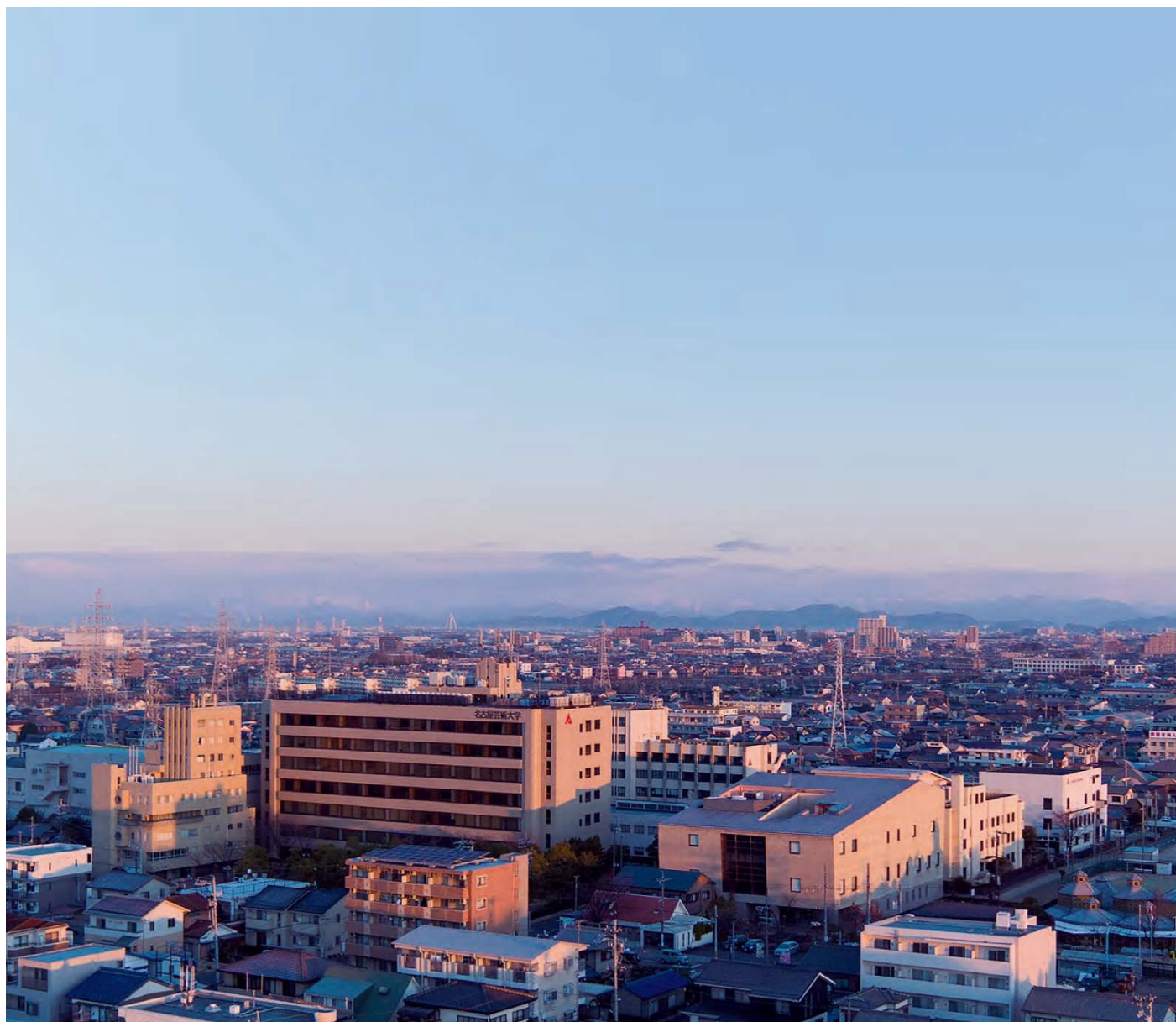


FACT SHEET

for Inbound Exchange Student



2026-2027 academic year

(Revised on January 16, 2025)






名古屋芸術大学

NAGOYA UNIVERSITY OF THE ARTS

General information

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| Institution name | Nagoya University of the Arts |
| Address | East Campus (Music, Performing Arts Production and Management Arts, Liberal Arts, and Human Development): 281 Koi, Kumanosho, Kitanagoya-shi, Aichi-ken, 481-8503, JAPAN West Campus (Art and Design): 65 Nishinuma, Tokushige, Kitanagoya-shi, Aichi-ken, 481-8535, JAPAN |
| Website | https://www.nua.ac.jp/en/ |
| Email | exchange@nua.ac.jp |
| Academic terms | 1st semester: April 1 - September 15 * Classes are held from early/mid-April to late July. 2nd semester: September 16 - March 31 * Classes are held from late September to mid January. |
| Teaching language | Japanese * Course instructors may speak English and/or other languages to certain extent, but all classes are taught in Japanese. |

Application information

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| Nomination | Advanced nominations are not required. |
| Application materials | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Application form (online application form) ● Curriculum vitae ● Portfolio ● Passport (photocopy of ID page) ● Official academic transcript issued by the home institution (in English) ● Bank statement ● Proof of Japanese language proficiency (if any) <p>* There is no formal requirement for the portfolio, so please prepare it in any form. * If the data size of your portfolio is too large to be sent by email, please upload it to an online storage of your choice and send a download link by email.</p> |
| Application method | <p>Please submit applications through the online application form at the following URL/QR code and email other materials to the following email address/QR code:</p> <p>Application form <u>2nd semester: September 16 - March 31</u> <u>1st semester: April 1 - September 15</u></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div> <p>Email exchange@nua.ac.jp</p>  |
| Application deadline | For 2 nd (fall) semester, 2026: May 6, 2026 For 1 st (spring) semester, 2027: October 7, 2026 |
| Application requirement | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Applicant must be enrolled as a full-time student at the home institution during the period of exchange. ● Applicant must have completed at least 1 year of study at the home institution at the time of commencement of the exchange term. |
| Japanese language requirement | Applicants are encouraged to have Japanese language proficiency of JLPT N4/N5 or equivalent, and it would be ideal for them to have JLPT N2 or equivalent by the time they start studying at NUA. *Some of the classes may not be available for those who do not have sufficient Japanese language proficiency. |
| Visa requirement | Applicants must obtain "Student" visa. * "Temporary Visitor" visa shall not be allowed. |
| Capacity | We accept a maximum of 15 students per year, with a cap of 7 to 8 students per semester. If the number of applicants reaches the cap, a selection process will be conducted. Selection results will be notified to applicants and partner institutions after a specified period. |

Available programs for exchange students

Among the programs NUA offers, following courses (majors) are available for exchange students.

| Level of study | School/Department | Division/Program | Course (major) |
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| Undergraduate (bachelor) programs | Department of the Arts, School of the Arts | Music Division | <p>Comprehensive Music Course * Comprehensive Music Course is for students who wish to extend over in more than one course in the Music Division.</p> <p>Choose your major from the list below</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Keyboards Course (Piano & Electronic Organ) ● Vocal Performance Course ● Strings, Woodwinds, Brass and Percussion Course ● Sound Media and Composition Course ● Music Care Design Course ● Musical Course ● Dance Performance Course ● Music Entertainment Direction Course ● Pop and Rock Music Performance Course ● Wind Academy Course |
| | | Art Division | <p>Comprehensive Art Course * Comprehensive Art Course is for students who wish to extend over in more than one course in the Art Division.</p> <p>Choose your major from the list below</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Japanese Painting Course ● Oil Painting Course ● Contemporary Art Course ● Communication Art Course ● Arts and Crafts Course <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ceramics Glass |
| | | Design Division | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Visual Design Course ● Illustration Course ● Media Communication Design Course ● Industrial and Ceramic Design Course ● Spatial Design Course ● Car Design Course ● Textile Design Course ● Lifestyle Design Course ● Literature and Writing Design Course ● Advanced Media Design Course <p style="color: red; font-size: small;">* Visual Design Course, Illustration Course, Media Communication Design Course, and Spatial Design Course may possibly turn out to be unavailable due to capacity issues.</p> |
| Graduate (master's) programs | Graduate School of Music | Master's Program in Music | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Basically, same as the Music Division |
| | Graduate School of Art | Master's Program in Art | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Basically, same as the Art Division |
| | Graduate School of Design | Master's Program in Design | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Basically, same as the Design Division |

Course offerings

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| List of classes | Course bulletin for the 2026-2027 academic year will become available in spring, 2026. Please see Course Catalogue attached for the registration model. |
| Japanese language Classes | For those who do not have Japanese language proficiency of JLPT N4/N5 or equivalent, International Exchange Center offers special Japanese classes that are exclusive for exchange students (Extracurricular). For those who have Japanese language proficiency of JLPT N2 or equivalent, students are welcome to participate in the credited Japanese Expressions class for degree-seeking international students. |

Credits and grading system

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| Credits | Lectures and seminar courses | 1-4 credits per course: 2 credit = 1,350 minutes of in-class study successfully completed. (a 90-minute class per week for 15 weeks.) | | |
| | Practical training and skills practice courses | 1 or 2 credits per course: 1 credit = 1,350 minutes of in-class study successfully completed. (a 90-minute class per week for 15 weeks.) | | |
| | Skills practice courses | 4 credits per course: Music: 4 credits = a 45-minute private lesson per week for 15 weeks. Art and Design: 4 credits = 720-minute lessons per week for 15 weeks. | | |
| Credit ratio | <p>1 Japanese credit is equivalent to 1.5-1.935 ECTS credits, however, please be aware that it is almost impossible to take 30 ECTS equivalent credits in Japan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Some of the classes are conducted as a full-year course, and they will not be credited for the semester exchange students. ● Exchange students who have Japanese language proficiency of N4/N5 or equivalent will not be able to participate in lectures and seminar classes. Therefore, art and design students acquire 8 Japanese credits on average, and music students acquire 12 Japanese credits on average + certificate of completion for personal lessons. ● Exchange students who have Japanese language proficiency of more than N2 or equivalent will have a chance to acquire 15 Japanese credits maximum on average. | | | |
| Grading System | Grade | Scale | Description | GPA |
| | S | 100-90 | Excellent | 4.0 |
| | A | 89-80 | Good | 3.0 |
| | B | 79-70 | Satisfactory | 2.0 |
| | C | 69-60 | Passing | 1.0 |
| | F | 59 or below | Fail | N/A |

Academic calendar (tentative)

| | 1 st Semester | 2 nd Semester |
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| Semester Period | April 1-September 15 | September 16-March 31 |
| Orientation | 4 th week of March | 2 nd week of September |
| Course Registration | April 1 | Late September |
| Classes | From early/mid-April to late July (Ex. April 8-July 28, 2025) | From mid/late September to mid-January (Ex. September 19, 2025-January 15, 2026) |
| Exchange Students Exhibition *Mandatory for Art and Design majors | July 3-July 8, 2026 | December 18-December 23, 2026 |
| Final Examinations | late July/early August (Ex. July 29-August 1, 2025) | late January (Ex. January 19-January 24, 2026) |
| Issuance of Transcript | late August | early February |
| Other Information | Summer Break: From mid-August to mid-September Winter Break: From late December to early January Spring Break: From late January to the end of March | |

* Please note that the dates above are subject to change. A definitive academic calendar for the 2026-2027 academic year will become available in spring, 2026.

*Extensions to the exchange period will not be permitted.


Accommodation and living expenses

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| Estimated Living Expenses | Off-campus accommodation (apartment) | Monthly rent: 100,000 yen (utility expenses included) * NUA will arrange an apartment room for each exchange student since it is difficult for a non-Japanese to make a housing contract for a short-term stay. |
| | Meals | 30,000-40,000 yen/month |
| | Personal expenses | 20,000-30,000 yen/month |
| Books and Materials | 30,000-50,000 yen/semester | |
| Insurance (mandatory) | Japanese national health Insurance tax | 1,500-3,000 yen/month (estimation) |
| | Personal accident insurance for students pursuing education and research | 1,340 yen/year |

Health

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| Bringing medication to Japan | Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare: Information for those who are bringing medicines for personal use into Japan (mhlw.go.jp) You can apply for an import confirmation online. Contact information: Kinki Regional Bureau of Health and Welfare TEL: +81-6-6942-4096 e-mail: kiyakuji@mhlw.go.jp |
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Information on applications for COE and visa

| | 1 st Semester | 2 nd Semester |
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| Application for certificate of eligibility (COE) to Nagoya Regional Immigration Services Bureau | Mid/Late-December | Mid/late June |
| Issuance of COE (to NUA) | February | Mid/late July |
| Delivery of COE (to Applicant) | February | Mid/late July |
| Visa Application | Late February to Early March | Late July/early August |
| Traveling to Japan | late March | early September |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed information on application for certificate of eligibility shall be announced when the result of exchange application is announced. For detailed information on visa application, please refer to Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students are recommended to get "Permission to Engage in Activity Other Than That Permitted Under the Status of Residence Previously Granted" upon their arrival to Japan in case they engage in school events they get paid. | | |

Travel information

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| Air travel | <p>Central Japan International Airport (Chubu International Airport/Centrair) is the nearest major international airport to NUA.</p> <p>Central Japan International Airport</p>  |
| Ground transportation | <p>Nagoya Railroad (Meitetsu) train's Tokushige-Nagoyageidai Station is the nearest station to NUA campuses. It is about 8-12 minutes' walk from the station to the NUA's East and West Campuses.</p> <p>Nagoya Railroad</p>  |