ月定期代) 21,580円 片道運賃: 220円 / Etzan Railway: Shugakuin - Demachiyanaigi 3-month commuter pass: ¥21,580 / One-way fare: ¥220	地下鉄・近鉄: 今出川-向島 (3ヶ月定期代) 59,150円 片道運賃: 530円 / Kyoto Municipal Subway & Kintetsu Railway: Inadegawa to Mukajima 3-month commuter pass: ¥59,150 / One-way fare: ¥530
部屋数 (Number of Rooms)	74室 (留学生4名、日本人学生70名) 74 Rooms (4 International Students, 70 Japanese Students)	36室 (留学生) 36 Rooms (International Students)	234室 (留学生、研究者、日本人学生) 234 Rooms (International Students, Researchers, Japanese Students)
交換留学生用個室 (Rooms for DWCLA Exchange Students)	1~4室 1 - 4 Rooms	10室 10 Rooms	14室 (10部屋シングル、シェアタイプ2部屋×2) 14 Rooms (10 Single rooms, 2 share rooms × 2)
室内設備 (Room Amenities)	小型冷蔵庫、クローゼット、机、イス、エアコン、ベッド、カーテン (Small Refrigerator, Closet, Desk, Chair, Air-conditioner, Bed, Curtains)	小型冷蔵庫、机、イス、ベッド、収納、電気スタンド、照明器具、エアコン (Small Refrigerator, Desk, Chair, Bed, Closet, Desk Lamp, Lighting, Air-conditioner, Curtains)	電気、水道、給湯設備、風呂、トイレ、押入、キッチン、インターネット回線、エアコン、冷蔵庫、電子レンジ、Hコロン、照明器具、ベッド、机、椅子、本棚、靴箱、カーテン (Electricity, Water, Hot water, Bathroom/toilet & bath), Closet, Kitchen (electric burner, sink), Internet line, AC, Refrigerator, Microwave, Electric light fitting, Bed, Table, Chair, Bookshelf, Shoebox, Curtains)
共用施設・設備 (Shared Amenities)	トイレ、キッチン (冷蔵庫、電子レンジ)、洗濯室、浴室、シャワー室、洗面所、靴箱、ゴミ置き場、自転車置き出し有 (Toilets, Kitchens (Refrigerator, Microwave Oven), Laundry Space, Bathroom, Showers, Washroom, Shoe box, Garbage Area, Bicycle rental available)	トイレ、キッチン、洗濯室、物干し場、シャワー室、駐輪場、ゴミ置き場 (Toilets, Kitchens, Laundry Space, Showers, Bicycle Parking, Garbage Area)	ラウンジ、スタディールーム、共用キッチン、スポーツルーム、ピアノルーム、コインランドリー、駐輪場 (Lounge, Sports room, Study room, Piano room, Common kitchen, Play room, Laundromat, Bike parking lot)
交流施設 (Exchange Areas)	談話室 (Common Room)	ラウンジ (Lounge)	ラウンジ (Lounge)
その他経費 (Miscellaneous Expenses)	食費 (朝・夕・自己負担) Meal Fee (Breakfast & Dinner / Self-paid) 約270日分 / 年提供 (必須) About 270 days (mandatory) 約320,000円 / 年 (2025年度実績) Approx. ¥320,000 / year (FY2025)	0円	0円
ふとん代 (Futon Fee)	施設課手配 [大学負担] (At the College Expenses) 実料に含む (Included in the Accommodation Fee)	施設課手配 [大学負担] (At the College Expenses) 実料に含む [大学負担] (At the College Expense)	施設課手配 [大学負担] (At the College Expenses) 実料に含む [大学負担] (At the College Expense)
電気代 (Electrical Charges)			
住まいの保険料 (Insurance Premium)	--	約1,500円 / 1セメスター 約3,000円 / 年 (approximately 1,500 yen / a semester, 3,000 yen / a year)	約1,500円 / 1セメスター 約3,000円 / 年 (approximately 1,500 yen / a semester, 3,000 yen / a year)
共用シャワー (Shared Shower)	無料 (Free of charge)	15分100円 (100 yen per 15 minutes)	--
ホームページ (Home Page)	http://www.dwc.doshisha.ac.jp/school life/support/dormitory/index.html	別紙PDFをご参照ください。 Please refer to the separate PDF documents for details.	http://www.kyoto-ikoshia.or.jp/center/about.html
寮費 (Dormitory fee) 自己負担 (at your own expense)		1セメスター 180,000円 / 1年 360,000円 1 Semester 180,000 yen / 1 year 360,000 yen	