

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE

Today's globalization and increasing cross-border exchange of human resources or products make it necessary for people to have an open mind and multifaceted ideas and approaches. KIT has established study-abroad and other exchange programs with its numerous partner institutions to provide students with an adequate environment not only to learn how to think out of the box and experience advanced research, but also develop an international way of thinking as a world citizen.

Experiencing advanced research.
Developing an international way of thinking.



International Exchange

At present, KIT has concluded international academic exchange agreements with 31 universities in 14 countries, and the International Center has established various types of exchange programs, such as study-abroad programs, language study tours during summer or winter vacations, and more. Currently, the total number of international students (undergraduate, graduate, exchange students) is around 100. There is a variety of international exchange events throughout the year, including cultural exchanges between international students, Japanese students, faculty and staff as well as citizens of Kitami City.

Study-Abroad Opportunities

Students enrolled at KIT have the opportunity to study abroad at one of our partner universities. Based on academic exchange agreements KIT has with those partner institutions, students are exempt from paying tuition fees at the partner institution. In some cases, it is possible to transfer credits. There is much to gain from studying abroad, and we strongly encourage all students to give it a try and study at one of our partner institutions.

2018-2019	
Germany	2 students
Poland	1 student
2019-2020	
Peru	1 student

Opportunities for Giving Presentations Abroad

Graduate students in particular are provided with opportunities to give research presentations abroad, for example, at international conferences. Part of the travel expenses is covered by the university.

2018-2019	17 students
2019-2020	20 students

Language Study Tours

Many students at KIT have joined our language study tours organized at universities in North America, Asia and Europe. Financial support is provided by "KIT Genki-Kai," a sponsoring society established by companies and citizens of Kitami City, alumni and others.



2018 2019	Australia	University of Sydney	3 students	2 weeks
	China	Beijing University of Chemical Technology	4 students	1 week
	Germany	Aschaffenburg University of Applied Sciences	7 students	3 weeks
	Taiwan	China Medical University	4 students	4 weeks
	U.S.A.	Western Washington University	4 students	3 weeks
2019 2020	Australia	University of Sydney	2 students	2 weeks
	Korea	Gyeongsang National University	10 students	8 days
	Taiwan	National Chin-Yi University of Technology	4 students	5 days
	U.S.A.	Western Washington University	3 students	3 weeks

International Center & International Lounge

The International Center at Kitami Institute of Technology (KIT) was established in April 2004 with the aim of promoting the acceptance of international students and researchers as well as sending Japanese students abroad. It is committed to promoting exchange projects between KIT and universities abroad, gathering information as well as providing advice and support to international students in study, research and life in Japan. The International Lounge, which is located adjacent to the Center, is a place where students can come any time to meet friends, chat with other students or use the Internet to collect information or data.



Information for International Students

International students can enter KIT as regular full-time international students or short-term exchange students (limited to partner institutions).

1) Undergraduate entry requirements for international students

- The applicant is a non-Japanese citizen.
- The applicant has taken the examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU) in "Japanese as a foreign language", "Mathematics (Course 2)", "Science (Physics)" and "Science (Chemistry)".
- The applicant has completed a 12-year curriculum in an education institution based on a foreign country's education system.

2) Graduate entry requirements for international students

- The applicant is a non-Japanese citizen.
 - The applicant has successfully obtained a degree equivalent to a Bachelor's degree for entering the Master's course or a degree equivalent to a Master's degree for entering the Doctoral program.
- Persons who would like to apply for graduate school should first find a suitable laboratory and arrange for a KIT faculty member to serve as an academic advisor. Applicants are required to contact potential academic advisors directly to obtain information about application procedures.

3) Short-term student exchange program

The short-term student exchange program is a program through which international students enrolled at KIT's partner institutions are given the opportunity to study in Japan for six to twelve months. The exchange program runs from early April to March of the following year, and students are offered a choice of two admission periods: early October or early April. Application deadlines are as follows: late April for admission in early October, or late November for admission in early April.

Program Contents

1) Japanese Language Program (for full-time international students and short-term exchange students) Following classes are offered for international students to improve their Japanese language skills.

- Japanese
- Topics on Japan
- Japanese Media

2) Japan Intercultural Studies (In English and Japanese) (for full-time international students and short-term exchange students)

3) A wide range of courses in the student's major field of study (in Japanese, partly in English)

4) Short-term exchange students are free to design their own curriculum, balancing their interest in Japanese language and Japan intercultural studies with their desire to pursue their 'major'. They are eligible to register for any course offered to degree-seeking students at KIT.

Events

Throughout the year the International Center organizes various events such as field trips, seminars, and informal gatherings. One regular main event is the International "C" Hour, a monthly event providing a place for cultural exchange between international students, Japanese students, faculty and staff as well as citizens of Kitami city. The letter "C" of International "C" Hour stands for Conversation, Chatting, Culture, Cookies, Coffee and more. It aims to deepen understanding and promote friendship among the 30-50 participants. The event offers a variety of activities, such as introducing Japanese customs and traditions, students talking about their experiences studying abroad, or playing games together while enjoying drinks and snacks.

Tutors

In general each international student entering KIT will be assigned a tutor. The tutor will support new students in many ways to settle into their new environment, for example by helping with all sorts of necessary procedures and formalities as well as providing advice regarding studies and daily life.

Housing for international students and researchers

KIT provides two housing options on campus for international students and researchers: International Residence and Student Dormitory. Some students choose to live off-campus in private apartments or lodgings.

International Residence

- 1 couple room for married couples and 2 family rooms available
- Room rental rate (per room): ¥9,500 per month (couple), ¥14,200 per month (family)

Student Dormitory

- 20 single rooms available for international students
- Full-time international students and Japanese students are treated equally.
- Room rental rate (per room): ¥19,900 per month (including utility cost)

Financial Information

1. University Fees (for full-time international students)*

Fees are accurate at the time of printing, but subject to change without notice.

- Entrance fee: ¥282,000
- Tuition fee: ¥535,800

*The payment of tuition fees shall be waived for students enrolled in partner institutions with which KIT has concluded tuition waiver agreements.

2. University Fees (for research students)

Fees are accurate at the time of printing, but subject to change without notice.

- Examination fee: ¥9,800
- Entrance fee: ¥84,600
- Tuition fee: ¥29,700 per month

3. Living Expenses

Monthly Average Total Expenses: ¥70,000

The above is an estimation of the monthly expenditure of a reasonably thrifty student at KIT. Expenses will vary according to personal lifestyle.

Student Dormitory	Monthly rent (including utility cost): ¥19,900
Apartment Off-Campus	Monthly rent: from ¥25,000 + utility cost from ¥10,000/month
Personal Expenses	Around ¥50,000/month

4. Contact information for further information and enquiries

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SPORTS We have many winter sports, too!



FOOD
Food is delicious!



EVENTS
Lots of events!



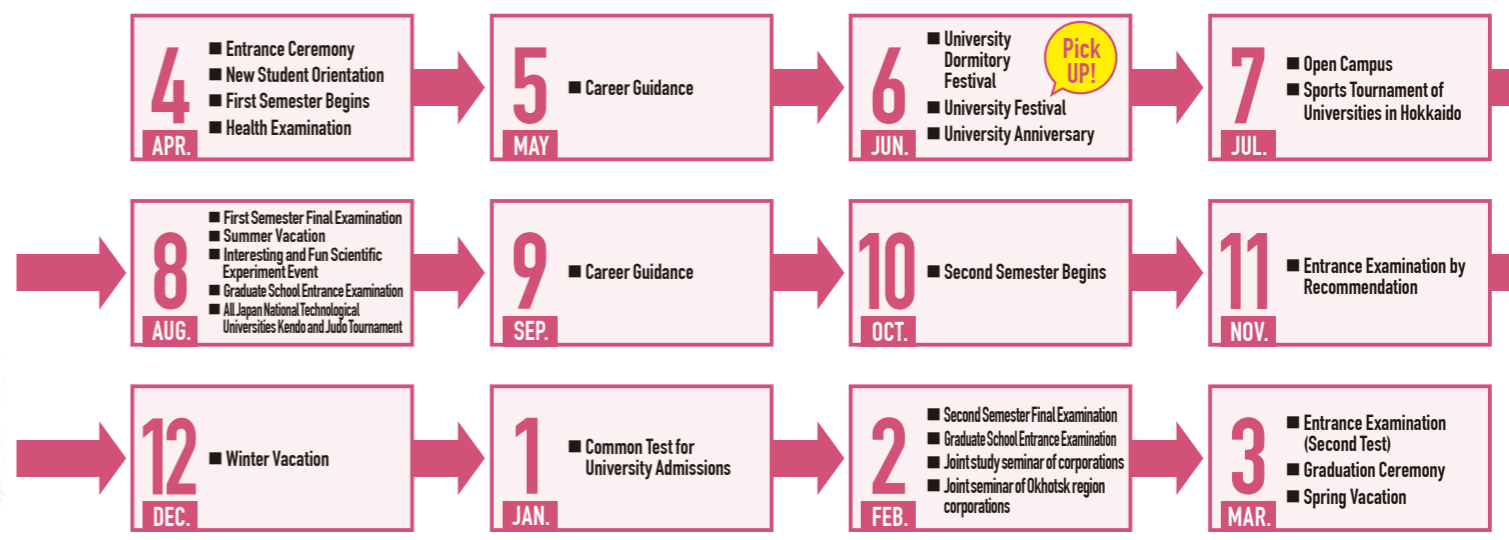
CAMPIUS LIFE

Enjoy your life on campus with a wide variety of events and club activities!



EVENT CALENDAR

Enjoy your student life by joining many events!



EVENT

Engage in various experiences!



Interesting and Fun Scientific Experiment Project
Every year KIT holds the "Interesting and Fun Scientific Experiment Project" for children with the purpose of increasing the children's interest in science through fun experiments and creating things by hand to raise children's interest in science.

Open Campus
Through the Open Campus event KIT strives to strengthen its ties with the community and schools. It is held every year in summer and visitors can take a look at the various departments, labs, the campus and more. They can enjoy, experience and observe experiments, interact with the students or enjoy the food in the cafeteria for a whole day.



Robocon Team
Students interested in building or making things by themselves from different departments gather here as one team. They build their own robots together and have already competed at the "NHK University Robocon" several times. The Robocon Team also gives a demonstration of their robot at the University Festival.

Pick UP!



University Festival
The University Festival is an important event to strengthen the ties between university and community. It is a good opportunity for students to develop their expressiveness, creativity and communication skills away from their studies and outside of their labs. The festival is bustling every year with local stores and international students offering food at refreshment stands and joining in all the events. During the very interesting laboratory exhibitions visitors from outside the university get the rare chance to see with their own eyes what kind of research is done in each lab.

CLUBS & CIRCLES

Enrich your student life by joining circle and club activities!

- Sports-oriented Clubs & Circles**
- Ski team ● Judo club ● Trampoline club ● Table Tennis club
 - Men's Basketball club ● Men's Volleyball club ● Kendo club
 - Sailing club ● Soccer club ● Kyudo (Japanese archery) club
 - Badminton club ● Cycling club ● Athletics club ● Baseball club
 - Lawn Tennis club ● Women's Basketball club ● Aviation club
 - Softball club ● Curling club ● Soft tennis club
 - Wandervogel (hiking) club ● Survival Game club ● Dance circle
 - ASC (Active Sports Club) ● Snowboard club ● Mixed Volleyball club
 - Mountaineering club ● Sports Chanbara Club ● Swimming club
 - Ice Hockey club ● Archery club ● Futsal circle
 - Space development project ● Boxing circle

- Cultural Clubs and Circles**
- Light Music club ● Photo club ● Astronomy club
 - Information Technology club ● Brass Band
 - Go & Shogi club ● Railway club ● Art circle
 - Magic club ● OFIC ● Model Making club
 - DDI ● A cappella Chorus Ensemble (ACE)
 - "Puyo Puyo" club
 - Community Contribution Club "Onion Ring"
 - Competition Mahjong club
 - Leisure activities club ● DJ Rave circle
 - Historical Simulation club
 - The Society of Contemporary Visual Culture Research
 - Tea ceremony club ● KIT Sign Language circle

Library

The library holds approximately 150,000 books, journals, periodicals, electronic book journals, newspapers, language learning materials as well as DVDs. PCs and iPads can be borrowed as well. It provides about 400 seats in a variety of rooms and areas, such as single study rooms, multi-purpose rooms and group study rooms for studying in groups while having discussions, or the PC area for self-study. The so-called Communication Hall of the Library where food and drinks are permitted provides a space not only for studying, but for taking breaks in between classes. The library is open seven days a week and on national holidays (except for year-end and New Year's holidays and during spring break).



Communication Atrium

A free space for students to meet and interact.



Tennis Court

The 4 tennis courts (omni, hard and clay courts) are equipped with lights for night play.

Handicraft Studio

A facility that provides place and tools for students to do simple handicraft. Technical staff is available to give advice at any time.



KIT GALLERY

Student Lounge

A facility that provides place and tools for student handicrafts. Technical staff is available to give advice at any time.



ENJOY! CAMPUS LIFE

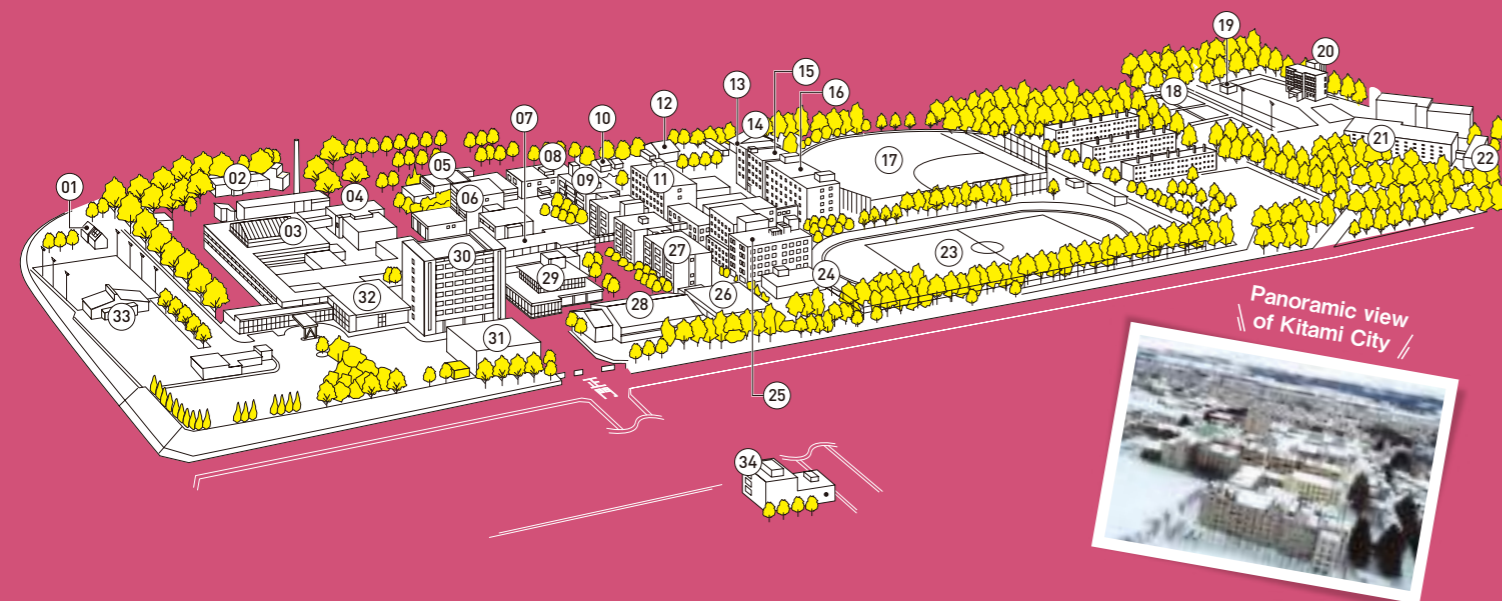
A spacious campus with a variety of facilities supporting education and research

Buildings occupy about 69,000 m² on a land area of about 180,000 m², i.e. four times as large as the Tokyo Dome. A total of more than 2,000 undergraduate and graduate engineering students study here. The campus includes educational facilities for daily study as well as research facilities with tangible advanced technology.

Site area
about
180,000m²

Building area
about
69,000m²

FACILITIES



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|---------------------------------|--|--|---|
| 01 Guest House Shirakaba | 10 Facilities for Extracurricular Activities | 19 Hybrid Plant Experiment Ridge | 27 Buildings 9-10 |
| 02 Natural Energy Laboratory | 11 Buildings 11-12 | 20 Dormitory (Hokuou-ryo, for female only) | 28 First Gymnasium |
| 03 Building 1 | 12 Kyudo Hall (archery training hall) | 21 Dormitory (Hokuen-ryo) | 29 Library |
| 04 Building 2 | 13 Building 17 | 22 International Residence | 30 Building 3 |
| 05 Cafeteria and Stores | 14 Facilities for Study Camps | 23 Athletic Field | 31 Lecture Hall |
| 06 Buildings 5-6 | 15 Building 16 | 24 Information Processing Center | 32 Administrative Office |
| 07 Building 4 | 16 Building 15 | 25 Buildings 13-14 | 33 Budo Hall (gymnasium for martial arts) |
| 08 Health Administration Center | 17 Baseball Field | 26 Second Gymnasium | 34 Center for Regional Community |
| 09 Buildings 7-8 | 18 Tennis Court | | |

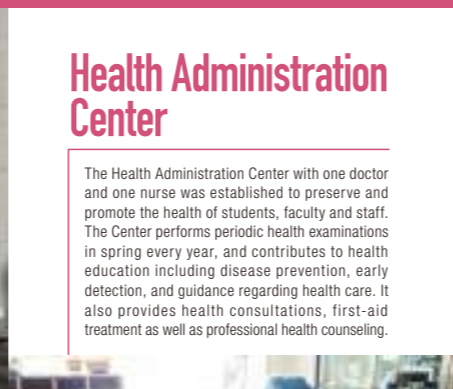
Center for Regional Community

The Center is a facility to promote joint research and collaboration with the region, and is home to the Okhotsk Industry-Academia-Government Fusion Center, the Kitami branch office of the Hokkaido headquarters of the Organization for Small & Medium Enterprises and Regional Innovation, Japan, in addition to a university-launched venture company. The Center has also become a base for human resources training and development.



Open Facility Center

The Open Facility Center provides faculty, staff and students access to high-performance instruments for research. Technological staff specialized in these instruments maintain all equipment and provide technical guidance.



Health Administration Center

The Health Administration Center with one doctor and one nurse was established to preserve and promote the health of students, faculty and staff. The Center performs periodic health examinations in spring every year, and contributes to health education including disease prevention, early detection, and guidance regarding health care. It also provides health consultations, first-aid treatment as well as professional health counseling.



Information Processing Center

The Information Processing Center is a joint-use facility providing ICT services including academic research, information processing education, e-mail service, applications etc.



Cafeteria

Students can enjoy a rich selection of dishes at affordable prices in the cafeteria.



Stores

The stores on campus offer stationery, clothing, food, books, computers, electronic goods, airplane tickets and more.