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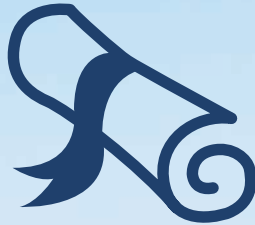
GRADUATE PROGRAMS

JOIN APU'S GLOBAL COMMUNITY

**TOP 5 PRIVATE JAPANESE
UNIVERSITIES
IN QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS**



**ALL COURSES
TAUGHT IN ENGLISH**



**90% SCHOLARSHIP
RECIPIENTS**



**INTERNATIONAL
ACCREDITATION**

**STUDY IN ENGLISH
IN BEPPU, JAPAN**

Osaka

Tokyo

All facts and figures are based
on the 2027 academic year

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT (MBA) MASTER'S PROGRAM

The Graduate School of Management (GSM) curriculum is very flexible, allowing students to pursue a broad range of interests.

Our five learning objectives: lead with purpose, redefine business, think globally, leverage diversity, and dare to create a better future, will help students grow into individuals with a global mindset ready to tackle any challenge they may encounter in their future careers.

Students can either study a generalized MBA or choose to focus on one of the four specializations listed below.



AACSB
ACCREDITED



ASSOCIATION
OF
AMBA



**40 YEARLY
INTAKE**



**OVER 500
ALUMNI**



**OVER 30 COUNTRIES AND
REGIONS REPRESENTED
BY GSM STUDENTS**



SPECIALIZATION SUBJECT LIST

Below are some of the main subjects within each specializations. A full list is available on [**APU's official website**](#)

MBA Curriculum



Japanese Management

- Financial Institutions and Markets
- Hospitality Management
- Japanese Management and Entrepreneurship

Accounting and Finance

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

Marketing and Management

- Agile Product Development & Design Thinking
- Human Resource Management
- Marketing Research

Entrepreneurship, Innovation, and Operations Management

- Digital Business Strategy
- Innovation Systems and Entrepreneurship
- Quality and Operations Management

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES MASTER'S & DOCTORAL PROGRAM

A HUB FOR INNOVATIVE AND INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH IN THE ASIA PACIFIC

The Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies (GSA) aims to cultivate human resources that will contribute to the development and coexistence of the world in general, and the Asia Pacific region in particular.

GSA
Master of Science

Asia Pacific Studies (APS)

The Master's Program in Asia Pacific Studies aims to cultivate human resources that will contribute to the cross-cultural understanding of coexistence in the Asia Pacific region and beyond. These individuals will possess a keen interest in research pertaining to and specialized knowledge and skills in society, culture and media studies, and they will demonstrate cross-cultural understanding, and an interdisciplinary approach required for the development of the region.

International Cooperation Policy (ICP)

The International Cooperation Policy Master's program 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.



**60 YEARLY
INTAKE**

**OVER 1000
ALUMNI**

**OVER 60 COUNTRIES AND
REGIONS REPRESENTED
BY GSA STUDENTS**

MASTER'S PROGRAM SUBJECT LIST

Below are some of the main subjects within each track and division.
A full list is available on [APU's official website](#)

GSAM Curriculum



APS

TRACKS
*Choosing track is optional

Contemporary Society

- Sociology of Everyday Life
- Social Organizations and Institutions
- Sociological Theory

Culture and Media

- Media and Communication
- Popular Cultural Studies
- Cross-cultural Trends in Asia Pacific Studies

ICP

DIVISIONS *Must choose one division

International Relations (IR)

- International Conflict Resolution
- International Law
- International Political Economy

Policy Science and Transitioning Societies (PS)

- Comparative Politics and Government
- Disasters, Crises, and Public Policy
- Development Finance

Development Economics (DE)

- Comparative Economic Development
- Sustainable Community Development
- International Economy

Sustainable Development and Environment (SDE)

- Civil Society and Sustainable Development
- Ecological Economics
- Sustainable Energy Policy

Tourism and Hospitality (TH)

- Current Issues in Tourism and Hospitality
- Hospitality and Service Design
- Community Based Tourism

DOCTORAL PROGRAM

Doctor of Philosophy - Asia Pacific Studies

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.



**10 YEARLY
INTAKE**

**OVER 100
ALUMNI**



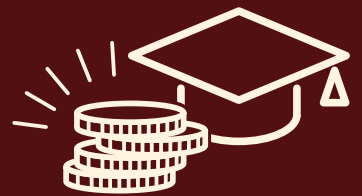
**OVER 10 COUNTRIES AND
REGIONS REPRESENTED BY
PH.D. STUDENTS**

DOCTORAL APPLICANTS

To determine if your research can be conducted through our program you must request a Supervisor Confirmation Letter from one of our Ph.D. Supervisors.



TUITION AND FEES



One Time Admission Fee

- 200,000 JPY

Comprehensive Insurance Fee

- Approximately 5,000 ~ 14,000 JPY

Living costs and other fees

- Approximately 1,000,000 JPY / per year

Tuition

(until completion of the program)

- GSAM 3,110,000 JPY
- GSAD 4,765,000 JPY
- GSM 4,200,000 JPY

*The tuition fee for each individual varies according to the awarded amount of APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship.

*Tuition fees may be subject to change.

Scholarships Available

1. APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship - all applicants eligible to apply

- 30%, 50%, 65%, 80% or 100% tuition reduction
- Covers annual tuition in a partial or full amount until graduation

2. External Scholarships - provides tuition and monthly stipend

- Asian Development Bank – Japan Scholarship Program (ADB-JSP)
- African Development Bank-Japan Africa Dream Scholarship (AfDB-JADS)
- MEXT Scholarship
- Other **scholarship opportunities**

3. Scholarships Available After Enrollment

Scholarships Info



ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Educational Qualification

Master's Applicants

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent

Doctoral Applicants

- Master's degree or equivalent

2. One of the following English Language Proficiency tests and minimum score:

- IELTS/IELTS Indicator - 6.5
- TOEFL iBT Test® - 85 / 4.5
- TOEIC® L&R Test - 800 and S&W 315 (both required)
- Cambridge English Language Assessment/Linguaskill - 176
- PTE Academic - 69

3. MBA Applicants Only: At least 3 years of full time work experience

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APPLY ONLINE

Visit APU's Admissions website for the application schedule and step by step instructions on **how to apply**



How to Apply

APPLICATION PERIOD

April Intake

September – Early December

September Intake

September – Mid March

APU ALUMNI VOICE

I had been wanting to pursue higher studies in Japan for quite some time. As a former employee of Ritsumeikan University in India, I chose to go for APU's AACSB- and AMBA-accredited MBA program. The small, compact class sizes at APU's graduate school create an efficient study environment. As one of the most diverse universities in Japan, with students and faculty from all corners of the world, my time at APU taught me the value of cultural differences. Moreover, APU offered ample networking opportunities with various organisations globally.

Sakshi Verma, India, MBA Class of 2022
E-Procurement and Business Development, HIPUS Co. Ltd, Japan



CAREER PATHWAYS

- Asian Development Bank, Philippines
- ExxonMobil Corporation, Thailand
- Fobang Foudation, Cameroon
- Health Services University of Mongolia
- La Casa Del Jade, Guatemala
- Ministry of Industry and Trade, Viet Nam
- Ministry of Transport, Kenya
- National Bank of Ethiopia
- National Taiwan University, Taiwan
- POSCO-America, Mexico
- UNICEF Cambodia Office
- Unilever, Indonesia
- University of Queensland, Australia
- World Wide Fund for Nature, Zimbabwe

UNIVERSITY LIFE

A PERFECT PLACE TO STUDY ABROAD

APU is located in Beppu, a city in Oita Prefecture on the island of Kyushu, which is the southernmost major island of Japan. Beppu's population is around 110,000 people, nearly 6,000 of which are international residents. Set along the coast of sparkling Beppu Bay to the east and beautiful mountains to the west, this city has four distinct seasons for you to experience. With the welcoming local community and a lower cost of living compared to larger cities such as Tokyo or Osaka, Beppu is an ideal location for your university studies.



STUDENT LIFE IN BEPPU

Stay healthy and safe with Beppu's medical facilities and emergency preparation services. The city has numerous large hospitals and smaller medical clinics available that you may visit when necessary. As a student you'll be registered with Japan's national health insurance, making your medical care quite affordable. In the case of a natural disaster, Beppu keeps its residents informed of updates on social media in several languages. Japan's early warning system send alarms automatically through cell phones and television to keep you ready should an earthquake occur.

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