RITSUMEIKAN
ASIA
PACIFIC
UNIVERSITY

2017 GRADUATE PROSPECTUS
APU GRADUATE SCHOOLS
FACTS AND FIGURES

Selected by the Government of Japan in 2014 as one of the country’s “TOP GLOBAL UNIVERSITIES” (undergraduate and graduate).

The Graduate School of Management received the 3 Palmes “Excellent Business School” rating from Eduniversal, a well-known rating organization for business schools, in 2009 and has received the same rating every year since.

APU’s Business School was selected in 2012 by AAPBS, Asia’s only business school association, as a council member representing Japan (undergraduate and graduate).

All data and figures are current estimates as of May 1, 2016.

188 total students
95% international students
45 countries and regions represented by students

3:1 student-faculty ratio
50% international faculty
23 countries and regions represented by faculty

100% of classes taught in English
90% of students receive a scholarship
136 countries and regions represented by alumni

FACTS and FIGURES
Why APU?

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 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).

Since the opening of APU’s Graduate Schools, efforts have been made to further its education and research initiatives and expand its contribution to the Asia Pacific region. The Graduate Schools at APU focus on Asia Pacific studies, with study options geared towards tackling the complex issues facing the societies and environments of the Asia Pacific region, as well as management with a focus on the Japanese business style and the dynamic world of international business.

A TRULY INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

APU’s campus is a unique doorway to the world, attracting students and faculty from all over the globe. Our Japanese faculty members also come to us with diverse international careers and academic experiences. This extremely rich mixture of language and culture has earned APU the reputation of being Japan’s ‘global village’. Our aim is to bring together talented individuals to study and live within this unique environment. APU encourages all students to bring and share their own unique thoughts and ideas. In this one of a kind environment, students naturally acquire intercultural communication skills.

As APU’s graduate programs are offered entirely in English, students are not required to know any Japanese to gain admission. English speaking students come to APU and study their degree in English, are taught by international professors and lecturers, and study alongside English speaking classmates from around the world. Our system has made it possible for outstanding scholars to study in Japan in an unprecedented international learning environment.

World Class Education

APU’s graduate programs have been selected for several prestigious scholarship schemes in recent years. These include the Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program and the Asian Development Bank - Japan Scholarship Program, which provide support for students from member countries to undertake graduate studies at renowned institutions of higher education around the world. APU is also among the very few institutions to be selected by the Japanese government for scholarships such as the Student Priority Placement Program. Some of the other organizations which have sponsored students to study in our graduate programs include the Indonesian Ministry of Finance, Japanese corporations, local government bodies, and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). This is a testimony to the value placed on APU’s graduate programs by both public and private sectors in Japan and throughout the world.

The Japanese Experience

Japan has a long and rich history and is a diverse cultural mix of East and West: old and new, and natural and highly engineered. Having gone through various stages of development, the nation’s rich and unique culture is what led it to emerge as a world leader in terms of economy and technology. Its strong economy, combined with a culture that places a great deal of importance on respect for others, also makes it one of the safest countries in the world. For international students, it is an ideal environment to live and study in.

As graduate school classes are conducted entirely in English, no prior knowledge of the Japanese language is required. However, for those with a keen interest to learn Japanese, beginner level classes are held specifically for graduate students at no additional cost. Immersed in the culture of Japan, students can put their new language skills to use on a daily basis.

PROGRAMES

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES (GSA)

Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies (GSA) offers Master’s and Doctorate programs in various fields of study.

Graduate School of Management (GSM)

Graduate School of Management (GSM) offers Master’s and Doctorate programs in various fields of study.

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

The Graduate School of Management offers a case method education focused on Japanese business and management with a strong foundation in established management techniques and opportunities for independent research. Classes are conducted entirely in English and in a multicultural environment, giving students the chance to benefit from the experiences of experts in the field and learn the skills and sensitivities required for a successful career in international business.

Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies (GSA)

Graduate School of Management (GSM)

Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies (GSA) offers Master’s and Doctorate programs in various fields of study.

Graduate School of Management (GSM) offers Master’s and Doctorate programs in various fields of study.

PROGRAMS
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 further challenge your critical thinking, creativity, and passion for change and action. Our faculty, coming from different countries, trained in distinguished universities at home and overseas, and with outstanding track records, will engage you in cutting-edge research and interactive graduate classes. Our learning community—dynamic, stimulating, diverse and multicultural—will strengthen your values of pursuing 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.

International Cooperation Policy (ICP)

The master’s program in International Cooperation Policy provides students with policy-oriented and practical advice, drawing on diverse fields to train creative professionals who can understand complex challenges from multiple perspectives and formulate feasible solutions with integrative approaches from global, regional, and local perspectives. Such training will improve practical skills and knowledge to plan, implement and evaluate projects, and thereby contribute to organizations that work closely with and in developing nations.

Students can select one of the following five divisions for their specialization: International Public Administration, Public Health Management, Sustainability Science, Tourism and Hospitality and Development Economics. They are required to take analytical foundation courses, core courses on the Asia Pacific region, division-specific courses and research-oriented seminar courses. Additionally, numerous seminars and workshops are organized throughout the year. There are many opportunities for students to participate in the exchange of ideas, information and expertise with academics, experts, business executives, policy makers, and senior administrators. Students must submit a master’s thesis or research report in order to complete their degree.

MASTEr’s PROGRAM

Asia Pacific Studies (APS)
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. The program encourages students to analyze complicated and ever-changing sociocultural and international issues, pursue feasible solutions and pave a way to a prosperous future for the region. Students accumulate professional knowledge and insights, interpret complex facts in objective and systematic manners and provide insightful solutions to problems. A broad range of issues are addressed in the two divisions: International Relations and Society and Culture. The courses taught under this program consist of four pillars: analytical foundation courses, core courses on the Asia Pacific region, division-specific courses and research-oriented intensive seminar courses. This program nurtures students’ research skills, including the ability to formulate frameworks for analyses, collect and analyze data, and test arguments and hypotheses. Students are expected to conduct research under a specific theme in a systematic manner throughout their studies.

At the end of the program, students must submit a thesis or report on a theme of their choice, which they have developed under personal guidance from their supervisors in the seminar courses run throughout the program. During the process, they are encouraged to conduct field surveys in the Asia Pacific region.

Doctoral Program

Asia Pacific Studies (APS)

Doctor of Philosophy in Asia Pacific Studies

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Asia Pacific Studies

Enrollment Semester: April, September

Program Duration: 3 years

Yearly Intake: 10 students

Total Tuition: ¥4,200,000

*Accelerated completion in 3 years may be possible upon full enrollment. The total tuition fee will change if you complete your degree before the stipulated period of completion.

MASTER’S CURRICULUM

All graduate school lectures are taught in English.

Subject Category

Analytical Foundation Subjects

Research Methods and Academic Writing

Information Resources and Data Analysis

Social and Cultural Processes in the Asia Pacific

Politics and Economics in the Asia Pacific

Tourism and Sustainable Development in the Asia Pacific

Public Health in the Asia Pacific

Semester

Research Project I

Research Project II

Research Project III

Final Research Project

Major Subjects

Refer to each division (p.7 to 14)

NATIONALITY

Surfing Japan I

Surfing Japan II

Optional Subjects

Japanese for Communication I

Japanese for Communication II
The International Relations division provides students access to faculty with a rich and diverse set of practical and academic experience in fields of diplomacy, peace building, international political economy, international law and international cooperation. In addition to our diverse international perspectives among faculty, our campus hosts students from over 80 countries. The diverse student body presents an unparalleled chance to engage in course content and discussions with students and faculty from around the globe.

This division also 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.

Yakihro Sato, Ph.D., Professor
International Relations and Foreign Policy
Asia-Pacific, Comparative Politics
(Southeast Asia), Maritime Security

Utpal Vyas, Ph.D., Associate Professor
International Relations, International Political Economy, Regional Studies (East Asia)

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

**RECOMMENDED ELECTIVE SUBJECTS**
- Changing Social Landscapes
- Migration and Trans-nationalism
- International Public Administration
- International Organizations

**SAMPLE RESEARCH TOPICS**
- Responding to the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP): Comparative Study on International Trade of Malaysia, Vietnam and Indonesia
- Prospect of Myanmar’s Rapprochement with the United States in International and Regional Contexts
- Cooperation between the PRC and ROC Governments on the Senkaku Dispute

**SAMPLE CAREERS**
- Academic Career
  - University lecturer
  - Doctoral program
  - Government Offices
  - Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Sierra Leone
  - Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development, Canada

**FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS**

Steven B. Rothman, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Division Head (USA)
Research Fields: International Relations Theory, International Policy Making, International Environmental Policy, Subject Pedagogy

Yoichiro Sato, Ph.D., Professor
International Relations and Foreign Policy (Asia-Pacific), Comparative Politics

Hidetaka Yoshimatsu, Ph.D., Professor
International Relations, International Political Economy, Regional Studies (East Asia)

Yoichiro Sato, Ph.D., Professor
International Relations and Foreign Policy (Asia-Pacific), Comparative Politics

Kaori Yoshida, Ph.D., Professor and Division Head (Japan)
Research Fields: Media Studies, Comparative Culture Studies

Robert A.C. Salazar, Ph.D., Professor and Dean of the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies

Hideo Sasagawa, Ph.D., Professor
Asian Studies, Ethnicity, Migration, Education

Yufu Iguchi, Ph.D., Professor
Environment, Climate Change and Disasters, Natural Resource Management, Non-Governmental Organizations, Social Organizations and Social Movements

Yiu-Chung Ko, Ph.D., Professor
Area Studies (Malaysian Studies), Intellectual History, Gender Studies

**FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS**

**DIVISION OVERVIEW**

The Society and Culture division fosters an interdisciplinary perspective through several fields of coursework and empirical research. Students in the program have expertise in various fields and are fully committed to assisting students in acquiring theoretical and practical knowledge, as well as methodological skills necessary for succeeding in their individual projects. One of the great benefits of studying at APU besides the academically inspiring courses and instruction offered, is 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 or scholars, but also turns them into versatile researchers.

**MAJOR SUBJECTS**
- Changing Social Landscapes
- Migration and Trans-nationalism
- Media and Communication
- Regionalism and Globalization
- Comparative Politics and Government
- Planning and Evaluation
- Urban Sustainability

**RECOMMENDED ELECTIVE SUBJECTS**
- Global History, Maritime Asian History, Area Studies in Southeast Asia
- Sociology-Anthropology, Southeast Asia, Paciﬁc Studies
- Environment, Climate Change and Disasters, Natural Resource Management, Non-Governmental Organizations, Social Organizations and Social Movements

**SAMPLE RESEARCH TOPICS**
- Recreating History: Understanding Bakumatsu-Ishin Period through Japanese Manga
- Absorb the New and Preserve the Old: The Changing Patterns in Japanese Eating Habits and the Consequences on Washoku Culture
- Viewing the Contemporary Within the Contemporary: Fan Internalization of the Hikikomori Phenomenon in Western Fans

**SAMPLE CAREERS**
- Academic Career
  - University lecturer
  - Doctoral program
  - Government Offices
  - Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Republic of Japan

**FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS**

Yufu Iguchi, Ph.D., Professor
Southeast Asian Studies (Malaysian Studies), Intellectual History, Gender Studies

Yiu-Chung Ko, Ph.D., Professor
Area Studies (Malaysian Studies), Intellectual History, Gender Studies

A. Veera Mani, Ph.D., Professor
Sociology, Southeast Asian Studies, South Asian Studies, Ethnicity, Migration, Education

Joseph Progler, Ph.D., Professor
Cultural History, Education, Media Studies

Hideo Sasagawa, Ph.D., Professor
Area Studies in Southeast Asia

Kayoko Fujita, Associate Professor
Global History, Maritime Asian History, History of Japanese Foreign Relations

Robert A.C. Salazar, Ph.D., Professor
Sociology, Anthropology, Southeast Asia, Environment, Climate Change and Disasters, Natural Resource Management, Non-Governmental Organizations, Social Organizations and Social Movements

**MAJOR SUBJECTS**
- Media and Communication
- Regionalism and Globalization
- Comparative Politics and Government
- Planning and Evaluation
- Urban Sustainability

**RECOMMENDED ELECTIVE SUBJECTS**
- Regionalism and Globalization
- Comparative Politics and Government
- Planning and Evaluation
- Urban Sustainability
- Comparative Economic Development
- Community Development

**SAMPLE RESEARCH TOPICS**
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**SAMPLE CAREERS**
- Academic Career
  - University lecturer
  - Doctoral program
  - Government Offices
  - Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Republic of Japan
INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (IPA)

M. SC. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY

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. We welcome students with keen interests in the various issues of the international community and in the interactions between international and domestic administrations.

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 in East Asia

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

Takuro Kikkawa, Ph.D., Associate Professor
Comparative Politics, Area Studies

Yukiko Takashiba, Associate Professor
International Law, International Dispute Settlement, Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Transnational Justice, Law of International Organizations

SAMPLE RESEARCH TOPICS
- Regionalism within the Context of the WTO: A Case Study of the TPP: Threat of a Sleeping Stone
- Workshop on Integrity, Transparency and Accountability in Public Service (ITAPS) as an Anti-Corruption Tool for the Philippine National Police
- State Management on Notary Offices, Case Study of Haiphong City, Vietnam

SAMPLE CAREERS
- Academic Career
- University lecturer
- Doctoral program
- Government Officials
- Kudus Local Government, Indonesia
- National Bureau of Statistics, China
- Noawe Local Government, Indonesia
- Companies and Organizations
- World Bank

RECOMMENDED ELECTIVE SUBJECTS
- International Law
- Comparative Politics and Government
- Conflict Resolution
- Environmental Policy, Law and Administration
- Development Finance
- Comparative Economic Development

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

SPECIAL PROGRAMS
- Academic Career
- University lecturer
- Doctoral program
- Government Officials
- Ministry of Health, Mongolia
- Institute of Tropical and Infectious Diseases, Kenya
- Companies and Organizations
- Pharmaceutical Company, Japan
- Medicins Sans Frontieres, Hong Kong

PUBLIC HEALTH MANAGEMENT (PHM)

M. SC. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY

Given the scarcity of healthcare resources, there is an urgent need to optimize their management. This is to ensure that healthcare disbursements reach their intended target, especially when it concerns the most vulnerable segments of the population. In addition, with rapidly aging populations, the anticipated cost of healthcare is burgeoning. This calls for many innovative designs and partnerships in order to deliver the services required in a sustainable manner and at optimal cost.

The principal aim of the PHM 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, representatives from civil society organizations engaged in public health and others allied with the medical field.

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: Public Health, Health Economics, Environmental Health, Bioethics

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

John Rose, Ph.D., Professor
DNA Nanotechnology, Nanobiotechnology, Biomolecular Computing, Soft Computing, Biostatistics, Systems Engineering, Bioinformatics, Human Genetics, Human Pathology, Public Health Studies, Health Science

Serik Meirmanov, Ph.D., Associate Professor
Comparative Politics, Area Studies

Masatsumi Nakagami, Ph.D., Associate Professor
Development Economics, Health Economics

SAMPLE RESEARCH TOPICS
- Environmental Health
- Healthcare Finance
- Biostatistics
- Healthcare Economics
- Public Health Essentials
- Epidemiology
- Bioinformatics

SAMPLE CAREERS
- Academic Career
- University lecturer
- Doctoral program
- Government Officials
- Ministry of Health, Mongolia
- Institute of Tropical and Infectious Diseases, Kenya
- Companies and Organizations
- Pharmaceutical Company, Japan
- Medicins Sans Frontieres, Hong Kong

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

Yukiko Takashiba, Associate Professor
International Law, International Dispute Settlement, Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Transnational Justice, Law of International Organizations

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 the economics and financial 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 may 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

RECOMMENDED ELECTIVE SUBJECTS
- Disaster Relief and Rehabilitation
- International Organizations
- Project Management
- Environmental Policy, Law and Administration
- Health and Wellness Tourism
- Comparative Economic Development
SUSTAINABILITY SCIENCE (SS)

Over the past two centuries, rapid population increase, industrialization/urbanization, and excessive use of fossil fuels has led to environmental issues such as climate change, energy shortage, pollution and waste. The impact of these issues are threatening the future of our human society.

Our faculty members in the Sustainability Science division have profound knowledge and experience in environment and development studies, and are fully committed to assisting students in research projects that pursue sustainable solutions. Students under my supervision come from all over the world and study sustainable cities, climate change, renewable energy, environmental impact assessment, poverty gradulater, etc. Talking and discussing in such a diverse research group is both fun and inspiring.

Yan Li, Ph.D., Professor and Division Head (China)
Education: Ph.D. in Engineering (Kyoto University, Japan), M.Sc. in Urban Geography (East China Normal University, China)

INTERNATIONAL MATERIAL FLOW MANAGEMENT (IMAT)
DUAL DEGREE WITH TRIER UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES, GERMANY

The Master in International Material Flow Management (IMAT) program is APU’s flagship dual master degree program with the Trier University of Applied Sciences, conducted by the Institute for Applied Material Flow Management (IfaS) in Germany. Students of IMAT get the opportunity to study at APU in Hita, Japan, the birthplace of the One Village One Product (OVOP) movement, in their first year and at the Environmental Campus Birkenfeld (ECB), the first Zero Emission (ZE) campus in Europe, in their second year. Upon graduating from each university, the students earn a Master of Science in International Cooperation Policy from APU and a Master of Engineering from Trier University of Applied Sciences. In addition, students enrolled in Sustainability Science who meet the criteria also have the opportunity to transfer to the IMAT Program after enrollment.

Among a raft of unique opportunities, IMAT provides a platform for its students to study, explore, and hone their skills on practical solutions for zero emission and circular economy. The program encourages students to work on projects and apply problem-oriented and trans-disciplinary approaches to the application of methodology, science and/or management principles. Celebrating a decade of APU-IfaS cooperation, IMAT has produced over 90 International Material Flow Managers to date.

Faiezeh 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: Industrial Ecology, Environmental Pollution and Control Technology, Global Warming, Environmental Microbiology

PROGRAM 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, law and 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 have to 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).

Degree: Master of Science in International Cooperation Policy (from APU) and Master of Engineering in International Material Flow Management (from the Trier University of Applied Sciences)

Program Fee:
- Program Fee:
  - 100,000 JPY per semester (400,000 JPY total)

Enrollment Semester: September 2017
Application Period:
- Feb 6, 2017 (Mon) - Apr 5, 2017 (Wed)
Program Duration:
- 2 years
Total Tuition:
- 2,800,000 JPY
Program Fee:
- 102,000 JPY per semester (404,000 JPY total)
Administration Fee in Germany:
- 172 Euros per semester (516 Euros total)

M. SC. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY

FACTORY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELD

Francisco P. Fellner Jr., Ph.D., Professor
Environmental and Natural Resources Governance, Community Development and Leadership, Human and Environmental Security, Island Sustainability

Davide Piastra, Ph.D., Professor
Environmentally Sound Technologies (ESTs), Simulation and Modeling (SaM), Decision Science (DSII)

Faiezeh Mahichi, Ph.D., Associate Professor
Industrial Ecology, Environmental Pollution and Control Technology, Global Warming, Environmental Microbiology

Xuepeng Qian, Ph.D., Associate Professor
Urban and Regional Planning, Environmental Policy and Management, Sustainable System Design

Tonomori Sudo, Ph.D., Associate Professor
Environmental and Climate Policy, Resource and Climate Economics, Development Economics and Finance, Development Policy

Hiromi Yamashita, Ph.D., Associate Professor
Environmental Risk Communication, Coastal Wetland Restoration and Decision Making, Sustainable Development

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

RECOMMENDED ELECTIVE SUBJECTS
- Conflict Resolution
- Cultural Change
- Disaster Relief and Rehabilitation
- Planning and Evaluation
- Environmental Health
- Environmental Tourism

SAMPLE RESEARCH TOPICS
- Mitigation and Adaptation to Climate Change in the Pacific Island
- Environment Impact Assessment of Kabul New City Analysis of Local Resources for Sustainable Technology and Practices in a Region
- Climate Change

SAMPLE COURSES
- Academic Career
  - University lecturer
  - Doctoral program
- Government Offices
  - Ministry of Agriculture, Kyrgyz Republic
- Texas Public Service: Energy Storage and Solar PV, USA
- Companies and Organizations
  - Solar Company, Business Development and Sales, USA
- Contingent Energy Limited, India

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 to create 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.

RECOMMENDED SUBJECTS
- PV, USA
- Technology and Practices in a Region
- Cotopaxi Energy Limited, India
- Solar Company, Business Development and Sales, USA
- Texas Public Service, Energy Storage and Solar PV, USA
- APU International Material Flow Managers to date.

SAMPLE RESEARCH TOPICS
- Current Situation and Challenges of Biomass Town: Case Study of Hita City, Japan
- Waste-To–Wealth Potentials Of Municipal Solid Waste: The Case Of Ga-East Municipal Assembly, Ghana
- Measures for Scarce Water Resource in Developing Countries with Case Study of Fukuoka City, Japan
- Biomass Town: Case Study of Hita City, Japan
- Regional Material Flow Management
- Principles of Industrial Material Flow Management
- Regional Material Flow Management
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 tourism 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

**RECOMMENDED ELECTIVE SUBJECTS**
- Project Management
- Environmental Health
- Product Development Strategy
- Marketing Strategy
- Marketing Research
- Hospitality Management

**SAMPLE RESEARCH TOPICS**
- Tourism Development and Cultural Heritage Conservation
- Tourism Management and Development in Xixi Urban Wetland Park
- Community Based Tourism in Armenia: Planning for Sustainable Development
- Major Impediments of Historical Relic Exploitation in Cultural Tourism Development: Case Studies of Hapong City (Vietnam) and Fukuoka City (Japan)

**TEACHERS AND THEIR RESEARCH INTERESTS**
- Yukiko Yotsumoto, Ph.D., Professor and Associate Dean of the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies
  - Sociology
- Malcolin J. M. Cooper, Ph.D., Professor
  - Tourism and Hospitality in the Asia Pacific
  - Environmental and Resource Conservation
  - Water Management, Sustainable Tourism, Geotourism, Higher Education Policy and Practice
- Hiroshi Todoroki, Ph.D., Professor
  - Geography, Area Studies, Human Geography
- Thanh Huang 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 Anthropology/Folklore Studies, Agricultural Heritage Tourism

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)

**RECOMMENDED ELECTIVE SUBJECTS**
- International Political Economy
- International Public Administration
- International Organizations
- Project Management
- Planning and Evaluation
- Environmental Economics

**SAMPLE RESEARCH TOPICS**
- The Impact of Microfinance on Poverty Reduction in Cambodia
- Water Management, Sustainable Tourism, Geotourism, Higher Education Policy and Practice
- The impact of Microfinance on Poverty Reduction in Cambodia, Northern Province, Laos PDR
- Empirical Analysis: Determinant of Inflation Pressure in the Republic of Tajikistan
- Impact of Social Capital on Poverty – A Case of Rural Households in Eastern Bhutan

**SAMPLE CAREERS**
- Academic Career
- University lecturer
- Doctoral program
- Government Offices
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Sierra Leone
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development, Canada

**TEACHERS AND THEIR RESEARCH INTERESTS**
- Kaoru Natsuda, Ph.D., Professor
  - Asian Political Economy
  - International Development Studies
  - Economic Policy
- Shunso Tsukada, MBA, Professor
  - Project Finance
  - Public Private Partnership
  - Infrastructure Development Economics
  - International Economics
  - Environmental Policy, Emission Trading
- Susumu Yamamoto, Ph.D., Professor
  - Industrialization Strategy of Developing Countries
  - Catch-up Business Strategy of Lao PDR
- Kozo Otsuba, Ph.D., Associate Professor
  - Applied Economics
  - Innovation and Productivity
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 same holds true for local organizations that receive and coordinate aid. This doctoral program helps students to realize their potential in order to make significant contributions to society.

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.

This program’s research is divided into two broad areas of study:

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SAMPLE RESEARCH TOPICS

- Crossing Matrilineal Boundaries: A Case Study of Minangkabau Women’s Migration to Jakarta and Tangerang
- Anthropogenic Changes and Emerging Patterns of River Basin Governance in 21st Century Japan: A Case Study of the Kusu River Basin
- An Evaluation System for Ecotourism Zone Sustainability: With Special Reference to China

SAMPLE CAREERS

Academic Career:
- De La Salle University, Philippines
- Hang Seng Management College, Hong Kong
- Asian Institute of Management, Philippines

Government Offices:
- Ministry of Finance, Indonesia
- Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, Republic of Sierra Leone
- National Administration of Tourism, Vietnam

Support for Graduate School Students

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Seminars

There are many seminars to help students/researchers at APU.

- RCAPS Seminars
- Seminars on research ethics
- Workshops for academic paper writing

For more information, please refer to the website below:
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DOCTORAL PROGRAM CURRICULUM AND CONTENT

Composition 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.

The Graduate School organizes the Research in Progress Seminars as an opportunity for doctoral students to observe the work of their peers and gain presentation experience and constructive feedback in regards to their research. These seminars are not only beneficial to those currently conducting their Ph.D. research, but also to those who wish to know more about the doctoral program and the research involved.

APU is involved in a range of research projects in accordance with the needs of international society and Japanese national research policy. APU provides a wide range of research support programs including financial subsidies, research skill development and various opportunities to meet with renowned researchers/experts. As the APU faculty are a group of international researchers, the fields of APU research stretch literally across borders.

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.

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The Graduate School of Management has enjoyed an excellent reputation since it was established in 2003. It was given a 3 Palms 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 List 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 separate management practices. It is a unique institution 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.

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. Students need to complete forty-four academic credits of which twenty-two credits will be from required subjects, eight or more from specialization subjects and six credits from management seminars. In addition to fulfilling the credit requirements, students must also 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. The research project must be approved by the university.

In addition to exploring the Japanese style of management, which was built on the three pillars of long-lasting management, quality control and customer service excellence, Japanese management has emerged as an alternative management practice, serving as the new model for corporate management in the Asia Pacific region. The program not only opens up business opportunities in Japan—the world’s third largest economy—but also various career options all over the world.

The Graduate School of Management has enjoyed an excellent reputation under accreditation since 2008 and are currently at the final stage. The accreditation is expected to be finalized in September 2016. APU’s Graduate School of Management is one of the 600 schools having obtained accreditation so far. The accreditation is expected to be finalized in September 2016.

The Associate to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) is an internationally recognized accreditation organization of business schools. Only the world’s leading business schools can receive accreditation, with approximately 600 schools having obtained accreditation so far. APU’s undergraduate and graduate business schools have been working towards accreditation since 2008 and are currently at the final stage. The accreditation is expected to be finalized in September 2016.

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### MBA Specializations

#### 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. You will not only have opportunities in well-known corporate firms but also in an abundance of “hidden champions” across Japan and Asia. These distinguished family businesses and new ventures are excelling in specific lines of leading products, processes, services and technology. They are waiting for individuals like you with specialized knowledge and the initiative to lead economic and social innovations to join them. The MBA program at APU also prepares you for ethical challenges that you will be facing in this fast-changing business world and urges you to take a balanced stance while leading innovatively and responsibly.

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.

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

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

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### LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF MBA COURSES

#### Learning Goals

1. To formulate an ethical understanding of contemporary business issues
2. To evaluate ethical concepts in a specialized business setting
3. To develop an advanced level of writing and analytical tools to examine advanced business problems
4. To reconcile the specifications and challenges of information to business setting

#### Learning Objectives

- **Business Ethics**
  - To establish your legacy in the international business world

- **Advanced Knowledge of Discipline**
  - To reconcile the impact of global issues

- **Sense of Innovation**
  - To reconcile between academic and practical business settings

- **Global Perspectives**
  - To reconcile between academic and practical business settings

#### Core Business Fundamentals

- **Management in Asia and Japan**
- **Japanese Corporations and Asia Pacific**

#### Elective Subjects

- **Accounting and Finance (AF)**
- **Marketing and Management (MM)**

#### Research Fields

- Service Management and Marketing
- Innovation Marketing
- Business Administration

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**Japanese Management (JM)**

The Japanese Management (JM) specialization focuses on the philosophy and practices of Japanese corporations, which helped Japan in successfully industrialize. Japanese corporations, with their emphasis on quality, innovation and customer service, as well as their unique style of human resource management and governance provide an alternative to corporations that follow the Western business model. In this specialization, students will be able to assess both the success and failures of Japanese management practices, which provides a foundation for new models 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

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**Japanese Corporations and Asia Pacific**

The constant flux of market conditions requires adaptation as well as provides opportunities for creating new market and social values. This specialization prepares students to develop multi-dimensional strategies and sustainable capabilities for organizations in order to cope with the changing business environment.

**Elective Subjects**

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

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**Banking Management**

A full scale accounting

- Corporate Finance

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**Finance and Commerce**

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

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MBA 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, skills employers look for and the type of work that suits them best. Faculty and students also provide various consultation services to local industries and have the opportunity to interact with executives at the front lines of change.

Many international and Japanese companies and organizations find APU’s international students highly employable with their multilingual skills and in-depth knowledge of their chosen field. As a result, more than 350 companies visit APU’s campus specifically to recruit students every year. APU offers detailed career education and training to all students throughout their period of study.

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

Sample Internships

- Aladdin Blue Industry Co., Ltd.
- Appling Co., Ltd.
- APU Transportation Co., Ltd.
- Fisco Japan Co., Ltd.
- Oita Transportation Co., Ltd.
- Fisco Japan Co., Ltd.

Sample Careers

- Academic Career
  - Accounting
  - Consumer Behavior, Tourism Marketing, Viral Marketing, Co-Creation
  - New Product Development, Innovation Management, Technology Management
  - International Expansion, Innovation Diffusion, Network Evolution
  - Managerial Commitment, Managerial Values, Employment Relations
  - Institutional Political Economy, Development Economics, Theories of Batching, Comparative Financial Systems, Islamic Finance
  - Business Administration, Global Logistics, Global Logistics in East Asia, International Trade, Asia Pacific Management, International Business English
  - International Trade Operations, Institutions and Customs
  - Growth Theory, Trade Theory, Urban and Regional Economics, Economic Dynamics, Ethics, East-Asia Philosophy
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  - Accounting

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. 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)
Graduate School of Management
MBA 2015

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Students Testimonials

Over the years, our alumni have put to use the skills they gained at APU and continue to shape the world in a variety of different ways. Here are a few testimonials of APU’s graduate students.

Nicholas John Nderungo (Tanzania)
Graduate School of Management
MBA Program

It is a wonderful and unique experience studying in Japan, precisely as a graduate student of APU. The MBA program here provides me with a global understanding of business as well as in-depth study of the Japanese Management style. My study focuses on innovation and operation management and I am confident that the knowledge I acquire in this program will equip me with an alternative set of skills and the creativity necessary to solve world business concerns.

The campus provides an amazing environment with modern facilities and a diverse student body from over eighty countries. There are also numerous opportunities for interaction that support both academic and social life with fellow students and faculty. During my studies, I have also enjoyed traveling around Japan and this has greatly helped me in becoming a well-rounded person.

Xiaolong Zou (China)
Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies
Doctoral Program

After finishing the APU’s dual degree program and half a year of working in Beijing, I returned to APU to embark on the Ph.D. endeavor. My research focuses on understanding and evaluating sustainable urban development models such as eco-cities, low-carbon cities and smart cities in Asia.

APU offers a great platform for my research and provides useful database access and abundant literature collections. I have excellent working relationships with supervising faculty and research support staff, which greatly boosts my academic performance and results.

I enjoy the multicultural campus here at APU, and constantly get inspired by conversing with my fellow colleagues from different disciplines. This has been a valuable experience for me both as a student and a researcher.

Rashmi Kumari (India)
Graduate School of Management
MBA Program

When I was looking for an MBA program, I found APU among the top twenty business schools in the field of international management in East Asia. With a background in Japanese language and prior experience living in Japan during my undergraduate study, I opted for APU’s MBA program because of the availability of English instruction and various scholarship opportunities provided to me.

With countless careers options emerging in the globalized world, APU prepared us—the future managers—to understand and appreciate different cultures. My classmates at APU come from all corners of the globe, which fosters a strong community that shares, discovers and learns together.

Ri Sil Park (South Korea)
Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies
International Cooperation Policy
Tourism and Hospitality Division

Studying at APU significantly impacted my life. Under the division of Tourism and Hospitality in International Cooperation Policy, I studied and researched destination development and tourism policy. Through this, I learned the importance of policies and how to apply the ideas of tourism into destination and regional development. Furthermore, the environment at APU taught me how to shape my own world in a multicultural society by interacting with people from various countries. As a result of active participation in several school activities, I realized that mutual understanding can only happen when we accept the differences of each other and seek ways to work and live together. I believe APU is the perfect place where you can experience a real global society!

Ariane Albers (Germany)
Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies
International Cooperation Policy
IMAT Program

The two-year IMAT graduate program broadened my horizons, reaching beyond the conventional boundaries of discipline, culture and business. IMAT provides a unique theoretical and practical setting within small-sized classes, enriched by valuable debates and input on sustainability issues and challenges. This included looking at issues such as management practices and policy aspact of waste and wastewater management, energy efficiency, renewable energy and technology from different perspectives. Thus we were encouraged to develop critical and holistic thinking skills as well as problem-solving capabilities tailored to specific projects or situations. From this study, I learned to view things differently and to see potentials and opportunities in every challenge to move towards more sustainable development. Also, I appreciated the international and multicultural integration of the program offered both in Japan and Germany. I personally valued meeting people from different parts of the world which boosted my intercultural competence and open-mindedness to succeed in today’s global community.

At the end of my studies, I decided to return to Europe and pursue a Ph.D. in France. This was a significant step as it allowed me to continue my research in the field of tourism and hospitality sustainability. I am grateful to APU for providing me with the knowledge and skills necessary to achieve this goal.
APU is located in Beppu, a small city of 120,000 inhabitants located on the northeastern coast of Kyushu, the southernmost major island in the Japanese archipelago. The city is famous for its abundance of onsen (hot springs), and 140,000 tons of water gush daily from over 2000 sources, which is 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 following 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 450,000, which was the venue for four matches of the 2002 FIFA World Cup Korea/Japan™.

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 Multicultural Weeks. These events are organized to showcase the multitude of languages and cultures of our student body. During these weeks, students gather to celebrate their unique diversity through dance, film, music, and various other types of performances. The university also holds a cultural festival annually, called Tenkusai, where students put each other’s countries on show with food stalls, exhibitions, musical performances and cultural shows.

APU is a modern campus located approximately 400 meters above sea level with a spectacular view of the city, mountains and ocean. Our lecture halls, seminar rooms, classrooms and media rooms are equipped with the latest audiovisual and computer technology, enabling our students to take part in conferences and seminars happening in other parts of the world in real time. APU’s library, part of the Ritsumeikan Network, allows students access to over 2.3 million books and publications. International newspapers, magazines, periodicals and video materials are available, and students are able to study together and carry out discussions in our group-learning area, Pangaase.

Within the Faculty Office Building, graduate students have their own lounge, lockers and computer rooms. There are also small study rooms where students can bring their own computers and work on their papers and research. As faculty members have offices in the same 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.

FACILITIES
There are dormitory-style 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. At AP House 4, experienced students selected as Resident Assistants (RA) are available to provide help and support to residents. AP House 4 is located off-campus in downtown Beppu and it takes about thirty minutes to 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 in the form of private apartments and shared student housing. The cost of rent in Beppu is considerably lower than most other Japanese cities.

Additionally, students can get assistance in locating and renting accommodations from Creatch, a university-affiliated company.
At APU, outstanding students have opportunities to fund their study under a range of different scholarships. There are several scholarships available, ranging from the APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship to full scholarships sponsored by various organizations such as the World Bank, Asian Development Bank and Japanese Government.

### APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship

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. This scholarship can be applied for through our regular application form at the time of application to APU’s graduate programs. All applicants are eligible to apply for this scholarship. Scholarship results will be notified together with the screening results. Please note that the APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship will be cancelled if you receive any of the external scholarships from categories (2) and (4) listed below. After enrolling at APU, students also have opportunities to apply for additional scholarships.

### External Scholarships with APU Recommendation

In addition to completing the APU graduate school application form, other documents are necessary to apply for the following scholarships. Please review the 2017 External Scholarship Guidelines and Eligibility Criteria Checklist provided on the admissions website for complete information regarding eligibility and application requirements. The number of recipients for the scholarships listed below is determined at the discretion of each scholarship organization.

#### MEXT Scholarship (Top Global University Project)

- **About the Scholarship**
  - This scholarship was established at APU after the university was selected for MEXT’s Top Global University Project (SGU).
  - Universities selected for this project can provide this scholarship to outstanding international students with excellent academic performance. The scholarship also aims to enhance the international competitiveness of Japanese universities.

- **Eligibility**
  - Overseas master’s applicants

- **Award**
  - Full Tuition 144,000 - 147,000 JPY/month for living expenses (amount subject to change)

- **Application Period**
  - April 2017 Enrollment: Aug 1, 2016 (Mon) - Sep 28, 2016 (Wed)
  - September 2017 Enrollment: Nov. 14, 2016 (Mon) - Dec. 7, 2016 (Wed)

- **Application and Selection Process**
  - Download the Eligibility Criteria Checklist from the APU Admissions website and submit it to APU along with all other documents during the application period.
  - APU will recommend outstanding eligible candidates to MEXT for this scholarship after receiving their documents. Final decisions regarding scholarship awards will be made by MEXT. Results will be announced on Nov 7, 2016 (Mon) for April 2017 Enrollment, and on Jan 23, 2017 (Mon) for September 2017 Enrollment.

#### MEXT Scholarship (University Recommendation)

- **About the Scholarship**
  - MEXT provides this scholarship to international students who are recommended by APU to enhance international competitiveness and promote active exchange of international students in Japanese universities.

- **Eligibility**
  - Overseas master’s applicants

- **Award**
  - Full Tuition 144,000 - 147,000 JPY/month for living expenses (amount subject to change)
  - Economy class air travel between the home country and APU at the beginning and end of the program.

- **Application Period**
  - September 2017 Enrollment: Nov 14, 2016 (Mon) - Dec. 7, 2016 (Wed)
  - Not available for April 2017 enrollment.

- **Application and Selection Process**
  - Download the Eligibility Criteria Checklist from the APU Admissions website and submit it to APU along with all other documents during the application period.
  - APU will recommend outstanding eligible candidates to MEXT for this scholarship after receiving their documents. Final decisions regarding scholarship awards will be made by MEXT. Results will be announced on Jan 23, 2017 (Mon) for September 2017 Enrollment.

#### Asian Development Bank-Japan Scholarship Program (ADB-JSP)

- **About the Scholarship**
  - The ADB-JSP Scholarship aims to provide an opportunity for well-qualified citizens of ADB’s developing member countries to pursue graduate studies in development-related fields of the Asia Pacific region. Upon completion of their study programs, scholars are expected to contribute to the economic and social development of their home countries.

- **Eligibility**
  - Overseas master’s applicants (excluding MBA and IEET programs)

- **Award**
  - Full Tuition 144,000 - 147,000 JPY/month for living expenses (amount subject to change)
  - Economy class air travel between the home country and APU at the beginning and end of the program.

- **Application Period**
  - September 2017 Enrollment: Jan 10, 2017 (Tue) - Mar 1, 2017 (Wed)
  - Not available for April 2017 enrollment.

- **Application and Selection Process**
  - Download the Eligibility Criteria Checklist from the APU Admissions website and submit it along with the ADB-JSP application form and all other documents.
  - APU will recommend outstanding eligible candidates to the Asian Development Bank for this scholarship after receiving their documents. Final decisions regarding scholarship awards will be made by the Asian Development Bank. Results will be announced by the end of July 2017.

#### Other External Scholarships

APU also accepts graduate students on scholarships from various other organizations. For these scholarships, applicants must apply directly to the organizations. Please refer to their websites for details.

- **MEXT Scholarship (Embassy Recommendation)**

- **Japanese Aid for Human Resource Development Scholarship (JDS)**
  - http://jds-scholarship.org/afca/

- **African Business Education Initiative for Youth (ABE Initiative)**
  - http://www.education-japan.org/peace/

- **Pacific Leaders’ Educational Assistance for Development of State (Pacific-LEADS)**
  - http://www.pacificleads.org/

- **The Project for the Promotion and Enhancement of the Afghan Capacity for Effective Development (PEACE)**
  - http://www.education-japan.org/peace/

- **JICA Scholarship for Japanese Immigrants and Their Descendants in Latin America and the Caribbean**
  - http://www.jadesas.or.jp/en/

- **The Nippon Foundation Nikkei Scholarship “Dream Come True Project”**
  - http://www.jica.go.jp/english/our_work/social_environmental/asia/southeast/indonesia_c03.html

- **The Project for the Promotion and Enhancement of the Afghan Capacity for Effective Development (PEACE)**
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- **Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program (JJ/WBGSP)**
  - About the Scholarship
  - This scholarship targets individuals from World Bank member countries who wish to undertake graduate studies at universities renowned for their development research and teaching. The aim of this scholarship is to help create an international community of highly trained professionals working in the fields of economic and social development. The recipients will be expected to actively participate in capacity-building efforts in their home countries and regions.

  - **Eligibility**
  - Overseas master’s applicants from World Bank member countries (excluding MBA and IATM programs)

  - **Award**
  - Full Admission Fee
  - Full Tuition 144,000 JPY/month for living expenses (amount subject to change)
  - Economy class air travel between the home country and APU at the beginning and end of the program.

  - **Application Period**
  - September 2017 Enrollment: Jan 10, 2017 (Tue) - Mar 1, 2017 (Wed)

  - **Application and Selection Process**
  - Download the Eligibility Criteria Checklist from the APU Admissions website and submit it to APU along with all other documents.
  - APU will recommend outstanding eligible candidates to the World Bank for this scholarship after receiving their documents. Final decisions regarding scholarship awards will be made by the World Bank. Results will be announced by the end of July 2017.
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