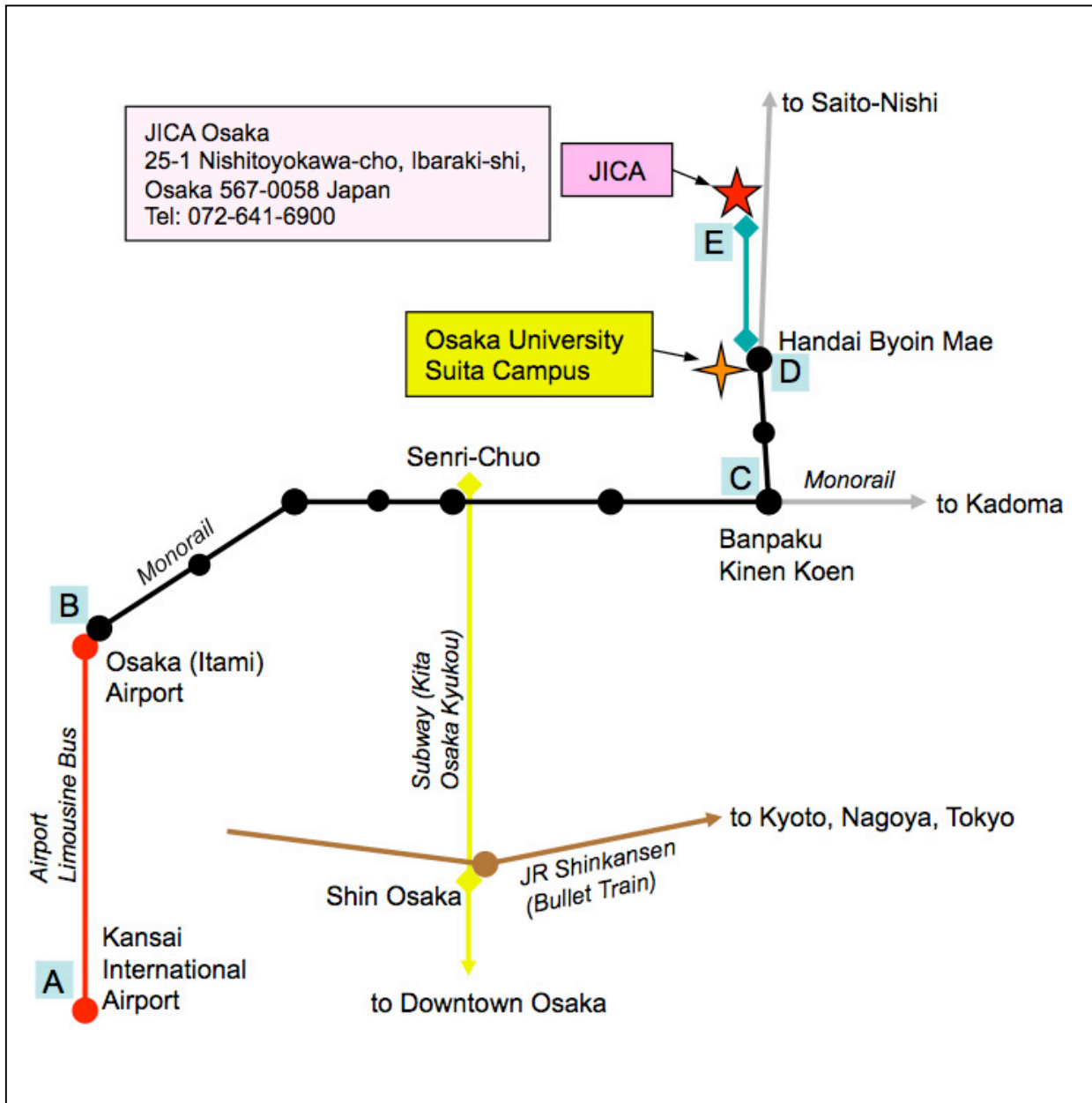



Directions from Kansai International Airport to JICA Osaka Center

Most of you will arrive at Kansai International Airport (KIX). And here are instructions to get to your accommodation. Consulting the map below, you must go from **A (Kansai Airport)** and get to **E (JICA Osaka International Center)**:



Follow steps **A >> B >> C >> D >> E** below to JICA Osaka International Center:

<p>A</p>	 <p>Kansai Airport Bus Stop 8</p>	<p>Take Airport Bus from KIX to Osaka (Itami) Airport</p> <p>The bus will depart from Bus Stop 8 right outside the immigration/customs area on the same ground level. Ticket machines are near the bus stop. Ask at an information desk if you cannot find one.</p> <p>A ticket to Osaka (Itami) Airport is 1,900 yen. The ride is about 70 min.</p>	 <p>Airport bus ticket machine at Kansai International Airport</p>
<p>B</p>	 <p>Osaka Airport Monorail station</p> <p>Access to Monorail station</p>	<p>Take Osaka Monorail to Banpaku-Kinen Koen.</p> <p>Go to the Osaka Airport Monorail station which is across the street from the bus stop (use the overhead walk-way).</p> <p>Purchase ticket for 420 yen(*), take any train (Osaka Airport is a terminal station) and ride it to "Banpaku-Kinen Koen" station, which is the 6-th station from Osaka Airport. This segment of the ride is about 20 min.</p> <p>Get off the train (Goto Step C below).</p>	 <p>Monorail train leaving Osaka Airport Station.</p>
<p>C</p>	 <p>Take a train from Platform 2, bound for Saito-Nishi.</p>  <p>Destination display on a monorail car.</p>	<p>At "Banpaku-Kinen Koen" station, change trains to that bound for "Saito-Nishi", and ride it to "Handai Byoin Mae" station.</p> <p>Monorail train bound for Saito-Nishi will leave from the other side of the same platform (Platform 2).</p> 	 <p>LCD display inside a monorail car indicating our destination "Handai Byoin Mae" which is 2 stations away from Banpaku-Kinen Koen. This is a 5 min ride.</p> <p>"Handai Byoin Mae" means "in front of Osaka University Hospital."</p>
<p>D</p>	 <p>Shuttle bus to JICA leaves here at the curb, just outside the east exit of Handai Byoin Mae Monorail station (Take exit opposite to the Osaka Univ. Hospital)</p>	<p>Get off Monorail, and take a Shuttle or walk (15 min) to JICA Osaka International Center.</p> <p>If your timing is right, you can take a Shuttle bus to JICA Osaka Center at: 19:38, 20:38 on Sunday. Wait at the curb (see left photo), and if you see a JICA bus coming, flag it down.</p> <p>If you arrive at other times, walk 15 minutes to JICA Osaka International Center, following the Monorail track. Walk straight ahead along the sidewalk you see in the left photo.</p>	 <p>Follow along the Monorail track north-ward.</p>  <p>Keep going for about 15 minutes.</p>

E		<p>JICA Osaka International Center is almost there.</p>  <p>Look for this sign when you come to a set of traffic lights.</p>	 <p>JICA Osaka International Center</p>
	<p>Look for this sign for JICA Osaka International Center, then turn left to follow the arrow.</p>		

NOTES:

* You might want buy a multiple-use ticket for larger amount from the same ticket machine (you must press a ticket-type selection button first). This is useful for going to downtown Osaka or even for visiting Kyoto and Nara on weekends. This thin credit-card sized ticket is called a "**Surutto Kansai**" card, and is essentially a *Kansai-area universal transit ticket*. It is a prepaid card/ticket valid for many railways, subways, and local buses. You can buy one from any company and use it on others regardless of companies operating them (with a few exceptions). Kansai refers to a large area surrounding Osaka, including Kyoto, Nara, Kobe areas. Unfortunately, this multiple-use ticket is not valid on JR (Japan Railways) and long-distance buses. Do not forget to take it out of the ticket gate as you exit.

From Osaka Airport (Itami Airport):

If you are flying into Osaka Airport (or locals call it “Itami Airport”) via Narita or other airports, start from **B** in the above direction. The rest is exactly the same. Osaka (Itami) Airport is primarily a domestic airport.

Food: Supper for the day of arrival:

The Dining Hall inside JICA Osaka International Center stops taking orders at 20:30 and closes at 21:00. If your arrival is running late, eat at Osaka (Itami) Airport or buy some food at a “convenience store” (or “Con-Bini” in Japanese) which is typically open 24 hours/7days. There are a couple of these stores, **Lawson** and **FamilyMart**, near the “Handay Byoin Mae” Monorail station. There is no store or restaurant in the immediate vicinity of JICA Osaka Center. [Breakfast is served \(buffet style\).](#)

Amount of cash to bring:

You will probably need at least about 5000 yen in cash (more if you are taking Narita-Haneda-Osaka route for a bus ticket for the Narita-Haneda segment), until we can give you cash for expenses and reimbursement.