Osaka University Virtual Study Abroad Program 2023
Application Guidelines

1. **ProgramOverview**

In response to immigration and travel restrictions due to COVID-19, we launched the Osaka University Virtual Study Abroad Program which provides online lectures with overseas partner universities in October 2021.

This program not only provides students the opportunity to attend lectures at overseas partner universities without travel, but also fosters international awareness of students while sparking motivation to study abroad. As we planned, we continue this program as another form of international exchange even after the pandemic subsides.

We will deliver regular courses from Osaka University either in real time or on demand (some lectures are specifically created for this program).

Students from overseas partner universities who participate in the program will be enrolled at Osaka University as "Special Auditor" and those who meet the prescribed requirements listed in the syllabus will be able to earn credits from Osaka University.

2. **ProgramDetails**

Duration: Fall / Winter Terms: 2 October 2023 to 8 February 2024

   Fall term: 2 October to 1 December 2023
   Winter term: 4 December 2023 to 8 February 2024
   (Winter break: 26 December 2023 to 3 January 2024)

   *Please see the attached Course List and Syllabus for the detailed schedule for each course.

Lecture Time: 90 minutes per lecture
   The number of lectures varies from 4 to 15 times. Please refer to the syllabus.
Requirements:

   Students must be an undergraduate or graduate student enrolled at an overseas partner university.
   *Some lectures are not available to undergraduate students.

Language: English   *Some lectures are held in Japanese only.

Number of Students: 30 students per semester   * 60 students per year

   * We envision a program in which, as a general rule, each student takes only one course and the maximum number of students who can participate tuition-free in any term shall be no more than 30. However, if a student wishes to take more than one course, the number of participants would be reduced proportionately. In other words, if

one student takes two courses, the maximum number of participating students would be reduced to 29, and so on, so that the number of courses involved in any term shall not exceed 30 in total.

Other: Please be advised of the followings:
- There is a maximum capacity for all lectures.
- Students may not be able to attend lectures that are overcapacity.
- Students may apply for lectures up to their third choice.

3. **Application**

   Application Period: Mid July 2023 to 17 August 2023

   How to Apply: Students will be requested to access to T-cens (online application system) for application.

   Please also submit the password-protected nomination list to International Student Affairs Division at online@cgin.office.osaka-u.ac.jp by 9 August 2023.

4. **Schedule**

   Application Deadline: 17 August 2023

   Notification of Admission: early September 2023

   Lectures Begin: 2 October 2023