

2027 Admission

**Application Guidelines
for Ph.D. of
Global Data Science Program**

Graduate School of Business and Commerce

**Kansai University
Graduate School**

Privacy Policy

With regards to personal information received on application which is liable to specify the individual (hereafter “Personal Information”), Kansai University Graduate School (hereafter “the Graduate School”) will treat the information carefully in accordance with applicable laws and the Kansai University Graduate School Privacy Policy.

The Kansai University Graduate School Privacy Policy can be found on the top page of the Graduate School’s website (<https://www.kansai-u.ac.jp>) under “Privacy Policy”.

1. Use of Personal Information

Personal Information from applicants is used only for the following purposes:

- (1) To administrate entrance examinations
- (2) To announce examination results
- (3) To complete procedures up to enrollment

2. Management of Personal Information

The Graduate School has assigned a personal information protection administrator to ensure that Personal Information from applicants for the three purposes listed above is managed carefully and deleted appropriately in accordance with applicable laws and ordinances after a fixed period of custody.

3. Sharing of Personal Information

The Graduate School will share some Personal Information with Kansai University Kyosaikai (an affiliated organization of Kansai University for mutual-aid program) to enhance student life on campus.

《Sharing of Personal Information and its purpose》

Administrative numbers, names, address, phone number, dates of birth, assigned graduate school, major, and course for verifying the payment of the enrollment and registration fees to the above affiliated organization.

4. Disclosure of Personal Information to Third Parties

The Graduate School will not share Personal Information with third parties without consent of the applicant, except when compelled by laws and ordinances.

5. Sharing of Personal Information with Contractors

The Graduate School may share some Personal Information with contractors in order to carry out the operations described in 1 above. In such cases it shall contract them to handle the Personal Information appropriately based on its Privacy Policy.

6. Statistical Data on Entrance Examinations

The Graduate School compiles statistical data about entrance examinations but does not identify applicants. This data will be used for individuals interested in the Graduate School, and utilized to analyze the Graduate School's future entrance examinations.

7. Disclosure, Correction, and Deletion of the Personal Information

When requested by an applicant to disclose, correct, or delete his or her Personal Information, the Graduate School will accommodate that request promptly in accordance with applicable laws, rules, and other guidelines after verifying the applicant. Data pertaining entrance examination score will not be disclosed.

8. Inquiries

Inquiries concerning applicants' Personal Information, including requests to disclose, correct, or delete it, will be directed to Graduate School Admissions Division of Kansai University Entrance Examination Center (See end of this document).

Management of Export subject to National Security Concerns

On accepting the international students, the University complies management of export subject to security concerns under the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act. If your expecting study or research theme violates the management, you might not select it.

Special Economic Assistance for Applicants suffered from disasters in the applied area of Disaster Relief Act

Kansai University Graduate School takes a special measure of reduction and exemption of application fees for the applicants of the entrance examinations the applicable district of Disaster Relief Act. We will also conduct the economic assistances to the said enrollees according to the conditions. As for more information, see the Kansai University Graduate School Entrance Examination Information Website.



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Admission Policy

The Graduate School of Business and Commerce (Ph.D. Degree Program) is an educational institute that promotes the study of modern business with the focus on the analysis of activities by corporations as economic entities, and aims to produce researchers and professional experts who lead the future society while interacting with research activities. The Ph.D. Degree Program offers one major of Business and Commerce in which various subjects related to Distribution, Finance, International Business, Management, and Accounting are placed. The Program awards the Ph.D. Degree (Business and Commerce) to those who have acquired a total of 20 credits and more among various subjects placed in the program, who have successfully completed their doctor's thesis, and who have acquired the following knowledge and skills, abilities to think, judge and express themselves, as well as a proactive attitude after screening doctor's thesis. Besides, a certain public notice period is provided to ensure the validity of the award of the degree.

1. Students have acquired sophisticated knowledge and skills required for playing an active role as researchers or professionals in the field of Business and Commerce and are capable of making use of them in a comprehensive manner.
2. Students can contribute to the society through research and practical activities in the field of Business and Commerce from a global perspective based on their own thinking and demonstrating the excellent capabilities of "Think and Act" as well as problem-solving, leadership, and logical and critical thinking abilities.
3. Students can take responsibility for their own learning and address unsolved issues in the field of Business and Commerce in a proactive manner.

Program, Enrollment Capacity and Degree

Program	Enrollment Capacity	Degree
Ph.D. of Global Data Science Program	A few	Doctor of Commerce

Qualifications for Application

1. Applicants should have enough proficiency in English.
 2. Applicants should satisfy either of the following requirements:
 - (1) Applicants who have received a master's or professional degree at a graduate school.
 - (2) Applicants who enroll a graduate school and will receive a master's or professional degree by the date of enrollment to the Graduate School of Business and Commerce.
 - (3) Applicants who have completed programs and received degrees equivalent to a master's degree from the United Nations University*.

* United Nations University: established by the resolution of the General Assembly of the United Nations on December 11, 1972, as stipulated in Article 1 Paragraph 2 of the Act on Special Measures incidental to Enforcement of the Agreement between the United Nations and Japan regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations University.
 - (4) Applicants designated by the minister of MEXT † (Bulletin No. 118 of 1989).
- † MEXT: Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology.
- (5) Applicants who are recognized as having degrees equivalent or superior to a master's degree by the graduate school of Business and Commerce, and have reached the age of 24 by the date of enrollment. This requirement shall not apply to the foreigners who are recognized as having received Japanese regular school education program.

Admission Schedule for 2027 Academic Year

○Spring Semester

Step		Deadline and Period	
		October Examination	February Examination
①	Advanced Contact	July 24 (Fri), 2026	November 27 (Fri), 2026
②	Forward the consent E-mail to Graduate School Admissions Division	As soon as you receive approval from your prospective professor	
③	Receive the Application ID and Password by E-mail from Graduate School	By the application start day	
④	Application Registration / Payment of Application Fee	August 21 (Fri), 2026 to September 4 (Fri), 2026	December 18 (Fri), 2026 to January 8 (Fri), 2027
⑤	Application Document Submission <Must arrive>		
⑥	Examination Admission Slip Download and Print	October 5 (Mon), 2026	February 15 (Mon), 2027
⑦	Announcement of Exam Results	October 16 (Fri), 2026	February 26 (Fri), 2027
⑧	Enrollment Step I - (1)	October 16 (Fri), 2026 to October 30 (Fri), 2026	February 26 (Fri), 2027 to March 15 (Mon), 2027
	Enrollment Step I - (2) and II	February 15 (Mon), 2027 to March 15 (Mon), 2027	

○Fall Semester

Step		Deadline and Period
		July Examination
①	Advanced Contact	April 30 (Fri), 2027
②	Forward the consent E-mail to Graduate School Admissions Division	As soon as you receive approval from your prospective professor
③	Receive the Application ID and Password by E-mail from Graduate School	By the application start day
④	Application Registration / Payment of Application Fee	May 20 (Thu), 2027 to June 3 (Thu), 2027
⑤	Application Document Submission<Must arrive>	
⑥	Examination Admission Slip Download and Print	July 5 (Mon), 2027
⑦	Announcement of Exam Results	July 16 (Fri), 2027
⑧	Enrollment Step I - (1)	July 16 (Fri), 2027 to July 30 (Fri), 2027
	Enrollment Step I - (2) and II	August 20 (Fri), 2027 to September 3 (Fri), 2027

Advanced Contact

Send your CV to a professor you wish to be supervised by E-mail, noting your research interests in the Graduate School. The professor will arrange either in person or online meeting with you for discussing your research plan. Please note that even if the professor approves your application, this does NOT guarantee your admission.

Forward the consent E-mail to Graduate School Admissions Division

Please forward the e-mail from your prospective professor confirming their approval of your application to the Graduate School Admissions Division as soon as possible, without editing the content.

If approval was given orally, please ask your prospective professor to send you a confirmation e-mail and forward it to the Graduate School Admissions Division.

Receive the Application ID and Password from Graduate School Admissions Division

After receiving your E-mail, Graduate School Admissions Division will send an E-mail to you with your ID and password for application registration.

Application Procedure Flow

Please complete the application procedure only after receiving notification of “Application Permitted.”

Applications for the Kansai University Graduate School Entrance Examination are accepted only through the Kansai University Graduate School Entrance Examination Portal Site.

If you are using the portal site for the first time, you must register your applicant information in advance and create an application account. The registered account can be used until the end of March of the same academic year.

STEP 1 Register Applicant Information Create an application account to use the portal site.	STEP 4 Print the Application Confirmation Form and Address Label After completing the application registration, print the Application Confirmation Form and Address Label.
STEP 2 Application Registration Access the portal site and enter the required application information.	STEP 5 Submit Application Documents Place the application documents in a Kaku-2 size envelope and send them by registered express mail.
STEP 3 Application Fee Payment Pay the application fee of ¥35,000 through the portal site.	STEP 6 Download and Print the Examination Admission Slip The Examination Admission Slip will not be sent by post. Please download it and print it out.

STEP 1: Register Applicant Information

※If you have already created an application account, this step is not required.

(⇒ Go to “STEP.2 Application Registration” below)

Please access the URL below using a computer, smartphone, or tablet.

However, we recommend using it from a computer.

Kansai University Graduate School Entrance Examination Portal Site

<https://sak-sak.net/portalapp/kansaignrad>



[Initial Registration]

- (1) Access the Kansai University Graduate School Entrance Examination Portal Site and click “For first-time Users” here.
- (2) After agreeing to the handling of personal information, please register the email address to be used as your user ID.
- (3) A temporary password will be issued to the registered email address.
- (4) Enter your user ID and temporary password to log in to your “My Page”.
- (5) Click “Edit Profile” on My Page, enter your name※, date of birth, gender, contact details, etc. and click “Register”.

※For applicants who do not have name in kanji, please enter your name in katakana.

- (6) Click “Upload Photo” on My Page, upload your photo data, then check all items under “Check Regulations” and click “Save”.

STEP 2: Application Registration

- (1) Access the Kansai University Graduate School Entrance Examination Portal Site, log in to “My Page”, and click “Admission Application / Review”.
- (2) After reviewing the “Application Process (From Registration to Submission of Documents)”, proceed to the next item displayed at the bottom right of the screen, **enter the user ID and password sent by E-mail from Graduate School Admissions Division.**

[For Applicants Who Have Been Given a “User ID” and “Password” by the Kansai University Graduate Schools Admissions Group]

After reviewing the above information, please move on to the application process.

User ID

Password

Start Application

For the protection of applicants' privacy, the online application screen is secured with advanced SSL encryption.

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- (3) Please follow the instructions on the screen to fill in the required information and complete your application registration.

- (4) After registering your application, the “Final Confirmation” screen will be displayed.
To check and correct “Applicant Information”, “Additional Applicant Information”, and “Exam Information”, click one of the following: “Return to Applicant Information Input”, “Return to Applicant Additional Information Input”, or “Return to Exam Information Selection”. If there are no corrections, please check “I agree after confirming the above” and click “Apply”.
- (5) After completing steps (1)~(4) above, you will be redirected to the “Confirm Registration Information” screen. Please be sure to keep the displayed application acceptance number (10 digits). The application receipt number may be used to verify application information, etc.

STEP 3: Application Fee Payment

The application fee is **¥35,000**. Please pay the application fee through “My Page” on the Kansai University Graduate School Entrance Examination Portal Site after completing application registration.

Please follow the on-screen instructions and complete the payment by the deadline shown on the **“Registration Information Confirmation”** screen.

Please note the following:

- If payment is not completed by the deadline, the application registration will be cancelled.
- An additional system fee applies.
- Payment is completed online.

Refund Policy

Application fees are non-refundable once paid. However, refunds may be made in the following cases:

- Overpayment of the application fee.
- Payment was completed, but the application documents were not submitted by the deadline.
- The application was not accepted due to incomplete application documents.

If any of the above applies, please contact the Graduate School Admissions Division within **7 days after the application deadline**.

STEP 4: Print the Application Confirmation Form and Address Label

Please print the [Application Confirmation Form (for university submission)] and [Address Label] following the steps below.

- (1) Log in to the Kansai University Graduate School Entrance Examination Portal Site under “My Page” and click “Admission Application / Review”.
- (2) Select the relevant “Application Reception Number” at the top of the displayed page to check the details of your application status.
- (3) If the displayed information is correct, click “Print Application Confirmation Form” at the bottom of the page and print the [Application Confirmation Form (for university submission)] and [Address Label].

STEP 5: Submit Application Documents

Send the application documents to Graduate School Admissions Division. **DO NOT FOLD** the documents. Applicants should use an envelope large enough not to fold them. All documents must reach to the office by the deadline.

For Applicants inside Japan

Choose either way of submission.

【By Hand】

Visit Graduate School Admissions Division at Senriyama Campus, Kansai University and submit your application documents in person. The office counter is open between 10:00 a.m. (JST) and 4:00 p.m. (JST) during the designated period. Please be noted that the office will be closed on Sundays, national holidays, and winter holidays from December 26(Sat), 2026, to January 6(Wed), 2027.

【By Mail】

Mail your application documents by a Simple Registered Express Mail by Japan Post during the designated period. Please make sure that all documents must be reached to Graduate School Admissions Division by the deadline.

For Applicants outside Japan

Send your application documents through International Express Service (DHL, FedEx, or OCS) that can be issue a tracking number of the documents.

After sending the application documents, please inform us your tracking number to Graduate School Admissions Division via E-mail.

Submission Address:

3-3-35, Yamate-cho, Suita-shi, Osaka, 564-8680, JAPAN

Graduate School Admissions Division, Kansai University

Tel: +81-6-6368-1407

E-mail: kugrd-exam@ml.kandai.jp

STEP 6: Download and Print the Examination Admission Slip

The Examination Admission Slip will not be sent by mail.

Please follow the steps below to download and print the Examination Admission Slip. The slip will be available from 10:00 a.m. (JST) on the Examination Admission Slip Download Start Date until the Examination Results Date.

- (1) Log in to “My Page” on the Kansai University Graduate School Entrance Examination Portal Site and click “Admission Application / Review.”
- (2) Select the relevant “Application Reception Number” at the top of the displayed page and click “Print” under the “Examination Number” section.
- (3) Please download the Examination Admission Slip (PDF file).
- (4) Please print in color, in landscape orientation and at full scale, on A4-size white paper.

Application Documents

Document to be Submitted 【Document Number】	Remarks
Documents to be submitted by all applicants	
Application Confirmation Form (for university submission) 【①】	After completing application registration and payment of the application fee, print the [Application Confirmation Form (for university submission)] from the portal site and submit it with your application documents. (Color printing)
Statement of Reason for Applying (Form 1)【②】	Use the form designated by Kansai University and write in English.
Original transcript from previously graduate school 【③】 ※	Submit original transcripts. If you cannot submit original transcripts, please submit transcripts that have been notarized by an embassy or other public institutions. ◦ If you are currently enrolled, you should submit the latest transcript (original) when applying. ◦ If you studied abroad during your enrollment period and credits have been approved, but the credits are not listed on the academic transcript of the graduate school you are enrolled in, or the credits have not been approved after studying abroad, you also should submit the academic transcript (original) from the graduate school where you studied abroad as well. ◦ If you participated in a DD (Dual Degree/Double Degree) program during your enrollment period, but the credits have been approved are not listed on your academic transcript of the graduate school you are enrolled in, or if credits are recognized in a lump sum, you also should submit the transcript (original) from the graduate school where you participated in the program as well. Note 1) If the certificate has multiple pages, the seal of the university or the signature of the person in charge of issuing the certificate is required on all pages.

	Note 2) If you did not take any courses during your enrollment period, or if there is a blank period on your transcript due to studying abroad, please prepare a statement of reasons for that period (free format) and submit it together (School seal is not required).
Original certificate of (expected) completion from previously attended graduate school【④】※ ※The certificate must state that the applicant has obtained (is expected to obtain) a master's degree.	Both of the entrance and (expected) completion dates must be listed. If the above information is listed on the Application Document ④, this certificate does not need to be submitted. Submit an original certificate of (expected) completion. If you cannot submit an original certificate, please submit a certificate of (expected) completion that has been notarized by an embassy or other government institutions.
Documents to be submitted by all applicants	
Research Plan【⑤】	5 copies. Write in English about 2,000 words in length. The plan must indicate the following things: - The subject for research - A review of literature and theories - Research methods you will use A bibliography
Letter of Recommendation (Form 2)【⑥】	Use the form designated by Kansai University. 1 letter of recommendation from a recommender written in English or Japanese. The recommender should be able to certify your academic or professional ability, such as a faculty member of the educational institution that you attended, a member of a research institution or corporation that you worked at. Letter must: · be signed by the recommender · be issued not more than 6 months ago · show the issuing date · show the contact information (telephone number and e-mail address) of the recommender Letter should be sealed off by the recommender with his/ her signature.
(Only Non-Japanese nationals) Copy of ID/Passport or Residence Card【⑦】	For the ID/passport, submit a copy of pages showing your name, date of birth, photograph, expiration date, and history of past entries to and departures from Japan (if you have previously been to Japan). For a applicant who already reside in Japan, submit both sides - of copy of your residence card.
Applicant Photograph【⑧】	- The photograph should be taken within the last 3 months and must not be retouched or edited. Affix the photograph to "statement of Reason for Applying 【②】".
(Only for Non-Native English speakers) English Language Proficiency Certification【⑨】 ★If available	1 original and 1 copy. Submit an official English Language Proficiency Certification (TOEFL, TOEIC, and IELTS are ideal, but is not restricted to them), if available. Otherwise, your English proficiency will be evaluated by the other application documents.

Document to be Submitted【Document Number】	Remarks
Applicants who are eligible under Qualifications for Application (1) to (3) above and have already submitted a master's thesis	
Copies of master's thesis【⑩】	5 copies. If the master's thesis is written in a language other than English, please submit any other achievements completed in English. (See Achievement 【⑫】 part.)
Outline of master's thesis【⑪】	1 original and 4 copies. Write in English about 2,000 words in length. If you wrote your master's thesis not in English, you do not have to submit this.
Achievements【⑫】★If available	5 copies. Academic articles, conference presentations, research reports and any other research papers written in English.
Applicants who are eligible under Qualifications for Application (1) to (3) above and expect to submit a master's thesis	
Outline of thesis intended to be submitted as master's thesis【⑪】	1 original and 4 copies. Write in English about 2,000 words in length. If you will not write your master's thesis in English, you do not have to submit this. Instead of this, please submit any other achievements completed in English. (See Achievement (14) part.)
Achievements【⑫】★If available	5 copies. Academic articles, conference presentations, research reports and any other research papers written in English.
Applicants who are eligible under Qualifications for Application (1) to (3) above and obtained/ will obtain master's degree without submitting master's thesis	
Achievements【⑫】	5 copies. Academic articles, conference presentations, research reports and any other research papers written in English.
Applicants who are eligible under Qualifications for Application (4) or (5) above and those with a professional degree (or who are expected to obtain one) and have not written a master's thesis	
Achievements【⑫】	5 copies. Academic articles, conference presentations, research reports and any other research papers written in English.

※Certificates written in English or Japanese are available. If the certificate is written in a language other than English or Japanese, please submit an English or Japanese translation certified by an embassy or other government institutions.

Cautionary Notes

Application Registration

- (1) During application registration on the portal site, choose and enter your supervising professor by referring to the “List of Supervising Professors of Ph.D. of Global Data Science Program for 2027 Academic Year” (page 15-17). Please be careful to enter the correct information, as it cannot be changed after application registration is completed.
- (2) Enter your name exactly the same as it appears on your ID/passport or residence card.

1. Others

- (1) If your name on a certificate differs from the name when you apply, submit an official certificate or other document that establishes your identity.
- (2) All submitted documents shall not be returned.

Screening Method

Screening will be conducted by reviewing the application documents.

Announcement of Exam Results

Results will be announced on “My Page” of the Kansai University Graduate School Entrance Examination Portal Site after 3:00p.m. (JST) (scheduled) on the Exam Results Date. Notification of results and Enrollment procedure documents will not be sent by post.

Note 1: Immediately after the announcement begins, access may be concentrated and it may be difficult to connect. In that case, please wait a while before accessing it.

Note 2: Kansai University will not respond to inquiries regarding the announcement of results by phone or email.

Enrollment Procedures

Admitted applicants must check the enrollment documents on “My Page” of the Kansai University Graduate School Admissions Portal, and complete the required procedures by the designated deadline.

1 . Enrollment Step I-(1) (Payment of Admission Fee 〈Enrollment and Registration Fees〉)

The fees should be paid through the designated bank transfer form by 1:00 p.m. (JST) on the day of the deadline. Once paid, the enrollment and registration fees are not refundable. The payment slip can be downloaded from "My Page" ※Graduates of Kansai University and a Kansai University graduate school can skip this step as they are not required to pay Admission Fee 〈Enrollment and Registration Fees〉 .

2 . Enrollment Step I-(2) (Payment of Tuition and other Fees) Enrollment Step II (Online Registration and Submission of Documents)

【Spring Enrollment】

Applicants who have paid the Admission Fee (Enrollment and Registration Fees) should complete the payment of tuition and other fees, online registration, and submission of required documents in accordance with the Enrollment Guide (II) posted on "My Page" of the Kansai University Graduate School Admission Portal in early February 2027 (for February Examination applicants, the guide will be posted on the date the examination results are announced).

Tuition and other fees should be paid by 1:00 p.m. (JST) on the day of the deadline using the designated bank transfer form downloaded from "My Page".

Please contact the Graduate School Admissions Division in the following case:

If the Enrollment Guide (II) is not available on "My Page" by February 12 (Fri), 2027 (except for February Examination applicants).

Applicants for the February Examination should complete both Enrollment Steps I and II during the same period.

【Fall Enrollment】

Applicants who have paid the Admission Fee (Enrollment and Registration Fees) should complete the payment of tuition and other fees, online registration, and submission of required documents in accordance with the Enrollment Guide (II) posted on "My Page" of the Kansai University Graduate School Admission Portal in early August 2027. Tuition and other fees should be paid by 1:00 p.m. (JST) on the day of the deadline using the designated bank transfer form downloaded from "My Page".

Please contact the Graduate School Admissions Division in the following case:

If the Enrollment Guide (II) is not available on "My Page" by August 20 (Fri), 2027 (except for August Examination applicants).

If your address changed after you passed the entrance examination, Kansai University is not liable for not reaching or delay of the required documents without any contact. If the enrollment steps based on the documents are not completed by the due date, you are not allowed to enroll

3 . Method of Payment

Use the designated bank transfer form and make payment through your local bank or other financial institution. Do NOT make payment through an automated teller machine (ATM). Payments cannot be made through Japan Post Bank or convenience stores.

For details on JASSO's government-supported tuition fee deferred payment system for master's programs, please contact the Scholarship Support Group.

4 . Refunds of tuition and other fees upon withdrawal

Enrollees who request to withdraw by Spring Enrollment: March 31, 2027, Fall Enrollment: September 20(Mon/Holiday), 2027, for a legitimate reason, can request to refund their paid tuition. (For specific steps, see the Enrollment Process Guide (II).)

School Fees and Other Fees for 2027 Academic Year

○Spring Semester

(in Yen)

Category Fee		2027 Academic Year		2028 Academic Year (Annual Payment)	2029 and subsequent academic years (Annual Payment)
		Spring Semester	Fall Semester		
School Fees	Admission Fee	130,000	—	—	—
	Tuition	364,500	364,500	729,000	729,000
Other Fees	Alumni & Alumnae Association Fee	10,000	—	20,000	—
Total		504,500	364,500	749,000	729,000

○Fall Semester

(in Yen)

Category Fee		2027 Academic Year	2028 Academic Year		2029 Academic Year		2030 and subsequent academic years
		Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Fall Semester	Per Semester
School Fees	Admission Fee	130,000	—	—	—	—	—
	Tuition	364,500	364,500	364,500	364,500	364,500	364,500
Other Fees	Alumni & Alumnae Association Fee	—	10,000	—	20,000	—	—
Total		494,500	374,500	364,500	384,500	364,500	364,500

Notes

1. Graduates of Kansai University or a Kansai University Graduate School, and undergraduates at the University who satisfy the requirements described by Paragraph 1-11 of Article 46 Paragraph of the Graduate School Rules (that is, the successful examinees of Academic Acceleration Entrance Examination) are not required to pay the Admission Fee (Admission Registration Fee) when continuing their studies at one of the Graduate Schools.
2. Graduates of the Kansai University Japanese Language and Culture Program Preparatory Course (Ryugakusei-Bekka) who continue their studies at one of the University's faculties or Graduate Schools are eligible to receive a 50% discount on the Admission Fee (Admission Registration Fee). The same applies to students without finishing the program of the Course.
3. The University collects ¥30,000 on behalf of the Alumni Association : ¥10,000 at the time of enrollment and then ¥20,000 at the following academic year (For students entering at the Fall Semester, the University collects a total of ¥30,000 on behalf of the Alumni Association by collecting ¥10,000 at the Spring Semester in the academic year following the year of enrollment and then ¥20,000 at the next Spring Semester).
The dues are not collected from students who have already paid as graduates of the University or any of the Graduate Schools (including the successful examinees of Academic Acceleration Entrance Examination) according to the requirements described by Paragraph 1-11 of Article 46 Paragraph of the Graduate School Rules.

Kansai University offers a variety of scholarships to support graduate students in their studies and research activities. There are a number of scholarships for students with excellent grades in entrance examinations and the university's own scholarship system, which does not require repayment. Please refer to the following website for details.

Scholarships

<https://www.kansai-u.ac.jp/scholarship/about/graduate.html>



For more information about the scholarship program, please contact the following offices. All contact points are open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, and closed periods.

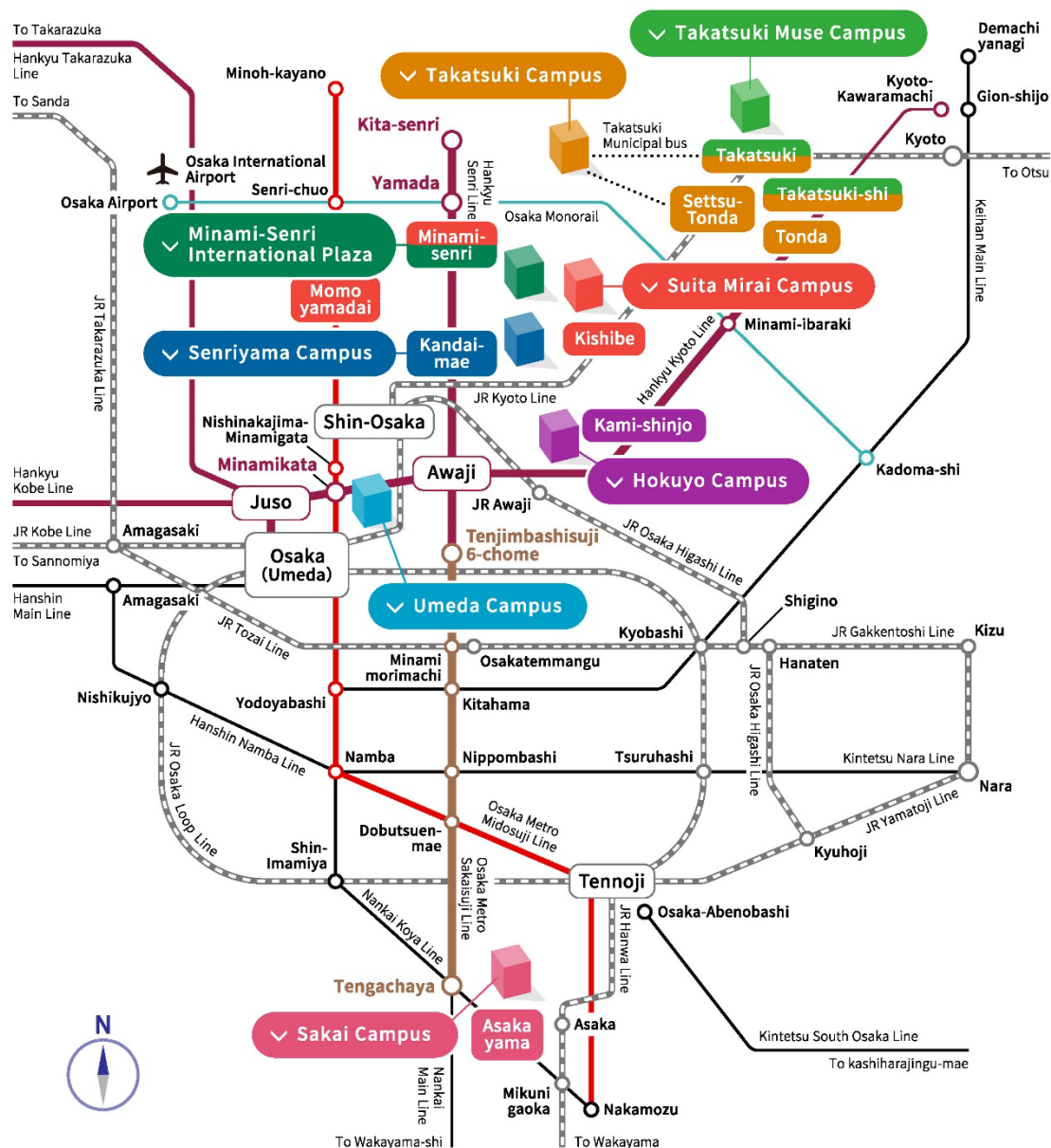
- Scholarships & Financial Aid Division 【Graduate Schools located in Senriyama Campus】
3-3-35, Yamate-cho Suita-shi, OSAKA 564-8680 JAPAN TEL : +81-6-6368-1121
- Takatsuki Office 【Graduate School of Informatics】
2-1-1 Ryozenji-cho, Takatsuki-shi, Osaka 569-1095 JAPAN TEL : +81-72-690-2161
- Takatsuki Muse Campus Group (Muse Office) 【Graduate School of Societal Safety Sciences】
7-1 Hakubai-cho, Takatsuki-shi, Osaka 569-1098 JAPAN TEL : +81-72-684-4000
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1-11-1 Kaorigaoka-cho, Sakai-ku, Sakai-shi, Osaka 590-8515 JAPAN TEL : +81-72-229-5022
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3-3-35, Yamate-cho Suita-shi, OSAKA 564-8680 JAPAN TEL : +81-6-6368-1121

International Education Office Web site

<https://www.kansai-u.ac.jp/Kokusai/>



Getting to Kansai University



[Senriyama Campus]

■ Access from Osaka-umeda

Take the Hankyu Railway bound for Osaka-umeda station bound for Kita-Senri and get off at Kandai-mae station (about 20 mins.). Or, take the train from Osaka-umeda bound for Kyoto Kawaramachi and get off at Awaji station. At Awaji station, transfer to the line bound for Kita-senri and get off at Kandai-mae station (about 15 mins.). In either case, it is a 5-minute walk from the station.

■ Access from Kyoto Kawaramachi

Take the Hankyu Railway bound for Osaka-umeda and get off at Awaji station. At Awaji station, transfer to the line bound for Kita-senri and get off at Kandai-mae station (about 15 mins.), then walk about 5 mins.

■ Access by Osaka Metro

Take the Osaka Metro Sakaisuji Line (through services with the Hankyu Senri Line) bound for Kita-Senri, pass Awaji station and get off at Kandai-mae station.

■ Access from Shin-Osaka station by JR Shinkansen

Take the JR Shinkansen from Shin-Osaka station bound for Nakamozu on the Subway Midosuji Line and get off at Nishinakajima-Minamigata station. Transfer at the Hankyu Railway Minamikata station to the train bound for Kita-senri. Pass Awaji station and get off at Kandai-mae station (about 30 mins.), then walk about 5 mins.

■ Access from Osaka International Airport (Itami Airport)

From Osaka Airport station, take the Osaka Monorail bound for Kadoma-shi and get off at Yamada station. Transfer at the Hankyu Railway Yamada station and get off at Kandai-mae station (about 30 mins.), then walk about 5 mins.

(Note) When asking directions for taking an entrance examination at the Kansai University Senriyama Campus or giving your destination to a taxi driver, clearly state that you are going to "Senriyama no Kansai Daigaku." Kansai University has multiple campuses (Senriyama, Takatsuki, Takatsuki Muse and Sakai). Also, a simple "Kandai" may be mistaken for "Handai" - the shortened name for Osaka University in Suita and the neighboring Toyonaka. Arriving at the wrong location may prevent you from taking the examination.

List of Supervising Professors of Ph.D. of Global Data Science Program for 2027 Academic Year

Supervising Professors			Code Number
Katsutoshi Yada	Professor	Doctor of Business Administration (Kobe University of Commerce)	60401
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Theme	Data Science and Business Application In light of the increasing availability of big data, the applications of artificial intelligence (AI) and data science in a business context are becoming increasingly significant. This course will enable students to comprehend both the most recent theories and methodologies pertaining to artificial intelligence and data science. Additionally, they will be able to ascertain the knowledge base and data processing techniques essential for the effective handling of authentic data. It is anticipated that students will investigate the ways in which novel data and theoretical frameworks can be integrated in practical settings to create new value and address specific challenges.		
Lecture	Data Science for Business The course will require students to read representative academic papers in the field in order to gain an understanding of the latest research results. Following this, the class will consider big data from a variety of businesses, and discuss approaches to developing conventional theories. The aim of the course is to drive innovation through the fusion of new data and new technologies.		
Research Works	Zhao, L., Zuo, Y. & Yada, K (2023) Sequential classification of customer behavior based on sequence-to-sequence learning with gated-attention neural networks. <i>Advances in Data Analysis and Classification</i> , 17, 549–581. Kaneko, Y & Yada, K. (2016) A Deep Learning Approach for the Prediction of Retail Store Sales, <i>Proc. of 2016 IEEE 16th International Conference on Data Mining Workshops (ICDMW)</i> , pp. 531-537. Nakahara, T., Yada, K. (2012) Analyzing consumers' shopping behavior using RFID data and pattern mining. <i>Advances in Data Analysis and Classification</i> , 6, 355–365. Yada, K. (2011) String analysis technique for shopping path in a supermarket. <i>Journal of Intelligent Information Systems</i> , 36, 385–402.		

Supervising Professors			Code Number
WASHIO, Takashi	Professor	Doctor of Engineering (Tohoku University)	68439
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Theme	Statistical Causal Inference Now a days, various large amount of data are available in many fields including companies and their business activities. Most of these data contain values of many variables and parameters describing the target objects and their activities. In many cases, statistical relations of these variables and parameters can be analyzed by commuting their correlations and/or regression models. However, such analyses do not provide any information such as change of a variable X causes change of another variable Y but not vice versa. Statistical causal inference provides measures enabling this causal analysis. In this subject, some representative modern techniques of the statistical causal inference are studied.		
Lecture	Statistical Causal Inference for Business Students survey representative modern techniques of the statistical causal inference and explore ideas to apply them to some business data sets and understand background mechanisms of the business though the analysis.		
Research Works	Patrick Blobaum, Dominik Janzing, Takashi Washio, Shohei Shimizu and Bernhard Scholkopf (2019) Analysis of cause-effect inference by comparing regression errors, <i>Peer Journal Computer Science</i>, Vol.5, Article No.e169. Patrick Blobaum, Takashi Washio and Shohei Shimizu (2017) Error Asymmetry in Causal and Anticausal Regression, <i>Behaviormetrika</i>, Vol.44, No.2, pp.491~512. Shohei Shimizu, Takanori Inazumi, Yasuhiro Sogawa, Aapo Hyvarinen, Yoshinobu Kawahara, Takashi Washio, Patrik O. Hoyer and Kenneth Bollen (2011) DirectLiNGAM: A Direct Method for Learning a Linear Non-Gaussian Structural Equation Model, <i>Journal of Machine Learning Research</i>, Vol.12, No., pp.1225~1248.		

Supervising Professors			Code Number
Xiaokang Zhou	Associate Professor	Doctor of Human Science (Waseda University)	78953
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Theme	Big Data Mining and Analytics		
Due to the high development of emerging computing paradigms, such as Ubiquitous Computing, Mobile Computing, and Social Computing, modeling of heterogeneous big data has become an essential topic, especially in providing smart services in the IoT and AI era. This course focuses on fundamental theories, analytics, and state-of-the-art technologies in data-driven models and big data mining algorithms, discussing methodologies, mechanisms and implementations on big data aggregation, organization and reconstruction using machine learning/deep learning techniques. Students will be able to investigate cutting-edge and practical technologies, and learn unified modeling methods for developing intelligent recommendation and supporting systems in emerging end-edge-cloud computing environments.			
Lecture	Big Data Analytics with Deep Neural Networks		
This course will require students to read and investigate technical papers related to “Big Data”, “Machine Learning”, “Cyber-Physical-Social Systems”, “End-Edge-Cloud Computing”, etc., so as to learn representative data analysis methods and data modeling techniques using deep neural networks. Specifically, the class will consider the latest research topics, and discuss novel approaches in developing machine learning and deep learning models based on neural networks in fields such as “Anomaly Detection”, “Object Detection”, “HAR (Human Action Recognition)”, and “Text Mining”.			
Research Works			
1. X. Zhou, J. Wu, W. Liang, K. Wang, Z. Yan, L. T. Yang, and Q. Jin, “Reconstructed Graph Neural Network with Knowledge Distillation for Lightweight Anomaly Detection,” IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems, vol. 35, no. 9, pp. 11817-11828, Sep. 2024. DOI: 10.1109/TNNLS.2024.3389714			
2. X. Zhou, Q. Yang, Q. Liu, W. Liang, K. Wang, Z. Liu, J. Ma, and Q. Jin, “Spatial-Temporal Federated Transfer Learning with Multi-Sensor Data Fusion for Cooperative Positioning,” Information Fusion, vol. 105, May 2024. DOI: 10.1016/j.inffus.2023.102182			
3. X. Zhou, Q. Yang, X. Zheng, W. Liang, K. Wang, J. Ma, Y. Pan, and Q. Jin, “Personalized Federated Learning with Model-Contrastive Learning for Multi-Modal User Modeling in Human-Centric Metaverse,” IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications, vol. 42, no. 4, pp. 817-831, Apr. 2024. DOI: 10.1109/JSAC.2023.3345431			
4. X. Zhou, X. Zheng, X. Cui, J. Shi, W. Liang, Z. Yan, L. T. Yang, S. Shimizu, and K. Wang, “Digital Twin Enhanced Federated Reinforcement Learning with Lightweight Knowledge Distillation in Mobile Networks,” IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications, vol. 41, no. 10, pp. 3191-3211, Oct. 2023. DOI: 10.1109/JSAC.2023.3310046			
5. X. Zhou, Y. Hu, W. Liang, J. Ma, and Q. Jin, “Variational LSTM Enhanced Anomaly Detection for Industrial Big Data,” IEEE Transactions on Industrial Informatics, vol. 17, no. 5, pp. 3469-3477, May 2021. DOI: 10.1109/TII.2020.3022432			



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