

The following is a list of the major collections in Kyoto University's holdings.

I. Main Library

◆ National Treasure

Konjaku monogatari-shu (Suzuka-bon), Vols. 2, 5, 7, 9, 10, 12, 17, 27, 29. Nine books in total. Manuscript dating from the late Heian period to the early Kamakura period

◆ Important Cultural Properties

Manyoshu (Amagasaki-bon), Vol. 16. One book. Manuscript dating from the late Heian period to the early Kamakura period

Kokinshu-chu Vols.1-15, 17 (Vol.16, end of Vol. 17-20 missing) in 2 books. Author: Fujiwara no Norinaga; manuscript written by Nijo no Morotada, dated 1241.

Hyohan-ki. 49 scrolls. Manuscript diary of Hyobukyo Taira no Nobunori, 1132-1171.

Norikuni-ki. 1 scroll. Manuscript diary of Taira no Norikuni, 1036 Summer-Winter.

Tomonobu-ki. 1 scroll. Manuscript diary of Taira no Tomonobu, 1132 Spring.

Kiyohara-ke kagaku-sho. 34 kinds of manuscripts.

Yogaku Shinan-sho Vols. 7 & 22 in 2 books. Manuscript dating from late Heian period.

◆ Special Collections

Main Library	The Meiji Restoration Special Material Collection	A collection of materials relating to kin'no no shishi (loyalists who fought for the cause of the Emperor), dating from the end of the Tokugawa regime. Mainly items written by Yoshida Shoin. Also includes <i>Kiheitai Nikki</i> , <i>Draft of the feudal confederacy concluded by the three domains</i> written in the hand of Okubo Toshimichi and the Koyori Letters of Hirano Kuniomi.
	Otsuka Takashi Collection	A collection of over 470 chronologically ordered maps of Kyoto dating from the Edo period to the modern period, collected by Takashi Otsuka. Includes the oldest extant map of Kyoto, known as <i>Miyako-no-ki</i> (also as <i>Kan'ei Heian-machi ko-zu</i> [Old map of Kyoto City in the Kan'ei era]).
	Kawai Collection	A collection comprising 793 titles in 2,160 volumes of books and documents relating to Korea. Compiled by Kawai Hirokami, a Doctor of Literature, for research into Korean history.
	Kikutei Collection	A collection of manuscripts and records of yusoku kojitsu (codes of court practice and etiquette), mainly consisting of musical documents, from the family history of the Kikutei family. Includes heirlooms thought to go back as far as Kanesue, fourth son of Saionji Sanekane and forefather of the Kikutei family.
	Kyokko Collection	A collection comprising 3,000 original texts, and newspaper and journal articles relating to Dante, formerly owned by Jukichi Oga.
	Konoe Collection	A collection comprising Chinese classics, and manuscripts of <i>Utsubo monogatari (Tale of the Hollow Tree)</i> , <i>Ochikubo monogatari (Tale of Lady Ochikubo)</i> , <i>Okagami (The Great Mirror)</i> , and others. Comprises 3,150 volumes donated to Kyoto University by the Konoe family when the Yomei Bunko was founded.
	Shimada Collection	A unique collection of 480 items relating to Shugen-do, Japanese mountain asceticism, which incorporates Shinto and Buddhist concepts. Includes documentary records that belonged to the Shimada family, to which were then added books collected by the Meiji-period scholar of Buddhism, Bankon Shimada.
	Zokyo Shoin Collection (Nichizo Published Book and Unpublished Book)	A collection of books formerly housed in the Zokyo Shoin in Kyoto. Contains Buddhist texts and documents relating to Shin-Buddhism that were source documents for <i>Dainihon Zoku Zokyo</i> published by Zokyo Shoin between April 1905 to 1912.
	Shimbun Collection	A collection of Japanese newspapers and newspaper-related materials dating from the end of the Edo period to early days in World War II, formerly in the collection of Kazuto Nakagami, journalist for the Osaka Newspaper Company.
	Seike Collection	A collection of materials comprising Confucian classics, diaries and secret texts transcribed and handed down in the Kiyohara family, who specialized in Myogyo-do Confucian studies. Includes 34 volumes of writings by Kiyohara family members, designated as important cultural properties. One of these, <i>Koshi-den</i> , was reproduced and published as part of the celebrations of the 60th anniversary of the Kyoto University Library's foundation.
	Tanimura Collection	A collection of 9,200 rare Japanese and Chinese books from the collection of Ichitaro Tanimura, a businessman active during the Taisho and Showa periods. Donated to Kyoto University thanks to a connection with Dr. Izuru Shinmura. Includes a great variety of interesting materials, e.g. <i>Komyo Kogo Gankyo</i> and <i>Den Kanmu Tenno Shakyo</i> .
	Toan Collection	A collection of 680 titles in 8,046 volumes carefully collected by Prince Kinmochi Saionji, his pen name was Toan, Minister of Education at the time Kyoto University was founded, and who played a major role in the history of Kyoto University.
	Nakai Collection	A collection comprising 177 Japanese books and 2,276 plans, e.g. drawings, old documents and maps, relating to the construction of the Old Imperial Palace, Nijo Castle, and various temples and shrines, from a collection of the family of master carpenter Nakai who specialized in building shrines, temples and palaces in Kyoto.
	Nakanoin Collection	A collection of 1,041 items, including books and documentary records, formerly owned by Count Michinori Nakanoin. Includes genuine manuscripts of imperial poetry collections such as <i>Manyoshu</i> , the oldest extant anthology, and <i>Kokinshu</i> , annotated by Michimura and Michikatsu, as well as explanatory notes for <i>Genji Monogatari (Tale of Genji)</i> , <i>Ise Monogatari (Tales of Ise)</i> , and others.
	Hiramatsu Collection	A collection of more than 3,100 books handed down in the Hiramatsu clan, a family that goes back to court noble Nishinoto-in Tokiyoshi. Includes documents about Imperial Court ceremonies, diaries, and numerous other rare documents. <i>Hyohan-ki</i> , <i>Norikuni-ki</i> and <i>Tomonobu-ki</i> , diaries written by court nobles, are all designated important cultural property. It also includes <i>Heike Monogatari (Tales of Heike)</i> (Manaji-bon).
	Fujikawa Collection	A collection of Japanese and Chinese medical books published before the Meiji era, and translations of Western medical books dating from the mid Edo period to the last days of the Tokugawa regime. Originally collected by Yu Fujikawa, a Doctor of medicine and literature for his <i>Nihon Igaku-shi (History of Japanese Medicine)</i>
Miyazaki Ichisada Collection	A collection of books related to geography and old maps belonging to the former collection of Emeritus Professor Ichisada Miyazaki. Includes <i>Venetian Ptolemaic atlases</i> published in 1561, and woodcut maps of <i>the New World by Munster</i> published in 1550.	
España Collection	A collection of over 1,300 books and documents on science donated by the Spanish government in 1950, through the good offices of the Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Cientificas (Spanish National Research Council).	
Rolls Series	A collection of 724 volumes of official documents and records from England in the Middle Ages. It was compiled under the supervision of the then Master of the Rolls hence its name.	

II. Other Libraries

◆ Special Collections (Including Important Cultural Properties)

Graduate School of Letters	Ikeda Collection	A collection of books in Russian covering a wide range of subjects, including linguistics, literature, sociology and fine art, donated by Magoshichi Ikeda, an entrepreneur based in Kyoto. 2,159 items. (Linguistics)
	Ebara Collection	A collection of materials on Japanese literature donated by the late Dr. Taizo Ebara, emeritus professor in the Faculty of Letters (Japanese Language and Literature), Kyoto University. Includes many manuscripts and woodblock-printed books of haiku, the professor's area of expertise. 6,040 items. (Japanese Language and Literature)
	Kuwabara Collection	A collection of materials on Oriental history donated by the late Dr. Jitsuzo Kuwabara, emeritus professor in the Faculty of Letters (Oriental History), Kyoto University. Includes many books in Western languages due to the professor's area of expertise, the history of East-West relations. 12,457 items. (Oriental History)
	Clarke Collection	A collection of books related to English literature, donated by the late Edward B. Clarke, a former professor in the Faculty of Letters (English Literature), Kyoto University. 5,133 items. (English Literature)
	Nishida Collection	A collection of books related to philosophy donated by the late Dr. Kitaro Nishida, emeritus professor in the Faculty of Letters (Philosophy), Kyoto University. Includes numerous books with marginal notes by Dr. Nishida. 1,627 items. (Philosophy)
Graduate School of Education	Konishi Collection	A collection of books once belonging to Dr. Shigenao Konishi, 9th president of Kyoto University. Includes many rare materials relating to educational principles in Japan before the 1940s. 482 items.
	Takahashi Collection	A collection of books from the former library of Dr. Shunjo Takahashi. An essential collection for research into the history of educational philosophy in Japan. Includes books relating to educational philosophy especially from around the end of the Edo period. 1,364 items.
Graduate School of Law	Hatschek Collection	A collection formerly owned by Julius Hatschek (1872-1926), a German scholar of constitutional law and administrative law. Owing to Hatschek's significant contribution to research on British public law as an expert in German and British legal systems at the time of the Weimar Republic, includes a great number of books on public law, as well as books on philosophy and history. 2,113 items.
	Thaner Collection	A collection formerly owned by Friedrich Thaner, a German scholar of civil law. Includes numerous books on Canon Law, which, due to the importance of the role of the Church in German family law before the German Civil Code was established, are considered of great value in research into the history of the German legal system. 2,643 items.
	Tuhr Collection	A collection formerly owned by Andreas Von Thur (1864-1925), a German scholar of civil law. Includes a great number of books related to private law published in the 19th and 20th centuries, after the establishment of the German Historical School of Law. 1,933 items.
	Jescheck Collection	A collection of books formerly owned by Dr. Hans-Heinrich Jescheck (1915-2009), a German scholar of criminal law who served as the director of the Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law, Germany. A valuable collection comprising basic materials related to criminal law in Germany and other major European countries that covers a broad period from the Middle Ages to the present. In particular, the collection includes a large number of books that are almost impossible to find elsewhere in Japan, such as materials on the nineteenth-century legislation of various countries. This can truly be called a collection of rare books. 572 items.
	Kobayakawa Collection	A collection of books from the former collection of Kingo Kobayakawa (1900-1944), a professor at Kyoto Imperial University and legal history scholar. In addition to basic works on the legal history of Japan, the collection includes many other works, especially ancient documents and records of the Edo period and works from the Meiji period. 2,455 items.
Graduate School of Economics	Ueno Library	A major collection of books related to journalism, the mass media, and newspapers in Japan and overseas, which were donated by Junichi Ueno and his father Seiichi Ueno, both former owners of the Asahi Shimbun Company. Contains many rare documents on politics, economics, philosophy, and history. Roughly 27,000 items.
	Kawakami Library	A collection from the former library of Hajime Kawakami, a former professor in the Faculty of Economics at Kyoto University, and donated to the Faculty in 1969 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Faculty. Contains lecture notes and manuscripts as well as books. Roughly 2,700 items.
Graduate School of Science	Collection of Rare Books, Department of Mathematics	A collection of books written in western languages (267 items) related to mathematics from the 16th to 20th centuries, and books on Edo-period Japanese mathematics, astronomy and calendrical studies (597 items). 864 items.
	The Rare Books Collection of the Faculty of Science Common Library	A collection of books in Japanese and western languages from the 16th to the 20th centuries on natural history, geology, paleontology, and conchology. 586 volumes.
Graduate School of Engineering	Josiah Conder Drawings (Important Cultural Properties)	A collection of 468 architectural drawings by Dr. Josiah Conder, often referred to as the father of modern Japanese architecture, a British architect who worked as a foreign advisor to the Meiji government and had a hand in numerous architectural projects including the Rokumeikan and the Holy Resurrection Cathedral in Tokyo. Held in the Library of Architecture.



Utsubo monogatari
(Tale of the Hollow Tree)



Graduate School of Law Library Holdings
(Jescheck Collection)



The Rare Books Collection of the Faculty of Science Common Library
Account of voyage of discovery to the west coast of Corea, and the Great Loo-Choo Island by Basil Hall. 1818

Yoshida-South Library	Hayashi Collection	A collection of books written in Japanese on Japanese literature received as a gift from Professor Moritaro Hayashi of the Third High School in October 1939. 88 items.
	Mizobuchi Collection	A collection of books written in Japanese and western languages on subjects to do with education and philosophy bequeathed by Professor Shinma Mizobuchi of the Third High School and received in July 1939. 1,224 items.
Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies	Mamoud Ayoub Collection	This collection of the private library of Professor Mahmoud Ayoub, a former professor of Temple University, is composed of about 1,700 volumes of Arabic books and about 1,000 volumes in European languages on Islamic Studies.
	Moinuddin Aqeel Collection	This collection of the private library of Professor Moinuddin Aqeel, a former professor of Karachi University, includes more than 20,000 books mainly in Urdu, but also in Arabic, Persian and English. It covers a vast range of the studies on South Asian Islam such as history, politics, literature and religion. This is estimated as the second largest collection of Urdu books after British Library.
	Collection of The Academic Alpine Club of Kyoto	A collection of about 4,400 books formerly housed in The Academic Alpine Club of Kyoto (AACK). Wide range of materials on scientific expedition and mountain climbing, particularly in Asia and Africa.
	Kirk-Green Collection	Kirk-Green collection is part of research materials collected by an eminent Africanist Dr. Kirk-Green, who worked at Oxford University and other research institutes. It includes research materials regarding history, ethnic society, politics, and economics of Africa, particularly Nigeria.
Institute for Research in Humanities	Saint-Simon, Fourier Collection	A collection of pamphlets and research materials relating to, and books authored by, the French socialist theorists Henri de Saint-Simon and Charles Fourier. 93 items for Saint-Simon, 54 items for Fourier.
	Yano Collection	A collection of 421 titles in 697 volumes written in Chinese, Japanese and western languages and collected in 1944 by the late Dr. Jinichi Yano, a former emeritus professor of Kyoto University, as organizer of the research group "Contemporary China", and donated in January 1958.
	Muramoto Collection	A collection of 837 titles in 8,484 volumes donated in January 1941 by Eishu Muramoto (later Nakata), a former employee of the Osaka Asahi Shimbun Company. The contents of this collection cover nearly everything in the traditional fourfold library classification system of China.
	Nakae Collection	Originally the collection of the Chinese scholar and humanitarian Ushikichi Nakae, and gifted to the library by a commemorative committee put together after his death, in September 1944. Comprises 355 titles in 6,037 volumes written in Chinese, 478 titles in 728 volumes written in western languages on sociology, 61 manuscripts, etc. and 245 letters bequeathed by Yoshinao Sakatani in 1996.
Institute of Economic Research	McKenzie Library	A collection of 1,495 books formerly belonging to Lionel McKenzie, emeritus professor at the University of Rochester, mainly to do with mathematical economics. Donated in October 2003.
Center for Southeast Asian Studies	Charas Collection	A collection of roughly 9,000 books and monographs formerly owned by Charas Pikul, a former officer of the Thai government. Contains nearly 4,000 volumes of Nagsue Ngan Sop, books published at the time of the cremation of important figures. One of the largest collections of this kind outside Thailand.
	Foronda Collection	A collection of roughly 7,000 monographs and other materials formerly owned by Filipino historian Marcelino Foronda. Contains important documents for Philippine studies, including works of history, literature and ethnography of the Ilokos Region, but also underground publications and books banned under the Marcos regime, and a number of Catholic prayer books.
	Ocampo Collection	A collection of roughly 1,000 items formerly owned by Filipino historian and writer Dr. Ambeth Ocampo. Includes publications related to the history of the Philippines from the second half of the 19th century to the beginning of the 20th century, various Catholic prayer books, and government publications including Congressional records.
Center for Integrated Area Studies (CIAS) (until December 2016)	The Kyocera Collection of British Parliamentary Papers	This compilation of references contains a total of 12,000 volumes of various documents submitted to the British Parliament (House of Commons documents from 1801 to 1986 and the House of Lords documents from 1801 to 1922). It is a nearly complete collection held at the former British Board of Trade. The collection was donated by the Kyocera Corporation for academic use and is now held at the Kyoto University Library. The online version of the House of Commons Parliamentary Papers is also available.
	<i>Turkestanskii Sbornik</i> (Turkistan Collection)	This is a digitized version of <i>Turkestanskii sbornik</i> — a compilation of various publications referring to Central Asia collected in Imperial Russia. It includes 594 volumes in original. CIAS created a database of the entire collection integrating all bibliographic information for the first time in the world.
	Malay Periodicals Collection	The collection includes ten Malay periodicals published in the mid-20th century in Malaysia as well as their digital data. This collection is an extremely important primary reference for Southeast Asian studies. With the Malay magazine <i>Qalam</i> (1950 to 1969) in particular, CIAS created an online public database of articles.
	Yoneo Ishii Collection	This collection of materials (books, research documents, photographs etc.) was compiled between 1957 and 2010 by the late Yoneo Ishii (1929–2010), a professor emeritus at Kyoto University. Among them, about 10,000 books are shelved at the CIAS library. A database and virtual bookshelf that enables ontological search based on keywords extracted from bibliographic information was released in 2014.
Radiation Biology Center	Atomic Bomb Collection	Materials consisting of about 300 books related to the atomic bombs, which were broadly collected and donated to the Radiation Biology Center by Professor Emeritus Hiraku Takebe. The fact that research on the atomic bomb was also being advanced at Kyoto University was brought to light in an article in the Kyoto Shimbun on June 25, 2015. In 1995, the 50th anniversary of the dropping of the atomic bombs, many books were published in the US, almost all of which are included in this highly valuable collection.