

KWANSEI GAKUIN UNIVERSITY

2025-2026

Over
view

What is Kwansei Gakuin?

Kwansei Gakuin is a comprehensive educational institution that offers an integrated education from kindergarten to graduate school, with eight campuses across Japan. Our mission at Kwansei Gakuin, as a learning community based on the principles of Christianity, is to inspire our members to seek their life missions, and cultivate them to be creative and capable world citizens who embody our motto, “Mastery for Service,” by transforming society with compassion and integrity. Since our school was founded, Kwansei Gakuin has aspired to

become an “inclusive community” which is open to everyone, and we continue to be committed to the realization of this goal.

What is Kwansei Gakuin University?

Kwansei Gakuin University (KGU)—colloquially known as Kangaku—is a private nondenominational Christian university in the Kansai region of Japan. As one of Kansai's leading private universities, KGU offers bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees to around 25,000 students in over 80 different disciplines across 14 undergraduate schools and 14 graduate schools.

We will cultivate World
“Mastery





Where is Kwansei Gakuin?

As a comprehensive educational institution, Kwansei Gakuin operates a kindergarten, an elementary school, a junior high school, a high school, two international schools, a junior college, and a university in the Kansai region. Kwansei Gakuin University's main campus is located in the city of Nishinomiya in Hyogo Prefecture, which is under an hour away from the metropolitan areas of Kobe and Osaka, and under 90 minutes away from the heart of Kyoto. The university also has other campuses in the cities of Nishinomiya, Sanda, Osaka, and Tokyo.

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Citizens who embody for Service.”



Kwansei Gakuin's Philosophy and Spirit

Kwansei Gakuin started in 1889 as a small school with five teachers and 19 students. The founding spirit is inherited by the school motto, school symbol, and architectural style of the school building.



Dr. Walter Russell Lambuth

The Founder of Kwansei Gakuin

Walter Russell Lambuth, born and raised in China, was an American missionary of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He came to Japan from China in 1886 to serve as the superintendent of the church's Japan Mission. He chose Kobe as the central base of the Mission, and founded Kwansei Gakuin in 1889. After leaving Japan in 1890, he spent his life evangelizing through education and medical work all over the world, including Africa, South America, Europe, and Asia. In the state of Mississippi, a monument built in his family's memory is inscribed with the words "World Citizen and Christian Apostle to many lands."



The School Symbol

The crescent moon, which was adopted as the symbol of the school in 1894, represents the journey of the students of Kwansei Gakuin as they grow to fullness in knowledge and wisdom. In addition, the crescent moon represents the students and graduates of Kwansei Gakuin as they spread God's blessings like a light, just as the moon reflects the brilliant rays of the sun.

The School Motto "Mastery for Service"

"We aim to be strong, to be masters—masters of knowledge, masters of opportunity, masters of ourselves, our desires, our ambitions... But having become masters, we desire not to inflate, and enrich ourselves for our own sake, but to render some useful service to humanity in order that the world may be better for our having lived in it." (Dr. Cornelius John Lighthall Bates, 1915) The motto of Kwansei Gakuin, coined by Dr. C.J.L. Bates, the fourth Chancellor of Kwansei Gakuin and the first President of Kwansei Gakuin University, reflects the ideal for all its members to master their abundant God-given gifts to serve their neighbors, society and the world.



Dr. Cornelius John Lighthall Bates



The clock tower in 1925



The clock tower today

School Building Architecture

When designing the Nishinomiya Uegahara Campus, William Merrell Vories, an American missionary and architect, focused on realizing the ideals espoused by Dr. Lambuth by taking inspiration from the Spanish Mission Style, which symbolically embodies the advancement of Christian education. Featuring buildings that share the same distinct color scheme, with red tile roofs and cream-colored outer walls, the Vories architectural style has also been inherited by the new campuses.

The Kwansei Grand Challenge 2039, Our Resolve for the Future

In preparation for the 150th anniversary of the founding of Kwansei Gakuin in 2039, we have formulated the “Kwansei Grand Challenge 2039” (KGC2039), a vision of what Kwansei Gakuin should be, and what measures we should actively take to make it a reality. This initiative is based on our mission statement, “to nurture global citizens who embody Mastery for Service,” and outlines what knowledge, abilities and qualities students should acquire at Kwansei Gakuin, as well as what they should do to acquire them. In the future, the world's population will explode, while Japan's population will shrink due to the declining birthrate and aging population. At the same time, the development of information and communication technology, such as Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Digital Transformation (DX), is drastically changing society and our lives. In addition, while economic and cultural activities across national

borders are increasing, there are also forecasts of chaotic scenes, with protectionist movements and ethnic conflicts, environmental destruction, and growing inequality. In order to survive in these uncertain times, there is a litany of skills that graduates will need, which have been termed the “Kwansei Competencies,” in addition to a broad range of knowledge and expertise. In the KGC2039, Kwansei Gakuin has established strategies to ensure that students acquire the skills necessary to play an active role in society (acquisition of learning outcomes), and the university has established mechanisms to guarantee that students attain those skills (guarantee of student quality) and assist them in achieving the employment and career path they desire (high-quality employment). By implementing these measures, we aim to ensure that all of Kwansei Gakuin's graduates will be able to lead truly abundant lives.

Nine Categories in the KGC2039

In this future plan, we created the following nine categories, establishing 40 themes, and are moving forward with over 120 projects.

▶ Educational Ideals (Foster individuals who can approach global issues with strength and dignity)
▶ Undergraduate Education (Build the foundation for a fulfilling and meaningful life through contribution to the local community and global society)
▶ Graduate Education (Educate researchers and exceptional professionals who can devote effort to society's demands)
▶ Research (Create world-class research in a competitive environment)
▶ Comprehensive and Integrated Education (Secure Kwansei Gakuin's ideal as a comprehensive integrated educational institution through sharing the spirit of foundation)
▶ Industry-Government-Academia Collaboration (Enhance the Kwansei Gakuin brand value in top-notch education and research through strengthening links with the industry and government)
▶ Internationalization (Evolve Kwansei Gakuin's traditions of internationalization to a level of excellence)
▶ School Management (Establish a comprehensive management system through governance reform)
▶ Digital Transformation (DX) (Reform education, research and services through digital technology, and improve their quality and value)

The Kwansei Competencies

The “Kwansei Competencies,” which comprise the knowledge, skills, and quality of character that all students should acquire by the time of graduation—irrespective of their department—are positioned as the underlying bedrock of education at the institution. Every student at Kwansei Gakuin should gradually acquire these Competencies and continue to build on them.



Kwansei Gakuin University By the Numbers

No.1

in Japan in the number of students studying abroad,
with over

1,800

students doing so
under partnership agreements in 2018

37

Selected as one of
Top Global Universities in Japan

Collaborations
with over

320

partner universities

and international
organizations in

60

countries
and regions

More than

130

years of history

Over

25,000

students

A Top Global University in the Heart of Western Japan

In 2014, KGU was designated as one of the 37 universities to be supported under the Top Global University (TGU) Project, a ministerial funding scheme which aims to boost the international competitiveness of Japanese universities. Over the course of this decade-long project, KGU has focused on the following five areas to facilitate more substantial academic exchange for students, faculty and staff, both within Japan and overseas.

- ▶Implementing the Dual Endeavor Program, which encourages all students to gain experience in addition to studying their majors



- ▶Becoming Japan's top university in terms of the number of students studying abroad under partnership agreements, with a goal of sending 2,500 students overseas annually in AY2023
- ▶Establishing a quality assurance system which meets international standards
- ▶Setting up a comprehensive management system through governance reform
- ▶Serving as a gateway to the United Nations and other international organizations

Notably, KGU has strived for quantitative expansion and qualitative improvement in its efforts to send students overseas. Having developed and facilitated a wide array of quality-assured exchange programs with partner universities, KGU has managed to increase the number of participating students from 895 in AY2013 to 1,962 in AY2018 and 1,832 in AY2019. In AY2018, with five years remaining until the target year, KGU achieved its goal of becoming the top university in

14 undergraduate schools

14 graduate schools

More than 1,400 international students from over 50 countries

First in Asia to dispatch students as UN Youth Volunteers, with over 100 students dispatched since 2004

Over 250,000 alumni, with 90 alumni association chapters in Japan and 29 chapters overseas

Japan in terms of the number of students studying abroad based on partnership agreements (according to a survey by the Japan Student Services Organization), and in AY2019 ranked a close second. Although the number of students studying abroad temporarily stagnated due to the COVID-19 pandemic, KGU fully resumed its study abroad programs in AY2022, and continues to be one of the top Japanese universities in this respect.

KGU's initiatives were recognized as Good Practice by the TGU Project Committee, which reviewed the Project's decade-long activities, and the university-wide nature of KGU's efforts was highly acclaimed. In AY2024 and beyond, following the Project's conclusion, KGU will continue to foster global citizens who embody the school motto of "Mastery for Service." KGU will maintain its commitment to sending students to partner institutions abroad and promote initiatives for boosting participation in mid-term and long-term study abroad programs, including bilateral exchange. Furthermore,

based on the foundation developed through the Project, KGU will actively work to accept international students – including those from partner institutions – and strive to expand opportunities for collaborative international learning in both regular and extracurricular education, in addition to pushing forward with internationalization efforts on campus.



List of All Schools and Departments

Undergraduate Schools	Departments and Courses
School of Theology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Christian Missionary Work ▶ Christian Thought and Culture
School of Humanities	Culture and History Integrated Psychological Sciences Literature and Linguistics
School of Sociology	Sociology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Contemporary Sociology ▶ Quantitative Sociology ▶ Qualitative Sociology ▶ Anthropology and Folklore ▶ Media and Communication ▶ Social Psychology
School of Law and Politics	Law Political Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Special Course for Legal Profession, Business Law and Public Service ▶ Judicature and Business Law ▶ Public Policy ▶ Global Law and Politics ▶ Society and History of Law and Politics
School of Economics	Economics
School of Business Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Management ▶ Accounting ▶ Marketing ▶ Finance ▶ Business Information ▶ International Business
School of Human Welfare Studies	Social Work Social Organization Development Holistic Human Sciences
School of International Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ International Studies
School of Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Studies in Early Childhood Education ▶ Studies in Elementary Education ▶ Studies in Educational Science
School of Policy Studies	Policy Studies Applied Informatics Urban Studies International Policy Studies
School of Science	Mathematical Sciences Physics and Astronomy Chemistry
School of Engineering	Materials Science Electrical and Electronic Engineering Computer Science Artificial Intelligence and Mechanical Engineering
School of Biological and Environmental Sciences	Biosciences Biomedical Sciences Applied Chemistry for Environment
School of Architecture	Architecture

Graduate Schools	Departments and Courses
Graduate School of Theology	
Graduate School of Humanities	School Education Philosophy and Ethics Aesthetics and Art Studies Geography and Area Studies Japanese History Asian History European and American History Psychological Science Japanese, English, French, and German ▶ Literature and Linguistics
Graduate School of Sociology	
Graduate School of Law and Politics	Academic Course (Master's level) Expert Course (Master's level) Political Science (Doctoral level) Basic Studies of Law (Doctoral level) Civil and Criminal Law (Doctoral level)
Graduate School of Economics	Economics
Graduate School of Business Administration	Specialized Academic Course (Master's level) Research Course (Doctoral level)
Graduate School of Science and Technology	Mathematical Sciences Physics Nanotechnology for Sustainable Energy Chemistry Applied Chemistry for Environment Bioscience Biomedical Chemistry Informatics Human System Interaction Architecture
Graduate School of Policy Studies	Policy Studies UN System Policy Studies
Graduate School of Language, Communication, and Culture	Linguistic Science Language and Cultural Studies ▶ Regional Cultural Studies Program ▶ Interdisciplinary Multilingual and Multicultural Studies Program ▶ Media and Drama Studies Program Language Education Japanese Language Education ▶ Academic Program ▶ Professional Program ▶ Japanese Studies Double-Degree Program
Graduate School of Human Welfare Studies	Human Welfare Studies
Graduate School of Education	Research on Infant and Early Childhood Education Research in Inclusive and Collaborative Education
Graduate School of International Studies	North American Studies Asian Studies Global Studies
Law School	
Institute of Business and Accounting	Business School ▶ Corporate Management Strategy Course ▶ International Management Course Accounting School Graduate Department of Advanced Management

Undergraduate Schools	Graduate Schools	Institute of Business and Accounting
		

Links valid until September 2025. Visit the website for more information

University Campuses

Kwansei Gakuin offers an integrated education from kindergarten to graduate school in its capacity as a comprehensive educational institution. Kwansei Gakuin University's main campus is located in the city of Nishinomiya in Hyogo Prefecture, and the university also has other campuses in the cities of Nishinomiya, Sanda, Osaka, and Tokyo.

Nishinomiya Uegahara Campus

- ▶ School of Theology
- ▶ School of Humanities
- ▶ School of Sociology
- ▶ School of Law and Politics
- ▶ School of Economics
- ▶ School of Business Administration
- ▶ School of Human Welfare Studies
- ▶ School of International Studies
- ▶ Graduate School of Language, Communication, and Culture
- ▶ Institute of Business and Accounting



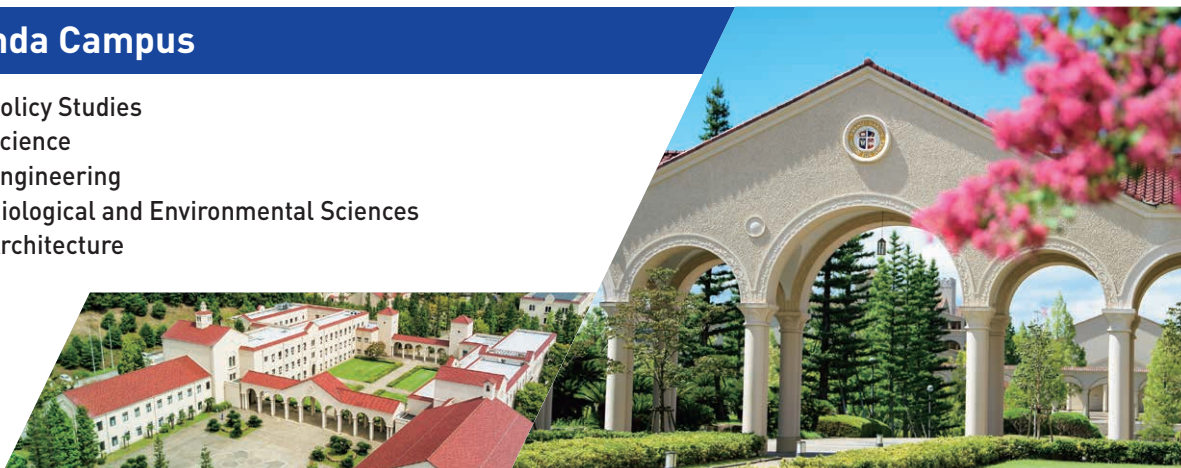
Nishinomiya Seiwa Campus

- ▶ School of Education



Kobe Sanda Campus

- ▶ School of Policy Studies
- ▶ School of Science
- ▶ School of Engineering
- ▶ School of Biological and Environmental Sciences
- ▶ School of Architecture



The Nishinomiya Uegahara Campus is renowned as one of the most beautiful university campuses in the entire country, the campus has maintained the idea behind its original design layout since 1929. The campus won a Total Design achievement award from the Architectural Institute of Japan in 2017 for successfully preserving its fundamental architecture, while simultaneously modernizing and upgrading its facilities.

Nishinomiya Kitaguchi Campus

- ▶ Law School
- ▶ School of Humanities Center for Psychological Services and Research



Osaka Umeda Campus

- ▶ Institute of Business and Accounting
- ▶ Courses for Working People
- ▶ Student Job Hunting Support
- ▶ Lifelong Learning
- ▶ Study Groups



Tokyo Marunouchi Campus

- ▶ Student Job Hunting Support
- ▶ Lifelong Learning
- ▶ Study Groups



Learning at KGU

Kwansei Gakuin University aims to develop human resources who can boldly confront and try to resolve the serious challenges humanity faces today, such as war, hunger, and environmental destruction. Carrying on the will of founder Dr. Walter Russell Lambuth, the university trains people who will be able to transform society with compassion and integrity.

AI Personnel Development Program



- ▶ This program is a collaboration with IBM Japan to train professionals with the requisite competencies for working in the age of AI, such as data science-related knowledge and skills
- ▶ Participants have a myriad of opportunities to work on practical exercises relating to challenges that can be found in the business world, as well as face-to-face Project-Based Learning sessions to propose solutions to real challenges faced by companies

Entrepreneur Training Program



- ▶ This program is designed to equip students with the tools to launch their own businesses, featuring measures such as courses taught by KGU alumni who have gone on to become CEOs at major companies
- ▶ It offers various extracurricular activities for nurturing students' abilities when it comes to creating, refining and executing business plans, such as the Startup Academy at the Kobe Sanda Campus

Hands-On Learning Program



- ▶ This is a unique program in which students ask the questions that need to be asked in modern society, then take action, with projects in over 30 regions and organizations
- ▶ Participants learn about issues faced by local communities, and develop their own ideas to contribute to solving those challenges
- ▶ Through experiential learning, students gain not only simple work experience, but also a real sense of self-growth

In addition to specialized undergraduate education, the university promotes global education, including language programs and various study abroad programs, and actively provides education which opens up possibilities for students to engage with fields other than their specialization, as well as programs for students to make tangible contributions to society in Japan and overseas.

Gateway to the UN and Int'l Organizations



- ▶ Students have opportunities to gain the skills needed by global professionals through participation in the UN Youth Volunteers program
- ▶ Since 2004, KGU has continued to dispatch volunteers to UN offices overseas to handle assignments in areas such as public relations
- ▶ The Graduate Department of UN System Policy Studies, which launched in April 2025, will systematically develop students into professionals who can take on leadership roles at international organizations

"Mastery for Service" Volunteer Work



- ▶ Kwansei Gakuin's motto of "Mastery for Service" reflects the ideal for all its members to master their gifts in order to serve their neighbors, society, and the world
- ▶ Various activities are available for students to strive to embody this ideal, such as volunteerism in disaster-hit areas and support for children in rural communities
- ▶ The Human Services Support Office assists student volunteer groups as they engage in social contribution activities

Extracurricular Education



- ▶ The university offers a myriad of ways for students to lead rich lives and forge strong connections with others through athletics and other extracurricular activities
- ▶ There are approximately 200 student clubs and circles across the entire university
- ▶ KGU's American football team, the Fighters, is notable for having won the Koshien Bowl, the Japanese national collegiate championship, a record 34 times

Major Initiatives at KGU

The Christianity-based education valued by Kwansei Gakuin is about understanding and respecting the diversity of other people and other cultures, having a global perspective and working toward reforms for a sustainable society, and knowing who to become in order to achieve those aims. As the world continues to grow more global and more interconnected, the up-and-coming generation of young people is being pressed to solve global issues.

Robust Career Education and Support



- ▶ With 99.7% of alumni finding a job immediately after graduation, KGU is one of the top-ranked private universities in Japan in terms of alumni employment
- ▶ In addition to counseling, the Center for Career Planning and Placement offers various ICT services to support students in their job hunting activities, including online advisory sessions and seminars

Dual Endeavor Program



- ▶ All students must learn competencies outside of their School by choosing to participate in international programs, minor programs, or Hands-On Learning
- ▶ Through these experiences, students will acquire multiple perspectives and cultivate competencies such as self-sufficiency and an understanding of diversity
- ▶ Students can choose from a wide range of active learning, service-learning and project-based learning programs under the Global Academic Port initiative

Promotion of the Sustainable Development Goals



- ▶ The Kobe Sanda Campus (KSC) is a major hub for research on topics such as fuel cells and smart cities, with the aim of promoting affordable and clean energy
- ▶ Researchers at KGU have been making progress in areas such as the development of new functional nano-materials for sustainable power sources
- ▶ Going forward, the four science-based schools and the humanities-oriented School of Policy Studies will combine their research findings and strive to make a sustainable society a reality

Through education, KGU will continue to develop such World Citizens who are up to the task of doing so; graduates who are equipped with a broad base of knowledge, in-depth expertise, and the ability to keep learning over the course of their lifetimes. KGU is pushing forward with various initiatives in order to achieve this aim, with a particular focus on digital technology and sustainability.

Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration



- ▶ Researchers at KGU are engaged in active collaborations with companies and government organizations on projects such as the development of more energy-efficient semiconductors
- ▶ KGU is working to contribute to energy efficiency and carbon neutrality by leveraging the extensive business connections of its partners to encourage a wide range of clients and manufacturers to participate in the development of such technology

Global Network



- ▶ A variety of opportunities for students to become World Citizens are available through study abroad programs and overseas volunteer opportunities
- ▶ Each year, KGU welcomes exchange students from over 310 partner universities and international organizations around the world
- ▶ In order to expand opportunities for KGU students to form bonds with international students, KGU opened a new international education dormitory, Yukoryo, in 2022

KSC Co-Creation Village (C-Village)



- ▶ The C-Village, which opened in April 2025, combines a dormitory with an incubation facility and commercial facilities
- ▶ The C-Village was designed with the aim of fostering an environment for collaboration with local residents and businesses
- ▶ The planned incubation facility will serve as a space to train entrepreneurs, apply research results to the real world, and contribute to regional revitalization

International Exchange Programs

Cross-Cultural College (CCC)



- ▶ KGU operates the CCC in collaboration with four Canadian universities
- ▶ The CCC is built around practical learning, wherein which Canadian and Japanese students work together to understand and address critical issues in both societies
- ▶ The program features two core courses for students to participate in internships, as well as problem-solving activities related to business

Contemporary Japan Program (CJP)



- ▶ The CJP, specially designed for incoming exchange students, offers two study tracks: the Japanese Language Track (JLT) and the Modern Japan Track (MJT)
- ▶ JLT students primarily study the Japanese language in an intensive environment, while MJT students focus on understanding Japan through courses taught in English
- ▶ Students are able to select elective courses to learn more about various aspects of contemporary Japan

Intensive Language and Culture Study Program



- ▶ This program, available every summer and winter, enables students from partner institutions to improve their Japanese language skills while learning about Japanese culture
- ▶ KGU student volunteers known as Nihongo Partners will participate in classes as teaching assistants, as well as collaborators for project-based studies in Japanese
- ▶ Participants will have opportunities to experience Japanese culture through field trips and activities

Summer School (5 weeks) / Winter School (3 weeks)



- ▶ The Summer School program, taught by KGU faculty and visiting professors from partner institutions, offers various courses, flexible learning, and fieldwork
- ▶ The Winter School program does not require any Japanese language skills, and is designed for students who wish to learn about "Cool Japan"

For more information about programs available for our partner institutions' students, refer to the Center for International Education and Cooperation website.



Programs Offered in English

International Management Course (IMC) at the Institute of Business and Accounting



- ▶ Established in 2005, the IMC is an MBA program that measures up to global standards, with an emphasis on both individual and professional growth
- ▶ The course is composed of four specialized study programs: Management, Marketing, Finance, and Family Business Management
- ▶ The student body at the IMC is exceptionally diverse, with a 7:1 ratio of international students to Japanese students

Graduate Department of UN System Policy Studies



- ▶ The Graduate Department of UN System Policy Studies systematically develops students into professionals who can take on leadership roles at international organizations through a curriculum based on the UN Competency Framework, the recruitment criteria for UN officers
- ▶ The program offers courses in fields such as global governance, international organizational theory, human rights, gender, and international development

International Masters Program at the Graduate School of Science and Technology



- ▶ There are six Masters courses offered for international students: Physics, Nanotechnology for Sustainable Energy, Chemistry, Applied Chemistry for Environment, Bioscience, and Biomedical Chemistry
- ▶ The program is designed to foster students who can synthesize knowledge to conceive of innovative ideas, then implement research plans
- ▶ The Graduate School also offers an extended program for doctoral degrees

English-Based Degree Program at the School of International Studies (SIS)



- ▶ The SIS offers a full range of specialized courses in English to equip students with the ability to understand and analyze issues relating to international affairs
- ▶ Students admitted through English-based International Admission can meet graduation requirements by mainly taking classes taught in English
- ▶ Students are encouraged to examine the wider world through historical and contemporary insights, using three approaches: culture and language, society and politics, and economics and management

EUROPE

► Austria

Fachhochschule Kufstein
Tirol-University of Applied Sciences
University of Innsbruck

► Belgium

Catholic University of Louvain
Ghent University

► Croatia

University of Split

► Czech Republic

Masaryk University
University of Ostrava
University of Pardubice

► Denmark

Aarhus University
University of Southern Denmark
VIA University College, Department of Social Education

► Finland

Metropolia University of Applied Sciences
University of Vaasa

► France

Burgundy School of Business
ECE Paris, Graduate School of Engineering
Grenoble Ecole de Management
Lumiere University of Lyon 2
Normandy Business School
Sciences Po Lyon
The Institute of Political Science
Saint-Germain-en-Laye
University Paris-Est Creteil
University of Franche-Comte
University of Lille
University of Montpellier
University of Orleans
University of Paris
University of Paris-Est

► Germany

European University Viadrina
Friedrich Schiller University Jena
Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen-Nurnberg
Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf
Hochschule für Technik und Wirtschaft in Berlin
University of Applied Sciences (HTW Berlin)
Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz
Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg
Ruhr University Bochum
University of Augsburg
University of Bremen
University of Cologne
University of Mannheim
University of Regensburg
University of Siegen
Witten / Herdecke University

► Hungary

The University of Pecs

► Iceland

University of Iceland

► Ireland

Dublin City University

► Italy

Ca' Foscari University of Venice
Marche Polytechnic University
Sapienza University of Rome
University of Bergamo
University of Bologna
University of Naples Federico II
University of Parma

► Latvia

University of Latvia

► Lithuania

Kaunas University of Technology
Vytautas Magnus University

► Netherlands

Avans University of Applied Sciences
Hanze University of Applied Sciences Groningen
Niod, Institute for War, Holocaust and Genocide Studies
Radboud University Nijmegen
The Hague University of Applied Sciences

► Norway

Norwegian University of Science and Technology
University of Oslo

► Poland

Cracow University of Economics
Gdansk University of Technology
University of Lodz
Wroclaw University

Partner Institutions



► Portugal

University of Lisboa

► Romania

Transilvania University of Brasov

► Russia

National Research University,
Higher School of Economics

► Spain

Autonomous University of Barcelona
Autonomous University of Madrid
Pompeu Fabra University
University of Alicante
University of Zaragoza

► Sweden

Linköping University
Linnaeus University
Malardalen University
Stockholm University

► Switzerland

Eastern Switzerland University of
Applied Sciences
University of Bern
University of Zurich

► U.K.

Aberdeen Business School,
Robert Gordon University
Bristol University
Cardiff University
De Montfort University
Homerton College, University of Cambridge
Keele University
Magdalene College, University of Cambridge
Oxford University
The University of Birmingham
The University of Manchester
University of Central Lancashire
University of Edinburgh
University of Essex
University of Hertfordshire
University of Leicester
University of London
School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS)
University of Stirling
York St John University

MIDDLE/NEAR EAST

► Iran

University of Kurdistan

► Turkey

Kocaeli University

AFRICA

► Rwanda

Kiseki Corporation Ltd.
Protestant Institute of Arts and Social Sciences

► Zimbabwe

Africa University

ASIA

► Bangladesh

University of Chittagong

► Cambodia

Cambodian Human Rights and
Development Association
Royal University of Phnom Penh

► China

Beijing International Studies University
East China Normal University
Fudan University
Hunan University
Jilin University
Nanjing University
Renmin University of China
Shanghai Jiao Tong University
Shanghai University
Sichuan University
Soochow University
Southwest University
Sun Yat-Sen University
The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen
Xi'an International Studies University
Zhejiang Normal University

► China/Hong Kong

The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Hong Kong Baptist University
University of Hong Kong

► China/Macau

University of Macau

► India

Amity University
Indian Institute Technology Indore
Jawaharlal Nehru University
O.P. Jindal Global University
Parul University
RK University

► Indonesia

Diponegoro University, Faculty of
Fisheries and Marine Science
Indonesia University of Education
IPB University
Ma Chung University
Padjadjaran University
Petra Christian University
Satya Wacana Christian University
Universitas PGRI Semarang
University of Indonesia
University of Udayana

► Japan

International Medical Volunteers Japan Heart

► Korea

Catholic University of Korea
Chonbuk National University
Chung-Ang University
Dong-a University
Dongguk University

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Around the World



OCEANIA

Australia

Curtin University
Griffith University
James Cook University
La Trobe University
Macquarie University
Murdoch University
Southern Cross University
The University of Adelaide
The University of Melbourne
The University of Newcastle
The University of New South Wales
The University of Queensland
The University of Sydney
The University of Western Australia
University of South Australia
University of Technology Sydney
University of Wollongong

New Zealand

The University of Waikato
University of Canterbury
University of Otago Language Centre (UOLC)

Korea

Ewha Womans University
Hankuk University of Foreign Studies
Hannam University
Hanyang University
Kangwon National University
Konkuk University
Korea Institute for Industrial Economics and Trade
Korea University Sejong Campus
Kyung Hee University
Methodist Theological University
Pukyong National University
Pusan National University
Sogang University
Sungshin Women's University
University of Seoul
Yonsei University

Kyrgyz

Kyrgyz Republic Japan Center
Kyrgyz National University

Malaysia

Taylor's University
University Tunku Abdul Rahman
University of Malaya
Universiti Sains Malaysia

Mongolia

Mongolia-Japan Center for
Human Resources Development
Mongolian University of Science and Technology
National Academy of Governance,
Mongolia, Department of Economics and Finance

Myanmar

Yangon University of Education

Nepal

Fair Trade Group (FTG) Nepal
Himalayan Glory English Secondary School
Tribhuvan University

Philippines

Ateneo de Manila University
Cebu Doctors' University
Nueva Vizcaya State University
Silliman University

Singapore

Nanyang Technological University
National University of Singapore
Singapore Management University

Taiwan

Chang Jung Christian University
Fu Jen Catholic University
National Cheng Kung University

Taiwan

National Chengchi University
National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University
National Taipei University
National Taipei University of Education
National Taiwan Normal University
National Taiwan Ocean University
National Taiwan University
Soochow University
Tamkang University
Tunghai University

Thailand

Assumption University
Chiang Mai University
Chulalongkorn University,
Faculty of Economics
Kasetsart University
Mahidol University International College
Payap University
Rangsit University

Timor Leste

National University of Timor Leste

Uzbekistan

Uzbekistan-Japan Center

Vietnam

Foreign Trade University
Ho Chi Minh University of Economics and Finance
Thuongmai University
VNU Vietnam Japan University
Vietnam National University,
University of Engineering and Technology
Vietnam National University, University of Science

NORTH AMERICA

Canada

Huron University College at Western University
King's University College at Western University
Memorial University of Newfoundland
Mount Allison University
Queen's University
Simon Fraser University
Trent University
University of British Columbia
University of Calgary
University of Guelph
University of Toronto / Victoria University
University of Victoria,
Peter B. Gustavson School of Business
University of Waterloo

CONSORTIUMS

Association of Christian Universities and
Colleges in Asia (ACUCA)
The International Association of Methodist
Schools, Colleges, and Universities (IAMSCU)
The United Board for Christian
Higher Education in Asia (UBCHEA)
University Mobility in Asia
and the Pacific (UMAP)
Canada-Japan Strategic Student Exchange
Program (JACAC)
University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC)

UN ORGANIZATIONS

United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
United Nations Economic and Social Commission
for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
(UNHCR)
United Nations Population Fund (UNPF)
United Nations University Institute for the Advanced
Study of Sustainability
United Nations Volunteers (UNV)

U.S.A.

Adelphi University
American University Law School
Bethel University, St. Paul Intercultural Institute
Boston University Law School
California State University, Long Beach
California State University, Stanislaus
Central Washington University
Creighton University
Drake University
Emory University
Florida State University
Georgetown University Law School
Goucher College
Hamline University
Hendrix College
Hofstra University Law School
Macalester College
Nazareth College
Nebraska Wesleyan University
North Carolina State University
Ohio Northern University
Pitzer College
Presbyterian College
San Diego State University
San Francisco State University
San Jose State University
Sonoma State University
Southern Methodist University
Southern Oregon University
Stetson University
Suffolk University Law School
Texas A&M University
The University at Albany,
State University of New York
The Washington Center
Trinity University
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Riverside
University of Hawaii at Manoa
University of Illinois at Chicago
University of Massachusetts Amherst
University of Missouri, Columbia
University of Nebraska at Kearney
University of Nebraska at Omaha
University of Nevada, Reno
University of New Mexico
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of Pennsylvania
English Language Programs
University of San Francisco
University of Washington Continuum College
University of the Pacific
Washington and Jefferson College
Whitworth University

CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA

Argentina

University of Austral

Brazil

University of Sao Paulo
Rio de Janeiro State University
Londrina State University

Colombia

University of Antioquia
EAFIT University

Costa Rica

The University for Peace

Mexico

National Autonomous University of Mexico
University of Monterrey

The Kansai Region

The Kansai region lies in the southern-central stretch of Japan's main island Honshu, and includes the prefectures of Mie, Nara, Wakayama, Kyoto, Osaka, Hyogo and Shiga. Hyogo Prefecture is where Kwansei Gakuin University's main campuses are

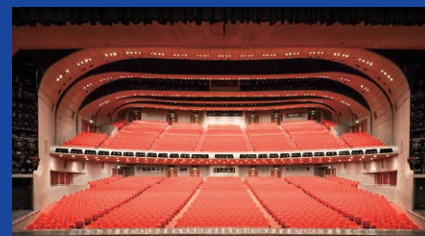
located. As part of one of the world's most productive economic areas, Hyogo is home to many thriving industries, as well as a UNESCO World Heritage Site (Himeji Castle). It also offers beautiful natural vistas, with three national parks and coastlines on two seas.



KOBE Port of Kobe



KOBE Weathercock House



TAKARAZUKA Takarazuka Revue



HIMEJI Himeji Castle



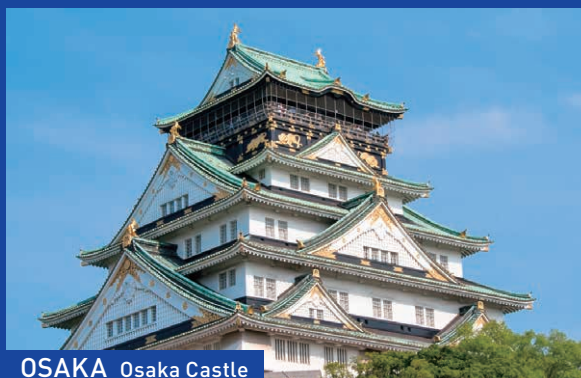
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OSAKA Takoyaki



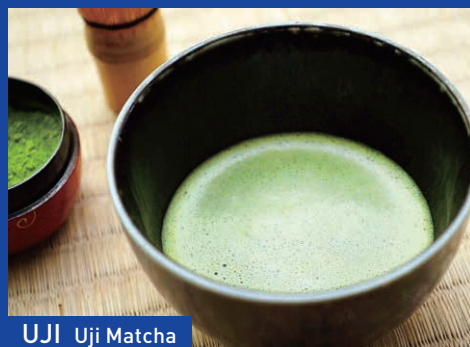
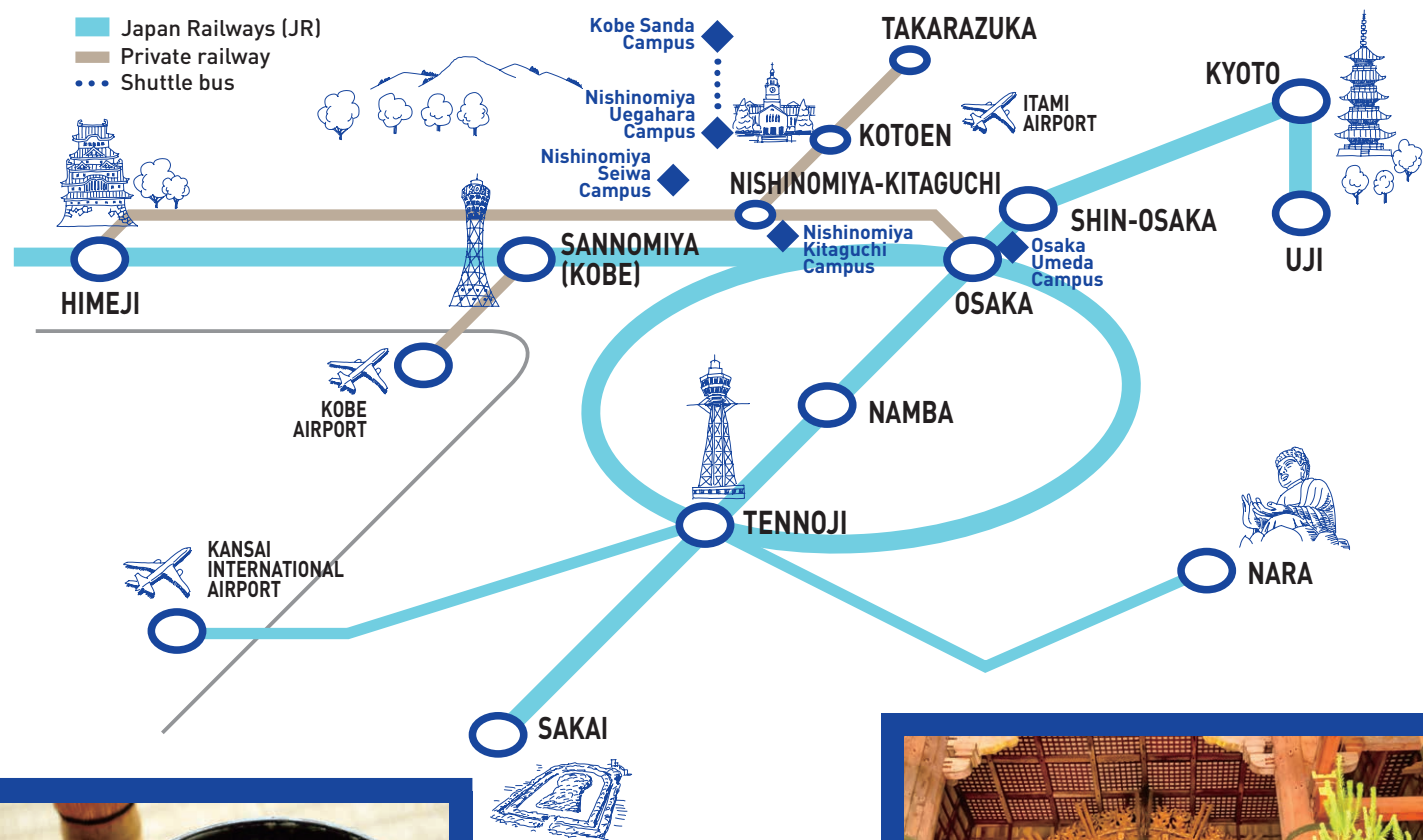
NAMBA Dotonbori



OSAKA Osaka Castle



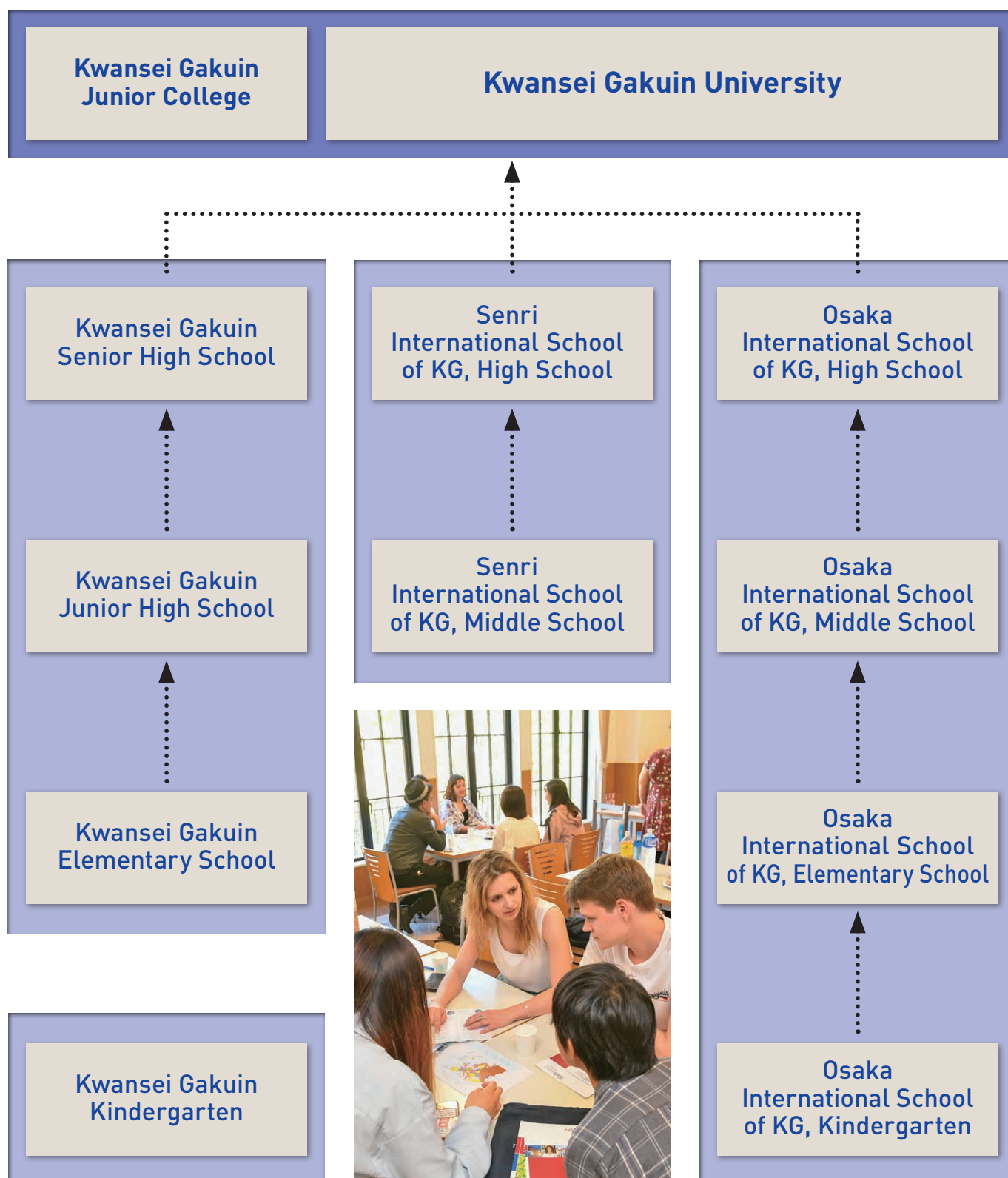
TENNOJI
Tsutenkaku Tower



Structure of Kwansei Gakuin

Kwansei Gakuin was founded in 1889 in Kobe, Japan by Dr. Walter Russell Lambuth (later Bishop), an American missionary of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. It was intended to be a small private institution with two departments, a theological school and a middle school. In 1910, the Canadian Methodist Church and the Japanese Methodist Church joined its operation, and Kwansei Gakuin was able to open a

college with literary and commercial courses in 1912. Since moving to Uegahara in Nishinomiya in 1929, the school has continued to grow in size and stature. Today, the Kwansei Gakuin Educational Foundation operates a university with 14 undergraduate schools and 14 graduate schools, a junior college, junior and senior high schools, two international schools, an elementary school and a kindergarten.



For more information:
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