

Spring 2026 New Student Orientation Schedule: College of Global Liberal Arts



All sessions listed below will be interactive.

For your reference ; [OIC Campus Floor Guide](#)

Date	Time	Session Title	Participation	Location	Contents
February 8 (SUN)	10:00-11:45	First-Year Transition Webinar	OPTIONAL, but attendance highly recommended	Zoom (Zoom URL will be provided in early February. It will be sent to students' email addresses provided on the University Application)	GLA's Associate Dean for Academic Affairs will lead an interactive session titled "What does it mean to become a student at the College of Global Liberal Arts?" including a short talk with current GLA students and Q&A.
March 19 (Thu)	10:00-11:30 14:00-15:00	Orientation for New OIC G-House(Dormitory) Residents 14:00-15:00 Evacuation Drill for G-House students	MANDATORY for All New G-House Students	●Orientation for New OIC G-House(Dormitory) ⇒ ResidentsNoh-Theater, OIC Global House 1F ●Evacuation Drill for G-House students G-House	●Orientation for New OIC G-House(Dormitory) Residents The RM (Resident Mentor) will explain the rules and procedures of the dormitory that G House dormitory residents should know. Students who do not reside in the G-House(Dormitory) are not required to participate. ●Evacuation Drill for G-House students We will conduct evacuation drills at G House in preparation for an actual disaster.
March 24 (Tue)	10:00-11:30	Orientation session for new international students	MANDATORY for All New International Students	In-person (AC130) or live-streamed over Zoom	Orientation will cover important information for international students, such as status of residence, application procedures for scholarships and tuition reduction, and what to do when facing problems in your student life, so make sure to attend. ※For more details, check out the "2026 Startup site Guide for New Students."
March 26 (Thu)	10:00-10:20	Dean's Greetings	MANDATORY for All New Students	In-Person (AC338)	The Dean of GLA will give a welcome remark.
	10:20-11:50	GLA Curriculum Overview Academic Integrity Overview			GLA's Associate Dean for Academic Affairs will discuss the curriculum and learning experiences at GLA.
	11:50-12:00	Understanding and Addressing Harassment in University Life			A session on harassment will be conducted by the Associate Dean for Student Affairs at GLA.
	13:30-15:00	4 year Study Overview			GLA Office will explain about student life over the four years. •ANU Admission Evaluation / Credit Transfer •Grades / LOA /Tuition Payment/Scholarship •Course Registration
March 27 (Fri)	09:30-12:00	Student Life Guidance & Stress Management Workshop	MANDATORY for All New Students	In-Person (AC338)	The Office of Student Affairs will brief the new students on tips for a smooth transition and adjustment to life at the university.
	14:00-15:00	Info Session on GLA Overseas Fieldwork Program	Optional	Zoom (Zoom URL will be provided by mid March. It will be sent to students' email addresses provided on the University Application)	Instructors will give students a brief explanation on GLA Overseas Fieldwork Program in AY 2026.
March 30 (Mon)	10:00-11:00	Academic Advisors Office Hours	Optional	In-Person (AC338)	GLA Office will stand by in the AC338 for students needing individual consultations about their 1st semester plans. Advisors will meet students on a first-come, first-served basis.
	15:00-16:30	Welcome Event by GLA Student Council	Optional	In-Person (AC338)	GLA Student Council will host a student-led socialization event.
	13:00	IMPORTANT RAINBOW ID and Password Distribution(via Ritsu-Mate)	MANDATORY for All New Students	Ritsu-Mate (Online)	IMPORTANT: All students must access Ritsu-Mate for RAINBOW ID & password on time and complete multi-factor authentication setting. Without the RAINBOW ID, password, and multi-factor authentication, students cannot start course registration.
March 31 (Tue)	15:00-17:00	Student ID Distribution	MANDATORY for All New Students	In-Person (AC338)	Students will receive their student ID from the GLA Office. Please arrive at the venue on time.
April 1 (Wed)	11:00	Spring 2026 Registration Begins (New Students' First Round)	MANDATORY for All New Students		Students are responsible for registering for Spring 2026 courses via GLARS.
April 2 (Thu)	11:00	Spring 2026 Registration Ends	MANDATORY for All New Students		
		Matriculation Ceremony		Miyako Messe (Kyoto International Exhibition Hall)	For details such as the ceremony start time and venue, please check the following Ritsumeikan University website "The Ritsumeikan University (Undergraduate) Matriculation Ceremony Matriculation Ceremony for the Academic Year 2026 (To be Held in April 2026)"
April 3 (Fri)	13:30-15:00	Spring 2026 GLA Virtual Welcome Lounge with Faculty	MANDATORY for All New Students	Zoom (Zoom URL will be provided by mid March. It will be sent to students' email addresses provided on the University Application)	Students will meet all staff & faculty at GLA to learn their backgrounds, research interests, and courses they teach. There will be an opportunity for students to have more interactive conversations with one of GLA faculty members after the all-group meeting.
April 6 (Mon)		Classes Begin			