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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 Palms “**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).

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

WHY APU ?

CREATE A FUTURE BEYOND BORDERS

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.

PROGRAMS

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Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies (GSA)	Master's	Asia Pacific Studies (APS)	Master of Science (Asia Pacific Studies)	International Relations (IR)	7
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				Accounting and Finance (AF)	
				Marketing and Management (MM)	
				Innovation and Operations Management (IOM)	

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES (GSA)

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.

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT (GSM)

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 sensibilities required for a successful career in international business.

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 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 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.



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, Southeast Asia Environment, Climate Change and Disasters,
Natural Resource Management, Non-Governmental Organizations, Social Organizations and Social Movements

MASTER'S PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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 conditions and international issues, pursue feasible solutions and pave a path 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.

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)

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

Dual Degree Program
International Material Flow Management (IMAT)

Students who complete the IMAT program are also awarded a Master of Engineering in International Material Flow Management from the Institute for Applied Material Flow Management (IfaS), Trier University of Applied Sciences (Germany). Only September enrollment is available.

DOCTORAL PROGRAM

Asia Pacific Studies (APS)

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

*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.

MASTER'S CURRICULUM

All graduate school lectures are taught in English.

Subject Category	Subject Name
Analytical Foundation Subjects	Research Methods and Academic Writing Information Resources and Data Analysis
Core Subjects on the Asia Pacific Region	Social and Cultural Processes in the Asia Pacific Politics and Economics in the Asia Pacific Environment and Sustainable Development in the Asia Pacific Tourism in the Asia Pacific Public Health in the Asia Pacific
Seminars	Research Project I Research Project II Research Project III Final Research Project
Major Subjects	Refer to each division (p.7 to 14)
Core Related Subjects	Decision Making Under Uncertainty Information Technology and Operations Management Product Development Strategy Marketing Strategy Marketing Research Hospitality Management Management Information Systems Database Management Advanced Data Analysis and Statistics
Optional Subjects	Survival Japanese I Survival Japanese II Japanese for Communication I Japanese for Communication II Japanese for Communication III Japanese for Communication IV

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (IR)

M. SC. ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES



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.

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

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

RECOMMENDED ELECTIVE SUBJECTS

- Changing Social Landscapes
- Migration and Trans-nationalism
- Social Organization and Institution
- Disaster Relief and Rehabilitation
- 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

Yoichiro Sato, Ph.D., Professor

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

Hidetaka Yoshimatsu, Ph.D., Professor

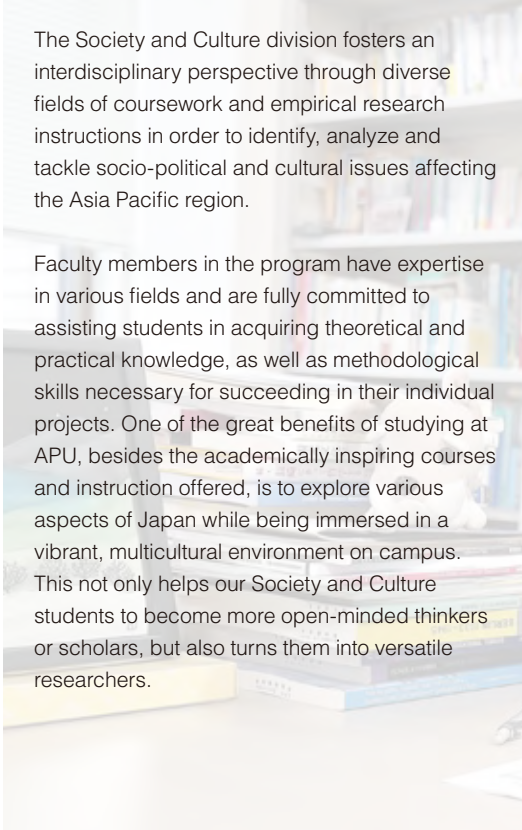
International Relations, International Political Economy, Regional Studies (East Asia)

Utpal Vyas, Ph.D., Associate Professor

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

SOCIETY AND CULTURE (SC)

M. SC. ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES



The Society and Culture division fosters an interdisciplinary perspective through diverse fields of coursework and empirical research instructions in order to identify, analyze and tackle socio-political and cultural issues affecting the Asia Pacific region.

Faculty members 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.

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, Comparative Culture Studies

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 social and cultural backgrounds of the countries in the regions, it enables students to have greater employment opportunities in government, industrial, commercial and academic institutes.

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

RECOMMENDED ELECTIVE SUBJECTS

- Regionalism and Globalization
- Comparative Politics and Government
- Planning and Evaluation
- Urban Sustainability
- Comparative Economic Development
- Community Development

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 Phenomena in Western Fans

SAMPLE CAREERS

Academic Career

- University lecturer
 - Doctoral program
- Government Offices*
- Embassy of Israel, Japan

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

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

Sociology-Anthropology, Southeast Asia, Environment, Climate Change and Disasters, Natural Resource Management, Non-Governmental Organizations, Social Organizations and Social Movements

Yufu Iguchi, Ph.D., Professor

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

Yiu-Chung Ko, Ph.D., Professor

Sociology, Work and Occupation, Social Development, Social Psychology

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

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

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

RECOMMENDED ELECTIVE SUBJECTS

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

SAMPLE RESEARCH TOPICS

- Regionalism within the Context of the WTO: A Case Study of the TTIP: Threat of a Stepping 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 Offices*
 - Kudus Local Government, Indonesia
 - National Bureau of Statistics, China
 - Noawi Local Government, Indonesia
- Companies and Organizations*
 - World Bank

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: Public Health, Health Economics, Environmental Health, Bioethics

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 sustained 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.

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 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

SAMPLE RESEARCH TOPICS

- Government-Non-Governmental Organization Partnership for Community-Based Tuberculosis Control in Rural Area of Indonesia: A Case Study
- The Perceived Quality of Healthcare Service and Patients' Satisfaction in District Hospitals, Ulaanbaatar City, Mongolia

SAMPLE CAREERS

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

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

John Rose, Ph.D., Professor

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

Serik Meirmanov, Ph.D., Associate Professor

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

Masafumi Nakagami, Ph.D., Associate Professor

Development Economics, Health Economics

SUSTAINABILITY SCIENCE (SS)

M. SC. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY

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 problems, etc. Talking and discussing in such a diverse research group is both fun and inspiring.



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

Degree: Ph.D. in Engineering (Kyoto University, Japan), M.Sc. in Urban Geography (East China Normal University, China)
Research Fields: Environmental Impact Assessment, Environment Policy, City Planning, Architectural Planning, Traffic Engineering, Land Planning, Social System Engineering, Safety Systems

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.

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)

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

SAMPLE CAREERS

- 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
 - Cotopaxi Energy Limited, India

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

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

Davar Pishva, Ph.D., Professor
Environmentally Sound Technologies (ESTs), Simulation and Modeling (SaM), Decision Science (DS)

Faezeh 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

Tomonori 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

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 Beppu, 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 knowledge, science and/or management principles. Celebrating a decade of APU-IfaS cooperation, IMAT has produced over 90 International Material Flow Managers to date.



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: 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) Master of Engineering in International Material Flow Management (from the Trier University of Applied Sciences)
Division:	Sustainability Science (SS)
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:	100,000 JPY per semester (400,000 JPY total)
Administration Fee in Germany:	172 Euros per semester (344 Euros total) Amount subject to change.

SUBJECTS

- Students take Sustainability Science major subjects and a selection of IMAT subjects such as:
- 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

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 Fukuoka City, Japan
- Off-Grid RET Barriers and Supports in Developing Countries with Case Study of Solar Home System in Cambodia

TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY (TH)

M. SC. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY

One of the outstanding aspects of the Tourism and Hospitality division is its diversity in terms of research, teaching expertise, nationality and backgrounds of its faculty members — who are originally from Japan, New Zealand, Australia, South Korea, Iran and Vietnam. The courses taught in the TH division are some of the most popular on campus, with almost half of APU's students taking at least one course in this field.

Our division is making a constant effort to deepen academic knowledge and cooperate with local relevant stakeholders to maximize its potential as a leading institution in the field. Last but not least, the TH division also attempts to make great use of its geographic advantage as Beppu is one of the most well-known tourist destinations in Japan, particularly due to the abundance of natural hot springs.



Timothy Lee, Ph.D., Professor and Division Head (Australia)

Degree: Ph.D. in Management (University of Surrey, UK), M.A. in Management (University of Surrey, UK), MBA (Long Island University, USA)
Research Fields: Health and Wellness Tourism, Local Identity Issues in the Tourism and Hospitality Industry, Cultural Heritage Tourism, Tourism Development which Incorporates East Asian Standards, Festival and Mega Events, Gaming Industry

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 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 to 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 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 Haipong City (Vietnam) and Fukuoka City (Japan)

SAMPLE CAREERS

Academic Career

- University lecturer
- Doctoral program

Government Offices

- Consulate of the Republic of Mauritius, Tokyo
- Government Office, Vietnam

Companies and Organizations

- Resort Complex, Japan
- Japan Tourism Marketing Co., Japan
- National Park Resort Villages of Japan, Okamura, Japan

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

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

Sociology

Malcolm 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 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 Anthropology/Folklore Studies, Agricultural Heritage Tourism

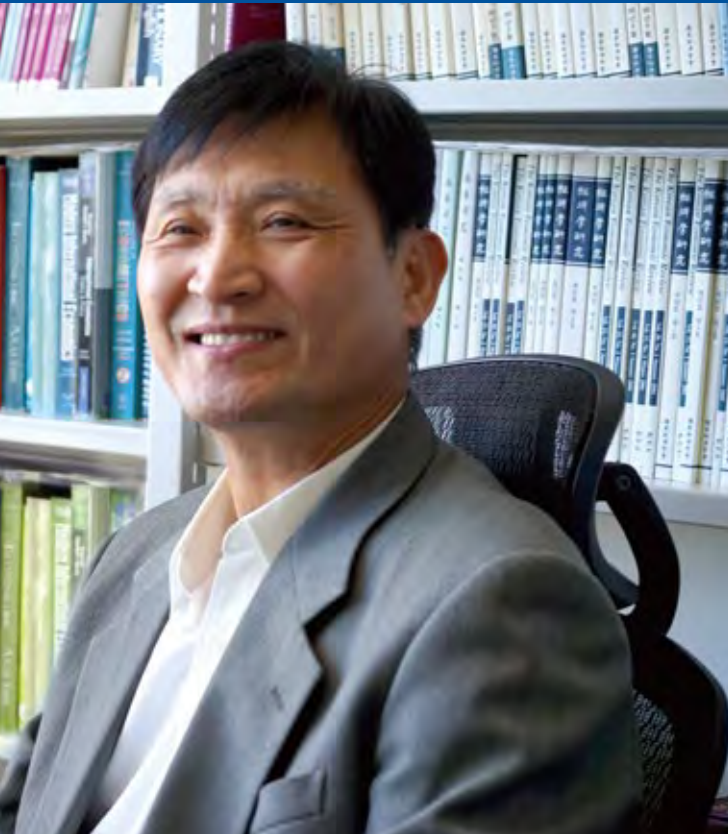
DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS (DE)

M. SC. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION POLICY

The Development Economics division invites students to explore the aspects of economic growth in developing countries. Our division not only emphasizes researching such topics but also emphasizes the study of policies and practices that improve the living standard of the populations through public or private channels.

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. They also continue to hone their expertise by actively researching development economics and publishing their work in international academic journals.

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 various job experiences in their home countries, to prepare yourself for a career in international development on the world stage. We look forward to welcoming you as a new member of our excellent division.



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

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)

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 Oudomxay, Northern Province, Lao PDR
- Empirical Analysis: Determinant of Inflation Pressures 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, Republic of Sierra Leone
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development, Canada

FACULTY AND THEIR RESEARCH FIELDS

Kaoru Natsuda, Ph.D., Professor
Asian Political Economy, International Development Studies, Economic Policy

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

Susumu Yamamoto, Ph.D., Professor
Industrialization Strategy of Developing Countries, Catch-up Business Strategy of Latecomers

Kozo Otsuka, 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:

- I. Understanding the current situation in the Asia Pacific region: Research examines and defines critical issues currently facing the region by synthesizing the results of previous studies.
- II. Working to create a prosperous future for the Asia Pacific region: Future-oriented research focuses on strategies for establishing sustainable development in the region.

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.

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.

The doctoral program is highly personalized and prospective students are encouraged to contact APU at an early stage to discuss their research interests and program structure.

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 Kizu 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



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.

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 2015, about 250 participants from 20 countries gathered on the APU campus.

ACADEMIC JOURNALS

- Asia Pacific World (APW) is a fully peer-reviewed journal published electronically on the APU website. It is open to graduate school students.
- The RCAPS Journal is a non-refereed academic journal. The editorial board conducts screening. It is open to graduate school students.
- APU Journal of Language Research is a non-refereed, language and linguistic focused academic journal edited by the Center for Language Education at APU.
- RCAPS Working Paper Series is an online series, which provides a venue for students and researchers to publish their works in a more casual way.
- 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 an academic conference.

Ph.D. Research Support Subsidy

Ph.D. students are entitled to this subsidy for various research activities such as participating in conferences, long field research, or publishing papers. They may receive up to 100,000 JPY a year.

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





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

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 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 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.

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 management techniques, interactive classes with faculty and fellow students from around the world as well as opportunities for independent research and internships in the university's extended network with Japanese companies and organizations.

In addition to providing a standard curriculum for international business management, this program also offers students a chance to explore 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.

INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION

The Associate to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB - <http://AACSB.edu/>) 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.

COURSE 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.

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.

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. No extra fees will be charged for earning more than forty-four credits.

MASTER'S PROGRAM

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.

MASTER'S CURRICULUM

All graduate school lectures are taught in English.

Subject Category	Specialization /Field	Subject Name
Required Subjects	Analytical Foundations	Quantitative Analysis and Statistics Managerial Economics
	"Core Business Fundamentals"	Marketing Finance Leadership and Organization Behavior Technology Management Business Ethics International Management Accounting Theories of Institutions
	Capstone	Strategic Management
Elective Subjects	Refer to each specialization (p.20)	
Seminars		Management Seminar I Management Seminar II Management Seminar III
Core Related Subjects		Decision Making Under Uncertainty Management Information Systems Database Management Advanced Research Methods
	Japanese Language Subjects	Japanese for Communication I Japanese for Communication II Japanese for Communication III Japanese for Communication IV

LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF MBA COURSES

APU's Graduate School of Management is committed to the "Assurance of Learning" criteria set by the AACSB. To achieve this, APU aligns the overall learning goals of the MBA program with the learning objectives of each course. This system ensures that the curriculum will equip students with business ethics, an advanced knowledge of a discipline, a sense of innovation and global perspectives to help them excel in the business world.

By examining the curriculum alignment matrix below, students will be able to find out what practical skills they will gain from each course and then register for courses that will help develop their desired set of skills.

Learning Goal		1) Business Ethics		2) Advanced Knowledge of Discipline				3) Sense of Innovation		4) Global Perspectives	
Specialization/ Classification	Learning Objective	a. To formulate practical resolutions of an ethical dilemma using an ethics model or framework	b. To evaluate ethical implications of contemporary business issues	a. To demonstrate understanding of advanced business concepts in a specialized field	b. To apply advanced analytical tools (qualitative and /or quantitative) to examine business problems	c. To integrate functional knowledge for developing business solutions	d. To demonstrate an advanced level of writing and presentation skills	a. To identify the opportunities and challenges of innovation in a business setting	b. To design innovative business and/or research projects	a. To reconcile between academic theories and practices in international business	b. To evaluate the managerial impact of global issues
	Subject										
Analytical Foundations	Quantitative Analysis and Statistics				○						
	Managerial Economics		○	○	○	○	○	○		○	○
Core Business Fundamentals	Marketing			○			○		○		
	Finance			○	○	○				○	
	Leadership and Organizational Behavior	○	○		○		○				
	Technology Management			○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
	Business Ethics	○	○								
	International Management									○	○
	Accounting			○	○	○					
	Theories of Institutions	○		○	○	○	○	○		○	○
Capstone	Strategic Management					○	○				
Japanese Management/ Accounting and Finance	Financial Institutions and Markets			○	○	○	○			○	
Japanese Management/ Marketing and Management	Management in Asia and Japan									○	○
	Management of Japanese Family Business				○	○					
	Hospitality Management			○	○	○					
Japanese Management	Japanese Corporations and Asia Pacific		○			○				○	○
Japanese Management/ Innovation and Operations Management	Quality and Operations Management			○	○						○
Accounting and Finance	Financial Accounting		○	○	○	○			○	○	
	Corporate Finance				○		○			○	
	Financial Engineering and Risk Management			○	○		○				
	Managerial Accounting		○	○	○	○			○		○
Marketing and Management	Human Resource Management	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		○	○
	Product Development Strategy			○	○			○	○		
	Marketing Strategy					○	○		○		
	Marketing Research			○		○				○	
Innovation and Operations Management	Information Technology Management			○	○		○				
	Supply Chain Management			○	○			○			
	Entrepreneurship and New Business	○			○		○	○	○		
	National Innovation Systems			○			○	○			
	Project Management				○	○				○	

MBA SPECIALIZATIONS

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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)

Degree: Dr. in Business and Economics (Technical University of Berlin, Germany)

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

ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE (AF)

The **Accounting and Finance (AF)** specialization discusses theories and concepts of corporate finance, financial engineering, financial institutions and financial and managerial accounting. This provides students with the skills to understand and interpret financial and accounting information. With advanced knowledge and tools in these areas, students will be able 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

INNOVATION AND OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT (IOM)

The **Innovation and Operations Management (IOM)** specialization focuses on production planning, production management, inventory management, quality management, supply chain management and the impact of information technology on the entire process of production. Students will also learn to manage product development, innovation and entrepreneurship from a technological perspective. This specialization also addresses the question as to why some communities are more innovative than others.

Elective Subjects

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

MARKETING AND MANAGEMENT (MM)

The **Marketing and Management (MM)** specialization focuses on understanding and managing the human dimension of organizations and markets. In business organizations, some of the most important actors are managers, employees and customers, whose decisions and actions are guided by a range of factors, from very ‘rational’ aspects to subjective perceptions such as emotion and moral values. 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

- 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

JAPANESE MANAGEMENT (JM)

The **Japanese Management (JM)** specialization focuses on the philosophy and practices of Japanese corporations, which helped Japan to successfully industrialize. Japanese corporations, with their emphases 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

MBA CAREER PATHWAYS

GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES

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

Akebono Brake Industry Co., Ltd.
Arcterus Co., Ltd.
Convention Linkage, Inc. Oita Branch
Fisco Japan Co., Ltd.
Japan Tourism Marketing Co.
Oita Transportation Co., Ltd.
Pricewaterhouse Coopers Co., Ltd.

Sample Careers

<i>Academic Career</i>
Ateneo de Davao University, Philippines
University of Economics and Law, Vietnam
Takming University of Science, Taiwan
<i>Government Offices</i>
Prime Minister's Office, Kyrgyz Republic
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Sierra Leone
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development, Canada
Ministry of Economic Development and Trade, Republic of Tajikistan
Ministry of Education, Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Ministry of Finance, Kyrgyz Republic
Ministry of Finance, Republic of Indonesia
Ministry of Finance, Republic of Tajikistan
<i>Companies and Organizations</i>
Bandai Namco Entertainment Inc.
Bank of Tokyo Mitsubishi UFJ, Japan
Nissan Motor Co., LTD., Japan
NTT Communications, Japan
Panasonic Corporation, Japan
Vietnam Airlines
Ericsson Japan
Microsoft Japan Co., Ltd., Japan
Ecopetrol S. A., Columbia
Hays Specialist Recruitment Japan K.K., Japan
Hikari Kikai Seisakusho Co., Ltd., Japan



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)
Graduate School of Management
MBA 2015

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT FACULTY

Faculty	Research Fields
Behrooz Asgari, Ph.D., Professor	Technology Management, Economics of Technological Change, Industrial and Systems Engineering
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
Marian 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
Thomas Diefenbach, Ph.D., Professor	Organization Studies, Management, Business Ethics, Social Philosophy, Cooperatives
Ali Haider, Ph.D., Professor	Managerial Commitment, Managerial Values, Employment Relations
Muhammad T. Khan, Ph.D., Professor	Spread Spectrum Communications, Applications of ICT
Abdullah-Al-Kafi Majumdar, Ph.D., Professor	General Mathematics, Social System Engineering, Smarandanche Sequences and Functions
Yukihiko Nakata, Ph.D., Professor	Technology Management
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
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
Yasushi Suzuki, Ph.D., Professor	Institutional Political Economy, Development Eeconomics, Theories of Banking, Comparative Financial Systems, Islamic Finance
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
Wei-Bin Zhang, Ph.D., Professor	Growth Theory, Trade Theory, Urban and Regional Economics, Economic Dynamics, Ethics, East-Asia Philosophy
Lailani L. Alcantara, Ph.D., Associate Professor	International Expansion, Innovation Diffusion, Network Evolution
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	Global Corporate Social Responsibility, Community Business, Human Resources Management, Comparative Management, Enterprise Resource Systems
Seiichi Fujii, Ph.D., Associate Professor	New Product Development, Innovation Management, Technology Management
Geunhee Lee, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Consumer Behavior, Tourism Marketing, Viral Marketing, Co-Creation
Hiroto Sato, Ph.D., Associate Professor	Accounting



STUDENT 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.

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!

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



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 aspects 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.

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

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

Rashmi Kumari (India)
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.

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



STUDENT LIFE



FACILITIES

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, Pangaea.

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 their offices in the same building, students can easily consult with their supervisors during office hours.

BEPPU CITY

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 spring baths), 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 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 was the venue for four matches of the 2002 FIFA® World Cup Korea/Japan™.

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.

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 others’ countries on show with food stalls, exhibitions, musical performances and cultural shows.

Accommodation

All graduate students are guaranteed 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. At AP House 4, experienced students selected as Resident Assistants (RAs) 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 Creotech, a university-affiliated company.

APPLY TO APU



The following is a brief outline of the application and enrollment procedures for 2017 enrollment. For more details 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.

APPLICATION PERIODS

April 2017 Enrollment	Application Period
Overseas Applicants Domestic/Internal Applicants	Oct 10, 2016 (Mon) - Nov 2, 2016 (Wed)
Domestic/Internal Applicants	Nov 14, 2016 (Mon) - Dec 7, 2016 (Wed)

September 2017 Enrollment	Application Period
Overseas Applicants Domestic/Internal Applicants	Feb 6, 2017 (Mon) - Apr 5, 2017 (Wed)
Domestic/Internal Applicants	Apr 10, 2017 (Mon) - May 24, 2017 (Wed)

Overseas Applicants
All applicants residing outside Japan, excluding Japanese nationals
Domestic Applicants
All international applicants residing in Japan from the time of application to the date of the interview and all Japanese nationals whether living in Japan or abroad
*Applicants who possess a short-term stay visa or any visa which will expire before or during the application process will not be considered as domestic applicants.
Internal Applicants
Applicants currently enrolled in Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU) or Ritsumeikan University

STUDENT VISAS

Applicants who do not possess Japanese nationality or who do not have a valid visa are required to obtain a student visa in order to study in Japan. APU applies for a Certificate of Eligibility to Japan’s immigration authorities on behalf of admitted applicants. This certificate must then be used by the applicant to apply for a student visa.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Master’s degree applicants must have completed an undergraduate (bachelor’s) degree or equivalent, while doctoral applicants must have a master’s degree or equivalent and demonstrate adequate ability for independent research. All non-native speakers of English are required to provide test scores such as the TOEFL® test, TOEIC® test, IELTS or PTE Academic. The score requirements are as follows:

Minimum English Proficiency Requirement				
TOEFL® iBT Test	TOEFL® PBT Test	IELTS	TOEIC® Test	PTE Academic
80	550	6.0	780	50

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MBA applicants must have at least two years of full-time work experience or a satisfactory GMAT® or GRE® score. Details regarding general requirements and additional requirements for each program can be found in our Application Handbook and website.

Screening

Screening is mainly paper based, though in some cases an interview may be required. Application screening is conducted on the basis of documents submitted with the application form, with no written examination required. Applicants who reside in Japan are required to attend an interview at APU. More information can be found in the APU Admissions Handbook and website.

Ph.D. Applicants

All Ph.D. applicants are required to first find a supervisor who matches their research field and then undergo prescreening before they can officially apply. Information about our faculty and their research fields can be found on our website. The prescreening procedure is used to help find out if an applicant’s research topic is suited to our program. For more information regarding prescreening, please refer to our Application Handbook or website. The application periods to submit documents for prescreening are shown below. Please note that prescreening documents submitted after these dates will not be accepted, and applicants will be unable to apply for that semester.

Prescreening Periods:

April 2017 Enrollment: Aug 1, 2016 (Mon) - Sept 28, 2016 (Wed)
September 2017 Enrollment: Nov 14, 2016 (Mon) - Jan 18, 2017 (Wed)

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.

(1) 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.

(2) 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).

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 IMAT programs)
Award	・ Full Admission Fee ・ Full Tuition ・ 144,000 JPY/month (amount subject to change) for living expenses ・ 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 APU 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.

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 IMAT 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) 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. Online application to the World Bank is also required at a later date. ・ 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.

(3) THE RYOICHI SASAKAWA YOUNG LEADERS FELLOWSHIP FUND (SYLFF)

All eligible admitted applicants to APU will be automatically recommended for this scholarship. No additional application documents are required to apply.

About the Scholarship	This scholarship is for master's candidates admitted to APU, whose research relates to the following theme: "Issues and Opportunities in the Asia-Pacific Region: Rapid Transformation amid Accelerating Globalization". The research must also be related to the Sylff policy of taking a cross-disciplinary approach to tackle global issues and overcoming differences of nationality, language, religion and political systems.
Eligibility	Admitted master's applicants
Award	1,000,000 JPY/annually (100,000 JPY/ month for April and October, and 80,000 JPY/ month for the remaining 10 months) from October 2017 to September 2019 This scholarship will be revoked if the candidate takes a leave of absence.
Application Period	September 2017 Enrollment: Feb 6, 2017 (Mon) - Apr 5, 2017 (Wed) Not available for April 2017 enrollment.
Selection Process	APU will select outstanding eligible candidates and recommend them to Sylff for this scholarship.

(4) 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)

http://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/koutou/ryugaku/boshu/1369743.htm

Japanese Grant Aid for Human Resource Development Scholarship (JDS)

<http://jds-scholarship.org/>

African Business Education Initiative for Youth (ABE Initiative)

<http://education-japan.org/africa/>

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

<http://www.jica.go.jp/english/countries/oceania/Pacific-LEADS.html>

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

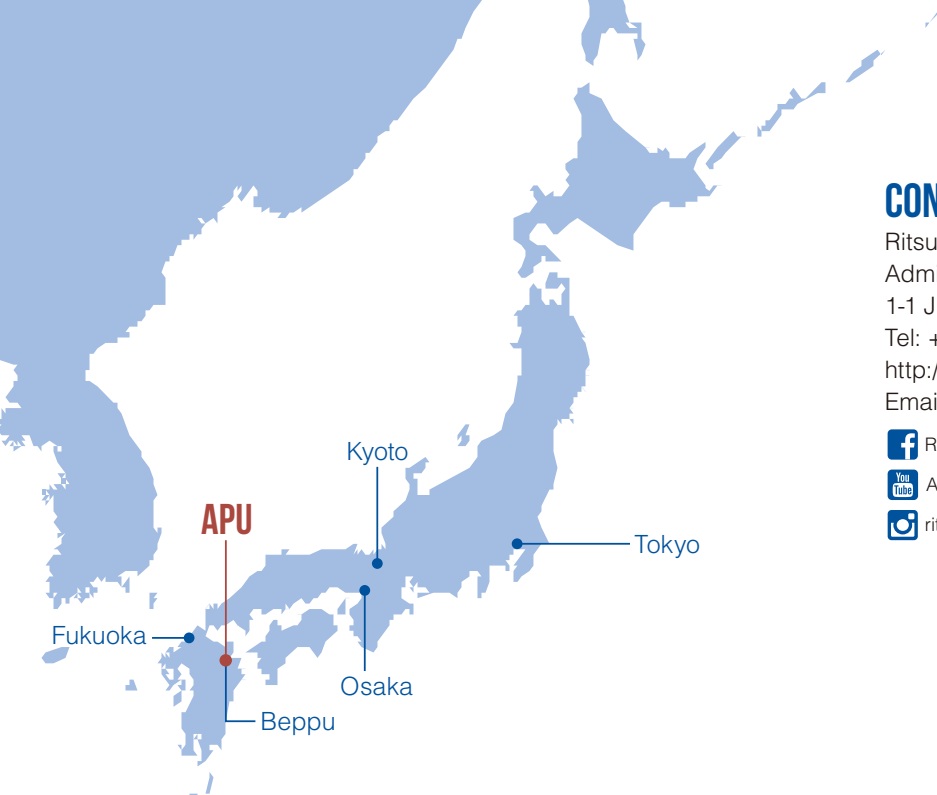
<http://www.jadesas.or.jp/en/>

The Nippon Foundation Nikkei Scholarship "Dream Come True Project"

<http://www.jadesas.or.jp/en/>

Professional Human Resources Development Project IV (PHRDPIV)

http://www.jica.go.jp/english/our_work/social_environmental/id/asia/southeast/indonesia_c03.html



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