

EF Global Leadership Summit

Kyoto: Emerging Technology

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Technology has always been at the heart of human progress, shaping how we learn, work, and connect across cultures. And right now, emerging technology—from robotics and artificial intelligence to digital communication and beyond—is transforming our lives faster than we ever imagined. The question isn't whether change is coming; it's how we can fully embrace it. Journey through Asia and join us in Kyoto, Japan for EF's 2028 Global Leadership Summit on Emerging Technology. Students will discover how we can use it to reimagine education, redefine careers, and reshape the way humans connect in the world we all share. Sound big? It is. We decide where technology takes us. Let's choose somewhere worth going, together.

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Your teacher's tour number

What to expect on a Summit

It's all about making an impact in the way that matters most to you. You'll have opportunities to explore global topics to find what motivates you, combine that with your new, hands-on discovery of what matters to others, and use it all to make a difference that will last far longer than the Summit experience itself.

Thought leaders among us

Our trip experts tackle critical workshops and discussions. Past Summit speakers include Al Gore, Jane Goodall, Sir Ken Robinson, and Soledad O'Brien.

Change you can feel

From innovative thinking to public speaking, every moment at Summit is designed to inspire growth.

Project-based learning

Working on a local international team, you'll use the design thinking process to create and present solutions to a global challenge.

Immersive travel

Explore Asia on an immersive educational tour centered around social responsibility.

Summits are open to rising 9th graders through graduated seniors.

Leadership Conference, Tokyo,
Kyoto & Osaka: Culinary
Innovation at Work





Your itinerary

Japan's food industry reveals how emerging technology is changing the way people work. From Kikkoman's globally scaled soy sauce production to a Kyoto matcha plant shaped by centuries of innovation, students will see firsthand how tradition and technology coexist, and how work itself is being reimagined. Along their journey, students will join the EF Global Leadership Summit in Kyoto to collaborate across cultures, hear from changemakers, and discover their role in a world being transformed by emerging technology.

Your experience includes



Airfare & transportation



Hotels



Regional-style meals



Full-time Tour Director



Student Leadership Conference



Entrances



Personalized Learning Support



Continuous Support



Worldwide Presence



24-hour Emergency Service



Peace of Mind Program



College Credit

Day 1: Fly to Japan

Board your international flight to Osaka

Day 2: Osaka

Meet your Tour Director at the destination airport

Day 3: Osaka

Visit the Cup Noodles Museum and discover how instant noodles became a global phenomenon

Take an in-depth tour of Osaka's Dotonbori canal street

Day 4: Kyoto

Travel to Kyoto

Visit a matcha production facility and discover how centuries of innovation have shaped one of Japan's most beloved traditions

Take a walking tour of Kyoto

Visit the Golden Pavilion, a Zen Buddhist temple

Visit Nijō Castle, where the Tokugawa shogunate kept a second home

Day 5: Kyoto

Take a tour of the Arashiyama Bamboo Forest

Meet the team behind a locally owned restaurant and see how technology shapes their daily work

Day 6: Kyoto • Leadership Conference

Visit the Fushimi Inari-taisha Shrine

Kick off the leadership conference in the afternoon. Step outside your comfort zone as you discover your leadership style and get to know the team you will work with over the next few days.

Day 7: Kyoto • Leadership Conference

Day 8: Kyoto • Leadership Conference

Day 9: Tokyo

Travel by bullet train to Tokyo

Tour the Kiyoken Factory to see how technology has transformed the production of shumai

Visit the Kiyoken Main Store

Day 10: Tokyo

Tour Tokyo with an expert local guide

Explore the Asakusa Kannon Temple

Take a tour of Akihabara Electric Town, a hub for tech trends and fans of gaming, manga, and anime

Take a walking tour of Shibuya

Visit the Kikkoman soy sauce factory to learn how traditional brewing techniques are used alongside emerging technology to meet global demand

Day 11: Depart for home

Board your flight home from Tokyo