

Kyoto International Student House (HdB) Call for New Residents Fall 2019

Application Due Date : 30th August 2019 (5 pm)

1. What is HdB (Kyoto International Student House)?

Kyoto International Student House (also known as HdB, i.e., Haus der Begegnung, meaning House of Encounter in German) houses up to 22 international students and up to 12 Japanese students live along with house parents. Since its founding in 1965, nearly 1000 people from 81 nations have resided in HdB. The students are encouraged to appreciate diversities of nationalities, ethnicities, philosophies, cultures and customs among them. Kyoto International Student House is operated by a public-interest incorporated foundation independent of universities. Please visit our website for further information.

2. Qualifications

- The prospective residents must be at least 18 years old and officially enrolled in a university or a research institution in the Kyoto Area.
- The applicants must be able to participate in the official HdB events (e.g., “common meal” dinners on Friday evenings, weekend seminars, and other events weekend).
- Residents must agree with the Principles and Purposes of HdB, and cooperate with rules and policies of HdB.
- Applicants must participate the interview on 8th September,2019.(See also Note)
- Prospective residents must have financial means to cover the set costs (detailed in a separate document), and have a guarantor and emergency contact person who reside in Japan.

3. Application Procedure

All applicants must submit the following documents to the office of Kyoto International Student House in person or by registered mail.

- Application form with a photo, a signed guarantor form, and a signed emergency contact form.
- The deadline : 5 pm on Friday, 30th August 2019, JST

4. Selection Process

The house committee will interview the (pre-screened) applicants on Sunday, 9th September 2019. The applicant must be able to come in person to the interview at a requested time. We may arrange a Skype interview for international applicants who cannot arrive in Japan before the interview date. The house committee holds the right to select candidates prior to the interview.

5. Announcement of the selection

Each applicant must contact the office by e-mail or phone to find out the result after the interview.

6. Admission procedure

Once admitted, applicants must contact the office within three days after the notification and hold their space with a security deposit (¥20,000) and an admission preparation fee (¥10,000). Failure to do so may result in a cancellation of the admission offer.

7. Note

The Term of living : 6 months.

The dormitory will undergo renovation from April to August 2020. Residents who will start living in the dormitory coming fall, we hope to welcome back when the renovation has finished.

In addition, no other arrangements for housing can be made during the renovation period.



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¹ A person who guarantees the monthly rent and the cost of damage repairs. It must be someone who resides within Japan with an independent source of income. International students of Kyoto University may buy insurance instead. Ask the HdB office more about the insurance option.

¹ A person over 20 years of age who resides in Japan, and can respond to emergency calls and takes the resident in case of serious illness or injury.