

Studying at the School of Engineering Science as an Exchange Student

(For Undergraduate Level)

The School of Engineering Science accepts international students who are currently enrolled in the schools where we have mutual interfaculty agreements as exchange students.

We offer two types of exchange programs: two programs in the laboratory and one program to attend classes.

If you wish to study at our school as an exchange student, please first find a suitable supervisor from whom you would like to receive research guidance, and then contact them or their laboratory by email to inquire about the possibility of your acceptance. After obtaining their approval, please receive a set of necessary documents through your supervisor.

1. FrontierLab Mini Program

Outline

In this program, each student will be assigned to a particular research group where they will do research under their supervisor's guidance. The duration of the research is set from 2 to 12 weeks. Credits are available for each period of study.

Application Requirements

Students are required to belong to the schools where we have mutual interfaculty agreements. Additionally, students are required to have completed at least one year of study at an accredited university before participating in this program.

Exchange Duration and Subject Registration

As shown in the table below, we offer 6 types of accepting periods every 2 weeks for a minimum of 2 weeks and maximum of 12 weeks. The number of credits earned varies depending on the period of study and study hours. Please consult both supervisors at your home university and Osaka University in advance to decide which period of study would be most suitable for you.

Period of Study	Credit	Subject	Total Study Hours*
2 weeks	2 credits	FrontierLab Mini 2	90 hours
4 weeks	4 credits	FrontierLab Mini 4	180 hours
6 weeks	6 credits	FrontierLab Mini 6	270 hours
8 weeks	8 credits	FrontierLab Mini 8	360 hours
10 weeks	10 credits	FrontierLab Mini 10	450 hours
12 weeks	12 credits	FrontierLab Mini 12	540 hours

* Study hours/week: 45 hours

Status at OU

Special Auditor

Application, Enrollment and Tuition Fees

Application and enrollment fees are not required.

In the case where we have mutual tuition waiver agreements with the student's home school, Osaka University tuition fees are not required. The number of students to be waived for tuition fees depends on the agreements between the School of Engineering Science and the student's home school. Please contact the Student Affairs Section for details.

Application Documents

- (1) Application Form
- (2) Letter of Recommendation
- (3) Academic Transcript
- (4) Certificate of Enrollment (showing that the student will continue to be enrolled in his/her university/faculty during the exchange period)
- (5) Certificate of Japanese or English language proficiency
- (6) Copy of passport

Application Deadline

In the case where a visa is needed, please apply for the program **four months prior** to the date of your desired enrollment. Please note that the visa approval process can take at least three months.

If you are a national with visa exemption, please apply for the program **two months prior** to the date of your desired enrollment.

Please contact us for further assistance when necessary.

Scholarship

You can apply for a scholarship for FrontierLab Mini program students (Osaka University Scholarship for Super Short Term Study). This scholarship is intended only for exchange students who are coming to our school for the FrontierLab Mini program. Students receiving other scholarships for study abroad are excluded. Please contact us for details.

2. FrontierLab Flex Program

Outline

In this program, we only accept students as groups. The accepted group of students will be assigned to particular research groups where they will conduct research under their supervisor's guidance. The duration of the research is set at 15 or 30 weeks. Credits are available for each period of study. Students are required to make a final presentation of their research at the end of their period of study.

Application Requirements

Students are required to belong to the schools where we have mutual interfaculty agreements. Additionally, students are required to have completed at least one year of study at an accredited university before participating in this program.

Exchange Duration and Subject Registration

We provide two periods of study. The number of credits earned varies depending on study hours as detailed in the table below. You will be asked to register one course out of FrontierLab Flex A, B, C or D (350, 450, 550, 750 study hours respectively). Please consult both supervisors at your home university and Osaka University in advance to decide which credits and study hours would be most suitable for you.

Period of Study	Credit	Subject	Total Study Hours
15 or 30 weeks	6 credits	FrontierLab Flex A	350 hours
	8 credits	FrontierLab Flex B	450 hours
	10 credits	FrontierLab Flex C	550 hours
	14 credits	FrontierLab Flex D	750 hours

Status at OU

Special Auditor

Application, Enrollment and Tuition Fees

Application and enrollment fees are not required.

In the case where we have mutual tuition waiver agreements with the student's home school, Osaka University tuition fees are not required. The number of students to be waived for tuition fees depends on the agreements between the School of Engineering Science and the student's home school. Please contact us for details.

Application Documents

- (1) Application Form
- (2) Two Letters of Recommendation
- (3) Academic Transcript
- (4) Certificate of Enrollment (showing that the student will continue to be enrolled in his/her university/faculty during the exchange period)
- (5) Certificate of Japanese or English language proficiency
- (6) Copy of passport

Application Deadline

Please apply for the program **four months prior** to the date of your desired enrollment.

Please note that the visa approval process can take at least three months.

Contact us for further enrollment information and assistance with the application.

3. Regular Exchange Program

Outline

Lectures in Japanese are available. Students will be able to choose and attend specialized subjects offered in Japanese at the School of Engineering Science. Those who are planning to take these specialized subjects in Japanese are required to have a proficient command of the Japanese language. We require an equivalent of a level N2 or higher. The period of study will be set according to seasonal terms and semesters; i.e. 1 or up to 4 terms, or 1 and/or 2 semesters, and should not exceed one year. Credits are available upon completion.

Those who wish to conduct research at a laboratory at OU are required to consult the host laboratory in advance. If the host laboratory agrees, it is possible to receive research guidance in English. Please consult them regarding the length of the research period as well as research hours. Credits are available upon completion.

Application Requirements

Students are required to belong to the schools where we have mutual interfaculty agreements. Those who are planning to take specialized subjects in Japanese are required to have a proficient command of the Japanese language. We require an equivalent of N2 or higher.

Exchange Duration and Subject Registration

Acceptance period at the School of Engineering Science is up to one year: 1 or up to 4 terms, or 1 and/or 2 semesters, and students need to register for the specialized subjects, starting from the beginning of each term or semester.

[Term courses]

Spring Term: April 1 to mid-June

Summer Term: Mid-June to September 30

Fall Term: October 1 to early December

Winter Term: Early December to March 31

[Semester courses]

Spring and Summer Terms (First Semester): April 1 – September 30

Fall and Winter Terms (Second Semester): October 1 – March 31

Status at OU

Special Auditor

Application, Enrollment and Tuition Fees

Application and enrollment fees are not required.

In the case where we have mutual tuition waiver agreements with the student's home school, Osaka University tuition fees are not required. The number of students to be waived for tuition fees depends on the agreements between the School of Engineering Science and the student's home school. Please contact us for details.

Application Documents

- (1) Application for Admission
- (2) Letter of Recommendation from the dean of the student's faculty at his/her home university
- (3) Certificate of Enrollment (showing that the student will continue to be enrolled in his/her university/faculty during the exchange period)
- (4) Academic Transcript
- (5) Certificate of Japanese language proficiency
(This is required for those who are planning to take specialized subjects in Japanese.
e.g. Certificate of result and scores for Japanese-Language Proficiency Test or certificate from your advisor in charge at a Japanese language school
We require an equivalent of N2 or higher.)
- (6) Certificate of English language proficiency
(This is required for those who are planning to take specialized subjects in English. The level of English proficiency varies depending on the subject. Make sure to inquire about this in advance.)
- (7) Curriculum Vitae
- (8) Copy of passport

Application Deadline

Please apply for the program **four months prior** to the date of your desired enrollment.

Please note that the visa approval process can take at least three months.

Contact us for further enrollment information and assistance with the application.