

KAI JAPANESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL

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LANGUAGE COURSES Information



WELCOME to KAI JAPANESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL !

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Everybody

Encounter

Ocean

Understanding

World

Comfort

KAI symbolizes many things in Japanese. The many meanings of KAI represent our desire for you to not merely learn Japanese language and culture, but to have many and varied experiences in Japan. We want you to attain personal growth and to learn skills that you can apply throughout your life. At KAI, we believe that learning a language is the beginning of a journey. By partaking in this journey, you develop more than just academic skills. You develop skills of communication, cultural awareness and worldliness. We believe that this journey will not only enrich your life but will enhance your opportunities in your future.

We are very happy to welcome you to our school.
I wish you every success on your new journey with us!

Sincerely,

Hiroko Yamamoto, Director
KAI Japanese Language School

Why KAI?

In Japan today, there are about 400 Japanese language schools. Around 90% of the students studying in those schools are from the East Asian countries such as China and Korea. Since a large number of them are studying in order to enter universities and colleges in Japan, most of the Japanese language schools design their curriculum to prepare the students for higher education. Although highly focused, these schools tend to lack balance in their student body and in their goals.

KAI Japanese Language School stands alone amongst others. We maintain an excellent balance of students from all over the world. This prevents any one country group dominating the student population. This truly international atmosphere fosters a creative learning environment where students can achieve varied goals, whether academic or personal. Since our founding in 1987, KAI has continually developed innovative teaching methods for both Asian and non-Asian students. KAI has the know-how to teach Japanese language and communication skills to a wide range of learners, each pursuing Japanese for different purposes.

With utmost care, KAI supports students in attaining their goals and helps them with their dreams. Support for our students extends beyond the classroom. Assistance with study methods, life in Tokyo, accommodation, academic counseling and future career advice are all part of the KAI experience.

This is why KAI wins students' trust.

This is why KAI is internationally renowned.

This is why KAI is unique.

Why Tokyo?

Tokyo is one of the most dynamic cities in the world. Tokyo is not only the capital and largest city of Japan but also the headquarters for much of the Japanese business, media, art and entertainment industries. The Greater Tokyo Metropolitan Area is the largest metropolitan area in the world with over 35 million people. This size helps to create a virtual beehive of creativity and diversity of style.

In Tokyo, one can find traditional Japanese arts juxtaposed with some of the most modern technology on the planet. There are futuristic skyscrapers set next to serene shrines and temples. This blend of new and old never ceases to amaze visitors.

But with all of its size and vibrancy, Tokyo remains a highly livable, human city. Once off of the main business and shopping avenues, Tokyo quickly transforms into a series of small neighborhoods. In these neighborhoods, one can see a calmer version of the capital. A place where grandmothers tend their gardens, parents walk their children to school and people ride bicycles to and fro going about their daily routine. In Tokyo, you can choose the pace and lifestyle that suits you.

COURSE GUIDE

COURSE LEVEL CHART

CEFR				
A1	A2	B1	B2	C1

GENERAL COURSE (200 lessons/10 wks)

BEGINNER

400 lessons (6 months)

Daily conversation / Basic grammar

Hiragana & katakana / 300 Kanji characters

LEVEL 1

LEVEL 2

INTERMEDIATE

600 lessons (9 months)

More universal topics / Strengthening grammar

Expanding vocabulary / 1200 kanji characters

LEVEL 3

LEVEL 4

LEVEL 5

ADVANCED

600 lessons (9 months)

Advanced topics / Strengthening speaking & writing skills

Preparation for future study 2000 kanji characters

LEVEL 6

LEVEL 7

LEVEL 8

BUSINESS JAPANESE COURSE 200 (200 lessons/10 weeks)

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PRACTICAL CONVERSATION COURSE (60 lessons/4 weeks)

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50+ COURSE (27 lessons/2 weeks)

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SUMMER COURSE - GRAMMAR & CONVERSATION

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Brush-up

SUMMER COURSE - JLPT PREPARATION

JLPT N2

JLPT N1

GENERAL COURSE

- 10 weeks per term
- 20 50-minute lessons per week
- Maximum 15 students per class
- Course starts in January, April, July and October
- College student visa is available

The General Course is for students who wish to master the Japanese language. It is designed to develop and create a balance between the four skills of language: Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing. The curriculum includes learning kanji (Chinese characters used in Japanese) and students are required to learn set numbers of kanji in each level (2,000 characters in total for 2 years).

Lessons utilize various original educational materials developed by KAI. Not only the main texts, but also digital audio and visual materials are used so that students can learn more efficiently and improve their language skills at a rapid pace.

KAI welcomes students from around 40 countries most of the time and has kept this multinational environment since its foundation. With such a long-established, diverse student body, KAI has uniquely developed educational materials and lessons designed to improve the students' understanding and receptiveness to different cultures. In addition, KAI allocates more time for kanji lessons to benefit students coming from countries that do not use them.

BUSINESS JAPANESE COURSE 200

- 10 weeks per term
- 20 50-minute lessons per week
- Maximum 15 students per class
- Course starts in January, April, July and October
- Internship (Optional)
- College student visa is available

The Business Japanese Course 200 is for students who are seriously considering getting a job in Japan or at Japanese companies abroad. The requirement to enroll in this course is passing the N2 of the JLPT or equivalent. An interview test is also required.

The Business Japanese Course 200 is especially designed to acquire the advanced global skills that are essential to starting a career in Japan. The course also includes cultural awareness of family life as this contributes to a deeper understanding among colleagues. The course contains a thorough grounding in reading and listening skills at the advanced business level. This is coupled with business writing and presentation training.

PRACTICAL CONVERSATION COURSE

- 4 weeks per term
- 15 50-minute lessons per week
- Maximum 10 students per class
- Course can be joined on any Monday except for complete beginners
- College student visa is unavailable

The Practical Conversation Course focuses on improving the learner's Japanese conversation skills in a fun, flexible and efficient manner. Students have the option to choose the textbooks in either hiragana (Japanese) or roman alphabet. This flexibility helps students to quickly begin using Japanese in conversation. This course uses visual breakdowns of sentence structure. This allows students not only to understand the grammar intuitively but also to rapidly begin using it in their own sentence construction.

Each level consists of four weeks, though it is possible to participate week by week. Students with some knowledge of Japanese can begin a level at any week based upon a language check.

SUMMER COURSES

Grammar & Conversation Course

- 4 weeks in July, 3 weeks in August or 7 weeks total
- 20 50-minute lessons per week
- Maximum 10 students per class in July and 12 in August
- College student visa is unavailable

This course is structured to improve both Japanese grammar and speaking skills. It is designed for steady improvement of the student's language ability amidst an enjoyable setting. A free conversation session with Japanese guests is included in this course. This is a great way for students to realize their progress and gain confidence in their Japanese communication skills.

JLPT Preparation Course

- 3 weeks in August
- 20 50-minute lessons per week
- Maximum 12 students per class
- College student visa is unavailable

The JLPT (Japanese Language Proficiency Test) Preparation Course is designed for students who are preparing for the JLPT N1 or N2 exam. Especially developed for students from non-kanji countries such as Europe and the Americas, the emphasis of this course is on reading comprehension, which is a major component of the JLPT exam.

50+ COURSE

- 2 weeks, 27 50-minute lessons
- Maximum 10 students per class
- Course starts in March and November
- College student visa is unavailable

This special 2-week course is exclusively designed for people over 50 to satisfy their high standards and expectations. It's an ideal mixture of language and culture, and of course excitement and fun! It's sure to make your stay in Tokyo unforgettable.

Apart from the morning language lessons in our Practical Conversation Course with mixed aged students, the course includes 10 activities such as Tokyo half day bus tour, Japanese culture experience, kabuki, calligraphy, Tokyo sky tree & Asakusa, Sushi making experience as well as 6 lunches, 6 dinners and an IC card "Suica" worth 3,000 JPY, which can be used for transportation and shopping at various stores.

Accommodations such as a single room at a hotel within a 5-minute walk from the school can be arranged for a fee. In addition, an optional 2-day Kyoto tour can be arranged on request (minimum 3 participants).

CUSTOMIZED LESSON PROGRAMS

KAI offers customized lesson programs to both individuals and corporate clients based on their specific requirements.

Individual Lesson Program

The Individual Lesson Program offers a course that is tailored to the student's needs. The course contents, learning pace, texts, time and location are all planned out between the student and our staff. The student's progress during the course is closely monitored and the program can be adjusted accordingly. This guarantees that the student obtains the maximum benefit for his or her time.

Business Japanese Training for Corporate Clients

With experience gleaned from numerous successful corporate training sessions, KAI creates custom Japanese language training programs to meet the needs of our corporate clients. The lessons are designed to build up not only the language ability of foreign employees, but also to foster interpersonal relationships within the company. Instructors have a wealth of experience in corporate training and business Japanese, and courses can include gaining skills necessary for specialized fields such as IT engineers, marketing staff/manager, etc. It is also possible to have the lessons at the company office if desired.

JAPANESE CULTURAL AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

At KAI, we urge our students to experience both the traditional and the modern cultural kaleidoscope, that is, Japan. We integrate cultural activities within our courses. We also provide social and cultural events outside of the classroom setting. By participating in these activities students broaden their experience and knowledge of Japan and the Japanese.

Cultural and social activities are varied and reflect both traditional Japanese culture and modern Tokyo lifestyle. A sample of activities that students can attend include:

	書道	SHODO	Shodo is the art of calligraphy.
	茶道	SADO	Sado is the traditional Japanese tea ceremony.
	折り紙	ORIGAMI	Origami is traditional Japanese paper folding art from the 17th Century.
	生け花	IKEBANA	Ikebana is traditional Japanese flower arrangement.
	風鈴	FUURIN MAKING	Fuurin are traditional Japanese wind chimes.
	着物／浴衣	KIMONO AND YUKATA DRESSING	Kimono and yukata are traditional Japanese dress.
	和菓子	JAPANESE SWEETS MAKING	Enjoy making pretty traditional Japanese sweets.
	歌舞伎	KABUKI THEATER WORKSHOP	Kabuki is a classical Japanese dance drama dating from 1603. his workshop explains the art of kabuki.
	酒	SAKE TASTING TOUR	Sake is traditional Japanese alcohol.
	相撲	SUMO TOURNAMENT	Sumo is a traditional Japanese martial art.
	食品サンプル	Food Replica making	Try making food replicas which look very real.
	座禅	ZAZEN MEDITATION	Zazen is meditation as practiced by Zen Buddhist monks.
	蕎麦	SOBA MAKING	Soba is a traditional Japanese noodle dish.
	お好み焼き	Okonomiyaki Party	You can cook and eat Okonomiyaki, a Japanese style pizza as much as you want.
	寿司	SUSHI MAKING	Sushi is a traditional Japanese dish consisting of raw fish and rice.
	居酒屋	IZAKAYA NIGHTS	Izakayas are traditional Japanese pubs.

LEARNING ENVIRONMENT



CLASSROOMS

KAI believes the learning environment is as important as the lessons. We carefully pay attention to the interior, creating an environment that allows students to focus on their studies. When you enter the main school, you can see origami-like colors such as cream yellow and purple. This color scheme was designed by a professional color coordinator with "color psychology" effective for learning in mind. It surely gives fun and comfortable stimulation to long-term international

students visiting the school daily. In contrast, KAI Annex provides a high-class, chic learning environment with its modern black and white design and laid-back chairs. In addition, a projector installed in every classroom at both the main school and annex, as well as chairs with work surfaces suitable for active learning, enhances students' ability to learn and to communicate with each other effectively.



EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

KAI has been developing and refining our original educational materials for nearly 30 years, with emphasis on our multinational student body. Additionally, teachers at KAI are constantly learning the latest teaching techniques as well as researching new lesson materials and activities both individually and in groups. The results are concise, interesting lessons of a high quality expected from a well-established school like KAI. Students from countries outside of Asia particularly find our kanji materials and lessons more approachable and engaging.

KAI is also at the forefront of the digital age, striving to distribute innovative and useful digital texts, audio files and applications for PCs, tablets, and smart phones.



LEARNING & LIVING SUPPORT

KAI believes in the importance of both academic and life support for our students living abroad in Japan. Students who wish to continue studying in a vocational or higher education institution can take advantage of our “ASK” counseling program. We also provide a “chat salon” service in which students can freely talk in Japanese with a teacher or volunteer for an hour. And of course our friendly staff members are always available to help solve any troubles students are having with housing, health, work, friends and school. KAI also recognizes that networking with students from the same country or

region, or who share a common native language, can alleviate a lot of the stress of living abroad and learning a new language. Therefore we provide information sharing sessions each term so students are aware of available resources as well as current issues in Japan. Moreover, an exclusive SNS for KAI students, teachers and staff enables them to easily share a multitude of information about events, free tickets, part-time and full-time jobs, weather alerts, etc. We are also aiming to provide more support that enriches our students’ activities and lives while studying here in Japan.



VISA INFORMATION

Students may study Japanese for a short term (maximum 6 months) with a temporary visitor visa.

Requirements for obtaining a temporary visitor visa vary depending on your nationality.

Countries and regions that have visa exemption arrangements with Japan:

Area	Countries and regions	Period of stay
Asia	Hong Kong	90 days or less
	Macao	
	Malaysia	
	Republic of Korea	
	Singapore	
	Taiwan	
	Brunei	
North America	Thailand	15 days or less
	Canada	90 days or less
	United States	
Latin America and the Caribbean	Mexico	6 months or less
	Argentina	90 days or less
	Bahamas	
	Barbados	
	Chile	
	Costa Rica	
	Dominican Republic	
	El Salvador	
	Guatemala	
	Honduras	
	Surinam	
Oceania	Uruguay	
	Australia	90 days or less
Middle East	New Zealand	
	Israel	90 days or less
Africa	Turkey	
	Lesotho	90 days or less
	Mauritius	
	Tunisia	

* For the latest list of countries and regions with visa exemption, please refer to the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan.
http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/short/novisa.html

For more information concerning temporary visitor visa, please contact the Japanese embassy in your country or refer to the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan. http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html

Area	Countries and regions	Period of stay
Europe	Austria	6 months or less
	Germany	
	Ireland	
	Liechtenstein	
	Switzerland	
	United Kingdom	
	Andorra	90 days or less
	Belgium	
	Bulgaria	
	Croatia	
	Cyprus	
	Czech Republic	
	Denmark	
	Estonia	
	Finland	
	Macedonia, former Yugoslavia	
	France	
	Greece	
	Hungary	
	Iceland	
	Italy	
	Latvia	
	Lithuania	
	Luxembourg	
	Malta	
	Monaco	
	Netherlands	
	Norway	
	Poland	
	Portugal	
	Romania	
	San Marino	
	Serbia	
	Slovakia	
	Slovenia	
	Spain	
	Sweden	

COLLEGE STUDENT VISA

If students wish to learn Japanese for a longer period of time (6 months to 2 years), they are advised to apply for a College Student Visa. Please contact our administration office for details.

WORKING HOLIDAY VISA

Students from the countries listed below may apply for a working holiday visa. With a working holiday visa, students can study Japanese during their stay in Japan.

* Australia * New Zealand * Canada * Korea * France * Germany
 * UK * Ireland * Denmark * Taiwan * Hong Kong

For more information concerning working holiday visa, please contact the Japanese embassy in your country or refer to the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan. http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/w_holiday/



INSURANCE

FOR SHORT TERM STAY

Students with a temporary visitor visa, working holiday visa or other type of visa (except college student visa) are recommended to join a travel insurance before leaving their country. Students can also join the student insurance program provided by JLIC (Japanese Language Institute Co-operation), which covers 70% of the medical cost.

FOR LONG TERM STAY

A: National Health Insurance of Japan

All the residents that live in Japan for more than a year are required to enroll in the National Health Insurance program. The National Health Insurance covers 70% of hospital care such as illness or injury, and pays for chronic illness. Application for the National Health Insurance should be made at the ward office or city hall of the area of your residence after your arrival in Japan. Monthly Insurance premium is about 1,500 JPY.

B: JLIC Insurance for College Students

This is a special insurance program provided by JLIC (Japanese Language Institute Co-operation) for students with a college student visa. It compensates the 30% of the medical expenses not covered by the National Health Insurance program. The annual premium is 10,000JPY.

For more information about the JLIC insurance program for College Students, please refer to the JLIC website.
<http://www.jlic.or.jp/pdf/plan-e.pdf>

For more information about insurance, please contact our administration office.



FINANCIAL SUPPORT

KAI Academic Scholarship

KAI provides financial support to students through the KAI Scholarship Program. Several students each term will be awarded a grant based upon factors such as academic progress, student goals and financial need. This aid is determined by KAI at the beginning of each academic year. In order to qualify for the KAI Scholarship Program, the applicant must:

1. hold a college student visa
2. be recommended by their instructor
3. have more than 90% class attendance
4. write an essay in Japanese
5. have an interview with the faculty

KAI Skills Exchange Scholarship

This program offers scholarship aid in exchange for services provided to KAI by students. Students who are software engineers, web/graphic designers or photographers can exchange their services for tuition reimbursement. The level of aid will be determined by KAI based upon each project. To qualify for this scholarship, the applicant must:

1. hold a college student visa
2. have work experience in the skill being exchanged
3. submit their resume and any certification or awards they possess
4. have an interview with the faculty

Other Scholarships

- Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students *for students who plans to attend university or vocational school in Japan.
 - Lee Soo Hyun Scholarship ASIA Syogakukai *for students from Asia
 - CSN *for students from Sweden
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ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

KAI offers advice on accommodation options in the Tokyo Metropolitan area. Accommodation types are varied. Each has its own rules and regulations. The main options are guest houses, business hotels or the KAI Homestay Program. Students can book a room at a guest house or a business hotel online at the website of each particular company. If needed, our office can handle the booking process for you for a Y20,000 arrangement fee. To apply for the KAI Homestay Program, please contact our administration office.

Guest Houses

The Guest House option is the most popular amongst our students. Tokyo has many companies that provide guest houses for short or long term stay. Prices vary based upon the type of accommodation, i.e. shared or private, and the distance from the city center. The advantages of this type of accommodation is that it is low cost, flexible, safe and clean. All furnishings are provided including internet access. Kitchen facilities and bathroom are shared. Also there is a lot of information online for the student to choose which place is right for them.

Business Hotels

Tokyo has many business hotels that offer short or long term stay. These hotels are located throughout the city. The rooms are private. The advantages are that they are safe, clean and very comfortable with a private bathroom. However, there are no kitchen facilities.

KAI Homestay Program

KAI offers a homestay program for students who want to stay with a Japanese family. This is an excellent way to immerse yourself in Japanese language and society. Host families have been carefully chosen by KAI's selection procedures. Our staff visits all the host families to make sure they provide comfortable housing for students. Morning and evening meals are provided during your stay. Private rooms are available. For more information regarding fees and homestay application procedures, please ask or refer to our website: www.kaij.jp.



**PICK UP
SERVICE**

We can arrange a pick-up service from Narita International Airport and Haneda International Airport upon your arrival. For more information about the pick-up service, please contact our administration office.

SCHOOL OUTLINE

ACCREDITATION & MEMBERSHIP

IALC

International Association of Language Centres

In 2005, KAI Japanese Language School became a member of the international quality association IALC.

CSN

CSN is the national authority that handles Swedish financial for students.

The Ministry of Justice of Japan

KAI was approved in 1987 and certified as a visa proxy in 1988.

The Association for the Promotion of Japanese Language Education

KAI became a Member of The Association for the Promotion of Japanese Language Education in 1989.

JAFSA

JAFSA is the Japan Network for International Education. It brings together universities, Japanese language schools, international student exchange programs, international education specialists, volunteer groups and others.

HISTORY

November	2014	50+ Course begins
September	2013	KAI Annex opens
October	2012	Business Japanese Course 200 begins
November	2011	Practical Conversation Course begins
April	2008	KAI joins JAFSA (Japan Network for International Education)
March	2008	KAI Homestay Program begins
March	2007	Ceremony for the 20th anniversary of foundation
May	2005	NAFL Teacher Training Course begins
April	2005	Open Monthly Course begins
May	2005	Authorized by IALC (International Association of Language Centres)
October	1997	Japanese Teacher Training Program begins
April	1996	Developed KAI main textbooks for General Course
May	1989	Certified by Association for the Promotion of Japanese
May	1988	Certified visa proxy by Minister of Justice
August	1987	Authorized by Foreigner Education Association
May	1987	Approved by the Ministry of Justice
February	1987	Foundation of KAI Japanese Language School

CLIENTS

- Asahi Kasei Amidas Corporation
- Embassy of Spain
- Human Link Corporation
- Schletter Japan K.K.
- Sumitomo Chemical Co., Ltd.
- Toyo Ink SC Holdings Co., Ltd.
- Desigual
- Embassy of Sweden
- Imperial Tobacco Japan K.K.
- SCSK Corporation
- The Pokémon Company
- EastDawn Datasystems. Inc.
- EU-Japan Center for Industrial Cooperation
- NS Solutions Corporation
- Shindengen Electric Manufacturing Co., Ltd.
- TOPPAN TRAVEL SERVICE CORPORATION
- Embassy of Botswana
- Furukawa Electric Co., Ltd.
- Pasona Tech, Inc.
- SQUARE ENIX CO., LTD.
- ...and others

Special Programs

KAI has developed and managed unique language programs on commission from both public and private sectors. Recent programs include:

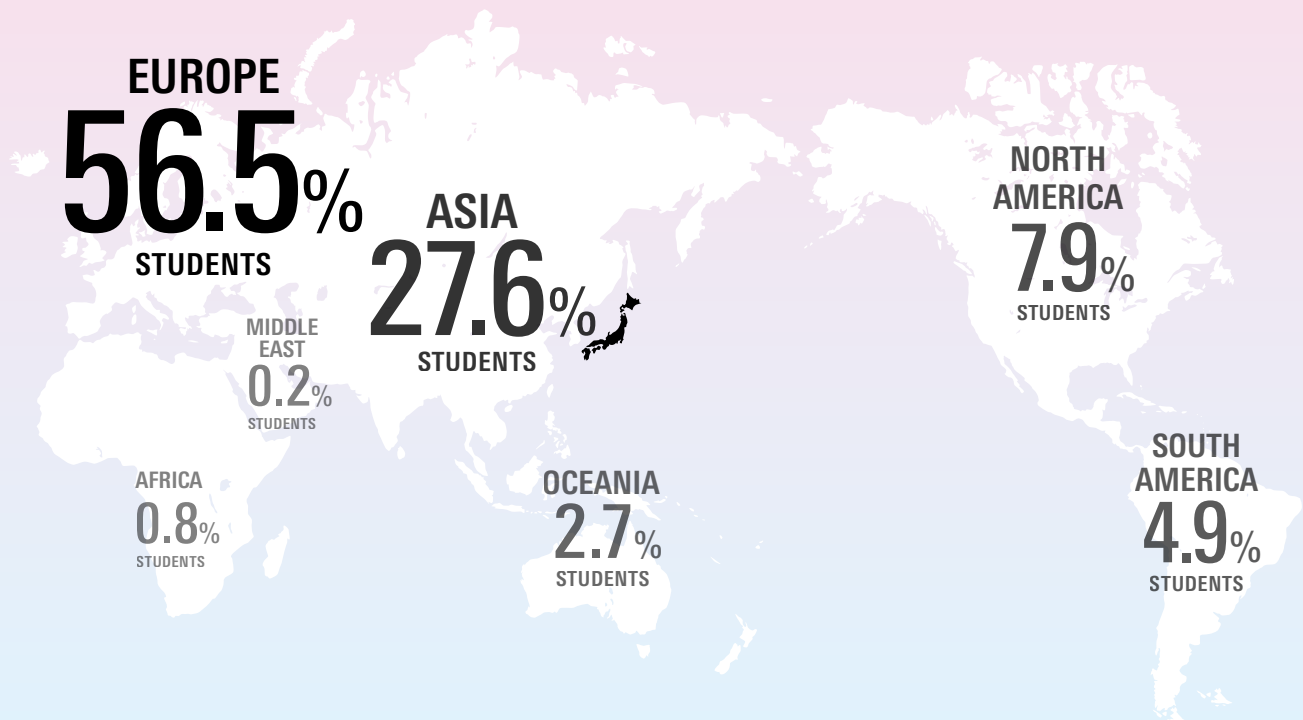
- Japanese Language Education Program for United Arab Emirates' Elementary School (Japan Cooperation Center for the Middle East)
- Developed learning material for the Career Development Program for Foreign Students from Asia (METI, MEXT*)
- Vulcanus in Japan (EU-Japan Center for Industrial Cooperation)
- Spanish Embassy Japanese Education Program (Spanish Embassy in Japan)
- International Human Resource Attainment and Retention Support Project for Local SMEs (The Small and Medium Enterprise Agency)
- The Development Project of Okinawa Long Stay plan for Foreigners (Okinawa Genki Project by Okinawa Prefecture)

*METI : Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry

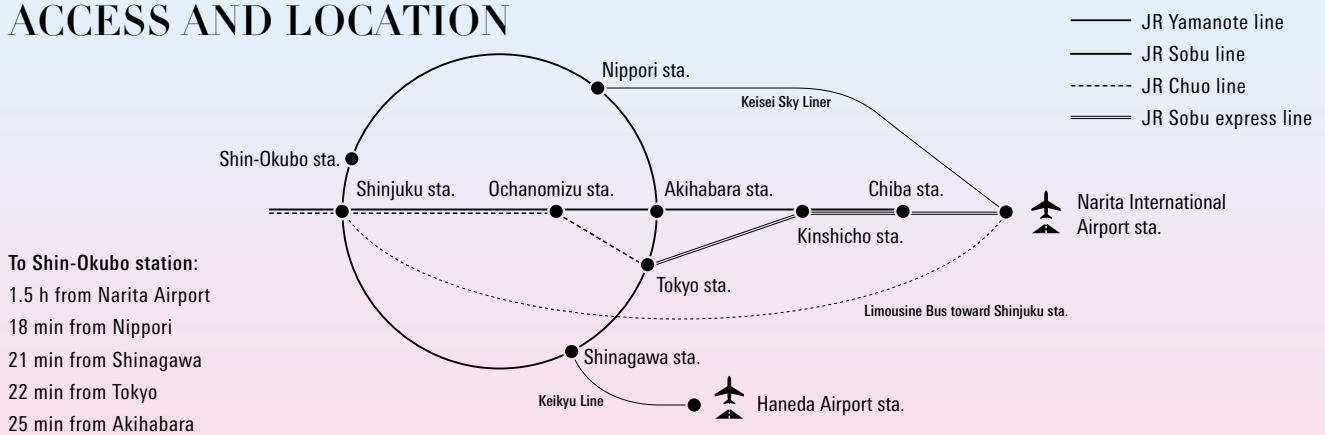
MEXT : Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

OUR STUDENT'S NATIONAL ORIGIN MAP

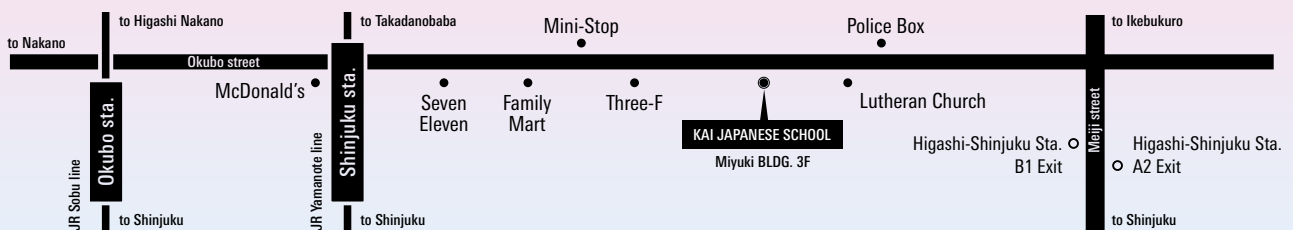
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ACCESS AND LOCATION



KAI SCHOOL LOCATION FROM SHIN-OKUBO STATION.



Office hours: 9:00am-8:00pm(Japanese Standard Time/GMT+9) Monday thru Friday Closed on weekends and national holidays.



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