

# About KCUFS

Kobe City University of Foreign Studies is committed to providing an academically balanced and responsible education. By promoting the study and teaching of foreign languages and cultures, it seeks to instill in students a deeper understanding of international affairs and foreign countries.

Founded in 1946, the university offers undergraduate- and graduate-degree programs in English, Russian, Chinese and Spanish Studies, as well as International Relations. The undergraduate programs offer a choice of the following courses: Linguistics and Literature, General Culture, Social Sciences, and International Communication.

The current university enrollment is approximately 2,000. The faculty includes many distinguished scholars and eminent researchers with doctoral degrees who are committed to excellence in teaching.

The university has teacher exchange programs with the University of Moscow in Russia, Beijing Language and Culture University in China, and the University of Alcalá in Spain.



In order to help students gain cross-cultural experience and valuable practical knowledge for their future careers, the university offers accredited student exchange programs through arrangements with Eastern Washington University in the U.S. and Medicine Hat College in Canada, as well as 20 other partner universities in Australia, Austria, Canada, China, Russia, Spain, the U.K., and the U.S.A.. For more information on these programs, please see the Study Abroad section. (<http://www.kobe-cufs.ac.jp/english/international/abroad.html>)

The university also encourages its students to participate in off-campus educational programs abroad at leading educational institutions and organizations.



Eastern Washington University in the U.S.



Medicine Hat College

# Philosophy and Educational Goals

Kobe City University of Foreign Studies has the aim of cultivating the “active cosmopolitan” who can participate in various disciplines, including among others, business, diplomacy, and education by utilizing the advanced foreign languages skills which are needed to effectively function in a modern, international society. Additionally, our students will be educated with the skills and knowledge to make capable, competent, and flexible decisions.

Based on this educational philosophy, we set the goal of enabling students to master more than two foreign languages in order to adapt to international society, which is always changing.

By promoting this philosophy and these goals, we hope that students will not only maintain an interest in their own language and culture, but also become cosmopolitan citizens of the 21st century.

