



# Osaka University's Global Commitment and Strategies

*Live Locally , Grow Globally*

An aerial photograph of the Osaka University campus, showing various buildings, green spaces, and a river. The image is partially obscured by a blue gradient at the bottom.

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# THE MERGER OF OSAKA UNIVERSITY

with Osaka University of Foreign Studies (Oct. 2007)

## Combination and Effective Use of Resources of Two Universities

Strong education and research capacities in multitude of disciplines

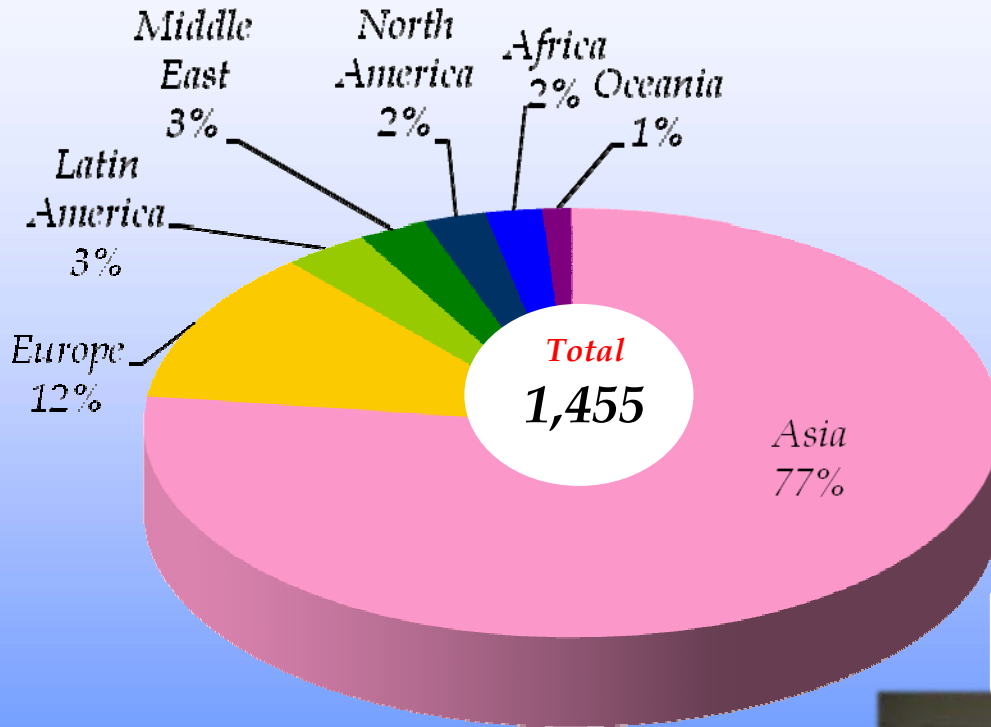
Strength in area studies and foreign languages

OSAKA UNIVERSITY

OSAKA UNIVERSITY OF FOREIGN STUDIES

Enhanced international cooperation and research on global issues

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

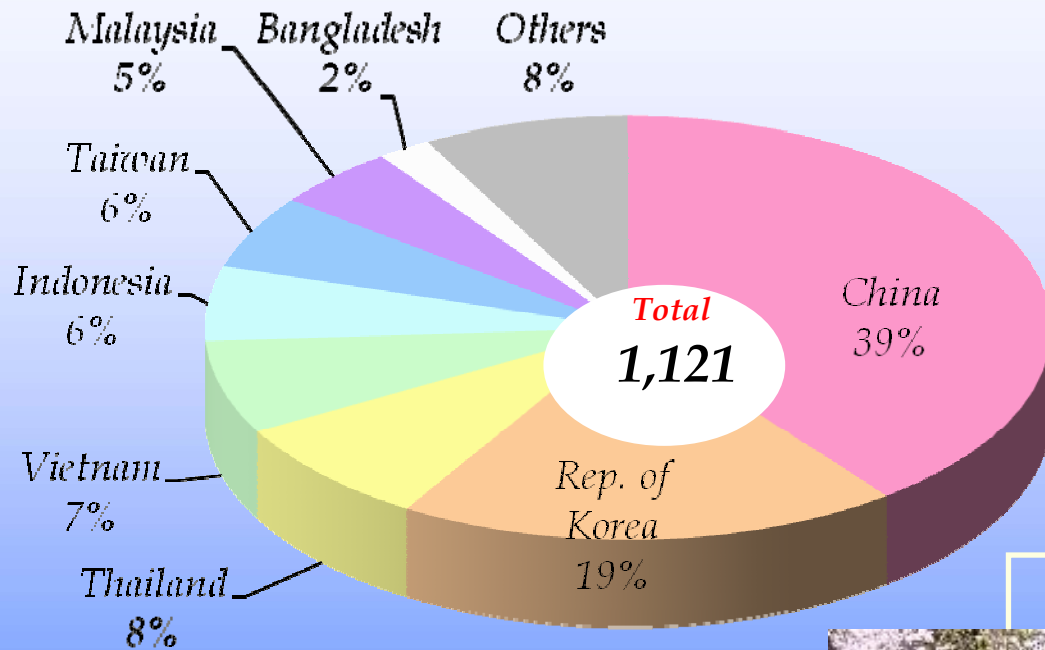


Asia	1,121
Europe	168
Latin America	47
Middle East	38
North America	34
Africa	31
Oceania	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,455</b>

(As of May 1, 2009)



# ASIAN STUDENTS



## *Top 5 of Asian Students*

China	443
Rep. of Korea	215
Thailand	92
Vietnam	79
Indonesia	64

(As of May 1, 2009)



# THREE EDUCATIONAL GOALS OF OSAKA UNIVERSITY

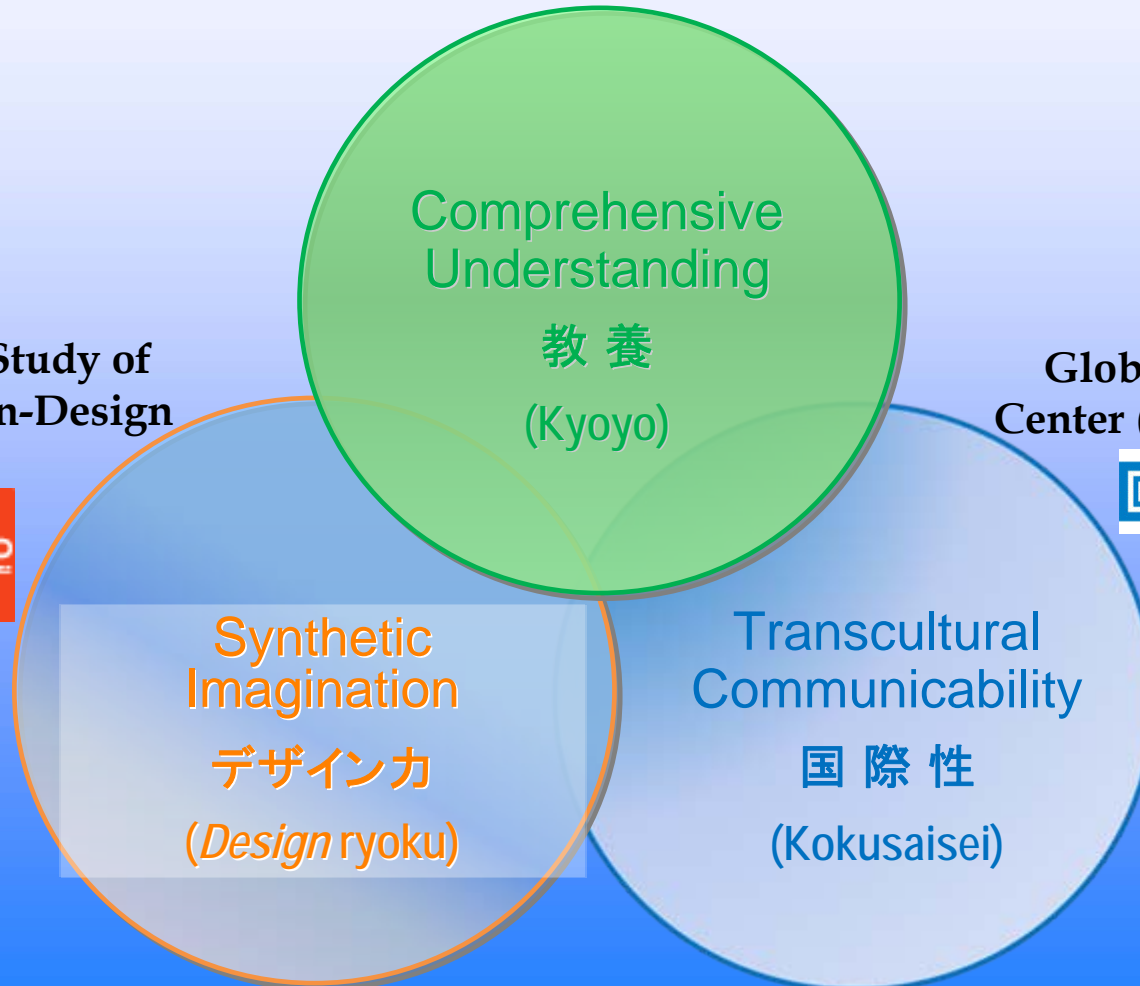


Institute for Higher Education  
Research & Practice (IHERP), 2004

Center for the Study of  
Communication-Design  
(CSCD), 2005



Global Collaboration  
Center (GLOCOL), 2007

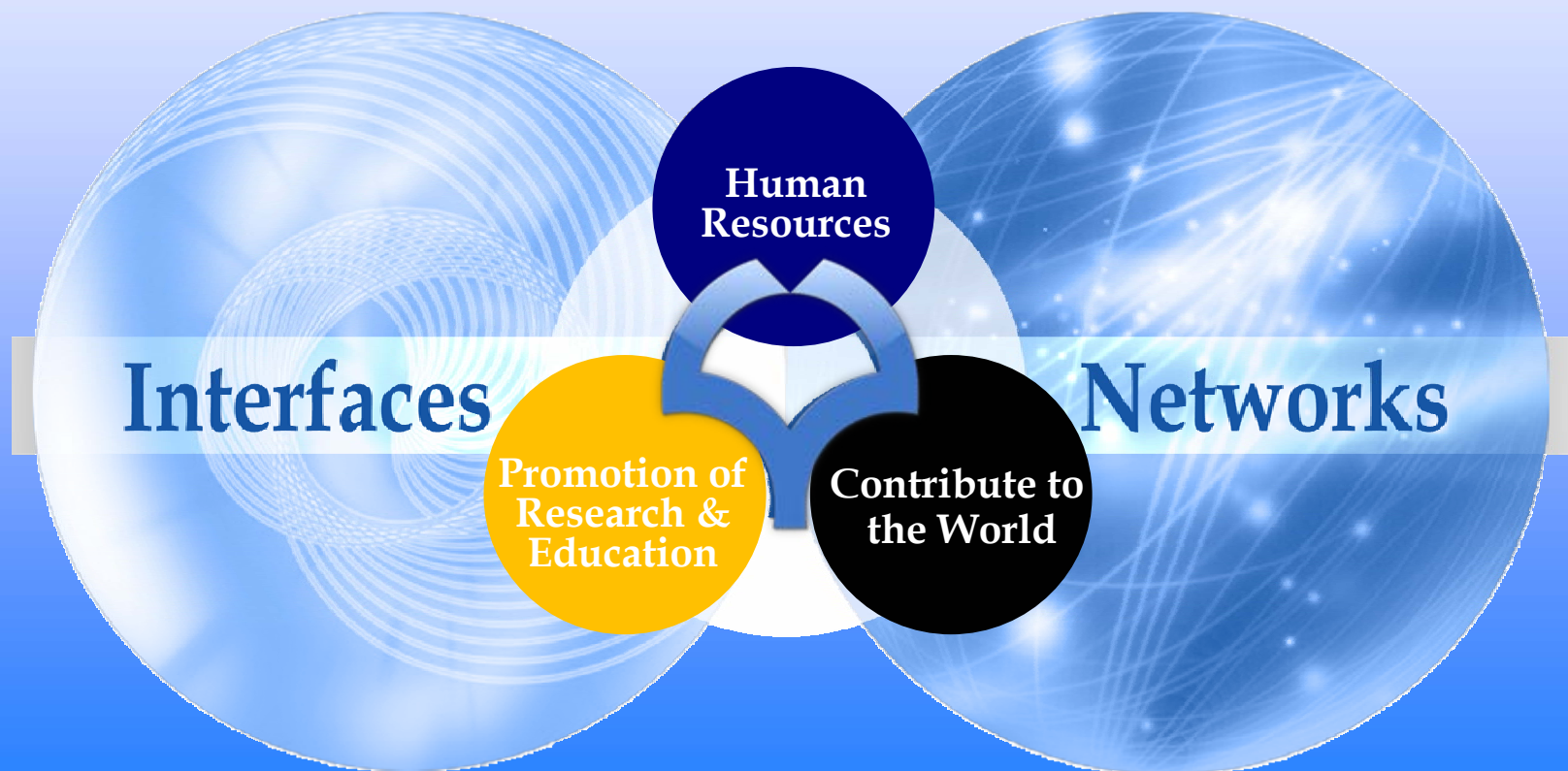


# OSAKA UNIVERSITY'S GLOBAL COMMITMENT & STRATEGIES



## **“Global Outlook and Commitment to the World Community”**

Osaka University as a hub for scholarly exchange  
where people and ideas gather from all over the world





# THREE GOALS FOR INTERNATIONALIZATION

## A University Open to the World

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- Promoting research collaborating with scholars and institutions overseas and sharing the research results for the benefit of global society
- Promoting education that fosters transcultural communicability and encourages constructive, creative action
- Building regional academic communities in Asia and working for human security and sustainable development

## Project for Establishing Core Universities for Internationalization

- The 300,000 International Students Plan (MEXT, 2008)
- Increase the number of international students in Japanese universities as well as Japanese students studying abroad
- Osaka University selected as Core University among 13 universities (MEXT, 2009)

### New English-language Courses

Human Sciences (undergraduate) **April 2011**

Chemistry/Biology Double Major (undergraduate) **October 2010**

Special Integrated Science (graduate) **October 2010**

Physics International Course (PIC) (graduate) **October 2010**





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## Osaka University's Action Plan

Other Regions

North America

EU Countries

Thailand & Vietnam

China

### Program Promotion via Osaka University's Overseas Centers

*San Francisco Center*

*Groningen Center*

*Bangkok Center*

*Shanghai Center (New)*

- Admission Support
- Networking

Degree Programs in English  
(leading to BS/BA, MS, & Ph.D.)

Short-term Programs  
(up to 12 months)

Study Abroad Programs

Schools, Graduate Schools, Research Centers

Center for Multicultural Education and Research

Support Office for International Students and Scholars

Center for Japanese Language and Culture

*Boosting the internationalization of Osaka University by dramatically increasing the number of international students*



# DEVELOPING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Developing Educational Programs  
for international students (incoming) and for regular students (outgoing)

## Short-term Programs for International Students

OUSSEP  
OURSEP  
Maple  
FrontierLab@OsakaU

## Degree Programs in English

Biotechnology  
Quantum Engineering  
Naval Architecture and  
Ocean Engineering  
Engineering Science

## Participation in Student Mobility Programs

Erasmus Mundus Master Program  
ICI-ECP  
JSPS ITP

# DEVELOPING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

## for International Students



Providing Various Programs that Answer the Needs of International Students

*Liberal arts subjects,  
independent study  
opportunities in English  
for participants.*

**OUSSEP**



*Specially prepared  
exchange program for those  
who have a clear idea of  
their study goals in Japan.*

**Regular Exchange**

*Feel and touch  
cutting-edge  
technology at  
one of Osaka  
University's  
world-leading  
laboratories.*



**FrontierLab@OsakaU**



*Enhance your  
Japanese skills  
and/or  
deepen your  
understanding  
of Japanese  
culture.*

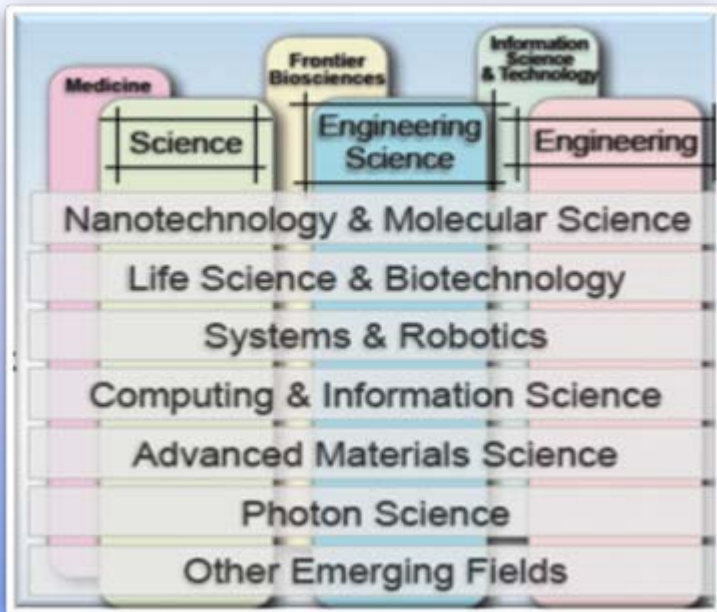
**Maple**

# FRONTIERLAB@OSAKAU

Short-Term Program for International Students



*Launched October 2008, UC-EAP recognized*



*For Students seeking upgrade  
research and analysis skills  
Emphasizing hands on laboratory  
experience  
Interactive, experimental  
learning  
In English or Japanese  
Both Undergraduate and  
Graduate Level*



**2008 Fall: 31 students enrolled**  
**2009 Spring: 22 students enrolled**



# SUPPORT SYSTEM

for International Students and Scholars

## Support Office for International Students & Scholars

*Established in October 2007*



- Assistance on Housing
- Application for Certificate of Eligibility for Status of Residence
- Information Service for International Students and Scholars

## GCN-Osaka: Community Site for International Students & Researcher

*In operation since May 2004  
over 5,500 registered members*




- Online Study Materials for Learning Japanese
- Multilingual BBS
- Housing Information
- .....etc

# OVERSEAS CENTERS FOR EDUCATION & RESEARCH

## Grow Globally



 *The Netherlands*

 Groningen Center for Education and Research (2005)

China

Shanghai Center for Education and Research (2010)




Japan



**Osaka University**



USA

 San Francisco Center for Education and Research (2004)



 *Thailand*

Bangkok Center for Education and Research (2006)

To enhance international collaboration in all fields of research and to conduct student exchange based on academic exchange agreements with distinguished universities and institutions worldwide.

# ROLES & TASKS OF OVERSEAS CENTERS

*Short Term Student Program (USA)*



- To promote research collaboration and student exchange
- To facilitate and support ongoing research and educational programs/initiatives
- To provide information and support for prospective students
- To provide education and training for young researchers
- To promote research collaboration in key areas (i.e. biology, infectious diseases control, environment, etc.)
- To organize seminars and symposiums
- To function as “Alumni Center”

# JAPANESE UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKING



■ Osaka University placed 43th in THE-QS WORLD University Ranking (2009)

	THE-QS*			IHE, Shanghai Jiao Tong University**			Thomson Scientific***			Newsweek	
	'06	'07	'09	'06	'07	'08	'07	'08	'09	'06	'07
<b>Osaka University</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>57</b>
The University of Tokyo	19	17	22	19	20	19	13	12	11	14	16
Kyoto University	29	25	25	22	22	23	30	28	30	25	29
Tohoku University	168	102	97	76	76	79	70	65	64	69	68
Tokyo Institute of Technology	118	90	55	89	99	101-151	163	162	165	-	-

\* THE-QS World University Ranking (The Times Higher Education)

\*\* Institute of Higher Education, Shanghai Jiao Tong University

\*\*\* The ranking is based on the analysis of Essential Science Indicators on 2007(1996-2006), 2008(1997-2007) and 2009(1998-2008).