

PROGRAM DATES

Sunday, June 27	Depart the U.S.
Monday, June 28	Arrive Kyoto.
Saturday, July 24	End of program. Depart Kyoto.

The AIFS program fee based on 25 or more participants is \$5,170.00 and includes the following:

Accommodation, Meals, and Travel Pass:

- Round-trip airport transfers: one-time group transfer by private bus between the airport in Kyoto (KIX) and the student housing at a pre-determined time to meet the group on the scheduled arrival and departure dates.
- Accommodation: twin studio apartments in a centrally located apart-hotel within a 30 minutes' commute to the study center. Each studio is equipped with linen, towels, a kitchenette, laundry facilities and Wi-Fi.
- Meals: self-catering facilities at student accommodation, a welcome meal, and a farewell meal.
- Travel pass: An integrated circuit (IC) smart card pre-loaded with ¥10,000, valid for travel on all JR trains and trams, subways and buses in the Kyoto metropolitan area. This is sufficient for weekly round-trip travel to classes and all included program activities. IC cards may also be used at a range of convenience stores, vending machines, shops, and restaurants, as well on select transit nationwide. Therefore, cards can be topped up with additional credit as needed at the discretion of the students. Any unused funds may be refunded, minus deposit, to students at the end of the program.

Academic Support, Cultural Activities and Excursions:

- An orientation program in Kyoto consisting of a meeting with experienced AIFS staff, covering topics such as general acclimation to Japan, safety and security issues, cultural differences, travel, money, cultural activities, and a local area walking tour covering housing and classroom location and local amenities.
- A walking tour of Gion and Higashiyama districts with the services of a professional, English-speaking guide.
- A guided tour to Fushimi Inari.
- Entrance to Kyoto International Manga Museum.
- A traditional tea ceremony.
- A full-day excursion to Osaka by private bus including entrance with guided tour of Osaka Castle and free time for self-exploration of Dotonbori and Nipponbashi Denten Town.

Also Included:

- A team of experienced Student Services staff to ensure the smooth running of the program, providing information and advice to students, organizing excursions and supervise housing, and a 24-hour on-call service in Kyoto for the duration of the program.
- Access to the AIFS Student Center with free internet access and paid printing facilities.
- Medical insurance policy.

Program does not include the following:

- Round-trip airfare
- Santa Rosa Junior College tuition
- Textbooks.
- Meals not listed above.
- Passport and visa fees if applicable.
- Additional field trips or excursions required by your instructors.
- Personal expenses such as laundry.
- Anything not specified.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR AIFS FEES

<u>Summer Term</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
Enrollment Deposit	\$450.00	April 2, 2027
Balance of Fees	<u>\$4,720.00</u>	April 30, 2027
Total	\$5,170.00	

All students must submit the \$450 deposit when completing the online enrollment form. Subsequent payments may be made by check or credit card. Checks should be made payable to "AIFS." American Express, MasterCard and Visa are accepted.

Please note: AIFS will charge a \$35 returned check fee on all checks returned by the bank for insufficient funds.

Refund policy and important dates to remember should you need to cancel your participation:

Withdrawing on or before Friday, April 2, 2027	All fees paid less than a \$150 processing fee will be refunded.
Withdrawing after Friday, April 2, 2027 , and on or before Friday, April 30, 2027	All fees paid less the \$450 deposit and any non-refundable deposits paid by the participant or by AIFS on the participant's behalf will be refunded.
Withdrawing after Friday, April 30, 2027	No refund and the total program fee is due.

Please note that after the final payment deadline the full program fee is due to AIFS even if you have not yet paid and do not participate or plan to participate in the program. Non-refundable financial commitments have been made to secure your spot. If a participant withdraws once the program has begun, there is no refund. **This refund policy applies whether a participant pays AIFS Abroad directly for all, part, or no program fees.**

Protecting your investment:

Participants may purchase additional trip cancellation or interruption insurance which allows them to protect their study abroad program. This policy includes options to cancel for any reason (CFAR) and interrupt for any reason (IFAR). Details of the Worldwide Trip Protector Plans with Travel Insured International (TII) is underwritten by the United States Fire Insurance Company, rated A (Excellent) by A.M. Information on these options is available on the Travel Insured International website – www.travelinsured.com - or by phone at 855-611-0918. **The policy is time sensitive and must be purchased within 21 days after the deposit is paid.**

General Cultural Resources:

At AIFS Abroad, we support all participants in your study/intern abroad journey. We invite everyone to engage with the cultures around you while at home and abroad. Everyone is complex, and the uniqueness of who we are is important when deciding on a program and location. Exploring who you are and learning about the uniqueness of others is an important part of this journey. Thus, we invite you to take the time to learn about the cultures you embody and the cultures of others on your program as well as the cultures that are a part of your host country.

We invite you to use the information here - <https://www.aifsabroad.com/student-resources/> - before, during, and after you study abroad.

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