Osaka University’s Global Commitment and Strategies

Live Locally, Grow Globally

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THE MERGER OF OSAKA UNIVERSITY
with Osaka University of Foreign Studies (Oct. 2007)

Combination and Effective Use of Resources of Two Universities

Strong education and research capacities in multitude of disciplines

Strength in area studies and foreign languages

Enhanced international cooperation and research on global issues

OSAKA UNIVERSITY

OSAKA UNIVERSITY OF FOREIGN STUDIES
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Total 1,455

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(As of May 1, 2009)
ASIAN STUDENTS

Top 5 of Asian Students

- China: 443
- Rep. of Korea: 215
- Thailand: 92
- Vietnam: 79
- Indonesia: 64

(As of May 1, 2009)
THREE EDUCATIONAL GOALS OF OSAKA UNIVERSITY

Institute for Higher Education Research & Practice (IHERP), 2004

Center for the Study of Communication-Design (CSCD), 2005

Global Collaboration Center (GLOCOL), 2007
OSAKA UNIVERSITY’S GLOBAL COMMITMENT & STRATEGIES

“Global Outlook and Commitment to the World Community”
Osaka University as a hub for scholarly exchange where people and ideas gather from all over the world
THREE GOALS FOR INTERNATIONALIZATION

Promoting research collaborating with scholars and institutions overseas and sharing the research results for the benefit of global society

Promoting education that fosters transcultural communicability and encourages constructive, creative action

Building regional academic communities in Asia and working for human security and sustainable development
GLOBAL 30
Project for Establishing Core Universities for Internationalization

- The 300,000 International Students Plan (MEXT, 2008)

- Increase the number of international students in Japanese universities as well as Japanese students studying abroad

- Osaka University selected as Core University among 13 universities (MEXT, 2009)

New English-language Courses

- Human Sciences (undergraduate) April 2011
- Chemistry/Biology Double Major (undergraduate) October 2010
- Special Integrated Science (graduate) October 2010
- Physics International Course (PIC) (graduate) October 2010
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Osaka University’s Action Plan

Program Promotion via Osaka University’s Overseas Centers

- San Francisco Center
- Groningen Center
- Bangkok Center
- Shanghai Center (New)

Degree Programs in English (leading to BS/BA, MS, & Ph.D.)
Short-term Programs (up to 12 months)
Study Abroad Programs

Schools, Graduate Schools, Research Centers
- Center for Multicultural Education and Research
- Support Office for International Students and Scholars
- Center for Japanese Language and Culture

Boosting the internationalization of Osaka University by dramatically increasing the number of international students
DEVELOPING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Developing Educational Programs for international students (incoming) and for regular students (outgoing)

Short-term Programs for International Students
- OUSSEP
- OURSEP
- Maple
- FrontierLab@OsakaU

Degree Programs in English
- Biotechnology
- Quantum Engineering
- Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering
- Engineering Science

Participation in Student Mobility Programs
- Erasmus Mundus Master Program
  - ICI-ECP
  - JSPS ITP
Providing Various Programs that Answer the Needs of International Students

**OUSSEP**
- Liberal arts subjects, independent study opportunities in English for participants.

**Regular Exchange**
- Specially prepared exchange program for those who have a clear idea of their study goals in Japan.

**FrontierLab@OsakaU**
- Feel and touch cutting-edge technology at one of Osaka University’s world-leading laboratories.

**Maple**
- Enhance your Japanese skills and/or deepen your understanding of Japanese culture.
Launched October 2008, UC-EAP recognized

For Students seeking upgrade research and analysis skills
Emphasizing hands on laboratory experience
Interactive, experimental learning
In English or Japanese
Both Undergraduate and Graduate Level

2008 Fall: 31 students enrolled
2009 Spring: 22 students enrolled
SUPPORT SYSTEM for International Students and Scholars

Support Office for International Students & Scholars
Established in October 2007

- Assistance on Housing
- Application for Certificate of Eligibility for Status of Residence
- Information Service for International Students and Scholars

GCN-Osaka: Community Site for International Students & Researcher
In operation since May 2004
over 5,500 registered members

- Online Study Materials for Learning Japanese
- Multilingual BBS
- Housing Information
......etc

https://www.gcn-osaka.jp/index.html
To enhance international collaboration in all fields of research and to conduct student exchange based on academic exchange agreements with distinguished universities and institutions worldwide.
ROLES & TASKS OF OVERSEAS CENTERS

- To promote research collaboration and student exchange
- To facilitate and support ongoing research and educational programs/initiatives
- To provide information and support for prospective students
- To provide education and training for young researchers
- To promote research collaboration in key areas (i.e. biology, infectious diseases control, environment, etc.)
- To organize seminars and symposiums
- To function as “Alumni Center”

Short Term Student Program (USA)

Japan Education Fair 2007 in Chiang Mai (Thailand)
Osaka University placed 43th in THE-QS WORLD University Ranking (2009)

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