# The Kumamoto University Lifestyle

#### Location

Kumamoto Prefecture is the heart of Kyushu, the island at the southwest part of the Japanese archipelago. Kumamoto City, the central city of the prefecture, is home to Kumamoto University. Located only 33 minutes away by Kyushu Shinkansen (bullet train) from Kyushu's premier commercial city of Fukuoka, Kumamoto City enjoys a natural environment graced with diverse landscapes of ocean, mountains, rivers, and plains.

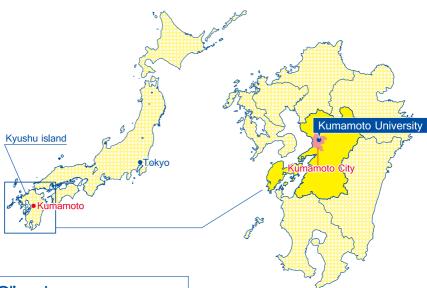




## Around Kumamoto University

Kumamoto University is sited close to the central downtown district of Kumamoto City. Shopping arcades, cultural facilities such as museums and theaters, and public institutions such as city hall are all conveniently close at hand, yet residents are never far from surrounding greenery and lush nature. Even Mt. Aso, Kumamoto's most popular sightseeing destination, is an easy one-hour drive away.





#### Climate

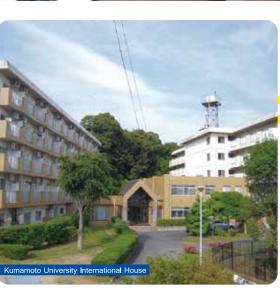
The annual average temperature of Kumamoto City is 16 to 17 degrees Celsius. Seasonal temperatures differ considerably; many summer days exceed 30 degrees Celsius, and winter days that reach the freezing point are not uncommon. As the temperatures change, an array of flowers bloom, trees put on new colors, and residents' fashions reveal rich variety as well. Kumamoto is a great place to enjoy the distinct transitions of the seasons.



### Dining in Kumamoto

Kumamoto is very comfortable place to live Let's enjoy the Kumamoto life!!

Blessed with pure waters and varied landscapes, Kumamoto is one of Japan's leading agricultural prefectures and is renowned for the diversity of the agriculture, forestry and fishery products harvested locally. Local supermarkets offer a wealth of ingredients, yet at student-pleasing prices that are low compared to other prefectures.



### Housing Around Kumamoto University

Many students from abroad initially stay at Kumamoto University's international student dormitory, a place for these students to meet and exchange information. The many student-oriented apartments around the University further make residence easy to secure for students.