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## Announcing the Kansai University IIGE J-MCP 21st Century Skills Program

### Program Overview

Over the past decade, 21st Century Skills have been deemed a critical factor contributing to students' employability in the future workforce. However, the future is already here. At the height of this fourth industrial revolution, technology is no longer simply an asset but a necessity, with the movement toward remote work environments that bridge global economies. This course, in addition to developing learners' critical language skills, is designed to help them acquire the knowledge and tools to succeed (critical thinking, digital literacy, intercultural collaboration and cross-cultural communication, presentation skills, etc.) through collaborative projects with their overseas peers. The course combines synchronous activities with multi-media, engaging asynchronous materials.

To learn more about the program content, visit <https://kuiige.wixsite.com/j-mcp>

### 1. Program Details

#### ◆Dates

##### Main Program Dates

Main Program: February 6 – 24, 2023

Final presentations: March 8

Pre- and post-program tasks: Within one week prior to and after the main program \*On-demand

#### ◆Number of Participants: 80

\*A maximum of 3 students per institution may apply to this program. For institutions that are nominating trainees for the April/May 2023 MF training program, a maximum of 10 students may apply.

#### ◆Instructors

[Don Bysouth, Ph.D.](#), Associate Professor, IIGE, Kansai University

[Sajjad Pouromid, Ph.D.](#), Assistant Professor, IIGE, Kansai University

[Xiao Lan, Ph.D.](#), Specially Appointed Lecturer, Hokkaido University

## 2. Eligibility & How to Apply

### ◆Eligibility

Undergraduate or graduate students currently enrolled in Kansai University, [UMAP-affiliated institutions](#) [Kansai University-affiliated institutions](#), J-MCP-affiliated institutions (listed below), IIGE-affiliated institutions (listed below), [AURORA-affiliated institutions](#), and Applied Global Studies (AGS)-affiliated institutions (listed below), and are in good academic standing (recommended minimum overall GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale) are eligible to apply.

#### IIGE-affiliated Institutions

Northern Arizona University  
University of California, Berkeley  
University of Hawai'i at Hilo  
University of Hawai'i - Kapi'olani Community College  
Northern Illinois University  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
Fashion Institute of Technology, New York  
The University at Albany, State University of New York  
Clemson University  
James Madison University  
Michigan State University  
Cheng Shiu University  
Panyapiwat Institute of Management  
DePaul University  
Western Washington University  
Nanyang Polytechnic

Morgan State University  
Zurich University of Applied Sciences  
San Pedro College  
Portland State University  
Eastern Oregon University  
Language Institute, Chiang Mai University  
North Carolina State University  
Mariano Marcos State University  
Medicine Hat College  
Western Norway University of Applied Sciences  
Bridgewater State University  
Instituto Tecnológico de Santo Domingo  
Algoma University  
The University of Missouri-Kansas City  
CEU Cardenal Herrera University  
Chicago State University  
Universidad Tecnológica de Bolívar  
Davao Oriental State University  
Federal University of Espirito Santo

#### J-MCP-affiliated Institutions

Chiba University  
Soka University  
Nanzan University  
Osaka Metropolitan University  
Hokkaido University

#### Applied Global Studies (AGS)-affiliated institutions

Edith Cowan University

Malmö University  
M.S. Baroda University  
Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso  
Universitat Rovira i Virgili  
University of Ghana  
University of Jordan

## ◆Application Procedures

\*Students must apply for this program through their home institutions.

Individual applications submitted by students will NOT be processed.

**STEP 1:** Please download and complete the application form attached to the email in which this CFP is sent

**STEP 2:** Please send the completed application form to [kujmcp-1@ml.kandai.jp](mailto:kujmcp-1@ml.kandai.jp) by email with the following title, inserting the date and your institution's information in the appropriate fields (ApplicationJMCP\_Institution Name\_Country\_Date)

\*Please lock the application form and notify us the password in a separate email to [kujmcp-1@ml.kandai.jp](mailto:kujmcp-1@ml.kandai.jp)

**Application deadline: 12:00 PM December 14, 2022 (JST)**

## 3. Program Fees

There are NO application fees or participation fees for this program.

## 4. Language Proficiency Requirements

The program will be conducted entirely in English. CEFR B2 Level (TOEFL iBT 72+, IELTS 5.5+, Cambridge Examination 160+) English proficiency is recommended for non-native speakers.

\*Proof of language certification is NOT required.

## 5. Digital Badges

Students who successfully complete the program will be eligible for a digital badge to be issued by IIGE (Kansai University) within 3 months of program completion.

Digital badges issued by IIGE are verifiable and meet qualifications for IMS Global Open Badges 2.0. Students' home institutions can review the content of the completed course through the issued badge. Students' home institutions may determine digital badges to be credit-bearing at their discretion.

IIGE/Kansai University does NOT issue credits, transcripts (official or unofficial), letters of credit approval, nor any similar documentation for this program.

\*\*Please refer to the terms and conditions outlined in the Commitment Statement in item 7 for further details.

## 6. Program Participation Requirements

### ◆Access

This program will be conducted 100% online, which requires students to have:

- a stable internet connection able to handle video calls without interruption
- a quality microphone/headset
- a functioning camera-equipped PC

### ◆Online Platforms

#### Zoom & ImmerseU

Lectures will be conducted LIVE in English via Zoom.

Students will be required to register an account with the [ImmerseU CMS](#) (Course Management System) through which various course activities etc. will be conducted. Further information will be provided to students upon enrollment.

## 7. Commitment

### ◆Program Hours

- Lectures: 15hrs (90min x 10 days) ※Including Final Presentations
- Individual Assignments: 20hrs (2hrs x 10 lectures)
- Pre and Post-Program Workshop Activities: 10hrs
- Group Work: 20hrs

**TOTAL PROGRAM HOURS: 65hrs**

### ◆Commitment Statement [IMPORTANT]

IIGE *will notify* students' home institutions of the final status of students' participation and performance in this program. This program is offered on a complimentary basis, and as such the selection process is highly competitive. Non-committal participation or dropping out partway through the program without an appropriate reason is unacceptable and may result in students' disqualification from participation in future programs. Additionally, group activities are an integral and obligatory part of this program. Students who do not participate satisfactorily in their group work will not be eligible to continue the program.

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For more detailed information...

Refer to the J-MCP website <https://kuiige.wixsite.com/j-mcp>

#### Inquiries

Please email [kujmcp-1@ml.kandai.jp](mailto:kujmcp-1@ml.kandai.jp), attn IIGE Secretariat clearly indicating in the subject line that your inquiry relates to "KU 21st Century Skills"

**FEBRUARY, 2023**

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APPLICATION DEADLINE  
14 DECEMBER, 2022



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Final presentations: March 8



**FREE!**



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