

To International Students,

Director of Institute for Education and Student Affairs

Kumamoto University International House
(Dormitory for International Students) Application

This is to notify international students that the International House for academic year 2026 (Fall Semester) is now open for application.

1. Application Method

Please apply through your academic supervisor who is eligible to download the "Application Format" from the International Residence Management System which is accessible from the campus only. International students before enrolling in Kumamoto University are not eligible to access to the System. Your application will complete when the "Application Format" is registered on the International House Residence Management System.

URL : https://fgc.jimu.kumamoto-u.ac.jp/kokusai_kaikan/

※ We have moved to a new system since 2025.

2. Register Deadline:

July 17, 2026

* Registration for new application should be done through your academic supervisor, so please send the completed Application Form to your academic supervisor as soon as possible. You will receive an email from the system once it's successfully submitted. If you do not receive the email, please check with your academic supervisor.

* Applicants, who wish to reside in the International House but have not received the examination result yet, should apply before the result. However, their residence permits of those who fail the examination will be cancelled.

* Exchange students under agreements between universities or faculties have priority over the other students. Please take note there would not be enough rooms for all applicants in the case of a lot of applications.

Also, we may not be able to meet your preferred room type. The selection results will be announced between late July to early August.

3. Types of Room

Type of Room	Building	Furnishings
Room for Family	A, B	Kitchen, bathtub and toilet, air conditioner, double bed, bunk bed, wardrobe, refrigerator, washing machine, gas range, desk, chair, dining table, shoe shelf
Room for Couple	A, B	Kitchen, bathtub and toilet, air conditioner, double bed, wardrobe, refrigerator, washing machine, gas range, desk, chair, table, shoe shelf
Single Room	A, B, E	Kitchen, shower and toilet, air conditioner, bed, wardrobe, refrigerator, IH cooker, desk, chair, shoe shelf
Shared Room (only available for undergraduate exchange students)	C, D	Air conditioner, closet, bed, desk, chair *4 Private rooms with shared lounge, kitchen, shower and toilet, air conditioner, cupboard, refrigerator, washing machine, microwave oven, IH cooker, dining table, chair, shoe shelf

4. Eligibility (Applicants must meet all of the following two requirements)

(1) New international students who will enroll in Kumamoto University October 2026.

*Exclusive of elective course students (called *kamokuto-rishusei* in Japanese)

(2) International students who have not lived at the International House before (exclusive of elective course students).

*International students who have lived at the International House before, but re-enroll in Kumamoto University after leaving Japan for a certain period are eligible to apply.

5. Period of Residence

Maximum 5 months or 11 months

5 months: Late September, 2026 ~ February 26, 2027

11 months: Late September, 2026 ~ August 27, 2027

***Due to the large number of students moving out at the end of February and August, you may be asked to move out up to around two weeks earlier than the permitted residence.**

*The above move-out deadlines of February and August are set to prepare for new international students enrolling in April and October of the following year, respectively. Please check with the academic affairs office of your respective department for the move-in start date of late September.

* Regular students can stay at the International House for half a year only.

* Applicants, who wish to have a specific period of residence, are advised to consult with the International Students Office individually.

If no consultation takes place, the application will be treated as either of the above-mentioned residency periods.

* Depending on the student's affiliation and status, a different period of stay may be set.

6. Fees (JPY per month)

Due to the recent increase in maintenance costs and other expenses caused by inflation, we plan to raise the room fees for C, D and E and common service fees by 8% to 10% starting from April 2027.

We will notify residents via the International House website or email as soon as the decision is made.

The increased room fees and common service fees are expected to be the amounts listed in the table below.

Type of Room	Building	Room Fee		Common Service Fee		Deposit	Utilities
		Current	From Apr. 2027 onwards	Current	From Apr. 2027 onwards		
Room for Family	A	20,000	←	16,000	17,300	60,000	Actual Expense
Room for Family	B	18,000	←	16,000	17,300	54,000	Actual Expense
Room for Couple	A B	14,000	←	12,000	13,000	42,000	Actual Expense
Single Room	A B	9,000	←	8,000	8,700	27,000	Actual Expense
	E	9,000	9,800	8,000	8,700	27,000	Individual contract
Shared Room (Quad)	C D	4,000	4,400	8,000	8,700	10,000	Flat rate (5,000)

- (1) A deposit will be charged separately when moving in. The deposit will be refunded after taking out the cleaning fee and key replacement fee, if any equipment and furniture have no damage.
- (2) Monthly rent is pro-rated on a daily basis when moving in or out in the middle of the month, but the common service charge is fixed that **will not be prorated** excluding September when residents need to move in based on Kumamoto University's instruction.
- (3) **All residents must rent Futon (Bedding) during each permitted residency period.**
This fee is non-refundable even if you move out before the end of your-permitted residency period.
 For details, please refer to the International House website.
<https://www.kumamoto-u.ac.jp/kokusaikouryuu/kokusaikouryuukaikan/ryoukin>
- (4) Utility fee is subject to change.

7. Responsibilities

Residents are required to obey the regulations of the International House. If you feel difficult to do so, you are advised to find any other accommodation other than International House. (We might force residents to move out of International House if they break the rules.

The below regulations are extracted from "Occupant Regulations" which will be provided to each resident upon moving in.

- * Moving-in & out have to be taken during the office hours: between 9:00am and 4:00pm (3:00pm for move-out) on weekdays. (Except for Saturdays, Sundays, National holidays.)
- * Letting guests stay overnight in your room is strictly prohibited.
- * The opposite gender is forbidden to enter the shared room except for renter's family members.
- * You must not lend out or duplicate International House keys.
- * There may be occasions when staff need to enter rooms without notice in order to do emergency checks on room equipment and furnishings.
- * Please dispose of your garbage on the specified collection day at designated site.
- * Please note that it is not possible to move in before the move-in date. If you wish to move in earlier, please make your own arrangements for hotels, etc.
- * Please park bicycles and motorcycles in designated parking places.
- * To keep the bed mattress clean, please rent futon (bedding).
- * **I-House is a smoke-free premises including public spaces, shared areas or private rooms, even outside of the buildings. We order you to move out if you smoke.**

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