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2018 GRADUATE PROSPECTUS



APU GRADUATE SCHOOLS FACTS AND FIGURES

Placed in the
Top 25
Universities
for the 2017 Japan
University Ranking
by the Times Higher Education

Third Japanese university
to date to become

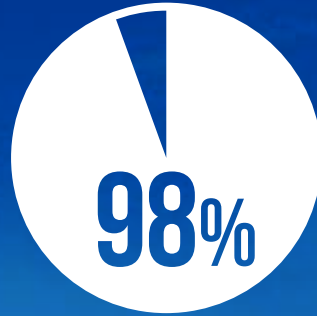


Selected by the
Government of Japan
in 2014
as one of the country's
**“TOP GLOBAL
UNIVERSITIES”**



176

Total Students



International Students



Students Who
Receive Scholarships



51

Countries and Regions
Represented by Students

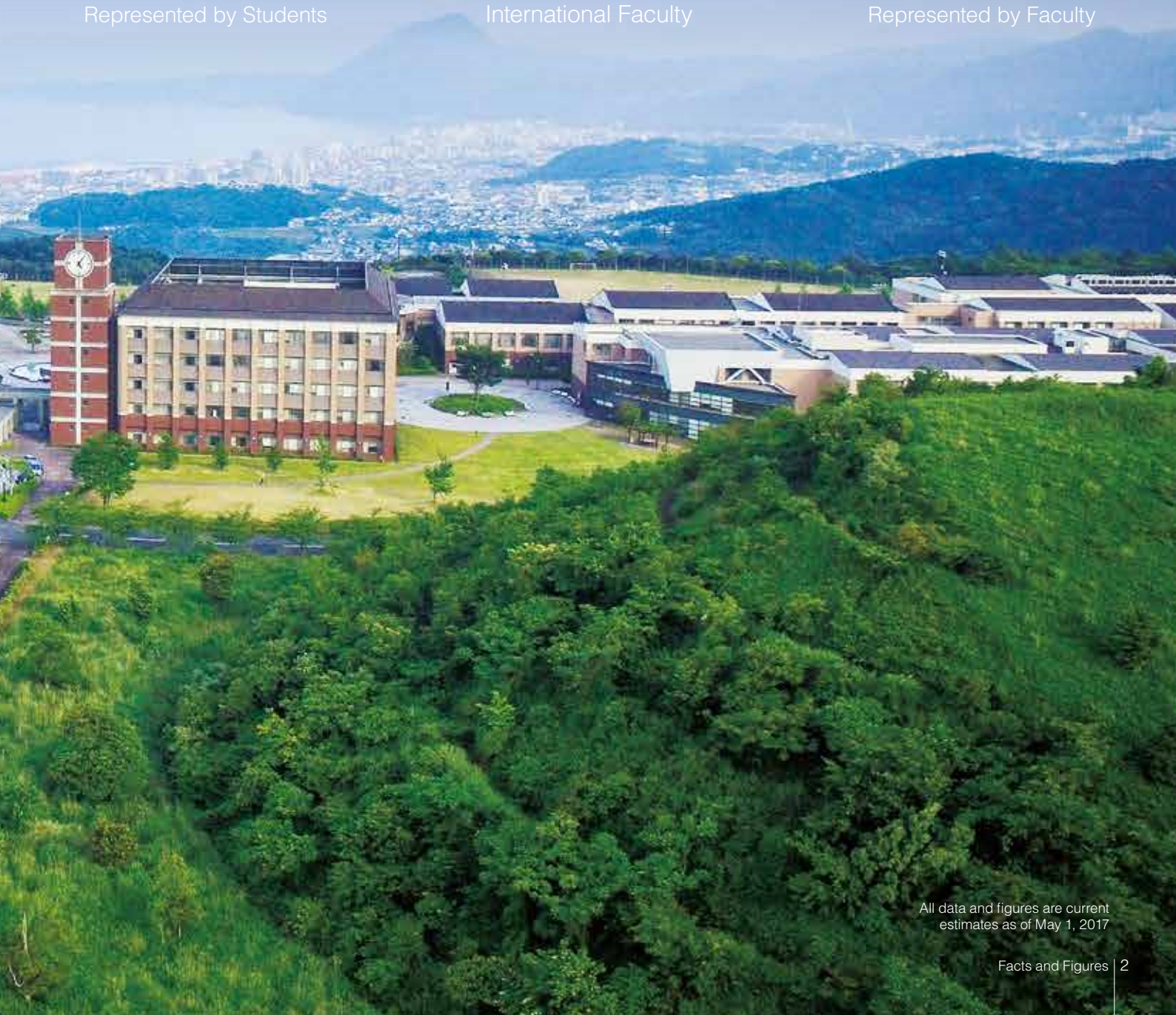


International Faculty



25

Countries and Regions
Represented by Faculty



All data and figures are current
estimates as of May 1, 2017

WHY APU ?

Create a Future Beyond Borders with a World Class Education in Japan

With over 100 years of tradition and history, the Ritsumeikan Academy opened Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU) in April 2000 as Japan's first genuinely international university. Our graduate schools, opened in 2003, welcome students into a fully English-based curriculum within a uniquely multicultural environment. APU's graduate schools are fully accredited by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology (MEXT).

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES (GSA)

The Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies aims to cultivate individuals who will contribute to sustainable development and peaceful coexistence in the Asia Pacific region. These individuals will possess specialized knowledge in administration, environment, and development economics and have the practical problem-solving skills required for development in the Asia Pacific region.

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT (GSM)

The Graduate School of Management offers a case method of education, which is focused on Japanese business and management, and has a strong foundation in established managerial techniques while providing opportunities for independent research. MBA students have the chance to benefit from the experiences of experts in various fields and obtain the skills and professionalism required for a successful career in international business.

PROGRAMS

SCHOOL	DEGREE	PROGRAM	DEGREE AWARDED	DIVISION / SPECIALIZATION	PAGE	
Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies (GSA)	Master's	Asia Pacific Studies (APS)	Master of Science (Asia Pacific Studies)	International Relations (IR)	9	
				Society and Culture (SC)	10	
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				Public Health Management (PHM)	12	
				Sustainability Science (SS) (Includes Dual Degree Program International Material Flow Management (IMAT) Program)	13	
				Tourism and Hospitality (TH)	14	
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	Graduate School of Management (GSM)	Master's	Business Administration (MBA)	Master of Business Administration	Japanese Management (JM)	17
					Accounting and Finance (AF)	23
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Innovation and Operations Management (IOM)					25	

WHEN TO APPLY

April 2018 Enrollment

September 28, 2017
Application Start Date

October 25, 2017
Application Deadline

December 11, 2017
Result Notification

September 2018 Enrollment

March 1, 2018
Application Start Date

April 4, 2018
Application Deadline

May 21, 2018
Result Notification

For more information, please refer to page 31.

APPLY ONLINE

https://admissions.apu.ac.jp/apply_online/



Robert Anthony C. Salazar, Ph.D. (Philippines)

Professor and Dean of the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies

Degree: Ph.D. in Anthropology (Ohio State University, USA)

M.A. in Sociology-Anthropology (Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines)

Research Fields: Sociology-Anthropology, Social Organizations, Social Institutions and Social Movements, Social Impact Assessment and Evaluation, Southeast Asia

MASTER'S PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

MASTER'S PROGRAM IN ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES

The Master's Program in Asia Pacific Studies aims to educate and transform students into competent leaders ready to handle challenges facing the Asia Pacific region. Individuals embarking on this program should possess a keen interest in research pertaining to one of two specializations, International Relations or Society and Culture. The broad range of issues addressed in these specializations are supported by four pillars: analytical foundation courses, core courses on the Asia Pacific region, division-specific courses and research-oriented intensive seminar courses. Under the supervision of their chosen faculty advisors, students will formulate and conduct research that systematically reflects knowledge gained through coursework as well as ideally through fieldwork in the Asia Pacific region.

MASTER'S PROGRAM IN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY

The Master's Program in International Cooperation Policy aims to cultivate human resources who will contribute to a peaceful and mutually beneficial coexistence in the Asia Pacific region. Individuals entering this program should possess the ability to incorporate diverse perspectives in their research and will frame their studies around one of five specializations: International Public Administration, Public Health Management, Sustainability Science, Tourism and Hospitality, and Development Economics. Students can further build upon their current knowledge and cultivate their research skills through a variety of workshops and seminars offered throughout the year where they can exchange ideas with influencers within their respective fields. In the end they will develop the practical problem-solving skills and creativity required for sustainable development within the Asia Pacific region.

Like you, we at APU's Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies want to shape a better world. Through our interdisciplinary programs, offered entirely in English, we will challenge your critical thinking, creativity, and passion for change and action. Our faculty, coming from different countries, trained in distinguished universities in Japan and overseas, and with outstanding track records in their careers, will engage you in cutting-edge research and interactive graduate classes. Our learning community—vibrant, stimulating, diverse, and multicultural—will strengthen your values in the pursuit of excellence, mutual respect, understanding, and cooperation. Our alumni, now spread across the globe and well-positioned in their respective communities of practice, will help broaden your support network as you pursue your goals.

It is said that “Ritsumeikan” means the “place to establish your destiny”. The Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies at APU may very well be where you start this journey.

MASTER'S PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES (APS)

Degree:	Master of Science in Asia Pacific Studies
Divisions:	International Relations (IR) Society and Culture (SC)
Enrollment Semesters:	April, September
Program Duration:	2 years*
Yearly Intake:	15 students
Total Tuition:	2,800,000 JPY

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY (ICP)

Degree:	Master of Science in International Cooperation Policy
Divisions:	International Public Administration (IPA) Public Health Management (PHM) Sustainability Science (SS) (includes IMAT) Tourism and Hospitality (TH) Development Economics (DE)
Enrollment Semesters:	April, September
Program Duration:	2 years*
Yearly Intake:	45 students
Total Tuition:	2,800,000 JPY

*Accelerated completion in 1 or 1.5 years (master's program) / 2 years (doctoral program) may be possible upon further examination after enrollment. The total tuition for the programs will not change even if you complete your degree before the standard period of completion.

STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS



82 Students



744 Alumni



32 Countries and
Regions Represented
by GSA Students

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Average Age

A minimum of thirty-two credits is required for program completion. All subjects in the chart below are awarded two credits upon successful completion. Basic Japanese language subjects are available for those who are interested in studying Japanese but do not fulfill any credit requirements.

COURSE NAMES AND SEMESTER DISTRIBUTION

		First Year		Second Year		
		1st Semester	2nd Semester	3rd Semester	4th Semester	
Lecture Subjects	Analytical Foundation Subjects (4 credits)	Research Methods and Academic Writing Information Resources and Data Analysis				
	Core Subjects on the Asia Pacific Region (4 credit minimum)	Public Health in the Asia Pacific Politics and Economics in the Asia Pacific Environment and Sustainable Development in the Asia Pacific	Tourism in the Asia Pacific Social and Cultural Processes in the Asia Pacific			
	Major Subjects (10 credit minimum)	IR	Regionalism and Globalization International Security	International Political Economy International Law	Special Studies (International Relations) Comparative Politics and Government	Conflict Resolution
		SC	Changing Social Landscapes Cultural Change	Migration and Trans-nationalism Media and Communication	Sociology of Everyday Life Social Organizations and Institutions	Special Studies (Society and Culture)
		IPA	Disaster Relief and Rehabilitation Community Development	International Public Administration Special Studies (International Public Administration)	International Organizations	Project Management Planning and Evaluation
		PHM	Environmental Health Special Studies (Public Health Management)	Biostatistics	Public Health Essentials Healthcare Economics	Bioinformatics Epidemiology
		SS	Environment and Natural Resources Conservation Advanced Environmental Geosciences	Environmental Policy, Law and Administration Environmental Economics	Urban Sustainability	Special Studies (Sustainability Science) Industrial Ecology
		TH	Tourism Economics Tourism Policy and Planning	Environmental Tourism Cultural and Heritage Tourism	Health and Wellness Tourism Community Based Tourism	Special Studies (Tourism and Hospitality)
		DE	Development Economics Special Studies (Development Economics)	Development Finance Macroeconomics	Microeconomics Comparative Economic Development	Community Development
	Core Related Subjects	Decision Making Under Uncertainty Information Technology and Operations Management Advanced Data Analysis and Statistics	Marketing Strategy Marketing Research	Hospitality Management Management Information Systems Product Development Strategy	Database Management	
Seminars (4 credits)	Research Project I	Research Project II <i>Research Proposal Submission</i>	Research Project III <i>Research Progress Presentation</i>	Final Research Project <i>Submission and examination of the final research project.</i>		

Faculty	Research Fields
Hideki Fuchinoue, Ph.D., Professor	Peacebuilding, Resilience Building
Kayoko Fujita, Ph.D., Professor	Global History, Maritime Asian History, History of Japanese Foreign Relations
Nader Ghotbi, Ph.D., Professor	Applied Health Sciences, Philosophy/Ethics, Civil Law, Clinical Psychology and Public Hygiene Studies/Health Science
Hary Gunarto, Ph.D., Professor	ICT-based Computing, Smart Media Technology, SNS Services and e-Society
Junichi Hirata, Ph.D., Professor	Monetary Economics, Japanese Economy
Yufu Iguchi, Ph.D., Professor	Southeast Asian Studies (Malaysian Studies), Intellectual History, Gender Studies, Cultural Studies
Yoshinori Kaseda, Ph.D., Professor	International Politics, International Security, Asia and North Korea Relations
Chan Hoe Kim, Ph.D., Professor	Folklore Studies and Japanese Literature
Sangho Kim, Ph.D., Professor and Division Head (Development Economics)	Theoretical Economics, Econometrics, Applied Economics, Economic Policy
Yiu-Chung Ko, Ph.D., Professor	Sociology, Work and Occupation, Social Development, Social Psychology
Timothy Lee, Ph.D., Professor	Health-Oriented Tourism, Cultural Heritage Tourism, Tourism Development which Incorporates East Asian Standards, Festival and Mega Events, Gaming Industry
Yan Li, Ph.D., Professor and Division Head (Sustainability Science)	Environmental Policy, City Planning, Regional Planning, Traffic Engineering, Social System Engineering
A. Veera Mani, Ph.D., Professor	Sociology/History of Science and Technology, Area Studies, Southeast Asia and Sociology
Peter A. Mantello, Professor	Media, Surveillance, Terrorism, War, Computer Games, Game Design and the Cyber Realm
Koichi Miyoshi, Ph.D., Professor	Community Capacity and Rural Development, Community-Based Entrepreneurship for Rural Development, Community-Based and Sustainable Tourism, Planning and Evaluation, International Cooperation Policy
Akira Mizutani, Professor	International Relations
Kaoru Natsuda, Ph.D., Professor	Asian Political Economy, International Development Studies, Economic Policy
Giguruwa G. D. Nishantha, Ph.D., Professor	Software, Educational Technology, Media Information/Data Base, Computer System Networks, Crowdsourcing Applications
Davar Pishva, Ph.D., Professor	Environmentally Sound Technologies (ESTs), Simulation and Modeling (SaM), Decision Science (DS)
Joseph Proglar, Ph.D., Professor	Cultural History, Education, Media Studies
John Rose, Ph.D., Professor	DNA Nanotechnology, Nanobiotechnology, Biomolecular Computing, Soft Computing, Bioinformatics
Robert A.C. Salazar, Ph.D., Professor, Dean of the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies	Sociology-Anthropology, Social Organizations, Social Institutions and Social Movements, Social Impact Assessment and Evaluation, Southeast Asia
Hideo Sasagawa, Ph.D., Professor	Area Studies in Southeast Asia
Yoichiro Sato, Ph.D., Professor	International Relations and Foreign Policy (Asia-Pacific), Comparative Politics (Southeast Asia), Maritime Security
Kumi Seike, Professor	Sociology, Cultural Anthropology (including Ethnology and Folklore), Religion
Yasushi Suzuki, Ph.D., Professor	Fiscal Studies/Finance Theory, Theoretical Economics, Institutional Economics, Political Economy
Shunichi Takekawa, Ph.D., Professor	Politics and the Media
Hiroshi Todoroki, Ph.D., Professor	Geography, Area Studies, Human Geography
Shunso Tsukada, Ph.D., Professor	Project Finance, Public Private Partnership for Infrastructure, Development Economics, International Economics, Environmental Policy, Emission Trading, Circular Economy

Faculty	Research Fields
Susumu Yamagami, Professor and Division Head (International Public Administration)	International Politics, Comparative Studies, Area Studies (East Asia), International Relations (Asia Pacific Region)
Kaori Yoshida, Ph.D., Professor	Media Studies (Representation Politics: Gender, Ethnicity, Nation), Cultural Studies, Popular Culture, Comparative Culture Studies
Hidetaka Yoshimatsu, Ph.D., Professor	International Relations, International Political Economy, Regional Studies (East Asia)
Chieko Yoshimoto, Ph.D., Professor	History of the Orient, Linguistics
Yukio Yotsumoto, Ph.D., Professor and Associate Dean of the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies	Sociology, Tourism
David J. Askew, Associate Professor	Law, Intellectual History, History of Political Thought, Modern Japanese History
Thanh Huong Bui, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Human Geography, Tourism Psychology, Tourism Development and Cultural Heritage Conservation, Tourism Management
Seunghoon Emilia Heo, Ph.D., Associate Professor	International Relations and Global Studies, Peace and Reconciliation, Diplomatic History, International Organization, Intercultural and Interreligious Dialogue
Thomas Edward Jones, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Environmental Policy, Nature-Based Tourism, Protected Areas, Regional Development
Takuro Kikkawa, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Comparative Politics, Area Studies
Rikio Kimura, Ed.D., Associate Professor	Social Welfare Studies (Community Development, NGO, Social Enterprise), Area Studies (Cambodia), Pedagogy (Adult Education)
Shinji Kojima, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Social Inequality and Stratification, Globalization, Sociology of Work, Social Movements
Faezeh Mahichi, Ph.D., Associate Professor and IMAT Program Coordinator	Environmental Education and Awareness, Industrial Ecology and Sustainable Environment, Environmental Microbiology, Air/Soil/Water Pollution, Global Warming, Coral Reef Ecosystem Health, Organic Agriculture, Chemical Disaster Management
Serik Meirmanov, Ph.D., Associate Professor	General Life Science, Social Psychology, Human Genetics, Human Pathology, Public Hygiene Studies/Health Science
Masafumi Nakagami, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Development Economics, Health Economics
Kozo Otsuka, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Applied Economics, Innovation and Productivity
Xuepeng Qian, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Urban and Regional Planning, Environmental Policy and Management, Sustainable System Design
Steven B. Rothman, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Division Head (International Relations)	International Relations Theory, International Policy Making, International Environmental Policy, Subject Pedagogy
Tomonori Sudo, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Environmental and Climate Policy, Resource/Environment/Climate Economics, Development Economics and Finance, Development Policy
Hiroki Tahara, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Vietnamese and Language Education
Yukiko Takashiba, Associate Professor	International Law, International Dispute Settlement, Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Transitional Justice, Law of International Organizations
M. Kazem Vafadari, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Division Head (Tourism and Hospitality)	Tourism, Hospitality Marketing, Human Geography, Cultural and Environmental Studies, Folklore Studies, Agricultural Heritage Tourism
Utpal Vyas, Ph.D., Associate Professor	International Relations, Political Economy, Area Studies (East Asia)
Hiroshi Yamashita, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Environmental Risk Communication, Coastal Wetland Restoration and Decision Making, Education for Sustainable Development

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (IR)

M. SC. ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES



Steven B. Rothman, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Division Head (USA)

Degree: Ph.D. in Politics (University of Oregon, USA), M.Sc. in Politics (University of Oregon, USA)
Research Fields: International Relations Theory, International Policy Making, International Environmental Policy, Subject Pedagogy

“The IR division provides students with the skills and knowledge to contribute positively to political, security, and social issues. Students completing advanced degrees in the international relations program are well equipped for many careers such as those involving diplomacy, the media, government service, corporate leadership, analysis, education, and work for non-governmental organizations.”

DIVISION OVERVIEW

The International Relations (IR) division is aimed at expanding students' empirical knowledge base and sharpening their analytical and theoretical thinking regarding social, political, economic and security phenomena in the globalizing world. The courses in this division provide a useful knowledge base for both academic-bound students and practitioner-bound students with intended careers in security, diplomacy and media. While taking subjects such as international security, international law and conflict resolution, students will also focus on writing a thesis or research report.

MAJOR SUBJECTS

- Regionalism and Globalization
- International Law
- International Political Economy
- Comparative Politics and Government
- Special Studies (International Relations)
- Conflict Resolution
- International Security

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

Yoshinori Kaseda, Ph.D., Professor

International Politics, International Security, Asia and North Korea Relations

Yoichiro Sato, Ph.D., Professor

International Relations and Foreign Policy (Asia-Pacific), Comparative Politics (Southeast Asia), Maritime Security

Hidetaka Yoshimatsu, Ph.D., Professor

International Relations, International Political Economy, Regional Studies (East Asia)

Utpal Vyas, Ph.D., Associate Professor

International Relations, Political Economy, Area Studies (East Asia)

STUDENT INSIGHT

APU's GSA program has provided me with outstanding experiences both inside and outside of the classroom. Not only do courses in the International Relations (IR) division challenge me to think in-depth and analytically about current international affairs, the multicultural environment allows me to do so with a worldwide network of friends and classmates whose different perspectives are precious learning resources during classroom discussions. Additionally, the ample opportunities for research funding and assistance have given me the invaluable experience of presenting my research at reputable international conferences around the world. I am constantly enriched by the academic setting here at APU, whose embrace of global values inspires me to approach both my research—and my personal life—from multiple perspectives. I feel that the master's program here is not only helping to shape me into who and what I want to be, but also preparing me thoroughly for my next journey.

Dinar Swastiningtyas Theosa (Indonesia)
International Relations Division Student



SOCIETY AND CULTURE (SC)

M. SC. ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES



Kaori Yoshida, Ph.D., Professor and Division Head (Japan)

Degree: Ph.D. in Asian Studies (University of British Columbia, Canada), M.A. in Communication Studies (University of Calgary, Canada), M.Ed. (Fukuoka University of Education, Japan)

Research Fields: Media Studies (Representation Politics: Gender, Ethnicity, Nation), Cultural Studies, Popular Culture, Comparative Culture Studies

"One of the great benefits of studying at APU, besides the academically inspiring courses and instruction offered, is the ability to explore various aspects of Japan while being immersed in a vibrant, multicultural environment on campus. This not only helps our Society and Culture students to become more open-minded thinkers and scholars, but also turns them into versatile researchers."

DIVISION OVERVIEW

The Asia Pacific is one of the most rapidly developing regions in recent decades. To capture the patterns of social and cultural changes occurring, the Society and Culture (SC) division is devoted to promoting comparative academic research on the region. Students can acquire practical skills in formulating and conducting research using theories and methods developed in sociology, cultural anthropology, media, and communication studies. With knowledge concerning the social and cultural backgrounds of the countries and regions, students will have greater employment opportunities in government, industry, commerce and academia.

MAJOR SUBJECTS

- Changing Social Landscapes
- Media and Communication
- Migration and Trans-Nationalism
- Social Organizations and Institutions
- Sociology and Everyday Life
- Special Studies (Society and Culture)
- Cultural Change

STUDENT INSIGHT

Every choice we make on a step in the path of self-discovery. Whether or not to pursue a degree in higher education, when and where to do so, and under whose guidance—these are choices that, when made wisely, can enable self-betterment and shape future visions in one's chosen profession. The choice to join the Society and Culture division at APU's Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies has not only given me the chance to pursue my master's degree, but has also acquainted me with the right people who support me unflinchingly and help recognize my passions, strengths, and weaknesses. While professional consultation is always available when needed, I appreciate that in our division we are encouraged to explore and develop our research freely and independently. The program duration of two years is indeed short, but filled with rewarding experiences, valuable lessons, and cherished memories with professors and friends. It is a choice that I'm proud of making, for it has made me a better person—rich in knowledge and gratitude.



Nhu Ngoc Nguyen (Viet Nam)
Society and Culture Division Student

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

Kayoko Fujita, Ph.D., Professor

Global History, Maritime Asian History, History of Japanese Foreign Relations

Yufu Iguchi, Ph.D., Professor

Southeast Asian Studies (Malaysian Studies), Intellectual History, Gender Studies, Cultural Studies

Yiu-Chung Ko, Ph.D., Professor

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Social Inequality and Stratification, Globalization, Sociology of Work, Social Movements

INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (IPA)

M. SC. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY



Susumu Yamagami, Professor and Division Head (Japan)

Degree: M.A. in Political Science (University of Washington, USA)

Work Experience: Ministry of Justice (Japan), Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Japan), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (Japan)

Research Fields: International Politics, Comparative Studies, Area Studies (East Asia), International Relations (Asia Pacific Region)

"In our contemporary world, cross-border movement of people, goods, money and information is continuously evolving. With this deepening of mutual dependence, various challenges in public policy cannot be coped with by a state's local or national government alone. When formulating and implementing domestic public policy, states often find it necessary to consult various international organizations and peer member states facing similar challenges. The International Public Administration division addresses these topics and explores modalities and alternatives to improve current situations and to cope with future challenges."

DIVISION OVERVIEW

The International Public Administration (IPA) division is aimed at providing knowledge and skills to those who are interested in pursuing an advanced career in national and international governmental organizations. This division enables students to improve professional and practical skills to manage and evaluate administrative operations and policies in national, regional and global settings. The major subjects in this division relate to international organizations, international cooperation policy, and public administration, and form the foundation on which each student can further build a more focused study depending on their intended policy field.

MAJOR SUBJECTS

- Disaster Relief and Rehabilitation
- Special Studies (International Public Administration)
- International Public Administration
- International Organizations
- Project Management
- Planning and Evaluation
- Community Development

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

Koichi Miyoshi, Ph.D., Professor

Community Capacity and Rural Development, Community-Based Entrepreneurship for Rural Development, Community Based and Sustainable Tourism, Planning and Evaluation, International Cooperation Policy

Yasushi Suzuki, Ph.D., Professor

Fiscal Studies/Finance Theory, Theoretical Economics, Institutional Economics, Political Economy

Takuro Kikkawa, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Comparative Politics, Area Studies

Rikio Kimura, Ed.D., Associate Professor

Social Welfare Studies (Community Development, NGO, Social Enterprise), Area Studies (Cambodia), Pedagogy (Adult Education)

Yukiko Takashiba, Associate Professor

International Law, International Dispute Settlement, Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Transitional Justice, Law of International Organizations

ALUMNUS INSIGHT

I'll never forget my life at APU, which was full of exciting academic challenges and deep satisfaction with the unique multicultural environment. During my time as a student in the master's program for International Cooperation Policy, I was able to create strong bonds with friends and colleagues all over the world—a personal network of accomplished professionals that I am still a part of today. After graduating under the expert guidance of my professors, I accomplished my dream of rejoining the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in my home country as a diplomat. I am now serving as First Secretary in Myanmar's embassy in Washington DC, USA. The real-world experience, knowledge, and awareness of international issues that I obtained through my studies at APU are invaluable to me as they have proven to be essential tools in my career in international diplomatic relations. I am very grateful for and will always remember my dear professors and classmates at APU.

Swe Sett (Myanmar, Graduated in 2014)

First Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Washington DC, United States of America
The Project for Human Resource Development Scholarship by Japan Grant Aid (JDS) Scholarship Recipient



PUBLIC HEALTH MANAGEMENT (PHM)

M. SC. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY



Nader Ghotbi, Ph.D., Professor and Division Head (Iran)

Degree: M.D.; Ph.D. in Health Economics (Kyoto University, Japan), M.D. in Medicine (Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Iran)

Research Fields: Applied Health Sciences, Philosophy/Ethics, Civil Law, Clinical Psychology and Public Hygiene Studies/Health Science

"The principal aim of the Public Health Management division is to develop graduates who can contribute to innovation and development at local, national, and international levels in the field of public health management. The division combines education, research, and practice, and is likely to be of interest to medical professionals, health administrators, and representatives from civil society organizations engaged in public health, and others allied with the medical field."

DIVISION OVERVIEW

The Public Health Management (PHM) division teaches students three fundamental skills: skills in managing the budget, finance, economics, and accounting of healthcare costs; skills in epidemiology, health statistics, and research methodology as well as information management; and skills in public health, mainly preventive medicine and environmental health. This division puts emphasis on economics and finances as well as administrative management of healthcare services at both the public and private sectors, while preserving the standard foundations of conventional public health education. Moreover, it encourages students at an early stage to focus on healthcare case studies that relate to significant issues in the Asia Pacific region. They start by reviewing current health issues as reflected in papers and by raising research questions with policy implications from the very beginning. This aspect of teaching and research is looked upon as a strategic approach throughout the whole length of the program.

MAJOR SUBJECTS

- Environmental Health
- Healthcare Finance
- Biostatistics
- Healthcare Economics
- Public Health Essentials
- Epidemiology
- Bioinformatics

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

John Rose, Ph.D., Professor

DNA Nanotechnology, Nanobioscience, Biomolecular Computing, Soft Computing, Bioinformatics

Serik Meirmanov, Ph.D., Associate Professor

General Life Science, Social Psychology, Human Genetics, Human Pathology, Public Hygiene Studies, Health Science

Masafumi Nakagami, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Development Economics, Health Economics

ALUMNUS INSIGHT

Thanks to the nature of my work in the humanitarian field, I am exposed to a variety of cultures from many different countries on a regular basis. But at no other point in my life, however, have I encountered such sheer diversity and inclusiveness as I did in the APU community. My interactions with colleagues and professors from all over the world in APU's friendly and progressive learning environment sharpened my knowledge of global affairs and increased my understanding of public-health related issues. As there is currently a shift in the focus of public health intervention toward middle-income populations and developed countries due to challenges such as non-communicable diseases and the decline of healthy cities, the knowledge of and exposure to these realities gained through my research in the Public Health Management program at APU have been indispensable in advancing my career. After graduation, I had the chance to work for Medecins Sans Frontieres (Doctors Without Borders) as a medical coordinator in Iran and as a deputy medical coordinator in Pakistan. Now, I have the honor of working with UNICEF as a health officer for malaria and EPI interventions.

Sisca Wiguno (Indonesia, Graduated in 2014)

Health Officer for Malaria and EPI Interventions UNICEF
Joint Japan World Bank Graduate Scholarship Recipient



SUSTAINABILITY SCIENCE (SS)

M. SC. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY



Yan Li, Ph.D., Professor and Division Head (China)

Degree: Ph.D. in Civil Engineering (Kyoto University, Japan), M.Sc. in Urban Geography (East China Normal University, China), B.Sc. in Urban and Regional Planning (Nanjing University, China)
Research Fields: Environmental Policy, City Planning, Regional Planning, Traffic Engineering, Social System Engineering

"Over the past two centuries, rapid population increase, industrialization/urbanization, and excessive use of fossil fuels have led to serious environmental issues such as climate change, resource depletion, pollution, and ecosystem damage, which are now threatening the future of human society. Our faculty members in the Sustainability Science division have profound knowledge and experience in environmental studies and are fully committed to assisting students in research projects that pursue sustainable solutions."

DIVISION OVERVIEW

The Sustainability Science (SS) division focuses on the application of science for achieving the goals of sustainable development. This division analyzes the planning and implementation of policies and actions that deal with the relationship between society and nature with the ultimate goal of creating a sustainable future for all. Study involves the scientific understanding of society-nature interactions; linking research with policy and actions; generating new knowledge, tools and techniques; and enhancing scientific and institutional capability for promoting sustainability and resilience. Students are expected to gain a holistic perspective, integrative skills and interdisciplinary knowledge as they engage in analyzing and managing particular problems and issues of population-resource-technology-institution interactions.

MAJOR SUBJECTS

- Environment and Natural Resources Conservation
- Advanced Environmental Geosciences
- Environmental Policy, Law and Administration
- Environmental Economics
- Urban Sustainability
- Industrial Ecology
- Special Studies (Sustainability Science)

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

Davar Pishva, Ph.D., Professor

Environmentally Sound Technologies (ESTs), Simulation and Modeling (SaM), Decision Science (DS)

Thomas Edward Jones, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Environmental Policy, Nature-Based Tourism, Protected Areas, Regional Development

Faezeh Mahichi, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Environmental Education and Awareness, Industrial Ecology and Sustainable Environment, Environmental Microbiology, Air/Soil/Water Pollution, Global Warming, Coral Reef Ecosystem Health, Organic Agriculture, Chemical Disaster Management

Xuepeng Qian, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Urban and Regional Planning, Environmental Policy and Management, Sustainable System Design

Tomonori Sudo, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Environmental and Climate Policy, Resource/Environment/Climate Economics, Development Economics and Finance, Development Policy

Hiromi Yamashita, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Environmental Risk Communication, Coastal Wetland Restoration and Decision Making, Education for Sustainable Development

STUDENT INSIGHT

My time at APU has been one of the most significant milestones in my career. Its culture and its location have proven to be a boon to me both professionally and academically. I have been able to get to know professors and peers from various backgrounds and with different expertise while taking in APU's beautiful natural surroundings, with the added benefit of being assisted in my daily life by APU's engaging staff. I will never forget the relaxed and secluded learning environment of APU, with its globally connected and yet accessible social setting. The diversity of students, faculty and staff at APU is a resource that has allowed me to grow as a person, to see myself contrarily, and to be self-governing in my academic and social life. My experiences here have allowed me to strengthen the relationship between Fiji and Japan, and I hope one day to raise the educational standards of the Asia Pacific region in general. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be a part of APU.

Malili Nair (Fiji)

Sustainability and Science Division Student

Pacific Leaders' Educational Assistance for Development of State (Pacific-LEADS) Scholarship Recipient





INTERNATIONAL MATERIAL FLOW MANAGEMENT (IMAT)

DUAL DEGREE WITH TRIER UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES, GERMANY



Peter Heck, Dr., Professor and IMAT Program Director (Germany)

Degree: Ph.D. in Geography (Saarland University, Germany)

Research Fields: Regional Material Flow Management, Zero Emission and Circular Economy, Green Technology, Green Finance and Regional Added Value, Bio-Economy, Green Growth, Climate protection and Biodiversity



Faezeh Mahichi, Ph.D., Associate Professor and IMAT Program Coordinator (Iran)

Degree: Ph.D. in Life Science Bioengineering (Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan), M.A. in Life Science Biodynamics (Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan)

Research Fields: Environmental Education and Awareness, Industrial Ecology and Sustainable Environment, Environmental Microbiology, Air/Soil/Water Pollution, Global Warming, Coral Reef Ecosystem Health, Organic Agriculture, Chemical Disaster Management

DIVISION OVERVIEW

IMAT is a dual-degree program managed jointly by APU and the Institute of Applied Material Flow Management (IfaS), an innovative research institute of the Trier University of Applied Sciences (Germany). Students will spend their first year studying at APU and the second year at the Zero-Emission Campus Birkenfeld in Germany.

The program offers integrated knowledge in engineering, economics, and law, as well as in the natural and social sciences. In addition to the learning goals of the Sustainability Science division, IMAT offers multidisciplinary courses to prepare students to become young professionals in zero emission systems design with profound knowledge in renewable energy, integrated water resource management and other sustainable community development areas. Students will also have the opportunity to conduct field work in Japan and participate in an internship in Germany. IMAT students will submit a master's thesis to IfaS in Germany. A concise summary of this thesis is to be submitted to APU in the form of a research report. Upon completion of the program, students receive two master's degrees, a Master of Science in International Cooperation Policy (from APU) and a Master of Engineering in International Material Flow Management (from Trier University of Applied Sciences).

MAJOR SUBJECTS

- Greenhouse Gas Abatement Strategies and Carbon Trading
- Zero Emission, Circular Economy and Regional Material Flow Management
- Principles of Industrial Material Flow Management
- Regional Material Flow Management

ALUMNUS INSIGHT

The IMAT program completely changed and broadened my approach to research and learning thanks to its cross-continental spread between Japan and Germany. Through this dual-degree program, I also experienced the importance of addressing cultural and societal differences in the context of cooperative problem-solving in environmental and business initiatives. My thesis addressed the potential for zero emissions, and I was deeply inspired by my firsthand exposure to both Japan's and Germany's state of the art technological and societal approaches to sustainability. It was perhaps partly due to this inspiration that I had the honor of receiving the Outstanding Foreign Student (DAAD) award in Germany in 2014. I am currently working as a freelance consultant, providing services to international organizations and the government of Bhutan, and as an independent researcher, completing a Ph.D. research project on sustainable mobility development in Bhutan. The interdisciplinary knowledge I mastered through the IMAT program is extremely useful to me while I pursue both of these endeavors.

Hari Kumar Suberi (Bhutan, Graduated in 2014)

Consultant, Royal Institute of Management - Switch Asia EU Project, Bhutan



TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY (TH)

M. SC. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY



M. Kazem Vafadari, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Division Head (Iran)

Degree: Post-Doctoral, Environmental Economics (Kanazawa University), Ph.D. in Asia Pacific Studies (Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Japan), M.A in Theoretical Economics (ISU, Iran)
Research Fields: Cultural Heritage Management, Ecotourism, Agriculture Heritage Tourism, Community Based Tourism and Rural Tourism

"Tourism destinations vary greatly from urban to rural settings and from artificial structures to remote locations in nature. This diversity results in demand for knowledge in various subfields of tourism and related skills. Such subfields include natural environment studies, human resource management, economics, and socio-cultural issues, knowledge of which assists our graduates in contributing to sustainable tourist destinations based on available resources. Today, tourism and hospitality are among the top grossing global industries, and attract individuals from both academia and the business world in order to manage the tourism industry and its socio-cultural, economic, and environmental impacts."

DIVISION OVERVIEW

Tourism is a fast growing economic sector that transforms societies and communities in the Asia Pacific region. The Tourism and Hospitality (TH) division looks at various aspects of mass and alternative tourism and the economic, social, cultural, and environmental impacts on societies and communities. The division also studies the theory and practice of hospitality management as it relates to the tourism, service, health, and welfare industries. The knowledge and academic/professional skills obtained from our division will be useful for a wide variety of employment opportunities in government service, international organizations, and private corporations, as well as for further study.

MAJOR SUBJECTS

- Tourism Economics
- Cultural and Heritage Tourism
- Environmental Tourism
- Community Based Tourism
- Health and Wellness Tourism
- Special Studies (Tourism and Hospitality)
- Tourism Policy and Planning

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

Hiroshi Todoroki, Ph.D., Professor

Geography, Area Studies, Human Geography

Yukio Yotsumoto, Ph.D., Professor and Associate Dean of the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies

Sociology, Tourism

Thanh Huong Bui, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Human Geography, Tourism Psychology, Tourism Development and Cultural Heritage Conservation, Tourism Management

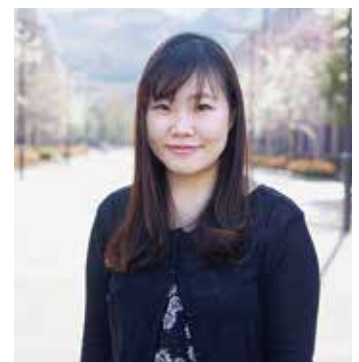
M. Kazem Vafadari, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Tourism, Hospitality Marketing, Human Geography, Cultural and Environmental Studies/Folklore Studies, Agricultural Heritage Tourism

STUDENT INSIGHT

Studying tourism as a master's student at APU has given me a greater understanding of the current state of international tourism—and what potential it holds—through an emphasis on the connection between local and global stakeholders. My astute and resourceful professors take advantage of APU's location in Beppu, as it is one of the most well-known tourist destinations in all of Japan, by drawing upon on the robust local tourist industry for their course material. We as students are encouraged to draw from such sources, but also expand our sights to incorporate global dimensions in our research; this is in turn facilitated by the range and depth of specializations and expertise of our professors. Another layer in APU's education exists thanks to the global student body, as I have daily opportunities to discuss various topics and issues with classmates from different countries from all over the world. This has enabled me to view my own studies through countless perspectives and to truly appreciate the unity that results from diversity, both on campus and in the tourism industry itself. I am very thankful for being a part of this strong and multicultural community at APU.

Pimlada Bunthornwan (Thailand)
Tourism and Hospitality Student



DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS (DE)

M. SC. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY



Sangho Kim, Ph.D., Professor and Division Head (South Korea)

Degree: Ph.D. in Economics (Michigan State University, USA), M.A. in Economics (Sogang University, South Korea)

Research Fields: Theoretical Economics, Econometrics, Applied Economics, Economic Policy

"Our faculty members have experience working with various international organizations such as the World Bank, Asia Development Bank, Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation, and Asian Productivity Organization. Many of our students represent various developing regions and are working on different issues of development economics in their own countries. As a DE student, you will interact with other students who have a range of job experiences in their home countries alongside whom you can prepare yourself for a career in international development on the world stage."

DIVISION OVERVIEW

The Development Economics (DE) division is aimed at those who are interested in the socio-economic issues of the developing world. Study in this division enables students to improve their critical and analytical skills in many areas of development economics, including industrial development, social development, political development, rural development, and poverty alleviation. Students are also able to enhance their professional and practical skills related to international development. This division also aims to enhance the development of research skills in this field for those wishing to pursue further study. The knowledge and skills obtained will provide a wide variety of employment opportunities in international organizations, national and local governments, international development agencies, NGOs, and development consultancy firms.

MAJOR SUBJECTS

- Development Economics
- Macroeconomics
- Development Finance
- Comparative Economic Development
- Microeconomics
- Community Development
- Special Studies (Development Economics)

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

Kaoru Natsuda, Ph.D., Professor

Asian Political Economy, International Development Studies, Economic Policy

Shunso Tsukada, Ph.D., Professor

Project Finance, Public Private Partnership for Infrastructure, Development Economics, International Economics, Environmental Policy, Emission Trading, Circular Economy

Kozo Otsuka, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Applied Economics, Innovation and Productivity



ALUMNUS INSIGHT

As an APU student, I found that the genuinely international and multicultural environment that the university offered greatly influenced students' intercultural communication abilities and contributed immensely to our personal development and leadership potential. This type of interactive relationship also existed between students and faculty in the Development Economics division, which resulted in a positive rapport that contributed to the development of students' research topics as well as created a strong sense of community. My APU experience helped to increase my research capabilities and apprised me of beyond-the-classroom opportunities such as international mentorship programs. These skills I obtained were even further enhanced by serving as both a teaching assistant and a research assistant. Even as a master's student, I was eligible and encouraged to present my own research at international conferences, which proved an invaluable means towards improving my research methods. Should you choose to study at APU, you can be confident that the program will draw out your leadership abilities and help you stand out as a global leader wherever your career path leads you.

Felix Besseah (Ghana, Graduated in 2013)

Economist, Central Bank of Ghana

DOCTORAL PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The developing world is in great need of internationally-minded individuals possessing specialized knowledge and skills. Therefore, it is becoming increasingly common for international aid organizations to enlist the professional guidance of doctoral graduates.

The doctoral program aims to produce independent individuals capable of conducting high-level research. This involves gaining expertise in theoretical and empirical approaches for investigation, acquiring in-depth knowledge of the Asia Pacific region, collecting and analyzing data, and drawing practical solutions for complicated issues in a comprehensive and integrative manner. Alumni of this program become distinguished leaders and take on prominent roles in advanced institutions for research and higher education around the world.

ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Asia Pacific Studies

Enrollment Semesters: April, September

Program Duration: 3 years

Yearly Intake: 10 students

Total Tuition: 4,200,000 JPY

COURSE STRUCTURE AND CONTENT

Completion of the doctoral program requires fulfillment of doctoral coursework in addition to submission and approval of a final dissertation. The dissertation should integrate the results of in-depth investigation into Asia Pacific issues and incorporate individual findings that outline strategic, policy-oriented, and practical solutions to issues arising from current developments in the region. APU provides support for doctoral students conducting field research for their dissertations. Research supervision can be provided in areas such as diversity and integration, environment and development, international political economy, and tourism development.

ALUMNUS INSIGHT

The Ph.D. program at APU provided me with outstanding doctoral training. Having access to high tech learning materials and equipment helped me conduct highly productive research. In addition, I was given both the encouragement and the financial support to focus on publishing and presenting my research at several conferences held in the United States, Japan, and South Korea. I was very impressed with the Ph.D. curriculum, research subsidies, and annual AP Conference—an event held on campus that provides invaluable opportunities for Ph.D. students to gain greater expertise in their fields and create worldwide academic networks. Thanks to APU's diverse community, I also had the opportunity to exchange academic ideas and perspectives with highly-respected professors from all over the world throughout my journey.

Dr. Rahimi Farid Ahmad Farzam (Afghanistan, Graduated in 2017)

Associate Professor, Economics Faculty of Herat University, Afghanistan

Project for the Promotion and Enhancement of the Afghan Capacity for Effective Development (PEACE) Scholarship Recipient

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

Kayoko Fujita, Ph.D., Professor

Global History, Maritime Asian History, History of Japanese Foreign Relations

Nader Ghotbi, Ph.D., Professor

Applied Health Sciences, Philosophy/Ethics, Civil Law, Clinical Psychology and Public Hygiene Studies/Health Science

Hary Gunarto, Ph.D., Professor

Environmentally Sound Technologies (ESTs), Simulation and Modeling (SaM), Decision Science (DS)

Yiu-Chung Ko, Ph.D., Professor

Sociology, Work and Occupation, Social Development, Social Psychology

Timothy Lee, Ph.D., Professor

Health-Oriented Tourism, Cultural Heritage Tourism, Tourism Development which incorporates East Asian Standards, Festival and Mega Events, Gaming Industry

Yan Li, Ph.D., Professor

Environmental Policy, City Planning, Regional Planning, Traffic Engineering, Social System Engineering

A.Veera Mani, Ph.D., Professor

Sociology/History of Science and Technology, Area Studies, Southeast Asia and Sociology

Koichi Miyoshi, Ph.D., Professor

Community Capacity and Rural Development, Community-Based Entrepreneurship for Rural Development, Community-Based and Sustainable Tourism, Planning and Evaluation, International Cooperation Policy

Davar Pishva, Ph.D., Professor

Environmentally Sound Technologies (ESTs), Simulation and Modeling (SaM), Decision Science (DS)

Joseph Progler, Ph.D., Professor

Cultural History, Education, Media Studies

Robert A.C. Salazar, Ph.D., Professor

Sociology-Anthropology; Social Organizations, Social Institutions, and Social Movements; Social Impact Assessment and Evaluation; Southeast Asia

Yoichiro Sato, Ph.D., Professor

International Relations and Foreign Policy (Asia-Pacific), Comparative Politics (Southeast Asia), Maritime Security

Hiroshi Todoroki, Ph.D., Professor

Geography, Area Studies, Human Geography

Shunso Tsukada, Ph.D., Professor

Project Finance, Public Private Partnership for Infrastructure, Development Economics, International Economics, Environmental Policy, Emission Trading, Circular Economy

Susumu Yamagami, Ph.D., Professor

International Politics, Comparative Studies, Area Studies (East Asia), International Relations (Asia Pacific Region)

Hidetaka Yoshimatsu, Ph.D., Professor

International Relations, International Political Economy, Regional Studies (East Asia)

Kaori Yoshida, Ph.D., Professor

Media Studies (Representation Politics: Gender, Ethnicity, Nation etc.), Cultural Studies, Popular Culture, Comparative Culture Studies

Yukio Yotsumoto, Ph.D., Professor

Sociology, Tourism

Thomas Edward Jones, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Environmental Policy, Nature-Based Tourism, Protected Areas, Regional Development

Serik Meirmanov, Ph.D., Associate Professor

General Life Science, Social Psychology, Human Genetics, Human Pathology, Public Hygiene Studies/Health Science

Steven B. Rothman, Ph.D., Associate Professor

International Relations Theory, International Policy Making, International Environmental Policy, Subject Pedagogy

M. Kazem Vafadari, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Tourism, Hospitality Marketing, Human Geography, Cultural and Environmental Studies / Folklore Studies, Agricultural Heritage Tourism



RESEARCH



APU is involved in a range of research projects in accordance with the needs of international society and the Japanese national research policy.

RITSUMEIKAN CENTER FOR ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES (RCAPS)

RCAPS was established in 1996 with a mission to promote and foster research into the multi-faceted developments and challenges that face the Asia Pacific region in the 21st century. It provides valuable opportunities for research activities by sponsoring annual conferences and coordinating seminars throughout the year.

ASIA PACIFIC CONFERENCE (AP CONFERENCE)

The AP Conference is an international academic conference held once a year at APU. Researchers and students from around the world participate to present their research and academic perspectives. In 2016, about 500 participants from 20 countries gathered on the APU campus.

ACADEMIC JOURNALS

- The RCAPS Journal is a non-refereed academic journal. The editorial board conducts screening of all submissions. It is open to graduate school students.
- RCAPS Working Paper Series/DOJO is an online series in which students/young researchers can publish their papers with comments by senior researchers for free.

SUPPORT FOR GRADUATE SCHOOL STUDENTS

RCAPS provides financial subsidies for graduate school students to support them in their research endeavors.

Master's Field Research Support Subsidy

Master's students may receive up to 75,000 JPY a semester for travel expenses (transportation and accommodation fees) incurred while undertaking field research or presenting a paper at academic conferences.

Ph.D. Research Support Subsidy

Ph.D. students may receive this subsidy for various research activities such as participating in conference presentations, field research, academic programs or publishing papers in an academic journal. They may receive up to 100,000 JPY a year.

SEMINARS

There are many seminars to support students and researchers at APU.

- RCAPS Onigiri Seminars invite speakers from outside APU to enhance network building and information sharing in Asia Pacific Studies.
- Current Research Seminars enable APU faculty members to present their latest research.

For more information, please refer to the website below:

<http://www.apu.ac.jp/rcaps>

Ritsumeikan Center for Asia Pacific Studies



**Toshitsugu Otake, Ph.D. (Japan)****Professor and Dean of the Graduate School of Management**

Degree: Ph.D. in Industrial Engineering (Iowa State University, USA)

M.Sc. in Statistics (Iowa State University, USA)

M.Sc. in Mathematics (University of Central Missouri, USA)

M.A. in Economics (University of Central Missouri, USA)

Research Fields: Financial Risk Management, Statistical Modeling, Logistics Engineering, FinTech

MBA PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The MBA program at APU is conducted entirely in English in a culturally diverse learning environment. It offers a strong foundation in established international and Japanese management techniques, interactive classes with faculty and students from around the world, as well as opportunities for independent research and internships in the university's extensive Japanese business network. Students will benefit from an AACSB-accredited, international standard business management curriculum grounded in a Japanese focus on business sustainability, management quality control, and customer service excellence.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE AND CONTENT

The GSM curriculum consists of four components: required subjects (analytical foundations, core business fundamentals, and capstone courses); elective subjects (specialization courses); core-related subjects (courses related to the core business fundamentals and Japanese language courses); and management seminars.

In addition to fulfilling the credit requirements, students will conduct a research project and complete an extended piece of writing in the form of a master's thesis, independent final report, or internship-based case study. Students will also have the option to take basic Japanese language courses, credits from which will count towards program completion requirements. Japanese language knowledge has aided many of our GSM graduates in seeking employment at Japanese companies.

The mission of APU's Graduate School of Management (GSM) is to cultivate creative, well-rounded professionals and leaders who will play a central role in resolving management issues at globalizing enterprises and other organizations by imparting advanced management skills, innovation, a good understanding of business ethics, and a deep insight into globalization.

The Graduate School of Management has enjoyed an excellent reputation since it was established in 2003. It was given a 3 Palmes of Excellence rating (Excellent Business Schools with reinforcing international influence) in 2009 and was recognized as one of the top 20 business schools in the field of international management in East Asia in 2012-2013 by Eduniversal. APU has also served as a council member representing Japan in the Association of Asia Pacific Business Schools since 2012. In Japan, APU is continuously recognized by the Nikkei Shimbun as one of the top three educational institutions for employability of graduates.

The Graduate School of Management prepares you for managerial positions with advanced knowledge in international business and understanding of Japanese management practices. It is the only institution in the world where you can do so in an all-English curriculum within a culturally diverse learning environment.

Let GSM be your first step toward a successful global business career.



MASTER'S PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (GSM)

- Degree:** Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- Specializations:** Accounting and Finance (AF)
Marketing and Management (MM)
Innovation and Operations Management (IOM)
Japanese Management (JM)
- Enrollment Semesters:** April, September
- Program Duration:** 2 years*
- Yearly Intake:** 40 students
- Total Tuition:** 3,600,000 JPY

*Accelerated completion in 1.5 years may be possible upon further examination after enrollment. The total tuition for the programs will not change even if you complete your degree before the standard period of completion.

INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION

The Associate to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB - <http://www.AACSB.edu/>) is an internationally recognized accreditation organization of business schools. Only the world's leading business schools can receive accreditation, with approximately 790 schools having obtained accreditation so far. Both APU's undergraduate and graduate business schools received this prestigious accreditation in 2016.



STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS



64 Students



373 Alumni



26 Countries and Regions Represented by GSM Students

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Average Age

A minimum of forty-four credits is required for program completion. All subjects in the chart below are awarded two credits upon successful completion.

COURSE NAMES AND SEMESTER DISTRIBUTION

		First Year		Second Year	
		1st Semester	2nd Semester	3rd Semester	4th Semester
Lecture Subjects	Required Subjects (22 credits)	Quantitative Analysis and Statistics Managerial Economics Marketing Finance Leadership and Organization Behavior	Technology Management Business Ethics International Management Accounting Theories of Institutions	Strategic Management	
	Elective Subjects (8 credits or more)	Financial Institutions and Markets Management in Asia and Japan Japanese Corporations and Asia Pacific Management of Japanese Family Business Quality and Operations Management Hospitality Management	Financial Accounting Corporate Finance Financial Engineering and Risk Management Managerial Accounting Special Studies (Accounting and Finance)	Human Resource Management Product Development Strategy Marketing Strategy Marketing Research Special Studies (Marketing and Management)	Information Technology Management Supply Chain Management Entrepreneurship and New Business National Innovation Systems Project Management Special Studies (Innovation and Operations Management)
	Core Related Subjects	Decision Making Under Uncertainty Japanese for Communication I*	Management Information Systems Japanese for Communication II	Database Management Japanese for Communication III	Advanced Research Methods Japanese for Communication IV
	Seminars (6 credits)	<i>Selection of seminar advisor</i>	Management Seminar I	Management Seminar II <i>Research Progress Presentation</i>	Management Seminar III <i>Submission and examination of the final research project.</i>

*Students must complete or test out of Survival Japanese (1 and 2) in order to enroll in this course.

The following list is composed of companies and organizations where APU's MBA students have interned*, in some cases for the fulfillment of their graduate thesis requirement (per the **internship-based case study** option).

Internships

- 3Any Inc.
- 7-Eleven Malaysia
- Akebono Brake Industry Co., Ltd.
- Arcterus Co., Ltd.
- Asian Development Bank, Phillipines
- British American Tobacco Japan, Ltd.
- Catalyst K.K.
- Convention Linkage, Inc.
- Fisco Japan Co., Ltd.
- Japan Tourism Marketing Co.
- Kyosan Electric
- Lenovo, China
- Mitsubishi Fuso Truck and Bus Corp.
- Oita Transportation Co., Ltd.
- Pricewaterhouse Coopers Co., Ltd.
- Sugahara Kisen Inc.
- Tech Health Solutions LLC
- United Nations ESCAP, Thailand
- United Nations University
- VINAFCO (Vietnam)
- Voith Fuji Hydro K.K.

*Please note that APU does not guarantee internships to students. Students must seek them independently.

Faculty	Research Fields
Behrooz Asgari, Ph.D., Professor	Technology Management, Economics of Technological Change, Industrial and Systems Engineering, Operations Research
Munim Kumar Barai, Ph.D., Professor	Public Finance, WTO and International Business, Macroeconomics, Financial and Capital Markets, Poverty and Grameen Bank (GB) Model of Microcredit
Rian Beise-Zee, Dr., Professor and Associate Dean of the Graduate School of Management	Service Management and Marketing, Innovation Marketing, Business Administration
Shu-Ching Chen, Ph.D., Professor	Marketing and Management
William B. Claster, Ph.D., Professor	Fundamental Informatics, Intelligent Informatics, Statistical Science, Business Administration, General Mathematics, Sentiment Mining, Artificial Intelligence, Data Science
Takeshi Fujimoto, Ph.D., Professor	Business Administration, Marketing
Ali Haidar, Ph.D., Professor	Managerial Commitment, Managerial Values, Employment Relations
Muhammad T. Khan, Ph.D., Professor	Spread Spectrum Communications, Applications of IT, Community Building
Abdullah-Al-Kafi Majumdar, Ph.D., Professor	Optimization Problems (in Operations Research), Tower of Hanoi Problem and its Generalizations, Smarandache Numbers and Functions
Haruo Nakayama, MBA, Professor	Corporate Finance
Toshitsugu Otake, Ph.D., Professor and Dean of the Graduate School of Management	Financial Risk Management, Statistical Modeling, Logistics Engineering, FinTech
Phillip Dean Pardo, MBA, Professor	Business Analytics, Hospitality Management Accounting, Sentiment Mining, CRM, Valuation, Taxation, Auditing, Virtuous Management, Natural Capital Accounting
Kanichiro Suzuki, Ph.D., Professor	Organizational Theory, Knowledge Management, Leadership, Positive Psychology, Design Thinking
Mariner Wang, Ph.D., Professor	Business Administration, Global Logistics, Global Logistics in East Asia, International Trade, Asia Pacific Management, International Business English
Kenji Yokoyama, Ph.D., Professor	International Trade Operations, Institutions and Customs, Family Business, Japanese Management
Wei-Bin Zhang, Ph.D., Professor	Growth Theory, Trade Theory, Urban and Regional Economics, Economic Dynamics, Ethics, East-Asia Philosophy
Lailani Alcantara, Ph.D., Associate Professor	International Expansion, Innovation Diffusion, Macro Organizational Behavior
Michael Angelo A. Cortez, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Environmental Accounting, Sustainable Manufacturing, Sustainable Tourism, Labor Movement, Financial Performance and Analysis
Damon Drummond, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Strategic Management, Case Analysis, Global Corporate Social Responsibility, Community Business, Human Resources Management, Comparative Management, Enterprise Resource Systems
Seichii Fujii, Ph.D., Associate Professor	New Product Development, Innovation Management, Technology Management
Rebecca Chunghee Kim, Ph.D., Professor	International Management, Corporate Social Responsibility, Business Ethics
Rintaro Kozuma, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Number Theory
Geunhee Lee, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Consumer Behavior, Tourism Marketing, Viral Marketing, Co-Creation
Hiroto Sato, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Management Accounting
Yuko Uehara, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Accounting, Auditing, Social Entrepreneur, Social Finance

JAPANESE MANAGEMENT (JM)

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



Kanichiro Suzuki, Ph.D., Professor (Japan)

Research Fields: Organizational Theory, Knowledge Management, Leadership, Positive Psychology, Design Thinking

"The MBA program at APU prepares you to engage with Japanese corporations around the world. It opens the door to a managerial career in Japanese companies as well as companies that seek to enter or expand in the Japanese market. APU stands for the global integration of Japan, and it is the place you must be to explore your potential and establish your legacy in the international business world."

SPECIALIZATION OVERVIEW

Supported by its world-class corporations, Japan is the first Asian country to have successfully industrialized. The Japanese Management (JM) specialization focuses on the philosophy and practices that are key to such enterprises. With their emphases on quality, innovation, and customer service and with their unique style of human resource management and stakeholder model of governance, companies in Japan provide an alternative to that of the shareholder model practiced mostly in the English-speaking countries—including the USA. This specialization focuses on the successes and failures of Japanese corporations and provides a model of corporate management in the Asia Pacific Region.

ELECTIVE SUBJECTS

- Management in Asia and Japan
- Japanese Corporations and Asia Pacific
- Management of Japanese Family Business
- Quality and Operations Management
- Financial Institutions and Markets
- Hospitality Management



Global Competency Enhancement Program (GCEP) held at APU to support the globalization of corporate talent. Until now this program has had success with a number of Japanese companies. Pictured above are students dispatched from FamilyMart (left) and NEC Corporation (right) giving presentations on their findings through the program.

ALUMNUS INSIGHT

I am extremely proud to be part of the Bandai Namco Group today. It has always been one of my dreams to work at this company. To help me achieve this dream, I chose to get my MBA at APU, as the program mainly focuses on the study of Japanese corporations and business companies. The unique international aspect of APU also greatly helped me, as I developed multicultural communication skills. These skills are put to use in my daily work as I am required to conduct negotiations successfully and lead problem-solving initiatives. The MBA program not only helped me gain confidence, but gave me the ability to develop the necessary business skills for our dynamic global society.

Feng Xiaoyu (China, MBA 2015)

Business Producer, Bandai Namco Entertainment Inc., Japan



ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE (AF)

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



Phillip Dean Pardo, MBA, Professor (Canada)

Research Fields: Business Analytics, Hospitality Management Accounting, Sentiment Mining, CRM, Valuation, Taxation, Auditing, Virtuous Management, Natural Capital Accounting

"With ninety-five percent of students originating from outside Japan, our AACSB-accredited MBA program is truly international, with a diverse mixture of languages, cultures, and perspectives. Our business school meets the highest international standards and our students, faculty, and alumni are all actively engaged and contribute to the global community."

SPECIALIZATION OVERVIEW

The Accounting and Finance (AF) specialization discusses theories and concepts of corporate finance, financial engineering, financial institutions, financial accounting, and managerial accounting, providing students with skills to understand and interpret financial and accounting information. The aim of the specialization is to provide students with tools in the areas of accounting and finance to formulate strategies, design control systems and evaluate the impact of corporate strategies on various stakeholders.

ELECTIVE SUBJECTS

- Corporate Finance
- Financial Engineering and Risk Management
- Financial Institutions and Markets
- Managerial Accounting
- Financial Accounting



APU's MBA team won the Challenge Round of the 2015 Asia Venture Challenge.

ALUMNUS INSIGHT

The MBA program teaching style is interactive with weekly discussions, presentations and reports. Also, the optional Japanese language classes helped me adapt to a new environment. Overall, this knowledge helped me to quickly transition to my current role in the IT services sector in Tokyo. I am sure APU will continue to provide its students with the tools they need to create a brighter future for years to come.

Anod Kumar Rai (India, MBA 2010)

Local to Global Technology Coordinator, Marsh Japan, Tokyo HQ, Japan



MARKETING AND MANAGEMENT (MM)

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



Lailani Alcantara, Ph.D., Professor (Philippines)

Research Fields: International Expansion, Innovation Diffusion, Macro Organization Behavior

"At APU, we bring the world to our classroom. Our MBA students and faculty come from different parts of the world with diverse professional backgrounds. Being part of our program means that you are not just achieving your potential—you are building a network of professionals who will make a difference in the world."

SPECIALIZATION OVERVIEW

The Management and Marketing (MM) specialization focuses on understanding and managing the human dimensions of organizations. For business organizations, some of the most important stakeholders are managers, employees and customers. Their decisions and actions are guided by a whole range of factors, from very objective aspects to subjective perceptions, emotions and moral values. Thus, market conditions are in a constant flux which necessitates adaptation as well as provides opportunities for creating new market and social values. Consequently, this specialization emphasizes the need of organizations to develop multi-dimensional and differentiated strategies as well as sustainable competences and capabilities, not only to cope with the changing business environment but also to lead innovatively and responsibly.



Professor Alcantara giving feedback during her Capstone course, where students develop and propose solutions to problems affecting regional industries after consulting with local business leaders.

ELECTIVE SUBJECTS

- Human Resource Management
- Management of Japanese Family Business
- Management in Asia and Japan
- Marketing Strategy
- Marketing Research
- Product Development Strategy
- Hospitality Management

ALUMNUS INSIGHT

From APU's MBA program, I learned about Japanese culture and how business is conducted in Japan. I am now a consultant to Japanese companies conducting business in Africa, and I also work closely with the Embassy of Japan as Secretary-General of the Zimbabwe-Japan Alumni Association. The African continent is growing rapidly, and thanks to the skills I acquired at APU, I am one of the active members of this new development.

Taurai Chinyamakobvu (Zimbabwe, MBA 2011)

Managing Director, Flocash Limited; Director, Wezeshwa Fund Limited, Zimbabwe



INNOVATION AND OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT (IOM)

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



Rian Beise-Zee, Dr., Professor and Associate Dean of the Graduate School of Management (Germany)

Research Fields: Service Management and Marketing, Innovation Marketing, Business Administration

"Today's industries and industry leaders are always in need of innovative ideas, products and business models. Equally important are a sustainable means of facilitating the implementation and organization of these elements through an equally innovative operations strategy. The courses in our Innovations and Operations Management division provide students with the intellectual and practical tools to master both of these and to link them to their own future business goals."

SPECIALIZATION OVERVIEW

The Innovation and Operations Management (IOM) specialization focuses on production planning, flexibility in production management, inventory management, quality management, management of supply chain and the impact of information technology on the whole process of production. Another focus of this specialization is on the management of product development and the role of entrepreneurship from a technology-based perspective. This specialization also addresses the question as to why some countries are more innovative than others.



2017 MBA Alumni Panel held for MBA students considering employment in Japan.

ELECTIVE SUBJECTS

- Quality and Operations Management
- Information Technology Management
- Supply Chain Management
- Entrepreneurship and New Business
- Project Management
- National Innovation Systems

ALUMNUS INSIGHT

From a European point of view, Japan is seen as an exotic study destination – but I quickly realized that moving to Japan and studying my MBA at APU was one of the best choices in my life. Through this program I was able to learn about Japanese management, international business and various cultures of Asian countries. My time spent in Japan gave me a deep understanding about the importance of quality, spirit of long-lasting relationships and collaboration with others.

Piotr Halys (Poland, MBA 2014)
Manager, Supply Chain Leader, Procter & Gamble (Poland)



CAREER PATHWAYS

GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES

Students have access to and support from a worldwide network which consists of international heads of state, ambassadors, and industry leaders (Advisory Committee), distinguished researchers from around the world (Academic Advisors), and institutions associated with APU's faculty members. This network also includes APU alumni who are spread across the world working in an array of fields and industries. Utilizing this network is indispensable for our students' careers.

Numerous seminars, workshops, and presentations by professionals working in the field today give students a clear picture of the kind of career options available to them, the current skills being sought for by employers, and the type of work that suits them best. Both our faculty and our students also provide various consultation services to local industries and have the opportunity to interact with executives at the front lines of change in their respective industries.

Proficiency in Japanese language is often a prerequisite for those seeking employment in Japan.

Sample Careers

Academic Careers

- Asian Institute of Management, Philippines
- Ateneo de Davao University, Philippines
- De La Salle University, Philippines
- Hang Seng Management College, Hong Kong
- National University of Laos, Laos
- University of Economics and Law, Viet Nam
- Takming University of Science, Taiwan

Government Offices

- Consulate General of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, Japan
- Prime Minister's Office, Kingdom of Tonga
- Prime Minister's Office, Kyrgyz Republic
- Ministry of Economic Development and Trade, Republic of Tajikistan
- Ministry of Education, Republic of the Union of Myanmar
- Ministry of Finance, Republic of Indonesia
- Ministry of Finance, Kyrgyz Republic
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Sierra Leone
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development, Canada
- Ministry of Health, Mongolia
- Ministry of Health, Kingdom of Tonga
- National Bureau of Statistics, China
- The Embassy of Angola, Japan
- The Embassy of Mexico, Japan

Companies

- Bandai Namco Entertainment Inc., Japan
- Bank of Tokyo Mitsubishi UFJ, Japan
- BOSCH, Japan
- Ecopetrol S. A., Columbia
- Ericsson, Japan
- GUCCI Group, Japan
- Hays Specialist Recruitment Japan K. K., Japan
- Hikari Kikai Sesakusho Co. Ltd., Japan
- Japan Tourism Marketing Co., Japan
- KUMON Education Japan Co. Ltd., Japan
- La Casa del Jade, Guatemala
- Marubeni Corporation, Japan
- MISYS Plc., South Africa
- Microsoft Japan Co. Ltd., Japan
- Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Ltd., Japan
- Nissan Motor Co. Ltd., Japan
- NTT Communications, Japan
- Panasonic Corporation, Japan
- Vietnam Airlines

Organizations

- Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA), Indonesia
- Fobang Foundation, Cameroon
- Institute of Tropical and Infectious Diseases, Kenya
- Medecins Sans Frontieres, Hong Kong
- NHK (Japan Broadcasting Corporation), Japan
- UN Headquarters, New York
- UNICEF Cambodia Office



STUDENT LIFE AND FACILITIES



FACILITIES

APU's classrooms are equipped with the latest audiovisual and computer technology, enabling our students to take part in conferences and seminars occurring in other parts of the world in real time. The library, part of the Ritsumeikan Network, allows students to utilize over 2.3 million books and publications. Within the Faculty Office Building, graduate students have their own lounge, lockers, and computer rooms. Furthermore, with access to the Faculty Office Building, students can easily consult with their supervisors during office hours.

STUDENT LIFE

Student life at APU is an international experience like no other. The multicultural diversity of the campus provides a unique environment for students to improve their communication skills and expand their networks. The Student Office at APU provides a range of services for students in terms of club activities, local exchange, homestay programs, accommodations, and visa renewal. A health clinic and counseling rooms are also available should students encounter any problems or need advice. APU caters to the needs of students from all over the world by providing areas such as "The Quiet Space," a room on campus for meditation, contemplation, introspection, prayer, and other forms of calm, quiet reflection, as well as by offering a wide variety of food in the cafeteria.

LIVING COSTS

The average monthly living expenses for students at APU vary depending on lifestyle, but usually range from 70,000 to 100,000 JPY including accommodation. Students can purchase reasonably priced meals at our cafeteria, which offers an array of Japanese and international cuisine.

EVENTS ON CAMPUS

The campus becomes very lively during events such as Multicultural Weeks and the annual cultural festival called Tenkusai. These events are organized to showcase the multitude of languages, cultures, and talents of our student body through food, dance, film, music, and various types of performances.

ACCOMMODATION

All graduate students are entitled to a room in one of APU's student housing facilities, AP House 4, which will help them adapt to their new life in Japan and to concentrate on their studies. All rooms are equipped with basic facilities, including internet access. AP House 4 is located off-campus in downtown Beppu, from which it takes about thirty minutes to reach campus by bus. If students wish to live in different off-campus housing or if they are coming with their family, they can find other affordable options, as Beppu is considerably less expensive than other Japanese cities for private apartments and shared student housing. Students can also get assistance in locating and renting accommodations from Creotech, a university-affiliated company.



BEPPU CITY

APU is located in Beppu, a small city of 120,000 inhabitants located on the coast of Kyushu, the southernmost major island in the Japanese archipelago. The city is famous for its abundance of onsen (Japanese for hot spring baths), and 140,000 tons of water gush daily from over 2,000 sources, second only to Yellowstone National Park in the United States. Enclosed by beautiful mountains and the sparkling Beppu Bay, the city's historic backstreets and billowing steam clouds give it a peaceful old-town charm, and it remains a popular tourist destination for Japanese and international tourists alike. Beppu is also a mere ten minute train ride from Oita City, a vibrant city of 400,000, which hosted for four matches of the 2002 FIFA® World Cup Korea/Japan™ and will be a venue for the upcoming Rugby World Cup Japan 2019™.

PLACES OF INTEREST



● JR Beppu Station



● Takegawara Hot Spring



● Beppu Hot Spring Steam Observation Deck



● Beppu Beach Sand Bath



● Jigoku Mushi Kobo (Hot Spring Steamed Dish Cuisine)



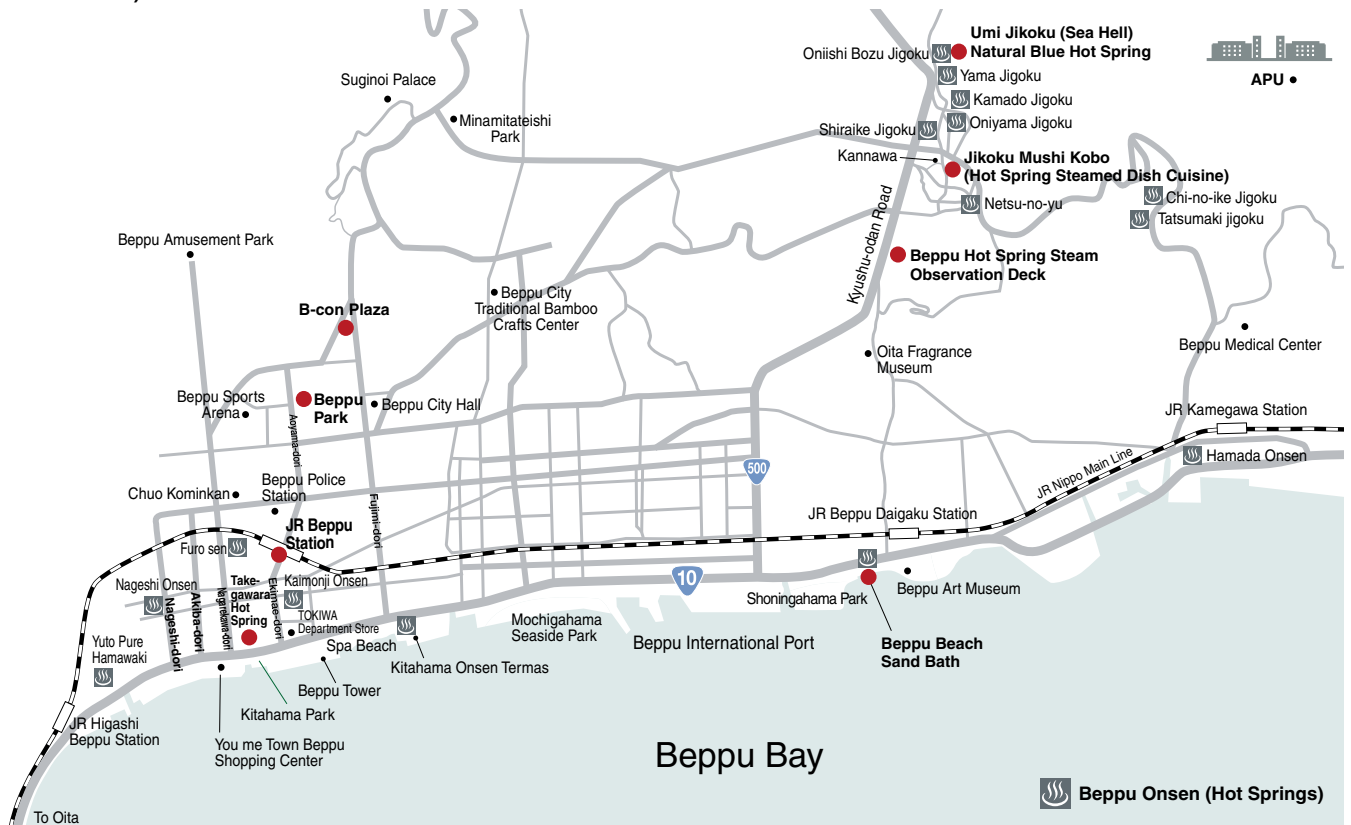
● B-con Plaza



● Beppu Park



● Umi Jigoku (Sea Hell) Natural Blue Hot Spring



APPLY TO APU

OVERVIEW

The following is a brief outline of the application and enrollment procedures for 2018 enrollment. For more details or clarification on the requirements and procedures for all degrees, including special conditions for the IMAT program, please refer to our Application Handbook or our website: <http://admissions.apu.ac.jp/graduate>.

HOW TO APPLY

Students may enroll at APU in either April or September. However, not all programs begin from both semesters, so please be sure to confirm the enrollment periods before applying. Applications for each period are accepted at specific times throughout the year. Applications can be made by submitting a hard copy of required documents or via the APU Online Application System. Please note that there may be cases where the online application system cannot be used.

Applicants for the doctoral program must contact the APU Admissions Office in advance to arrange for prescreening before submitting their formal application.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

1. A bachelor's degree or equivalent
2. At least three years of full time work experience or GMAT/GRE score
3. An English proficiency test score for non-native English speakers

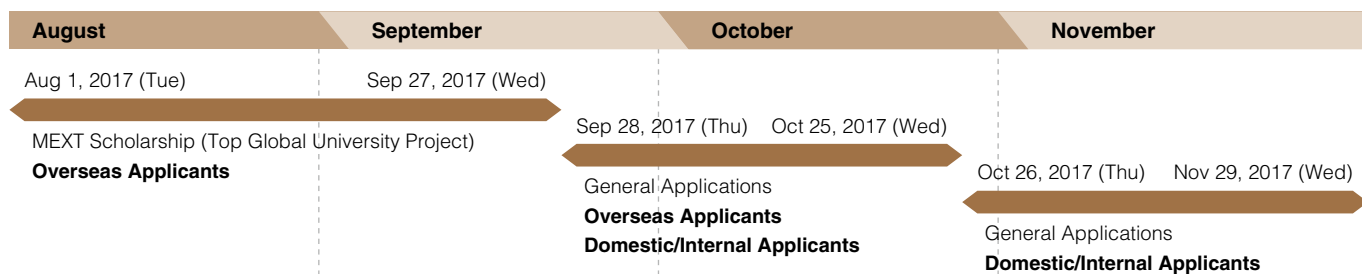
Minimum English Proficiency Requirement

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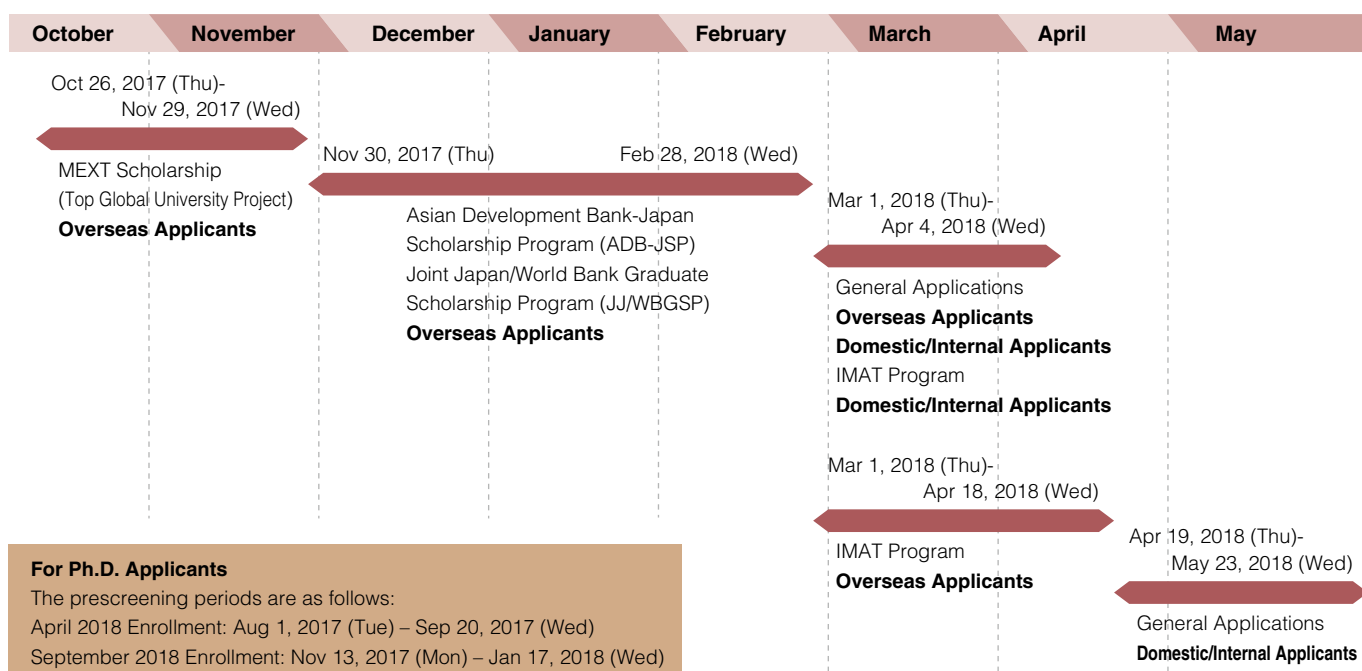
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APPLICATION PERIODS

April 2018 Enrollment



September 2018 Enrollment



SCHOLARSHIPS / AY2017 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

SCHOLARSHIPS

At APU, outstanding students have opportunities to fund their study under a range of different scholarships. Several such scholarships are the APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship and full scholarships sponsored by various organizations such as the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank, and the Japanese Government.

The APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship covers 30%, 50%, 65%, 80%, or 100% of your tuition until graduation. It is available to both Japanese nationals and international students. For more information about the Tuition Reduction Scholarship, please visit the following website:

https://admissions.apu.ac.jp/graduate/cost/tuition_reduction_scholarship/

Please review the 2018 External Scholarship Guidelines and Eligibility Criteria Checklist for more information concerning all other available scholarships as well as their eligibility and application requirements via our admissions website:

https://admissions.apu.ac.jp/graduate/how_to_apply/external_scholarship/

AY2017 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

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School Day or Examination Day Make-up classes None: No Classes



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