Study Abroad Student Budget Worksheet **Academic Year 2026-2027**

Program Type: RIT Exchange Program | Term Credits Earned: 2268 Summer 2027

Program Name: Kanazawa Institute of Technology | Term of travel: 2268 Summer 2027

Location: Kanazawa, Japan | Program Begin Date: June 7, 2027

Credits: 8 | Program End Date: July 16, 2027

Tuition Waiver/Exchange:

If you are on tuition waiver or exchange (parents are RIT employees, etc.) let RIT Global know because it may affect your tuition costs.

Direct Costs:	*US dollars*	
1) Tuition	$ 450.00	
2) Program Fee*	$ 1,050.00	

$750 of the program fee will be billed up front as a deposit once you confirm your participation. For details about the billing commitment and refundability of fees please see your Program Commitment Agreement in Step 3 of the Compass.

3) Total direct charges on student account	$ 1,500.00 (Total 1-2)	

Up to five students are selected for full funding of the tuition and the program fee. If you are selected, lines 1-3 become $0.00 and your total program cost is the estimated variable costs only. Plan using the full amounts above until decisions are released in January.

Estimated Variable Costs:		
4) Airfare	$ 2,000.00	
5) Meals, Personal, School Supplies, Local Transportation	$ 1,200.00	A
6) Activities fee (to be paid in Japan)	$ 50.00	B
7) Transportation to Kanazawa and back	$ 250.00	C
8) KIT insurance (paid through Flywire)	$ 40.00	D
9) Total estimated variable costs	$ 3,540.00 (Total 4-8)	
Total Program Cost:	$ 5,040.00 (Total 3 and 9)	

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*Program Fee includes:

Please note: If you are receiving financial aid for this program, it will pay out the term you are receiving credits, not necessarily the term of travel if those terms are different. Also, students are still required to pay RIT health and activity fees while they are studying abroad.

A) Former participants suggest you would need at least $800-1,200 for the time you will be in Japan. This covers personal expenses of food and snacks, health and hygiene products, postage, school supplies including textbooks, and local transportation fare. It does not include optional outside travel (on the long weekend or before/after the program). KIT's own estimate for these items is lower, about $570, because it assumes you cook most of your meals in the shared kitchen. Budget toward the top of the range if you eat out often or travel on weekends.

Each room is furnished with a bed, study desk and closet, and one blanket, pillow and set of sheets are provided. You are responsible for your own shampoo, soap, laundry detergent and other toiletries. If you would like an extra set of sheets, you will need to purchase it or bring it from home.

Below is a sample of personal expenses:

Round trip bus, KIT to downtown Kanazawa: $5.25 (740 Yen)
Lunch at a KIT cafeteria: $3.50 - $5.00 (500-700 Yen)
Meal at a casual chain restaurant: $3.50 - $10.75 (480-1,500 Yen)
Machi-nori city bike share, student monthly plan: $7.00 per month (990 Yen)

B) Students will pay a $50.00 activities fee to KIT upon arrival for local excursions and activities related to the program. KIT's 2027 outline notes that participation fees for field trips and cultural activities are the student's responsibility; the exact amount is confirmed closer to the program.

C) Round trip Tokyo to Kanazawa on the Hokuriku Shinkansen is about 29,200 Yen in a reserved seat, plus roughly 5,000 Yen to reach Tokyo Station if you fly into Narita. Booking through Eki-net at least 14 days ahead can bring the round trip down to about 20,200 Yen. A Japan Rail Pass is not worth buying for a single round trip.

D) KIT requires two payments, both invoiced through Flywire in April: a liability-for-damages policy (2,500 Yen) that covers repair costs if you damage KIT housing or facilities, and an Inbound Medical Assistance Service (2,500 Yen) that provides hospital information and translation when you see a doctor. The medical assistance service is not medical insurance. Together they come to 5,000 Yen, about $36 at the planning rate; line 8 rounds this up to $40. RIT separately covers you through Chubb Educational Travel, its international health insurance provider, at no additional cost - confirm your Chubb coverage meets KIT's minimum insured amounts.

E) Exchange rate: Yen amounts above are converted at a planning rate of 140 Yen = US$1, rounded up. The market rate on September 15, 2026 was about 155 Yen = US$1. The more cautious rate is used because you will not spend this money until June and July 2027, and the yen traded near 140 as recently as 2025. If the rate holds near 155, your in-country costs will come in under this budget. Airfare is paid in U.S. dollars and is not affected.