

## Faculties and Graduate Schools

Faculties	Faculty of Letters	Faculty of Education	Faculty of Law	Faculty of Science	School of Medicine	School of Pharmacy	Faculty of Engineering
	Integrated Human Studies, History, Literature, Communication and Information Studies	Elementary School Teacher, Junior High School Teacher, Special Needs Education Teacher, School Health Teacher, Local Community, Lifelong Sports and Welfare	Law	Science	Medicine, Health Sciences	Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical and Life Sciences	Applied Chemistry and Biochemistry, Materials Science and Engineering, Mechanical System Engineering, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Architecture and Building Engineering, Computer Science and Electrical Engineering, Mathematics and Engineering

Graduate Schools	Graduate School of Education	Graduate School of Social and Cultural Sciences	Graduate School of Science and Technology	Faculty of Life Sciences	Graduate School of Medical Sciences	Graduate School of Health Sciences	Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences	School of Law*
	Educational Practices Major, School Subject Methods and Practices Major	(Master's Course) Public Policy Studies, Jurisprudence, Modern Social Human Studies, Cultural Sciences, Instructional Systems (Doctoral Course) Human and Social Sciences, Cultural Sciences, Instructional Systems	(Master's Course) Science, Mathematics, New Frontier Sciences, Applied Chemistry and Biochemistry, Materials Science and Engineering, Mechanical System Engineering, Computer Science and Electrical Engineering, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Architecture (Doctoral Course) Science, New Frontier Sciences, Advanced Technology, Computer Science and Electrical Engineering, Architectural and Civil Engineering	(Master's Course) Medical Sciences (Doctoral Course) Medical Sciences	(Master's Course) Health Sciences, Nursing (Doctoral Course) Health Sciences, Nursing	(Master's Course) Pharmaceutical and Life Sciences (Doctoral Course) Clinical Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical and Life Sciences	Legal Professional Course	

\*No longer accepting applicants.

## Preparation for Studying in Japan

### Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU)

International applicants need to take EJU\* as well as apply to our university.  
\*To evaluate Japanese language skill and basic academic abilities needed to study at the university level.

**Date of Exam:** June and November

**Venues:** <In Japan> Fukuoka City (Kyushu area)  
<Outside Japan> India, Indonesia, Korea, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Taiwan, Philippines, Vietnam, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Myanmar, Mongolia, Russia

**Subjects:** <Humanities> Japanese as a Foreign Language, Japan and the World, Mathematics  
<Science> Japanese as a Foreign Language, Science (two subjects from Physics, Chemistry and Biology), Mathematics

**Exam languages:** Japanese or English

\*Students with a high score in the EJU may be eligible to receive a Reservation Program for Honors Scholarships for Privately Financed International Students (Undergraduate level: 48,000 yen per month)

### Entry Visa

For applications for entry visas to take the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students and the university's entrance examination, please contact your nearest embassy (or consulate general) to apply for a Temporary Visitor visa. At that time, it is advisable to show documents such as your examination admission card.

**Residence status:** Temporary Visitor  
**Period of stay:** 90, 30 or 15 days

\*Please contact the embassy for details in advance.

### Major Places of Employment of International Students

**Government employee:** Indonesia, Tuvalu, Philippines, Myanmar, Brazil

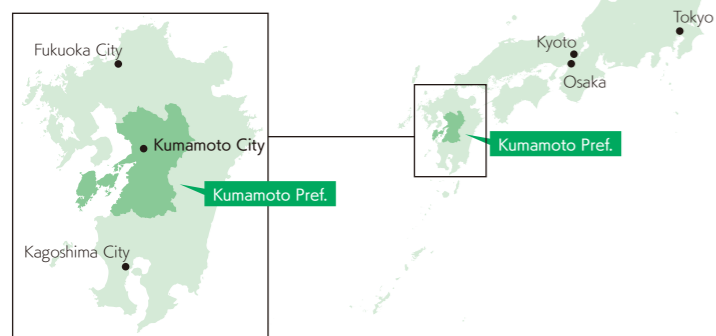
**Teachers and Researchers:** Kumamoto University (Japan), Nankai University (China), Dalian University of Technology (China), Universiti Utara Malaysia (Malaysia), Hanoi University of Civil Engineering (Vietnam), Elementary School Teacher (Philippines)

**Companies, etc.:** Panasonic (Malaysia), Toray Fibers & Textiles Research Laboratories (China), RIKEN (Japanese companies from here), NHK Kumamoto, Hitachi Ltd., Higo Bank (random order)



## About Kumamoto Prefecture and Kumamoto City

Kumamoto Prefecture is located in the center of Kyushu, the southernmost main island of Japan. It is home to Mt. Aso, set in a world-leading caldera, the Ariake Sea, and the Amakusa Islands. You can enjoy the rich natural environment of Kumamoto throughout all four seasons. Kumamoto City, with 740,000 residents, is the hub of Kumamoto Prefecture. Kumamoto Castle is located downtown, surrounded by office buildings and shopping areas. Kumamoto City is accessible via Kumamoto Airport as well as via airports in neighboring prefectures, including Fukuoka Airport. Fukuoka City is the largest city in Kyushu, and just 30 minutes away by Shinkansen train or 2 hours away by highway bus. Kumamoto City is very convenient for international students.



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# Kumamoto University

## About Kumamoto University

Inheriting the Fifth High School founded in 1887, Kumamoto University was established in 1949 under the new National School System. It comprises 7 faculties and 8 graduate schools, as well as 20 research centers and facilities. The university is home to 8,000 undergraduates, 2,000 graduate students and 2,500 faculty members. Kumamoto University is an outstanding research institutes, accepting many international students and contributing to local and international communities.



### Soseki Natsume

1867~1916  
In 1890, he entered the College of Letters of the Imperial University. In 1896, he took up his new post as lecturer at the Fifth High School. "Kusamakura" is one of his masterpieces, telling of his trip during his residence in Kumamoto. (Photo from Soseki Photo Book)



### Lafcadio Hearn

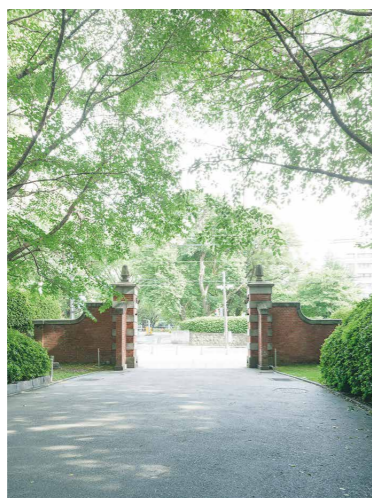
1950~1904  
A British national born in Greece. In 1891, he took up his new post at the Fifth High School. His work "Ghost Stories" ("Kwaidan") introduced Japan's mysterious traditions in English, and is widely known. He wrote many books while he was in Kumamoto.



The Memorial Museum of the Fifth High School



100th Anniversary Hall



The Front Gate (The Red Gate)



Kumamoto University Library

## Entrance Programs

### 1. Japanese Government Scholarship Students (Embassy Recommendation)

This scholarship offered by the Japanese government (Embassy Recommendation) is intended for individuals living overseas who wish to study in Japan. The Japanese Embassies and Consulate Generals overseas recruit and screen applicants. Kumamoto University accepts students as undergraduate students, research students, Japanese studies students, and teacher training students.

#### < Scholarship >

Scholarship benefits are 110,000 to 140,000 yen per month. Tuition fees are not to be collected. Travel costs, round-trip airfare, are to be provided.

#### < Recruitment >

##### ● Undergraduate Students/Research Students

Recruitment: April-May  
1st screening: June-July (Review of submitted documents, written exam, interview)

##### ● Japanese Studies Students/Teacher Training Students

Recruitment: December-February  
1st screening: February-March

\*For details, please visit the web site of Japanese Government Scholarship Students.



### 2. Privately-Funded International Students

Kumamoto University accepts privately-funded international students at 7 faculties. For details, please contact the administration division of faculty you want.

#### ■ Entrance examination for Privately-Funded International Students (undergraduates)

Faculty	Subjects	Application	Exam Date
Letters	Short essay, Interview	End of January to Beginning of February	End of February
Education	(Japanese, Math, Foreign Language*), Interview *Subjects are different by courses.		
Law	Short Essay, Interview		
Science	Math, Science, Foreign Language, Interview Note 1: Applicants for the Course of Nursing, School of Health Sciences, replace Science with Japanese.		
Medicine	Note 2: Foreign language is not necessary for applicants for the School of Pharmacy and Dept. of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Faculty of Engineering.		
Pharmacy	Note 3: Math and foreign language are not necessary for applicants for the Dept. of Applied Chemistry and Biochemistry		
Engineering			

\*Applicants for the Faculty of Education (exclude School Health Teacher Course) may select up to third choice departments.  
\*Application information will be made available in the beginning of December.  
\*Examination results will be announced in the beginning of March.

### 3. Exchange Students

Students of universities that have concluded student exchange agreements with Kumamoto University can study at our university as exchange students.

\*For details, please contact the College of Cross-Cultural and Multidisciplinary Studies.

#### ■ International Exchange Agreements

International Exchange Agreements:  
202 Institutes (41 Countries & Regions)  
Student Exchange Agreements: 135 Institutes (30 Countries & Regions)  
(As of March 1st, 2016)

#### ■ Partner Universities Exchanging Students (excerpted)

KOREA / Pai Chai University, Dong-A University, Chosun University, University of Seoul, Pukyong National University USA / The University of Montana, Montana State University Australia / The University of Newcastle UK / University of Leeds Poland / University of Warsaw Germany / Saarland University France / Pole University of Bordeaux, Bordeaux Institute of Technology China / Tongji University, Shanghai Normal University, Dalian University of Technology, East China University of Political Science and Law, Shandong University, Jilin University, Guangxi Normal University, Harbin Institute of Technology Taiwan / Southern Taiwan University Vietnam / Hue University, National University of Civil Engineering Indonesia / Institut Teknologi Bandung, Gadjah Mada University, Institut Teknologi Sepuluh Nopember, Airlangga University Laos / National University of Laos

### 4. Transfer Students

Students who have graduated or are expected to graduate from junior colleges can matriculate as juniors of Kumamoto University. For details, please contact the administration division of faculty you want.

Application: Around May - Sep.  
Examination: Around May - Oct.

## School Fees and Living Expenses

### 1. School Fees

(Unit: JPN Yen)

	Entrance Exam Fees	School Fees	
		Admission Fees	Tuition Fees
Undergraduates	17,000	282,000	535,800/year
Graduates	30,000	282,000	535,800/year
Research students	9,800	84,600	29,700/month
Auditing students	9,800	28,200	14,800/credit

\*Tuition paid in two installments in the 1st and 2nd semesters  
\*Tuition for each semester paid at the beginning of the semester ※Auditing students include non-degree course students

### 2. Average Monthly Living Expenses

- Food 30,000 - 45,000 yen
- Accommodations < International House > Single Rooms 17,000 yen (incl. common service charge)  
< Private apartments > 25,000 - 60,000 yen
- Total Average Monthly Living Expenses 80,000yen -

## Economic Assistance

### 1. Tuition Waiver (For Privately-Funded International Students)

You may be eligible to get all or half of your tuition fees waived, if your application is accepted. (Roughly 60% of the undergraduates, 80% of the master's course students, and 90% of the doctoral course students are exempted.)

### 2. Scholarship

A monthly scholarship of 30,000 to 150,000 yen is available from Japanese government, Kumamoto Pref., the Rotary Club and other foundations.

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\*The university also offers career advice and introduces part-time jobs (with permission and work hour limits).



## Daily Life Support

### 1. Housing and Life

Kumamoto University International House, 10 minutes by bicycle (1.5 km) from the Kurokami Campus, is an accommodation for international students and researchers. Currently, it houses more than 200 people. Qualified residents can stay for 6 months to 1 year (extendable up to 2 years) after entering the university. There are apartments for students, supermarkets, convenience stores, and other shops near the university. The downtown area is located 10-15 minutes by bicycle from the university.

### 2. Campus Life

#### ■ Facilities in Campus

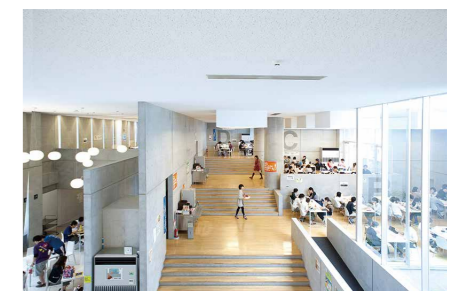
The campus houses cafeterias, restaurants, bookstores, travel agencies, and bank ATMs. Meals and commodities are readily available at reasonable prices.

#### ■ Support for Japanese Language and Culture

Various levels of Japanese language classes are offered so that international students can choose one that matches their Japanese proficiency. The university also offers Japanese history and culture programs and field trips.



International House Bldg. C



Cafeteria FORICO

## Tutor System

Kumamoto University offers a tutor system to support international students who have just come to Japan and don't speak Japanese very well or have limited knowledge about Japan. Usually, one graduate school student will be assigned to each international student.