



Joint TESL Certificate Program Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Kyoto, Japan pdce.educ.ubc.ca/Rits2016

PROGRAM INFORMATION

PRE-REQUISITES

LLED 489 (6 credits) is the required pre-requisite which <u>must</u> be completed <u>before</u> enrolling in LLED 478C/96A and LLED 399/96A offered in Kyoto.

CREDITS

LLED 478C/96A is a 6 credit UBC course offered in Japan as part of the joint TESL certificate; **LLED 399/96A** is the required 3-credit practicum component. The credits appear on your transcripts upon completion of the courses. http://lled.educ.ubc.ca/programs/tesl-certificate

REGISTRATION

Register in both courses LLED 478C/96A and LLED 399/96A through the Student Service Centre: https://ssc.adm.ubc.ca/sscportal/

COURSE TUITION

The tuition is based on the current UBC tuition fee schedule http://www.students.ubc.ca/coursesreg/tuition-fees-deposits/tuition-fees/

PRIOR TO YOUR DEPARTURE

COURSES

Register in both LLED 478C/96A and LLED 399/96A

VISA

Contact the Japanese consulate to enquire if you are required to obtain a study visa for Japan. Please have course dates and information available when you call.

Japanese Consulate General, Tel: 604-684-5868 1177 Hastings Street West, Vancouver, BC V6E 2K3

STUDENT RECORD FORM

This form must be completed by **all** UBC students attending courses in Japan. Be sure to include an email address. Visit the <u>Joint TESL</u> <u>Certificate</u> webpage and open the "Kyoto Program" tab. Download the **Student Record Form**. Send the completed form with the correctly sized photo, as early as possible to:

UBC Faculty of Education (PDCE) 1304 – 2125 Main Mall Vancouver , BC V6T 1Z4

You must have a Letter of Invitation from Ritsumeikan University to present to the Japanese Immigration officials upon arrival. PDCE and/or Ritsumeikan University will forward the Letters to the students.

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ARRIVAL IN JAPAN

ARRIVAL DATE

Students are requested to arrive in Japan at least one day prior to the course start date.

AIRPORT

The nearest international airport is KANSAI International Airport (Osaka) → http://www.kansai-airport.or.jp/en/index.asp

TRANSPORTATION

There are three methods of transportation from Kansai International Airport to Kyoto:

- Train (JR West "Haruka" Express train to Kyoto Station)
- Bus (Kansai Airport Limousine to Kyoto Station → http://www.kate.co.jp/pc/e time table/e kyoto.html)
- Shuttle Taxi (MK Skygatetaxi → http://www.mktaxi-japan.com/#!kyoto-kansai/c1duk)
 - The MK Skygate taxi is a door-to-door transportation service
 - You can make reservation for the MK Skygatetaxi on the website prior to your departure

ACCOMMODATION

You are required to arrange and confirm your accommodation for the duration of your stay and we recommend that you confirm this as far in advance as possible. Please note that students will be responsible for their own meals. Ritsumeikan University has suggested the following options:

DUO Inn (Furnished apartment style hotel close to the campus)

Web: http://www.duo-inn.com/eg/index.htm

Tel: +81-75-465-8800 Fax: +81-75-464-1110 E-mail: info@duo-inn.com

Single Room (A type): for more than 40 days' stay 4,104 yen per day

There are also other types of rooms for two or three people. Please check their website for more information. And please note they accept credit card, however, the utilities-deposit has to be paid in Japanese cash.

SEED in Kyoto Nijo (Short-term lodging ("Weekly Mansion"), close to JR Nijo Station)

Web: http://www.kyoto-seed.jp/english

Tel: +81-75-822-4700 Fax: +81-75-821-8650

E-mail: weekly@seed-kyoto.co.jp

Single Room (A type): 117,000 yen for one month plus utility charge 750 yen per day plus room cleaning charge 11,000 yen Twin Room (B type): 153,000 yen for one month plus utility charge 1,000 yen per day plus room cleaning charge 11,000 yen

Note: Free Internet use service is available

Each student is sent an email with additional details prior to departure. If you have any additional questions, please call 604-822-2013 or email pdce.educ@ubc.ca

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