Osaka University

Osaka University is one of Japan’s outstanding comprehensive universities. It is situated in Osaka, the second-largest metropolitan area in Japan and historically a merchant city known as the “nation’s kitchen.” Those who choose to study science in Japan recognize this country’s prowess in many fields of science and technology, supported by an excellent research climate and extensive corporate investment. IUPS students can choose from more than a hundred research laboratories in Osaka University to continue their research at the post-graduate level.
The Department of Mathematics consists of 6 research groups: algebra, geometry, analysis, global geometry and analysis, experimental mathematics, and mathematical science, all of which have been making substantial contributions to the development of mathematics.

The Department of Physics offers a world-class education to its undergraduate and graduate students. Established in 1931, its current activities include elementary particle physics, nuclear physics, condensed matter physics, computational physics, interdisciplinary physics, and earth and space science.

The Department of Chemistry comprises more than 20 laboratories of inorganic chemistry, analytical chemistry, physical chemistry, organic chemistry, and macromolecular science. Faculty members are involved in high-level education and research, collaborating with overseas researchers.

There are various scholarships that IUPS students can apply for, such as:
1. Monbukagakusho Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students (i.e. JASSO scholarship)
2. Scholarships from local governments or international associations
3. Scholarships from private foundations

Osaka University students are eligible to apply for tuition fee exemption (for either half or all tuition fees). See also the website about scholarships at Osaka University.

For six months prior to enrollment, Osaka University will offer intensive Japanese language education and some preliminary science classes depending on the chosen major. At the beginning of this program, students mainly take classes in English and study Japanese in the Japanese Language Course. Later, students study major subjects in Japanese together with Japanese students.

For the preliminary and extensive Japanese language education program
Enrollment fee 84,600 JPY
Tuition fees 173,400 JPY per semester
1st year dormitory ~240,000 JPY (for 1 year)
*These fees are subject to change.

Students enrolled in this program will be assigned to on-campus dormitories for the first year on a preferential basis.

For undergraduate school
Enrollment fee 282,000 JPY
Tuition fees 267,900 JPY per semester

There are no international student fees in Japan.

For the preliminary and extensive Japanese language education program

Application fee 26,800 JPY

Application Interview Preliminary Japanese language program Enrollment

The average monthly living cost in Osaka is estimated at approximately 100,000 yen, including the rent. Detailed information about living in Japan is available at the Support Office.

One of the major benefits of studying in Japan is that it’s less expensive than for example in the US, UK or Australia! There are no international student fees in Japan.

The program usually takes 4.5 years in total to complete and a bachelor’s degree is awarded to students at graduation.