

Exchange Program Completion Questionnaire



We ask exchange students to take a time to fill out this report to improve our exchange program. Please note that the information provided here will be used by Kobe University only. Please submit your report to Academic Affairs Section by email.

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General Information

a	Name:	
b	E-mail:	
c	Faculty or Graduate School at KU:	5.School of Business Administration
d	Duration of Study :	2022.4 - 2022.9
e	Name of Home University:	Ghent University
f	Date of the Report (Day/Month/Year):	2023/1/23

1. Prior to Departure

1-1	How did you first learn about this exchange program? If Other, please specify.	4.Home University Website
1-2	What did motivate you to participate in the exchange program?	Please number in the boxes below in order of applicable answers. (About 3~5 answers)
	Academic goals	2
	Learn a language / fulfill language requirement	Choose from the list
	Time of year	4
1-2	Length of program	Choose from the list
	Cost of program	Choose from the list
	Geographic location	3
	Explore options for future (professional or career goals)	Choose from the list
1-3	Family heritage/ cultural background	Choose from the list
	Experience another culture	1
	If Other, please specify.	
	Did you find any helpful reference in preparing to come to Japan? If yes, please explain item by item below. i.g.) Website(http://www...), Journal "... " etc.	1.Yes
1-3	Daily Life (Food /Clothes /Housing /Health /Public Transportation)	/
	Procedures (VISA /Residing /National Insurance /Bank)	https://www.be.emb-japan.go.jp/itortop_en/index.html
	Student Life (Academic Procedure /Course /Research /Scholarship)	Website Kobe University
	Tourist Information	https://diplomatie.belgium.be/en
Other		

2. Academics/Courses

[Regular Subject Courses]

2-1	Did you take any regular subject courses? If yes, please answer following questions. (2-2 to 2-6) If no, please explain why.	1.Yes
2-2	How difficult were courses?	4.Easy
	If you have any experiences of feeling difficulties / easiness in regular courses, please describe them.	I saw a lot of the study material in earlier years, so was a bit in every course.
2-3	Are there any courses that you highly recommend or not to take?	2.No
	Please list them.	(Recommended) (Not recommended)
2-4	Did you think that there was sufficient diversity when you choose regular courses to take?	3.Not Sufficient enough
2-5	Have you achieved the purpose of your study on the exchange program?	2.Agree
	Please explain what your purpose was.	I wanted to adapt to a new culture and to study in smaller groups of students in order to better participate during class.
2-6	If you have any additional comments about the academic aspect of the courses, please describe them. (level of demand, quality of professors, frequency of assessment, quality of other students, your preparedness for the course, etc.)	No, good!

【Japanese Language Courses】		
2-7	Did you take language courses at the CIE? If yes, please answer following questions (2-8 to 2-12).	2.No
	If no, please explain why.	It was a bit too much work to have an extra class in my already busy schedule. It would be nice if there was an introductory course to just learn the basics in class without a lot of study/homework requirements.
2-8	Which level of courses mainly did you take?	Choose from the list
	How difficult were courses?	Choose from the list
	If you have any experiences of feeling difficulties / easiness in Japanese Language Courses, please describe them.	
2-9	Do you think you have improved your Japanese language ability?	Choose from the list
	Please explain how it has improved or what kind of specific ability improved (Ex. speaking/ I became able to make presentations on a wide variety of familiar topics.)	
2-10	If you have any additional comments about the academic aspect of the courses, please describe them. (level of demand, quality of professors, frequency of assessment, quality of other students, your preparedness for the course, etc.)	
【Research Activities】		
2-11	Did you do research at KU?	2.No
	Did you receive credits from your research?	Choose from the list
	How many hours you dedicate to your research?	Choose from the list
	Please describe your project, challenges you tried and how you were evaluated.	

3. Social and Cultural Experience

3-1	Did you have to make any cultural and social adjustments when you started to live in Japan?	1.Yes
	If yes, please comment your experiences.	It was a lot of adjustment when I came here. A lot of things are different from home so that was kind of difficult in the beginning.
3-2	How many Japanese students and faculty members did you have contact with ?	6~15
	How often did you have contact with them?	4.Several times in a semester
	Did you think that you had sufficient contact with Japanese students or friends?	4.Insufficient
	If you have any good experiences or difficulties with Japanese friends, please describe them.	It is really hard to connect to Japanese students, especially when in the Sesami Program where no Japanese students are enrolled in. It would be nice if there would be more naturale connection times to them, like in class, during lunch, in the hallway.
3-3	Were you involved in extracurricular activities? (club activities, volunteer, internship, work activities etc.) If yes, please answer the following questions.	2.No
	What kind of activities was it? If Other, please specify.	Choose from the list
	How did you know about it? If Other, please specify.	Choose from the list
	Did you feel satisficated with your activities? Please explain details of your activity or your experiences through the activities.	Choose from the list
3-4	What did you do during your free time, at night and on the weekends? Please explain.	I traveled and discovered the neighbourhood with friends made here.
3-5	Please add any comments about Kobe city (safety, cultural events, attitudes toward foreigners, location, etc.).	I felt very safe in Kobe City. Everyone is also very nice towards foreigners, but as I didn't speak Japanese, converstation were difficult.

4. Housing/Food

4-1	Where did you live? If Other, please specify.	1.International Residence
	How sufficient was your housing?	2.Sufficient
	Please explain why.	It is small, but very nice. The only thing I missed is common area to sit down with other people and a shared kitchen where we can cook our food together instead of alone in our rooms.
4-2	How did you get your meals?	5.Other
	If Other, please specify.	Combination of everything.
4-3	Did you have contact with your neighborhood and commute?	1.Very often
	What kind of people were almost of them? If Other, please specify.	1.International Students
	If you have any good experiences or difficulties with your neighborhood and commute, please describe them.	
4-4	Please add any comments about housing and food.	

5. Program Support Services

5-1	Did you receive sufficient support and advice from the KU staff before and during your time at KU?	1.Fully Sufficient
	How sufficient was support by International Exchange Division?	2.Sufficient
	How sufficient was support by Student Affairs Section of your faculty/School?	1.Fully Sufficient
	If you have any comments, please describe them.	The Academic affairs office was very helpful and every problem I encountered was solved quickly.
5-2	How would you rate the orientation and other services for international students?	3.Not Sufficient enough
	If you have any comments or suggestions, please describe them.	The orientation day was very overwhelming. It would be nice if there was just a simple list of things we should do and by what time. Right now we got a lot of different papers into our hands and everything was said to be very urgent and that really was a lot for me on my first days in Japan.

6. Cost

6-1	Did you receive any scholarships? If yes, please answer the following questions.	1.Yes
	Sponsor:	Kobe University
	Amount/month: (Yen)	50000
	Do you think that the scholarship you received was sufficiently helpful for your program?	2.Sufficient
6-2	How much did you spend for the following items?	Please input the amount of money you spent for the following items. (JPY) *The amount for each item should be total cost for whole period.
	Airfare (a round trip):	270000
	Accommodation (including water/electricity/gas charges):	160000
	Food:	380000
	Transportation while in Japan:	150000
	Insurance Fee:	18000
	Mobile bill (Mobile Wi-Fi):	20000
	Others: ()	
Total:	998000	
6-3	Please add any comments/advice for prospective student about managing expenses while at KU.	

7. After Completing Program

7-1	Has study abroad changed the direction of your life in any way (academically, professionally or personally)?	2.Agree
	Please explain how it changed your direction of your life.	It changed how I think about trying new things. Everything also works out just fine and there are people everywhere in the world that will help you when you are not sure what you should do.

8. Student Testimonials

8-1	<p>We would like you to provide a message with a photo to be shared as "student testimonials" on our website. Your message and photo will be shared like the sample shown in another sheet of this file. "(Sample)Testimonial"</p> <p>Please share some experiences and provide a message that might be helpful to prospective students who are considering study abroad.</p>	<p>My experience as an exchange student at Kobe University was really good. I learned a lot about myself and I was able to discover the Japanese culture. Kobe University is very nice university and they support international students very well. In the beginning everything is a bit overwhelming, but with the help from the Academic Affairs Office, everything turned out great.</p>
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