Japan, a country of over three thousand islands extending along the Pacific coast of Asia, is full of amazing contrasts between old and new. The country offers a very wide range of attractions, from historical and cultural treasures to modern and futuristic sights and beautiful forests, mountains and sea coasts. The Kansai Gaidai University is located in Hirakata City, the capital heart of Japan. Kansai Gaidai is accessible, within a one-hour train ride, to Kyoto and Nara, the ancient capitals, and Osaka, the second largest business hub in Japan.

**Program Dates:**
- Fall Semester: August 25 – December 22, 2017
- Spring Semester: January 17 – May 25, 2018

**Student Program Services:** Kansai Gaidai’s classrooms are equipped with state-of-art AV devices (i.e. DVD players, LAN network ports, video projectors, etc). The university offers computer rooms, library, media center, student lounge, language labs, and studios for ceramics and sumi-e (brush painting) courses. The Gymnasium houses Karate, boxing training space, shower room, general training room, and the volleyball and basketball arenas. For more information on Kansai Gaidai University, visit: [http://www.kansaigaidai.ac.jp/asp/](http://www.kansaigaidai.ac.jp/asp/)

**Academic Requirements:** Undergraduate students with a 3.0 overall GPA or higher and sophomore standing. Previous Japanese language is not required, but may give students preference for admission. All students must take a 5 credit hour Spoken Japanese course in addition to their other courses.

**Living Accommodations:** Students can participate in the home stay program or stay in on-campus dormitory. Accommodation costs will be determined based on availability and options.
- **The home stay program:** The host family provides two meals on weekdays and three meals on weekends. A lunch meal allowance will be given to students so they can have lunch at on-campus cafeterias.
- **On-campus dormitory:** Full kitchen facilities are available in the dormitory. Cash will be given to students to cover three meals a day.

**Program Costs:** Estimated at $5,709

**Program Fee Includes:** Housing (homestay or dormitory option), all meals, linens, pre-departure orientation, on-site orientation, and support staff.

**Not Included:** FAU tuition (out-of-state extra), airfare (est. $1,500), textbooks (est. $200), Visa fees, FAU application fee ($200 semester/$250 year), local transportation (est. $700), CISI insurance ($44 per month), airport pick-up ($26), refundable deposits in Japan ($319), and personal spending money (est. $1,200).

**Application Deadline:** April 30 (fall); October 15 (spring)

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