

Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies

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International Cooperation Policy



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Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University

Declaration on the Occasion of the Opening of APU

Since the beginning of human history, human beings have attempted to create their own distinctive cultures and develop civilizations in the various regions of the world. They have also had to overcome many constraints and obstacles in order to achieve their goal of living in conditions of freedom, peace and humanity.

The twentieth century was an era of rapid progress and unprecedented advance in the political, economical and cultural fields, as human activity increasingly took place on a global scale. Through the experience of the two World Wars, the United Nations and other international organizations were formed to enhance cooperation in order to maintain peace and to promote international understanding.

Given that the 21st century will see the emergence of a global society, we firmly believe that coexistence between mankind and nature, as well as between diverse cultures, will be indispensable for the peaceful and sustainable development of the Asia Pacific region. This is why we are now establishing

a university here, to nurture the young talent and to create a new academic discipline which will help shape the region's future. April 1, 2000 therefore marked the birth of the Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, based on a vision of freedom, peace and humanity, mutual international understanding, and the future shape of the Asia Pacific region. The establishment of the University at Jumonjibaru, in Beppu City, has been made possible through the cooperation of the people of Beppu and Oita Prefecture, together with many others both within and outside Japan.

Our hope is that it will be a place where the young future leaders from countries and regions throughout the world will come to study together, live together, and understand each other's cultures and ways of life, in pursuit of goals that are common to all mankind.

The Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University is hereby declared open.



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Welcome to APU

Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University was inaugurated in April 2000 as Japan's first genuine international university. In 2003 we opened the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies, seeking to train specialists to lead the Asia Pacific region into a new era.

The Asia Pacific region is rich with diverse cultures, societies, traditions and lifestyles. Thanks to advances in communication technology, the increased pace of globalization has started to unite the region and necessitate closer cooperation of the Asia Pacific nations. This spirit of cooperation has, for the first time in history, allowed the region to address issues of pollution, energy resource depletion, population increase and poverty, as well as create new directions for industry development, tourism promotion and sustainable economic growth.

The Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies examines Asia Pacific issues from a global perspective, pursuing a policy-oriented, strategic method of research. It promises to create an exciting new approach to Asia Pacific studies. Our graduates will have the skills to contribute in a meaningful way to international cooperation and further development of the region in the 21st Century. We heartily welcome students who have a desire to conduct in-depth research on the Asia Pacific and play an active role in fostering international cooperation.

CASSIM, Monte
President, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University



The Graduate School



The Founding Spirit of the Ritsumeikan Trust

The history of Ritsumeikan dates back to 1869 when Prince Saionji Kinmochi, an eminent international statesman of modern Japan, founded "Ritsumeikan" as a private academy on the site of the Kyoto Imperial Palace. In 1900, Nakagawa Kojuro, former secretary of Prince Saionji, established Kyoto Hosei School, an evening law school that was open to working people. This school formally adopted the name Ritsumeikan in 1913 and acquired the status of a university in 1922.

The University was founded on the ideals of liberalism and internationalism advocated by Prince Saionji and on the ideals of academic freedom and vivacity pursued by Nakagawa Kojuro. These ideals survived the intense suppression seen before World War II, as evidenced by the fact that Ritsumeikan University accepted seventeen professors that the government forced to leave Kyoto Imperial University because of their pacifist activities.

After World War II, Ritsumeikan dedicated itself to the advancement of peace and democracy. In 1948, Ritsumeikan became one of the first Japanese universities to be reorganized under the new educational system. Ritsumeikan reformed its processes to ensure the democratic administration of the university and to better fulfill its civic duties.

APU is now leading Ritsumeikan to a prominent position in the global education arena of the 21st century.

The GSA Program

Since the opening of the Graduate School in Asia Pacific Studies in 2003, the graduate program at APU has started to evolve rapidly. Initially the program in Asia Pacific Studies was split into two streams, Asia Pacific Studies, and International Cooperation Policy. The latter was in turn subdivided into courses concentrating on Economic Development, Public Administration, the Environment and Tourism.

The Asia Pacific Studies stream remains both broad in scope and interdisciplinary in nature, allowing students maximum freedom in negotiating their own areas of interests. The APS curriculum is arranged around three sets of courses: common subjects, major subjects, and research seminars. Common courses currently available cover research methods and data analysis, political trends and political economy, regionalism and globalization, societies of the Asia Pacific, theoretical approaches to studies of the region, management, and the environment. Major subjects include courses on regional sociology, media and communications, migration, international relations, governance, and sustainability, as well as intensive courses on the major sub-regions of Northeast and Southeast Asia. These are supplemented with research seminars, in which students develop their own research topics with the eventual goal of completing their Master's thesis.

Most of the English-language books purchased by APU since 2000 have focused on the countries of the Asia Pacific region, and the number of on-line full-text journals is multiplying rapidly, making it one of the best collections in Japan. For students who want a broad interdisciplinary understanding of the region, this course represents a flexible package, easily tailored to suit individual requirements.

Dean Fukui conducts research on the "earthen bund" method of irrigation. He acquired the NASA-designed kite shown here in order to get pictures of the structures he researches. The picture on page 1 was taken using his kite from an estimated 200 meters above APU — if you look close enough, you can see the kite string.



Message from the Dean

This university, true to its name, is committed to the Asia Pacific region because we believe that the region shall play an increasingly important role in global society in the 21st century. The Asia Pacific Studies (APS) major at the Master and Doctoral levels attempts to identify the region's role amidst apparently inconsistent trends: on the one hand, the undeniable trend of globalization reflecting the legacy of Western dominance in the last few centuries, and, on the other, the irrepensible desire for identification and self-determination of all peoples worldwide.

The International Cooperation (ICP) major at the Master's level emphasizes professional training in the following four fields: development economics, international public administration, environmental policy and administration, and tourism policy and administration. We have identified these four fields as the most relevant in view of the future role of the Asia Pacific, and those most in want of skilled personnel trained at the graduate level. We welcome those who want to be active players in this international arena.

Professor FUKUI Hayao
Dean, Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies



Asia Pacific Studies

Master's in Asia Pacific Studies (APS)

The Master's in Asia Pacific Studies aims to train and educate competent leaders capable of understanding and tackling the problems brought on by change. Through examining current research relating to the Asia Pacific, the program encourages students to analyze real-world situations facing the region today.



It also aims to establish a fresh direction for education and research — a new approach to Asia Pacific studies intent on finding practical

solutions for the region and how they should be implemented.

In addition, the Ritsumeikan Center for Asia Pacific Studies sponsors various seminars, symposia and conferences, inviting experts to speak on current issues affecting the region. Through such events, the program seeks to build a global network of Asia Pacific researchers and make the university a world-class center for Asia Pacific studies.

Doctorate in Asia Pacific Studies (APS)

This program is highly personalized and is designed for those who want to continue in-depth research into the field of Asia Pacific studies. It aims to expand the existing boundaries of the field and facilitate projects that set new standards for future research.

Research should integrate the results of other investigations into Asia Pacific issues as well as incorporate individual findings — findings that outline strategic, policy-oriented, practical solutions to issues arising from current developments in the region.

APS Career Paths

Master's graduates can expect to find employment in advanced educational and research organizations as well as industries in or dealing with the Asia Pacific, non-profit aid organizations, and other such groups associated with the region. National and local government agencies in Japan and around the world are also eager to hire specialists in this rapidly developing field of study. As an alternative, individuals may choose to pursue a doctoral degree after graduation.

PhD holders can expect to secure employment in many of the same types of organizations hiring APS Master's graduates. Expertise in theoretical and empirical approaches to investigation, along with an in-depth knowledge of the Asia Pacific region, will allow them to take on leading roles in advanced research institutions and international organizations around the world.

Yearly intake

Master's Programs	Students
APS	15
ICP (45)	
Development Economics	15
International Public Administration	10
Environmental Policy & Administration	10
Tourism Policy & Administration	10
TOTAL	60
Doctoral Program	
APS	10



"APU's ability to offer a Master's level education in a single year is truly a testament to the level of the faculty, staff, and facilities available at APU."

FENG, Lizeng

ICP 1st year, China.



There is very little flexibility among Japan's many graduate institutions: most require that students pass an entrance exam, possess a certain degree of proficiency in Japanese, et cetera.

The graduate school at APU, however, is different. At APU, classes are held in

English by professors that have proven themselves as strong contenders on the world stage, eliminating the need for knowledge of the Japanese language as a requisite to admission. Students are provided with a wealth of opportunities to learn about Japan and its culture, after which they are tasked with researching their specialized topic of interest. Furthermore, day-to-day life on a campus in Japan that boasts students from 71 different countries and regions around the world helps our students fully realize all that is encompassed by "multiculturalism." Finally, given the increasing demand for

individuals with an intricate understanding of the region, a significant amount of emphasis is placed on specialization in the Asia Pacific Region.

APU is also dedicated to ensuring that all of the cultures of the world are represented on our campus through offering financial assistance to students from developing countries that come to Japan for their studies. APU is actively recruiting students from developing countries and offering them large amounts of financial assistance. Our statistics paint a clear picture: more and more graduate students are coming from different countries around the world as we continue to progress into the future. Specifically, an average financial assistance rate of roughly 80% and an increased rate of enrollment for students from developing countries clearly indicate that the policy of the Ritsumeikan Trust is alive and well at APU.

Professor MANI A.

Dean of International Cooperation · Research



International Cooperation Policy (ICP)

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International Cooperation Policy (ICP) major



Tourism is a field that has traditionally experienced very little educational variation between universities. APU, however, has taken the initiative in developing and offering a tourism curriculum that uses the booming Asia Pacific region as a

platform to discuss and analyze how tourism affects the world. Beyond simply maintaining a global focus in the classroom, campus life in its entirety fosters multicultural understanding and multilingual communication.

The year 2006 brings with it one especially exciting change to our program here at APU. We will be implementing study trips, which will give our students up-front access to the way currently established tourist destinations are operating. These trips will also become a source of internship opportunities for

our graduate students, allowing them to expand their knowledge of how tourism works in the real world.

Beyond simply understanding the theory of tourism, it is very important that students are able to function and communicate in our borderless world. In this regard, I honestly believe that there is no equivalent to an education at APU. With students from 71 different countries and regions all gathered together on a single campus in Japan, arguably the locus of economic advancement in the Asia Pacific Region, attending classes at APU is easily the equivalent of shedding a monocultural cocoon and experiencing the world.

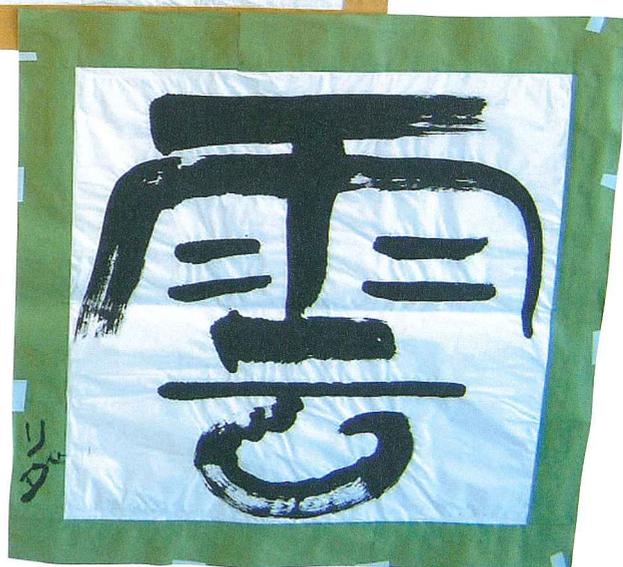
Simply put, APU is in the business of creating the leaders required to meet the demands of the future. If you want to have a rewarding career molding the future of our globe, APU will provide the cornerstone to your dreams.

Professor COOPER, Malcolm
Vice President (Research Affairs)



"My time at APU has been very satisfying. I honestly feel like APU has prepared me with all the tools I will need to make a difference in our global society."

VAFADARI MEHRIZI, Kazem
2nd year PhD, Iran



Master's in International Cooperation Policy (ICP)

Providing support to developing nations in the Asia Pacific is a prerequisite to ensuring sustainable development in the region. Development of a living environment, creation and development of new industries and market economy reforms are just some of the major issues which need to be addressed. The Master's in International Cooperation Policy provides students with the practical skills necessary for contributing to organizations that work closely with developing nations. As an interdisciplinary study, the program draws upon diverse fields to train creative professionals who can consider issues from multiple perspectives and formulate pragmatic solutions appropriate for the region. The program recognizes the urgency of the current Asia Pacific situation and seeks to tackle current problems head-on with a policy-oriented approach. Students can opt to specialize in any one of the following four areas:

- Development Economics
- International Public Administration
- Tourism Policy and Administration
- Environmental Policy and Administration

ICP Career Paths

The competent professionals that graduate from this program will be well equipped to make informed decisions with wide reaching effects in the Asia Pacific region and the world. They can expect to find employment as leaders of international aid organizations and directors of policy planning. Both private and government agencies, in Japan and around the world, are in need of specialists knowledgeable in issues of international public administration, the environment, tourism, and development economics—the four main issues addressed in this program.



Curriculum

Master's Programs (APS & ICP)

Requirements for completion

To complete a Master's degree, all students must earn 36 or more subject credits, and submit either a Research Report or Master's Thesis for approval by a screening committee. All subjects are worth 2 credits each, except Research Projects I, II and IV (4 credits each) and Research Project III (6 credits).

Course models

We have laid out two possible courses of study which may be taken by students enrolling in the ICP major in 2006.

Please note that these are simply examples of how the requirements for completion are applied in practice.

Any other combination of subjects from the program is possible, within the limitations of the requirements for completion and depending on class schedules.

Environmental Policy & Administration focus - Fall enrollment, completion in 1 year

This is an example of a course of study which may be pursued by a student who enrolls in the Fall semester and wishes to complete the program on an intensive basis in one year. The example schedule reflects a specialization in Environmental Policy & Administration with particular interest in environmental management of development projects in Southeast Asia.

	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter
Common subjects At least 10 credits	Advanced Research Methods The Environment and Natural Resources in Monsoon Asia	Introduction to the Asia Pacific Region II	Advanced Data Analysis and Statistics	Introduction to the Asia Pacific Region I
Major subjects At least 24 credits	Theories of Sustainable Development Ecotourism in the Asia Pacific	Development and Conservation Theories of Environmental Policy and Administration Special Lecture (ICP) Public Administration of Environmental Issues	Environmental History of the Asia Pacific Sustainable Use and Mgt. of Tropical Forests	The Asia Pacific and Global Environmental Issues
	Research Project II		Research Project I Research Project IV (Research Report)	

Doctoral Program

Requirements for completion

There are two stages to completion of the doctoral program.

Registration as a doctoral candidate: this requires completion of 24 subject credits, including submission of two research papers, and approval by a university committee. This usually occurs at the end of the second year.

Award of PhD degree: After obtaining doctoral status students must complete a further six credits (for an overall total of 30). In order to obtain the PhD students must also submit a dissertation, present it in public and have it approved by a committee of examiners. The dissertation is usually submitted at the end of the third year.

Doctoral supervision can be provided in the following areas:

- Diversity and Integration in the Asia Pacific
- International Political Economy in the Asia Pacific
- Environment and Development in the Asia Pacific
- Development of Asia Pacific Tourism after 1945
- Economic Development and Management

Those interested in the doctoral program are required to submit a CV and research proposal to the university for pre-screening and assignment of a faculty supervisor prior to applying formally.

Course model:

	1st Year	
	Spring Semester	Fall Semester
Lectures	Perspectives on A.P.S.	Theories for A.P.S.
Seminars	Advanced Research on A.P.S. I	Advanced Research on A.P.S. II
Research and Presentations		Research Paper I
Tutorial		
Accumulated Credits	4	12

APS major

- (1) At least 10 credits from Common subjects.
- (2) At least 24 credits from Major subjects:
 - must include at least 14 credits from Research Projects I to III
 - may include up to 8 credits from International Cooperation Policy (ICP) major subjects

ICP major

- (1) At least 10 credits from Common subjects.
- (2) At least 24 credits from Major subjects:
 - must include at least 4 credits from ICP Common subjects
 - must include at least 12 credits from Research Projects I, II, III or IV
 - may include up to 4 credits from Asia Pacific Studies major subjects.

International Public Administration focus - Spring enrollment, completion in 2 years

This is an example of a course of study which may be pursued by a student who enrolls in the Spring semester and completes the program in two years, a specialization in International Public Administration would be awarded upon completion of this example.

1st Year	Spring Semester		Fall Semester	
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter
Common subjects At least 10 credits	Regionalism and Globalization	Introduction to the Asia Pacific Region I	Advanced Research Methods	Political Trends in the Asia Pacific
Major subjects At least 24 credits	International Relations in the Asia Pacific	International Cooperation Policy	Regional Organizations in the Asia Pacific	Human Resource Management
	Research Project I, II			
2nd Year	Spring Semester		Fall Semester	
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter
Common subjects At least 10 credits	International Political Economy			
Major subjects At least 24 credits	International Financial Organizations	The Asia Pacific and Global Environmental Issues	International Organizations - U.N. Experiences	
	Governance in the Asia Pacific			Research Project III (Master's Thesis)

Spring Enrollment, 3 year completion

All subjects are worth 2 credits, except for Research Paper I and II, which are worth 4 credits each.

*It is also possible to enter the doctoral program in Fall, and pursue a similar course of study.

2nd Year		Doctoral Candidacy	3rd Year		Submission and public presentation of dissertation and approval by a Screening Committee
Spring Semester	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	Fall Semester	
Advanced Research on A.P.S. III	Advanced Research on A.P.S. IV	Advanced Research on A.P.S. V	Advanced Research on A.P.S. VI		
Research Presentation	Research Paper II	Tutorial II			
	Tutorial I				
16	24	28	30		



Subject listings

Common Subjects (APS & ICP)

- Advanced Research Methods
- Advanced Data Analysis and Statistics
- Political Trends in the Asia Pacific
- Regionalism and Globalization
- Contemporary Societies of the Asia Pacific
- Introduction to the Asia Pacific Region I
- Introduction to the Asia Pacific Region II
- International Political Economy
- Management in Asia and Japan
- The Environment and Natural Resources in Monsoon Asia
- Special Lecture

Introduction to the Asia Pacific Region II

Applying area studies methodologies to an examination of the relationship between the Asia Pacific region and other regions of the world, in order to identify the standing and significance of the region in a global context.

International Political Economy

Differing levels of greed for money, hunger for power, and laziness are key characteristics of all humans. On a group level, these individual characteristics interact to determine the political and economic nature of how people live. When there is more than one group of people, political economy becomes international. This course is designed to make international political economy, a seemingly dull, complex and irrelevant subject, exciting, simple and useful to everyone. Candidates for this course need only to be human beings to develop a sophisticated understanding of the interaction between economics and politics on a global basis. No prior economic knowledge is required, nor is previous knowledge of political science.

Management in Asia and Japan

Asian business and industry are examined in light of prevailing economic conditions in the region. Analysis of conditions in specific nations and industrial sectors, to identify business management practices developed in response to Asia's unique features and diversity.

The Environment and Natural Resources in Monsoon Asia

In this subject, some selected problems of environmental deterioration and natural resource exhaustion in monsoon Asia are taken up, and the scientific background of them are explained. They include the problems of peat swamp forest and mangrove salinization, loess (yellow sand), acid rain, smoke from forest fires, soil erosion, water pollution and fish ponds, marine resources, urban environment, and land subsidence.

Special Lecture (GSA Common)

This subject aims to observe language planning, language policies and language teaching policies/practices in a selected number of Asia Pacific countries in a broad context of each country's linguistic, educational, political, and economic situations. The subject will be taught in the following sections:

- Section 1: A review of modern Japan's language teaching policies, with particular reference to Japanese and English language teaching.
- Section 2: A discussion of modern Japan's language planning and policies in the context of Japan's development after the Meiji Restoration.
- Section 3: Second language learning, with particular reference to instructional methods, contexts, innovations, policies and prospects in North America.
- Section 4: First language learning and literacy, with particular reference to concepts and innovations current in North America.

Common Subjects

Available to Master's students in both the APS and ICP programs. Lecture-style classes cover fundamental research methods and approaches along with introductions to political, social and economic issues facing the Asia Pacific region.

Advanced Research Methods

Methods for research in social sciences with reference to actual research papers on relevant topics. Development of skills and research networks in preparation of research reports at the graduate level.

Advanced Data Analysis and Statistics

Methods of quantitative data analysis, and their application to research in social sciences. Presentation of basic statistical theories and concepts.

Political Trends in the Asia Pacific

This subject surveys some of the political issues and theories used in the analysis of the Asia Pacific region. Issues to be discussed include those of colonialism and imperialism, orientalism, development, globalization and deregulation, and international relations. The subject will be based on student presentations of important texts related to the theme of each lecture.

Regionalism and Globalization

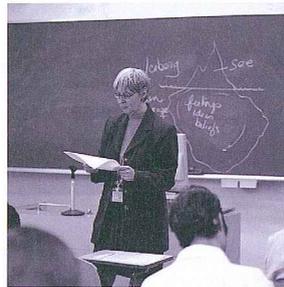
Theoretical and practical perspectives on the post-Cold War movement towards regionalism. Examination of regionalism through its relationship with the new globalization movement.

Contemporary Societies of the Asia Pacific

Examining the dynamism of Asia Pacific societies currently in the process of drastic change.

Introduction to the Asia Pacific Region I

Methods and issues in cross-disciplinary analysis of political, social, cultural and environmental issues in the Asia Pacific region.



Asia Pacific Studies (APS) Major

Governance in the Asia Pacific
Changing Social Landscapes in the Asia Pacific
Media and Communications in the Asia Pacific
Transnational Migration in the Asia Pacific
International Relations and Regionalism in the Asia Pacific
The Sociology of Everyday Life in the Asia Pacific
Sustainable Use and Management of Tropical Forests
Asia Pacific Studies I (Theories)
Asia Pacific Studies II (Perspectives)
Free Electives

Seminars

Asia Pacific Studies (APS) Major

These subjects provide the foundation for informed and in-depth exploration of individual research themes. Students are encouraged to explore issues such as the identity of the Asia Pacific and patterns of interaction and development within the region.

Governance in the Asia Pacific

Global governance issues, examined in the light of the current climate of tension in North Asia. Political structures for effective governance in the Asia Pacific region as a whole.

Changing Social Landscapes in the Asia Pacific

This subject examines shifts in population, ethnic makeup, social and economic structure, and international relations currently occurring in the Asia Pacific region, examined from historical perspectives of social organization in the region.

Media and Communications in the Asia Pacific

This subject will discuss the emergence of information media and communication in the modern information era. The main topics covered include media studies based on theory and the role of media and communication in sociology, political science, anthropology etc. Many practical examples will be presented, and students will be encouraged to discuss and solve complicated issues through media and communication in the Asia Pacific region.

Transnational Migration in the Asia Pacific

Examination of environmental and resource issues faced by the global society, ethnic conflict and population shifts triggered by large-scale cross-border movement, and the influence of new industrial development and technological change. Review of the once-dominant bipolar theory of East-West cultural interchange, and exploration of recent shifts to theories encompassing multi-directional interaction.

International Relations and Regionalism in the Asia Pacific

Examination of the growing trend of forming regional economic and political decision-making bodies and networks, signifying the increasing inter-reliance between nations in the Asia Pacific region. Shifts in patterns of international interaction as a reflection of the growing complexity of the region.

The Sociology of Everyday Life in the Asia Pacific

The historical, cultural and religious backdrops to the diverse life patterns of people in the Asia Pacific. Structures for interracial conciliation in multicultural societies such as Singapore and Malaysia, and the lifestyle systems which facilitate co-existence among different groups in these societies.

Sustainable Use and Management of Tropical Forests

A discussion of the ecological, technological, social, economic and administrative issues relevant to sustainable management of tropical forests. Current approaches and trends in the planning and management of tropical rainforests will be analyzed and discussed with particular emphasis on the forests of the Asia Pacific region. The involvement of local, national and international actors and stakeholders will also be discussed. Strategies for enhancing the effectiveness and sustainability of tropical forest resource management will also be explored.

Asia Pacific Studies I (Theories)

Theoretical foundations for construction of the Asia Pacific studies. Possibilities of systematic organization of the many interdisciplinary themes which form the theoretical basis of Asia Pacific Studies.

Asia Pacific Studies II (Perspectives)

The ultimate objective of this subject is to let students construct their own perspectives of Asia Pacific studies. In the first half of this course, fieldwork methodologies for interdisciplinary studies are surveyed, and their applicability to Asia Pacific studies is discussed. Emphasis is placed on the human-environment interaction, and agriculture and rural-urban relations as the interfaces of such interaction. Examples are taken mainly from Southeast Asia. The second half of the subject will examine the development of societies in the Asia Pacific with reference to select themes including the region's prospects for the near future.

Free Electives

Students have the opportunity to take subjects from areas other than their specialization, including those offered by other majors.

Seminars

APS students are also required to take Research Seminars I, II, and III. Please see page 14 for details about these courses.





Subject listings

International Cooperation Policy (ICP)

Common Subjects

- International Cooperation Policy
- Theories of Sustainable Development
- Human Resource Management
- Development Finance
- Technological Development
- Special Lecture (International Cooperation Policy)

Development Economics

- Development Economics
- Managerial Economics
- International Development Policy
- Project Planning
- Project Management

Common Subjects

These subjects are available to all students in the ICP major regardless of specialization.

International Cooperation Policy

Introduction to principles of international cooperation in the global society, and an overview of structures, organizations and practices for effective international cooperative activities. Objectives, methods and evaluation processes are examined through studies of cooperative projects implemented as part of Japan's Official Development Assistance program.

Theories of Sustainable Development

Examination of the concept of "Sustainable Development" from a political science / political economy / ecology perspective, and analysis of the evolution of this concept from a theoretical ideal to ground-level applications. Exploration of social and economic factors, and in particular environmental issues related to the formation and implementation of sustainable development policies, through case studies on international environmental initiatives.

Human Resource Management

This subject will present human resource management as a tool of competence for business. Students will be encouraged to consider the relationships between effective human resource management and marketplace competitiveness. Strategic and international perspectives will be introduced to help students to understand and grasp human resource management skills required for managers in the Asia Pacific region.

Development Finance

The importance of finance in the planning and implementation of development projects, and the history, structures, and operation of systems for development finance. Future directions for international financial institutions contributing to economic development in Asia.

Technological Development

With developments in technology, the world is changing daily and in the 21st century innovation will form one of the most important aspects of business activity. How can a person without a technological background understand or even participate in this change? The goal of this class is to seek answers to the following questions: Why is technological development so important for the growth of a company and a country? What is the difference between technological development and innovation? Why are there so many failures in the development of new businesses or new products? How can we manage innovation for sustainable growth on a company basis and on a national basis?

Special Lecture (International Cooperation Policy)

This subject will be conducted by a group of speakers who have expertise in various sectors and countries of the Asia Pacific region. Students will be briefed about the various schemes used in Japanese Technical Cooperation activities. Students will also be given an opportunity to gain insight into the detailed experiences and the opinions of various speakers from a variety of countries in Asia and the Pacific region. Students are encouraged to exchange their views and opinions with the speakers. Specific topics to be covered include: Education, Vocational Training, Women in Development, Public Health, Agriculture, Forestry, Environment, and Industrial Development. Other topics to be covered include comparison between the Japanese approach and that of other aid providers.

Development Economics

Subjects address economic and financial issues that arise in international development projects. From policy formation to implementation, the subjects stress the importance of designing consistent and successful projects.

Development Economics

Theoretical foundations of development economics, presented through case studies on changes in the economic development patterns since the 1970s, as well as examination of the latest theories. Practical examples of economic policy for development will be drawn from fields such as agriculture, manufacturing and trade.

Managerial Economics

Applying microeconomic theory, this subject will teach students the economic way of thinking about business decisions. We emphasize critical thinking skills and show students that managerial economics provides a sound way of analyzing business decisions.

International Development Policy

Development policy worldwide, examined through case studies of current development projects. Administration of international development policy in relation to these projects, particularly in view of conditions for official development assistance.

Project Planning

The role and function of public sector development projects as an influential contributor to growth in developing economies. Macroeconomic and sectoral planning of these projects.

Project Management

Issues in management of development projects in developing countries, including administration and budgeting. Examination of factors such as effectiveness of market mechanisms, and administrative methods employed by Japanese public sector organizations (JICA and others) engaged in such projects.



Development Economics (Cont.)

Project Evaluation

Comparative Economic Development in the Asia Pacific

Special Lecture (Development Economics)

International Public Administration

Regional Organizations in the Asia Pacific

International Public Administration

International Relations in the Asia Pacific

International Organizations: The UN Experience

Japanese Experiences in International Cooperation

International Financial Organizations

Public Administration of Environmental Issues

Special Lecture (International Public Administration)

Project Evaluation

This subject is designed to help students develop the ability to evaluate initiatives in international development cooperation. The subject focuses on acquisition of the knowledge and skills which correspond to current trends and priorities in international development. By participating in this subject, students will acquire the ability to evaluate development administrative activities and international development cooperation.

Comparative Economic Development in the Asia Pacific

The history of economic development in the Asia Pacific, with a focus on patterns of development in Japan, China, South Korea and Taiwan, and the correlation between these patterns.

Special Lecture (Development Economics)

This subject will review the economic development of Japan and other Asian countries. It will also study the roles and functions of development financial institutions (DFIs) in individual countries and the roles they played in their economic development. Next, observing the financial and economic situation of East-Asian countries that are in transition to market economies (China, Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, etc.) and considering the constraining factors for growth, we will discuss a winning strategy. In this class students will have a chance to learn about East Asia's distinctive economic development model, and carry out actual financial and economic analyses.

International Public Administration

Subjects address structures for administering multi-lateral international issues, cooperative initiatives and methods of conflict resolution. The Asia Pacific experience of international reorganization and its role in international cooperation are also analyzed.

Regional Organizations in the Asia Pacific

Discussion of the recent trend to form regional multilateral decision-making bodies, and the roles such bodies play in the Asian region. Particular analysis of APEC: its historical background, and its role in regional policy development and practices.

International Public Administration

The United Nations (UN) as a principal organ of international public administration: its function as a multi-lateral diplomatic forum encompassing a diversity of international political, economic and social interests, together with its broad-ranging and multi-faceted roles in the preservation of law and social order in global society. Possibilities for reform of international public administration processes.

International Relations in the Asia Pacific

International relations examined in the light of the recent dramatic structural changes in the international political environment: the end of the cold war, increasing ethnic conflict, and other post-1990 phenomena. Introduction to the conflicting theories of international relations which have emerged since World War Two, and comparison with newly-emerging challenges to these conventional theories.

International Organizations: The UN Experience

Exploration of the structure, functions and issues faced by international organizations responsible for public policy initiatives, using practical examples from various UN organs. Discussion of the need for structural reform of these organs to facilitate effective response to and participation in the issues facing global society in the 21st century. Current issues such as re-construction of Iraq and the regional issues involving North Korea as they relate to the UN and other inter-governmental organizations and the states.



Japanese Experiences in International Cooperation

Introduction to the structure, systems, and activities of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), the organization responsible for the technical cooperation aspect of Japan's official development assistance (ODA) programs overseas. Discussion of the significance of Japan's ODA to developing countries, and future prospects for Japanese ODA in Asia.

International Financial Organizations

This subject will examine the important role played by international financial organizations extending financial assistance to developing countries. The role of both multilateral and bilateral institutions will be thoroughly examined. Emphasis will be given to the activities of multilateral financial institutions such as World Bank Group, AfDB, EBRD, IaDB, IsDB, etc. with particular focus on the Asian Development Bank. Future directions of international financial organizations will be reviewed.

Public Administration of Environmental Issues

Discussion of the functions and methods of environmental administration, and the roles played by public administration in addressing environmental issues. Recent changes in administrative methods and policy leadership for environmental issues will also be examined.

Special Lecture (International Public Administration)

This subject focuses on the place of public institutions in Asia-Pacific societies, with an emphasis on change in the face of globalization and other factors. It takes the point of view that public institutions play a critical role in society and their improvement, or harm, through reform matters. It combines conceptual understandings of the different purposes of public institutions, their common shortcomings, and models of reform, with practical strategies for improvement and positive change.



Subject listings

International Cooperation Policy (ICP)

Environmental Policy and Administration

Theories of Environmental Policy and Administration
Urban Environmental Management
Environmental Economics
Development and Conservation
Fundamentals of Environmental Science
Environmental History of the Asia Pacific
The Asia Pacific and Global Environmental Issues
Special Lecture (Environmental Policy and Administration)

Environmental Policy and Administration

Subjects explore various policies and methods for managing the diverse urban and natural environments of the Asia Pacific region, with sustainable development held as the main objective.

Theories of Environmental Policy and Administration

Discusses the theories, principles and concepts relevant to environmental policy and administration. Current approaches and trends in formulating and implementing environmental policies at different levels of governance will be analyzed and discussed. Particular emphasis will be given to the emerging roles of civil society, local communities in the shaping of policy directions and the promotion of innovative ways of implementing policies. National and regional initiatives undertaken in relation to global treaties and agreements aimed at mitigating trans-boundary environmental issues will also be discussed. Strategies for making environmental policies flexible and responsive will be explored through case studies.

Urban Environmental Management

Examination of environmental changes induced by urbanization and ongoing development in urban areas. History and political economy of urban environmental administration, administrative structures, and current policy issues. Cost-benefit analysis of projects with environmental impacts. Analysis of the regulatory framework used in the management of urban environmental problems.

Environmental Economics

Exploration of the relationship between the environment and economy, economic assessment of environmental value, and formulation of environmentally appropriate policies for economic development.

Development and Conservation

Ethics, theories of control, and planning methods as the basis of environmental planning. Positioning of environmental factors in urban and regional planning and administration, and international conflicts of interest in long-term global environmental planning.

Fundamentals of Environmental Science

This lecture looks at the scientific basis of environmental science, an interdisciplinary field of study which combines ideas and information from natural sciences such as biology, geology, soil science, climatology, ecology; and social sciences such as economics, politics and ethics, to present a general ideas of how nature works and how things are interconnected. Students are guided to the major concepts and theories in these fields of science which are relevant to understand contemporary environmental issues in the Asia Pacific region.

Environmental History of the Asia Pacific

Historical perspectives on the relationship between the natural world and human society, with a view to restore this relationship as a means of solving current environmental problems.

The Asia Pacific and Global Environmental Issues

This subject examines the emergence of global environmental problems and possible solutions, based on the intersection between human society and the natural environment. Reviews of the effectiveness of policy science-style approaches to the problems of global warming and water resource management will also be reviewed.

Special Lecture (Environmental Policy and Administration)

Focus on specific topics in environmental science and management. An introductory course for remote sensing data analysis including air-photo interpretation, the use of satellite images, and GIS (Geographical Information System). Examples of application of these methods will be demonstrated. The amount of practical training that can be included depends on the facilities available at APU at the time of the lecture.



Tourism Policy and Administration

Theories of Tourism Policy and Administration

Asia Pacific Tourism

Tourism Development in the Asia Pacific

Culture and Tourism in the Asia Pacific

Ecotourism in the Asia Pacific

Special Lecture (Tourism Policy and Administration)

Seminars

Research Project I

Research Project II

Research Project III

Research Project IV

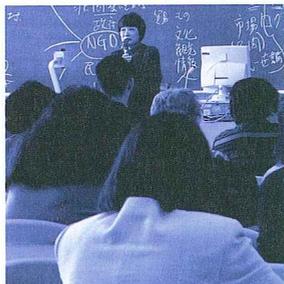


Tourism Policy and Administration

Subjects examine the political, economic, social and environmental background of tourism policies in the Asia Pacific. New policies and potential methods of implementation are considered.

Theories of Tourism Policy and Administration

General overview of national and regional policies, behavioral patterns, facilities development, and legal regulation of tourism. Issues in tourism policy and administration for Japan and other Asia Pacific countries, particularly in the area of development, resource preservation and co-existence with local communities. The role of public and private sectors in tourism policy.



Asia Pacific Tourism

Patterns of tourist movement in the Asia Pacific, national / regional issues in tourism policy and administration (past, present and future), historical and social development of tourism and the significance of the tourism industry in the region.

Tourism Development in the Asia Pacific

Overview of methodologies and processes for implementation of tourism development policies, through practical examination of tourism development projects in Japan and other Asia Pacific countries.

Culture and Tourism in the Asia Pacific

The broad cultural significance of "tourism" and "travel" is explored through a historical approach based on comparative cultural theory, taking into account both specific and universal cultural influences in the Asia Pacific region.

Ecotourism in the Asia Pacific

Theoretical and practical examination of the concept of conservation-conscious tourism to preserve nature, cultures and local communities, based on sustainable development of tourist resources. Discussion of current and future issues in ecotourism in both Asia and western countries.

Special Lecture (Tourism Policy and Administration)

Current topics and new directions in tourism management.

Seminars

Immediately after enrollment, students are matched with supervising instructors appropriate to their proposed research fields. Instructors supervise research projects through the seminar courses Research Projects I and II. Students may submit either a Master's Thesis (Research Project III) or a practical Research Report (Research Project IV) to complete the degree program.

Research Project I

Class discussion aimed at identification of major issues facing the Asia Pacific region, and analysis of their structural nature and underlying causes. Issues will be chosen in accordance with the students' fields of specialization.

Research Project II

Continued seminar-style discussion of major issues facing the Asia Pacific region, coupled with instruction directed to the production of a Master's Thesis or Research Report addressing one of these issues.

Research Project III

Building on Research Projects I and II, focused instruction and supervision will be provided towards completion of the Master's Thesis.

Research Project IV

Building on Research Projects I and II, focused instruction and supervision will be provided towards completion of the Research Report.



Subject listings

Doctoral Program (APS)

Doctoral Program (APS) Foundation Lectures

Perspectives on Asia Pacific Studies

Theories for Asia Pacific Studies

Seminar Subjects

Advanced Research on Asia Pacific Studies I to VI

Research and Presentation Subjects

Research Presentation

Research Paper I and II

Tutorial I

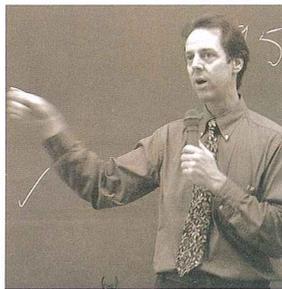
Tutorial II



Doctoral Program (APS) Foundation Lectures

Perspectives on Asia Pacific Studies

The ultimate objective of this subject is to let students construct their own perspectives of Asia Pacific studies. In the first half of this course, fieldwork methodologies for interdisciplinary studies are surveyed, and their applicability to Asia Pacific studies discussed. Emphasis is placed on the human-environment interaction, and agriculture and rural-urban relations as the interfaces of such interaction. Examples are taken mainly from Southeast Asia. The second half of the subject will examine the development of societies in the Asia Pacific with reference to select themes including the region's prospects for the near future.



Theories for Asia Pacific Studies

This subject surveys the most important bodies of social theory used in the analysis of the Asia Pacific region, in the various forms in which it is defined. In particular it focuses on two major types of theoretical framework, the political economy approach derived from world-systems theory, and critical approaches based on contemporary cultural theory. Issues related to the political economy approach include those of colonialism and imperialism, economic development and globalization, urbanization, migration, the impact of information technology, the labor market, gender relations, political development, and international relations. Issues relating to cultural theory include ethnicity, identity, the uses of history and tradition, cultural mixing, and the cultural significance of consumption, leisure, and tourism. The subject will be based on standard case material drawn from the entire region, including mainland Asia, North and South America, and the Pacific Islands.

Seminar Subjects

Advanced Research on Asia Pacific Studies I to VI

Each student will be assigned to one of the following seminar groups, which will be organized in collaboration with the Ritsumeikan Center for Asia Pacific Studies:

- Diversity and Integration in the Asia Pacific
- International Political Economy of the Asia Pacific
- Environment and Development in the Asia Pacific
- Development of Asia Pacific Tourism after 1945
- Economic Development and Management

Seminar-style discussion in these groups will be aimed at identification of major issues facing the

Asia Pacific region in each project's area of specialization, and analysis of the structural nature and background to these issues. A faculty member will guide each student's individual research towards the eventual production of a Doctoral Dissertation.

Research and Presentation Subjects

Research Presentation

In a seminar-style format, students will be required to present a research paper produced in the course of their Advanced Research on Asia Pacific Studies subjects.

Research Paper I and II

Directed research in the student's area of interest leading to production of a research paper. This subject will also include opportunities for small-group discussion on social issues in the Asia Pacific region, to focus students' research interests and assist in the process of research paper writing.

Tutorial I

Participation in the "Research Project I" seminar for Master's students: assisting the supervising professor, and acquiring skills for academic instruction at tertiary level.

Tutorial II

Participation in the "Research Project II" seminar for Master's students: assisting the supervising professor, and acquiring skills for academic instruction at tertiary level.



Faculty

An academic program is only as strong as its faculty. At APU, you can be proud of the fact that your curriculum has been developed and taught by a team of distinguished scholars and leaders in their field. Dedicated. Accomplished. Accessible. These are just some of the qualities that make our faculty second to none in their professional and academic accomplishments.

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Jurisprudence, History of Political Thought
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 –Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Indonesia
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 –Assistant Director, Bureau of Immigration, Multicultural and Population Research, Australia
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Faculty

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IMAT - Master in International Material Flow Management

Dual Master's Degree Program,

-offered jointly by APU, Japan and IfaS, Germany.

We are looking for the next generation of business leaders to participate in our comprehensive postgraduate program focusing on International Material Flow Management. Upon completion, students are awarded a Master of Science in International Cooperation Policy from APU and a Master of Engineering from the University of Applied Science Trier. The Institute for Applied Material Flow Management (IfaS) is an innovative research institute of the University of Applied Sciences Trier, located at the Environmental Campus Birkenfeld. IfaS is among the leading institutions in Germany. The German Master's Degree is in full accord with the Bologna process and valid in Europe and beyond.

Picture of the Environmental Campus Birkenfeld.
The ECB is an innovative Zero-Emission-Campus with modern facilities.



- One year in Japan at APU followed by one year in Germany at IfaS.
- Innovative and Interdisciplinary Subject Matter: Material Flow Management
- All courses taught in English
- International education based in both Japan and Germany: two of the most advanced countries in these fields
- Insights into German and Japanese Business and Cultural Environments
- German language education
- International Case Studies and Practical Project Experience

Career Paths

Students with a strong understanding of International Material Flow Management are in high demand as consultants, project developers and business managers with excellent career opportunities in both local and international markets. Some students also choose to chase their own individual entrepreneurial pursuits: something that our program encourages by enabling the student to create a strong network while they are doing their internship and master thesis work.

Enrollment Period: September 2006

Yearly Intake: 30

Please note that admission requirements and procedures for this program differ to those for the other programs introduced in this brochure (APS and ICP). The latest information is available on our website, which also houses our Admissions Guide and Application form.

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

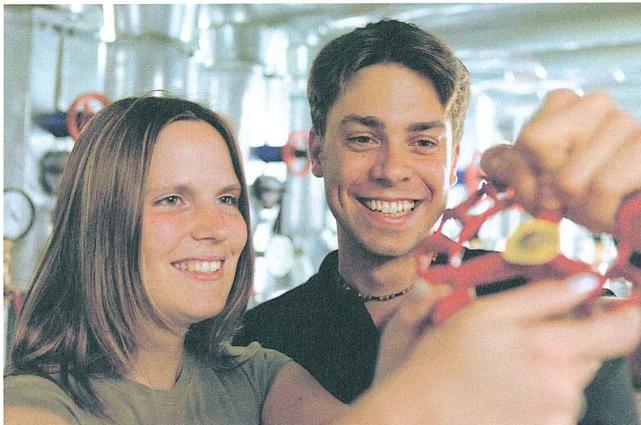
<http://ifas.umwelt-campus.de/english/>

Program Contents

The Master's program in International Material Flow Management aims to train and educate competent leaders capable of understanding and tackling global business development processes. As an interdisciplinary program, it facilitates holistic business and technology management strategies through a combination of engineering, economics and environmental sciences. Students will learn to link economic development with environmental protection by using optimal technology management strategies on a global scale. Innovative applications of technology in the fields of energy, water, waste and other material streams are connected with the management of stakeholder networks, life cycle planning, innovative financing systems and sustainable development. Throughout the program, students will become familiar with terms like "circular economy," "sustainable society" and "zero-emission-regions" as they study examples of Material Flow Management in Europe and Asia. Students are also tasked with developing projects and eco-entrepreneurial business ideas as a means of collecting relevant, practical experience through close cooperation with small and medium sized enterprises.

FIRST SEMESTER

- Ecosystem Management
- Technology Management
- Risk Management and Technology
- Technical Aspects of Factor 10 Efficiency Strategies
- Renewable Energy Systems
- Clean Technologies
- Sustainable Waste Management
- Sustainable Water Management
- Greenhouse Gas Abatement (Kyoto Protocol) and Technology System Re-Engineering
- Project Seminar: Project and Business Development



SECOND SEMESTER

- Industrial Material Flow Management
- Regional Material Flow Management
- Information Technology and Material Flow Management
- System Change Management
- Networking and Knowledge Management
- Corporate Communication and Presentation
- Business Environment and Business Culture in Germany / Japan
- German / Japanese History and Society
- Project Seminar: Project and Business Development

Course Structure and the Dual Degree

First year: courses taught at APU by IfaS faculty members.

Second year: Specification courses (or internships) during the third semester and graduation thesis work during the fourth semester at IfaS

Successful students will be awarded a comprehensive dual-degree from two of the leading universities in Japan and Germany: a "Master of Science in International Cooperation Policy" from the Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University and a "Master of Engineering in International Material Flow Management*" from the University of Applied Sciences Trier.

First semester	Second semester	Third semester	Fourth semester
Technology and Ecology 4 subjects	Material Flow Management 4 subjects	Specification Courses (Internships)	Master Thesis
Technological Management 4 subjects	Intercultural Communications 4 subjects		
Seminars/Specialization 2 subjects	Seminars/Specialization 2 subjects		

*Under Application



Support Facilities

Research Office

The Research Office is responsible for assisting both students and faculty with the more mundane aspects of the research process. As the administrative office for all research related activities on campus, we pride ourselves on being an enabling body for the promotion of research at APU.

The Research Office oversees two primary types of administrative activities: academic research and international cooperation.

Academic research includes research oversight as well as the administration of the Ritsumeikan Center for Asia Pacific Studies (RCAPS) and the Center of Modern Language Research (CMLR). Research oversight is largely the management of APU subsidies,



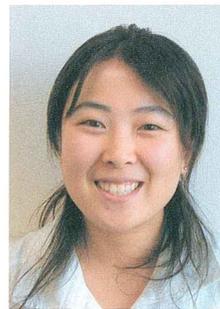
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research funds from MEXT and other external subsidies for our faculty members. Our responsibilities pertaining to RCAPS include assisting with conferences, publishing magazines, organizing seminars and operating the graduate student support program. For CMLR, the office administers all of the activities of the Center of Modern Language Research.

International cooperation responsibilities are conducted in cooperation with international organizations like JICA. Currently the office is involved in a Bulgarian human resource development project and the South-south cooperation project, among others.

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

CMLR: <http://www.apu.ac.jp/clme/>



OTSUBO Yuka

"We are looking forward to assisting Graduate Students with their research activities. We believe that the less time students have to spend dealing with administrative issues, the more time they have to complete research that will impact the globe. Our counter staff are always available to answer questions concerning research and other related issues. Feel free to contact us about methods of obtaining external funding as well."

Academic Office



ARCHBOLD, Ruth

GOODMAN III, Earl

The Graduate Affairs Division of the Academic Office oversees the academic affairs of the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies and Graduate School of Management. We organize an orientation for newly enrolled students, Guidance Sessions, and the production of a bi-annual Student Registration Handbook for each school. We also assist graduate students in academic matters concerning course selection and registration.

In addition, we organize extra curricular Japanese language classes aimed at graduate students who are unsure of their Japanese capabilities. We offer courses starting at the beginner's level up through to an advanced level, leaving students with the ability to intelligently interact in business and social situations. We also offer extra curricular English language education for those students who wish to hone their English capabilities.

"Our friendly and courteous staff are pleased to discuss any concerns or queries you might have regarding your courses in the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies, both Master's and Doctoral programs, and the Graduate School of Management. We look forward to seeing you at APU."

Student Support Center

The Student Support Center is divided into two offices: the Student Activities Office and the Student Advisory Office, both of which provide assistance to students in all facets of their student life.

The primary functions of the Student Activities Office are to help students look for accommodation, oversee management of AP House, offer information relating to extracurricular activities, and arrange homestays for students and local exchange events. The Student Activities Office also provides information to graduate students on how to enjoy their student life and learn more about Japan. Participating in homestay programs and local exchanges are a great chance to befriend people in the community and discover the real Japan. In addition, there are approximately 150 registered extracurricular organizations involved in athletic, academic, volunteer, and artistic pursuits.

The Student Advisory Office handles scholarships, student status-related enquiries, part-time work, medical rebates, visas, and looks after student-related incidents. Please feel free to drop by anytime to inquire about these matters.

"The Student Support Center is dedicated to providing graduate students with all their student life-related needs. Many of the staff in the Student Support Center have at one stage been overseas students



MANETAKIS, George

themselves and are well aware of the stresses that may arise from living in a foreign country. In order to alleviate this pressure and make life in Japan as comfortable as possible, we are always ready to help. We realize that studying abroad is much more than just obtaining a degree: it also presents the opportunity to experience the world. We are here to help you realize this objective."

Student Support Center Website
<http://www.apu.ac.jp/studentoffice/>

Career Office

Our services begin with career guidance sessions and counseling offered in both the Japanese and English languages. Our efforts are further extended into actively expanding the ability of our students to participate in internships. We are aggressively pursuing an On-Campus Recruiting program that gives students the opportunity to participate in company seminars, recruitment interviews and examinations aimed specifically at APU students without leaving campus. In the last year alone over 150 companies and organizations from around the world visited our campus with a large number of companies offering positions to graduating students.

Career Office Webpage: <http://www.apu.ac.jp/careers/>

In addition to planning and running APU's Career Development Program, the Career Office works towards supporting and offering students guidance regarding all aspects of their future careers. The Career Office also works closely with different companies and organizations to provide students with useful job hunting and recruitment information. Students can also use the Career Office for individual consultations regarding any aspect of their future career or post-graduation plans.

"The Career Office is here to remove the confusion and frustration of job searching. Please feel free to contact us with any issues regarding the search for your career."

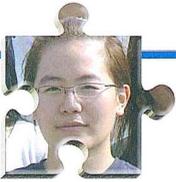


TAZAWA Naoya

"Job-hunting through APU was a surprisingly smooth process. I honestly believe that the On-Campus company information sessions organized by the Career Office are one of the greatest assets here at APU."

LIAN, Yang, ICP 2nd Year, China

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



Support Facilities

Other Offices

There are a number of offices in addition to the previously mentioned offices that work to enhance the lives of all members of the university community.

The Network Office is responsible for university publications, correspondence with media organizations, the Parents Association, the Alumni Association, and the Faculty and Staff Association.

The Admissions Office's main responsibility is to recruit students and process their applications. It also assists new and prospective students by helping them with questions regarding application forms, information on visas, and pre-departure preparations.

The Language Institute Office provides advice and assistance to students on regular and extracurricular language subjects and the TOEFL/itp, TOEIC/ip exams.

The Development Office oversees Project Planning and Development.

Message from the Network Office

We are excited to be organizing the "World Students' Tourism Summit" to be held during November of 2005 in cooperation with Oita Prefecture and the City of Beppu. In 2002, APU held, in collaboration with Ritsumeikan University, the World Students' Summit on Peace, which boasted 339 students from 81 different campuses across 26 different nations who all came together to discuss peace.

The summit in 2005 will discuss the many facets of tourism. Specifically, the participants travel on one of 4 courses around Kyushu, absorbing and analyzing the current structure of tourism in Kyushu. Participants will then be treated to discussions with key figures in the tourism industry, after which, the students will be given the opportunity to present their own conclusions. Finally, the City of Beppu will be holding a number of other events to help participants get a feel for tourism.



MORRIS, Melissa

The summit in 2005 is a large-scale event. With over 700 individuals expected to be in attendance, over 300 of which are students from around the world, it is an event that will surely have a global impact. High profile events are just another way that APU ensures that its students are given an up-to-date, relevant education.

Media Center

As a part of a "digital age" university, students at APU are expected to tap into the global flow of information, apply analytical reasoning to what they hear, and then start contributing to the global information base. Making that a reality is the job of the Media Center.

We started by developing APU-Net, a campus-wide network of over 1,100 internet-accessible computers that support all of the languages that our students speak. We continued by developing a class registration system that is completely internet-based and have now added WebCT, a web-based course tool that extends lessons to a virtual classroom, allowing students to study and participate in class from anywhere they have an internet connection.



KITAMURA Shigeo

We are fully equipped with media processing equipment that can be used to create visual media as well as to facilitate video interviews with companies and organizations around the world.

Finally, our subscriptions to 27 respected research databases, such as JSTOR, ProQuest, EBSCO, Lexis-Nexis, and Elsevier Science Direct, are an unprecedented amenity among Japanese institutions.



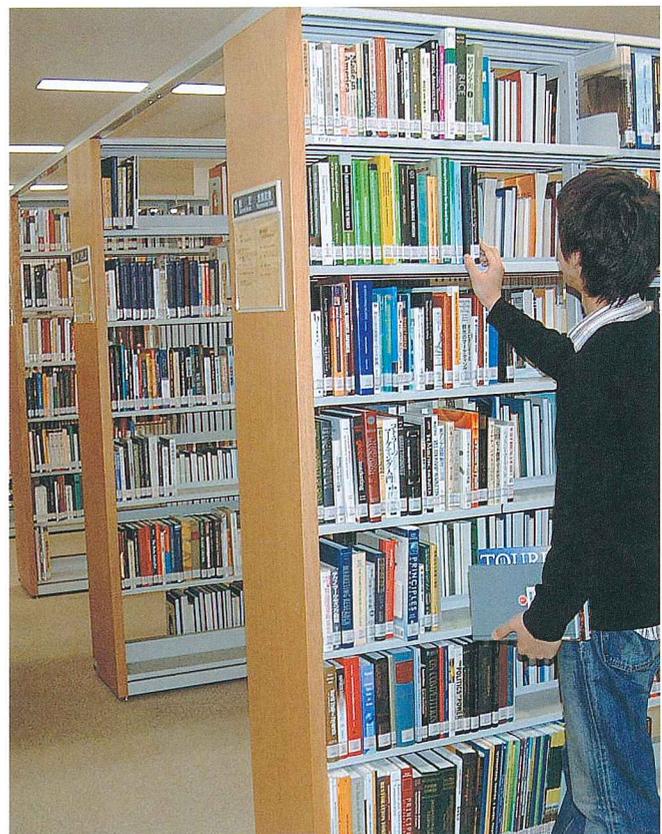
Library

Since its foundation in 2000, the library at APU has grown steadily at the rate of around 10,000 volumes a year. The establishment of the Graduate School in 2003 created additional demand, as graduate students require access to all the standard journals and books in order to conduct their research. Students have found a wealth of information available in our full-text online journals, possibly the best collection in all of Japan, with access to thousands of articles. We have a system in place to borrow books from other Ritsumeikan campuses, and are in the negotiation stages for opening up other university libraries to our students through interlibrary loan (ILL).

Students are encouraged to explore all of our resources and make the maximum use of them during their research. With library catalogs and other on-line resources available through the Media Center Home Page, finding a specific book is simple and convenient. There is also a dedicated common room and lounge in the library for use by Master's students and private cubicles are set aside for our PhD candidates.

Libraries have transformed from a location that houses many volumes of paper to an access point for resources spanning all mediums; the library at APU is committed to meeting those needs by remaining on the cutting edge and offering students a strong foundation of resources in all mediums.

Media Center Webpage:
<http://www.apu.ac.jp/media>





Research the World, Discover Yourself



Dr. KEE Pookong
Director of RCAPS

RCAPS was established in July 1996 at Ritsumeikan University's Kyoto campus, under the direction of Professor Kazuichi Sakamoto, APU's founding President. RCAPS is tasked with serving all campuses of the Ritsumeikan Trust. RCAPS is now directed by Professor Kee Pookong.

RCAPS believes that students can bring their own understanding of the Asia Pacific to the research table, which gives them a unique vantage point for conducting research and discussions regarding the region. RCAPS aims to link graduate students with leading international research through efforts such as conferences, seminars, and public lectures, which graduate students are encouraged to attend.

The RCAPS International Conference this year is on "An East Asian Community? Global and Regional Dynamics." It will be held on November 26 & 27 of 2005 as part of a series of events to commemorate APU's 5th Anniversary. RCAPS events serve as a venue for graduate students to present their research and promote the exchange of ideas. The Center has recently received a prestigious Japan Society for the Promotion of Science international conference grant to organize a conference on Global Movement in 2006, promising lively discussions by prominent scholars about the increasing global flow of migrants, tourists, refugees, students, trade, investment, and information.

Furthermore, RCAPS's Graduate Students Research Support Program has enabled many students to collect information pertinent to their graduate research from both overseas and domestic sources. This spring semester alone saw 24 new grants awarded to students to aid research towards a masters or doctorate degree.



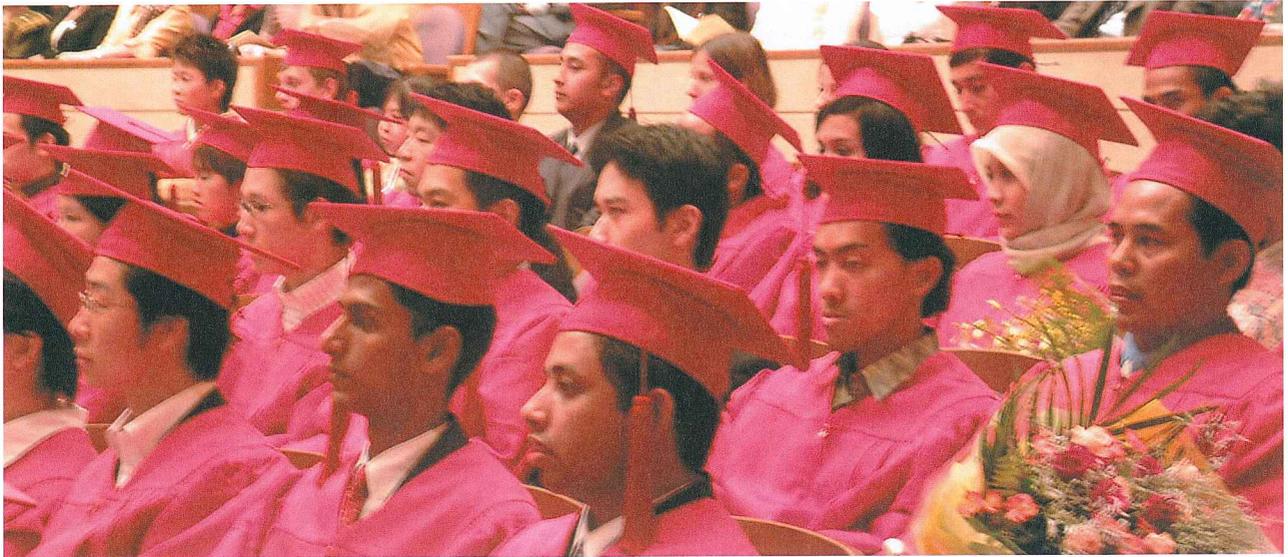
"The RCAPS program at APU has provided me with enormous opportunities to further my research career. I live on campus and have found that the research and living facilities continue to exceed my expectations.

The transition to life in Japan was much easier than I could have hoped: the staff and students of APU have done everything possible to solve any problems that have arisen and make me feel welcome. It is evident that my host researcher, Professor Monte Cassim, and the rest of the faculty are determined to make my stay in Japan both pleasant and successful."

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

Dr SHANMUGANATHAN Subana
JSPS Postdoctoral Fellow
RCAPS Visiting Research Fellow
New Zealand

STUDENT VOICE



"I came from Mexico about 6 months ago and now APU feels just like home. I haven't run into any major problems with communication and the living expenses are around what I had expected. I am working part time in the cafeteria; it's not heavy work, but I can go to classes

during the day and work at night in the cafeteria. Working with Japanese friends has given me a chance to learn about their culture as well as teach them my culture. I also had the chance to teach the cafeteria staff how to cook Mexican food for our Spanish week last month."

PEREZ DE LEON C. Julio Raul
1st year, ICP, Mexico



"I started my college career here at APU 5 years ago as an undergraduate. I have come in contact with a wide variety of people at APU who have all been willing to teach me about their culture, and the Vietnamese students help me keep

up with my own Vietnamese culture. I have had the opportunity to participate in internships during my undergraduate career and am looking forward to the same as I pursue my Master's. The language education at APU, coupled with part-time jobs that I have worked, has left me confident in my ability to communicate in Japanese."

NGUYEN Thu Phuong
1st Year, ICP, Vietnam



"I am very happy with my choice to pursue a PhD at APU because it offers research opportunities that match my interests in the political-economic arena. I have had many exciting opportunities here at APU, all made possible by APU's incessant dedication to not only its academic

programs, but also to developing a world-wide network involving business practitioners, political practitioners, social practitioners, and top ranking professors from reputable universities across the globe."

SINGAWINATA, I.P.
2nd year, PhD, Indonesia



"I am in my second semester here at APU and everyday I have a new experience that makes me realize just how happy I am to be here. It was love at first sight when I arrived on campus: the view of the ocean and the mountains is just astonishing.

But, my advising professor is what really made me realize the greatness of APU. He has gone out of his way numerous times to make sure that I understand everything and have acclimated to life at APU. On top of that, his research, credentials, and lectures all provide a strong basis for respect."

STENNING Naomi
1st year, ICP, Australia



Campus Map



Gymnasium

The Gymnasium includes a training gym with a range of machines, a basketball arena, meeting rooms, and many other facilities.



Fitness Room

APU's Fitness Room features more than 10 types of machines and offers training sessions on how to use them.



AP House

In this dormitory, students from overseas live alongside students from Japan. Almost 800 students call AP House home, making it one of the largest international student dormitories in Japan.



Millennium Hall

Seating 730 people, this large hall is used for international cultural events and conferences. It features a giant screen for presentations using video, cable TV, cameras, etc.



Administration

This building includes the Student Support Center and Career Office, which provide support for students, a Health Clinic for health-related consultations, and the Admissions Office where application and admission procedures are carried out.



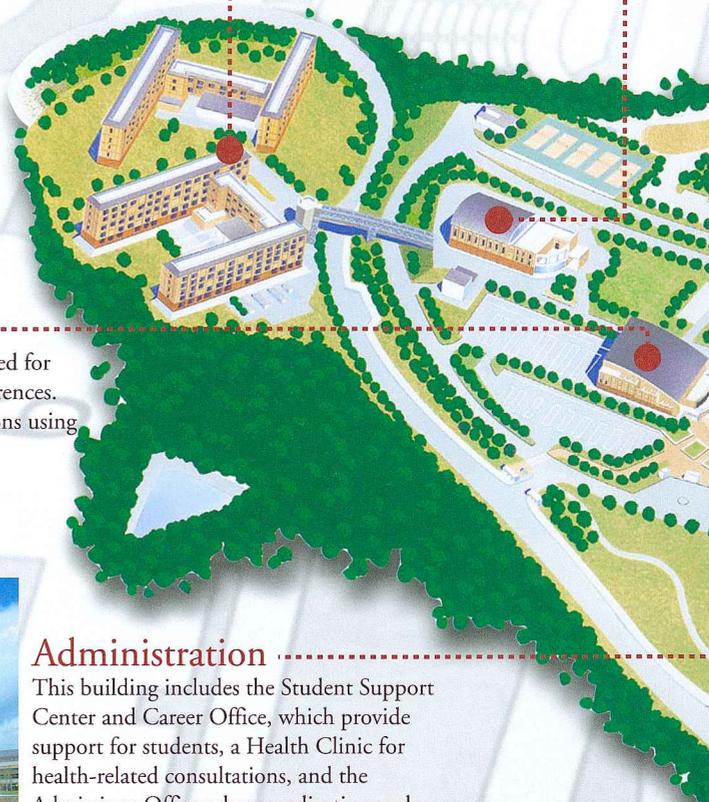
Faculty Offices

This building contains individual faculty members' offices, the Ritsumeikan Center for Asia Pacific Studies, and the Seminar Project Room. It also houses the Academic Office and Research office, which provide advice for course planning and study abroad.



Seminar Project Room

Small-group seminars on subjects such as "Understanding the Asia Pacific" can be held in these classrooms. Lively discussion takes place regarding various Asia Pacific themes.





Student Union

The first floor houses a cafeteria-style restaurant and the co-op, which sells groceries and everyday necessities. On the second floor, there is a Japanese-style room, a Music Studio, and a second Multimedia Lab. This building serves as a center for extra-curricular activities.



Student Hall

This event hall is used for international student symposiums, film screenings, and live performances by music clubs. Featuring advanced sound equipment, it also hosts weekend dance parties.

Co-op Shop

This shop offers groceries, daily necessities, books, magazines, and various tickets. It also offers a range of Asian and international foods to cater to our diverse student population.



Graduate School

This building serves as a center for research for the APU Graduate School, which was established in April 2003. It features large classrooms equipped with Hi-Vision systems.



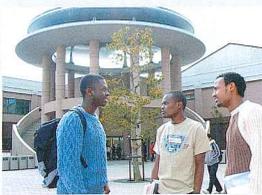
Multi-purpose Field

This space serves as the home ground for sports clubs. It has lighting available at night. The Main Athletic Field and track facilities are also located on campus.

Classrooms

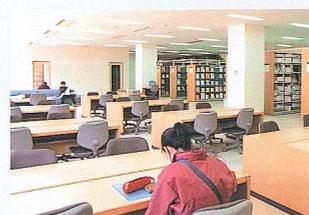
This building houses the Distance Lecture Classroom, where students can take classes from Ritsumeikan University and other remote locations.

There is also a Language Lounge for interchange among students in many different languages.



“Washin-an” – Tea Ceremony Room

“Tea Ceremony” lies at the very heart of traditional Japanese culture. Students can take tea ceremony classes in this room, which was donated by Soshitsu Sen, Tea Master of the Urasenke tradition, who is also a member of the APU Advisory Committee.



Media Center

The Media Center is a hub for gathering and communicating research. It houses APU's library, advanced computer terminals, and Computer Assisted Instruction (CAI) classrooms, all providing students with the perfect environment for research.



Multimedia Room

This room houses our state of the art computers. All computers are connected to the internet and have access to the 27 different online research databases available through the university.



FAQ

HOUSING

Q How do I find a place to live?

A Most graduate and postgraduate students live in AP House the student dormitory. It is less than a 5 minute walk from campus. AP house is equipped with internet-accessible computer labs, coin-operated laundry, a lobby, and ping-pong and pool tables. Rooms are outfitted with a bed, table, chair, closet and broadband internet access. Students seeking their master's degree are provided a room with a private toilet and doctoral candidates have a private shower as well.

Other housing options exist both in the heart of Beppu city and a little closer to the campus. APU has relationships with local real estate agents to assist students in finding housing.

Q How long can I stay in AP House?

A Graduate students enrolling from outside Japan are guaranteed a room in AP House for the standard period of completion of their course: 2 years for Master's students, 3 years for Doctoral students.

Q Can I bring my partner/children?

A Students that wish to live with their family will need to find a place off campus as AP House can only accommodate single individuals. The University can provide assistance in finding off-campus family accommodation for students enrolling from within Japan, but those coming from overseas are advised to come alone first, and bring their families when they are acclimatized to life and study in Japan.

Q What about rent?

A The monthly rent for AP House is JPY 28,000, including utilities. The rent for apartments in Beppu City ranges from 30,000 to 60,000 per month, and utilities are generally paid separately. The rent varies based on size and location.

TRANSPORTATION

Q How can I get to school?

A Most graduates walk from AP House or take the bus from the city. Two companies operate regularly scheduled bus services between APU and various local destinations.

Q Can I park my car at APU to attend classes?

A There is no car parking available on campus for APU students. However, there is a parking space specifically designated for students who choose to come to school on a motorbike or scooter.

Q Do I have to get a Japanese driver's license?

A Although international conventions allow for international residents who stay in Japan less than one year to drive in Japan with an international driver's license issued from their home country, the expectation that all graduate students will stay in Japan for longer than one year makes it necessary that international students who wish to drive in Japan obtain a Japanese driver's license.

Q How do I get from the Airport (Fukuoka or Oita) to APU?

A There are bus services to and from both airports that cost approximately ¥2,000. It takes approximately 2 hours to get to Beppu from Fukuoka International Airport and approximately 1 hour from Oita International Airport.



Q Do I have to ride on an airplane to get to Beppu?

A No, options such as train, automobile and ferry are also available for those already in Japan.

MONEY

Q What banking options are available in Beppu?

A Commercial banks such as Oita Mirai Shinkin bank (a popular one among students) and other local banks are available. The postal service also provides banking options, which are recommended for students who plan on traveling around Japan, due to the ease of access and lack of service charges. Service charges to use another bank's ATM generally run around ¥105 per transaction.

Q What are the most commonly accepted credit cards in Japan, and how can I get one?

A Visa and MasterCard are accepted by most vendors that accept credit cards. American Express is another widely accepted option. International students can experience difficulty obtaining a credit card in Japan because they generally have an insufficient credit history. Thus, it is advised that students obtain credit cards from their home country, before coming to Japan. The best way for international students to obtain a credit card in Japan is to become a member of the university Co-op. New students can join up on campus shortly after arrival.

COMPUTERS

Q What computer services are available as a student at APU?

A There are many options available on campus. See www.apu.ac.jp for more information.

Q Is high-speed Internet access available at APU?

A Yes, a high-speed internet connection is available on more than 1,100 computers throughout campus. Also, every room in AP house is equipped with broadband internet access.

CLASSES

Q Do I have to register for classes?

A Yes. Although there are a number of prescribed classes, you will still need to register for them. Registration can be conducted online through the University's website. Students will be guided through the registration process during the orientation week at the start of their first semester.

Q What can I expect as far as class size?

A The majority of classes have 10 – 40 students. Seminars are often 10 or less.

Q Holidays, vacations and breaks, when do I get some time to myself?

A All of the important dates, as well as other important information pertaining to attending classes at APU, can be found at <http://www.apu.ac.jp/gradinfo>

This is only a selected list of the most frequently asked questions. Answers to most questions related to admissions can be found at: <http://www.apu.ac.jp/graduate/modules/admissions/>
Or contact us at apugrad@apu.ac.jp

HEALTH

Q What health care options exist at APU?

A There is a Health Clinic on campus, which provides first aid and initial health consultation services, as well as introductions to local doctors. The clinic also arranges for all students to undergo a medical check-up once every year.

Q Is health insurance available?

A Yes. All full-time international students are required to join the National Health Insurance program, which offers a 70% subsidy to medical expenses from the government.

SHOPPING AND PERSONAL

Q Where do you go to shop in Beppu?

A There is a convenience store located on campus where you can find everyday items as well as buy/order books, tickets, etc. Also, there are a range of convenience stores, supermarkets, department stores and other shopping options available in central Beppu City.

Q Are there any stores specifically worth mentioning?

A Yes. The hundred yen shops, where almost everything is priced at ¥100. These stores offer some great deals on a wide variety of goods.

Q What type of clothing will I need at APU?

A All four seasons exist in Japan. Specifically, the summers have temperatures around 34°C and winters will often have days that fall below freezing.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Q How do I apply for a scholarship?

A To apply for a scholarship at APU, please fill in the APU Scholarship form (found in the Application Package) and submit it together with the rest of your application. APU scholarships are in the form of tuition reductions. Please read the Admissions Guide carefully for more detailed information regarding APU Scholarships.

If you are interested in scholarships to assist with living expenses, we recommend that you research private (e.g. Rotary International) and government (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) scholarships. The website of the Japanese embassy in your home country will have more information on these. You can also visit the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs website.

Q I want to apply for a Monbukagakusho (MEXT) scholarship, but I need a LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE. What should I do?

A The MEXT Scholarship application process has recently changed and all applicants interested in this scholarship should first contact their local Japanese embassy for the most up-to-date information and details. Once you have passed the initial screening at the embassy and receive the Letter of Acceptance forms we can then assist you. Please contact apugrad@apu.ac.jp for more information once you have finished the initial screening process.

Q Can I extend my current Monbukagakusho (MEXT) scholarship so that I can continue my higher education at APU?

A Please contact the body that is in charge of administering your current scholarship to determine if you are eligible to have it extended to cover your studies here at APU. At APU, we accept both MEXT Scholars from overseas, and also those who are eligible for an extension of their current scholarship that is being used at another university in Japan.

Other Information

Q Is APU fully accredited? Will a degree from APU be recognized in my home country or at another school?

A APU was opened in 2000 as part of the Ritsumeikan Trust, an educational institution founded in Japan in 1869. All of the programs at APU are fully accredited by the Japanese Government: this accreditation, together with the reputation of the Ritsumeikan Trust, ensures that an APU degree is recognized in most parts of the world. Graduates from APU have gone on to continue their studies at other Graduate Schools throughout the world and have gained employment among many international corporations. In summary, APU is a relatively young university that has demonstrated worldwide reach and unlimited potential to current students and graduates alike.

Q Do I need to learn Japanese before leaving my country?

A All graduate classes are taught in English. However, to enhance your experience in Japan, we recommend that you learn greetings and at least some basic words in Japanese. There are also classes available for beginners within APU, though they must be paid for privately.

Q Can I get a job while I am at APU?

A It depends on what kinds of jobs are available. Generally, graduate students are able to get a job as a teaching assistant at APU. There are also job offers on the notice board at the Student Support Center. Part time jobs are available around Beppu as well, but Japanese proficiency is often essential.

Q What sports do you have?

A Many sporting activities are available in APU's facilities, which include a gym, tennis courts, and football field, among others. Please refer to the MAP on page 27.

Q How is the food?

A The university offers a wide array of Japanese and international choices to its students including vegetarian and halal meal plans. One favorite among students is the ethnic corner, where you can find a selection of ethnic foods that change weekly.

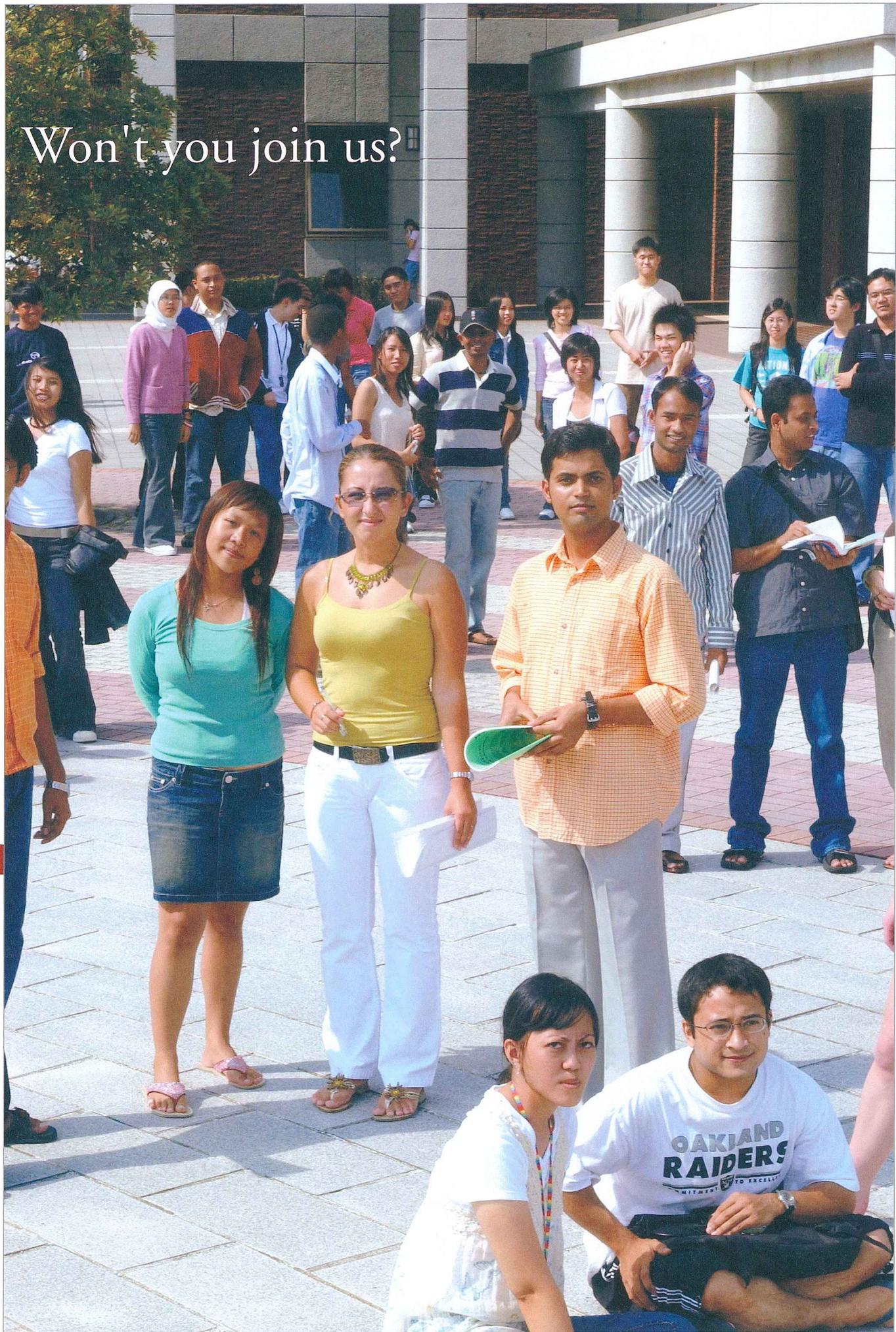


Things to Do

The following is a list of attractions in the proximity of Beppu City that are popular with APU Students.

- Umitamago, a newly renovated aquarium
- African Safari, a wildlife park
- Kijima Korakuen, an amusement park
- Hot Springs (Onsen)
- Hit Parade, a venue with live performances nightly
- Park Place and Wasada Town, shopping complexes

Won't you join us?





Application

Educational requirements

Master's applicants must a) have completed a total of sixteen (16) years of formal education by the time of enrollment (12 years of primary and secondary education + 4-year bachelor's degree or equivalent at the tertiary level), or b) have completed an undergraduate (bachelor's) degree from a recognized Japanese university. No specific undergraduate major is required for admission.

Doctoral applicants must have completed a graduate (Master's) degree at a recognized university.

English skills

As English is the language of instruction, applicants must possess the ability to comprehend lectures, undertake independent research and produce reports in English.

All candidates whose native language is not English must take either the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC). Candidates who have undertaken their entire secondary and tertiary education in English may be exempted from this requirement.

Standardized tests

Applicants are urged, but not required, to take the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).

Application and screening

Applicants are judged primarily on the basis of the following documents:

- Personal statement (interests, goals etc)
- Research proposal (APS) or study plan (ICP)
- Academic transcripts
- Certificate of employment (if applicable)
- List of research achievements and sample of written work (only for applicants to the APS doctoral program)
- Score reports from English language and other standardized tests
- Two letters of recommendation

Various other formal documents are required, and it is also necessary to pay a nominal Application Screening Fee. For full details, please see the Admissions Guide and Application Form.

Those applying from within Japan will also be required to attend an interview at the APU campus as part of the screening process.

Students interested in the doctoral program must first submit a CV and research proposal to the APU Admissions Office for pre-screening before applying formally.

University calendar

Enrollment is possible in either Spring (starting in early April) or in Fall (starting in late September). APU operates on a two semester per year system, with each semester broken into 2 two-month quarters and a vacation session.

Most courses are conducted on a quarterly basis, although some are offered on a per-semester basis or as intensive one-week programs during the summer and winter sessions.

Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Fall Semester				Winter Session	
1 st Quarter		2 nd Quarter			
(Enrollment)				(Graduation)	

April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept
Spring Semester				Summer Session	
1 st Quarter		2 nd Quarter			
(Enrollment)				(Graduation)	

Fees

These fees are applicable for 2006.

*Total tuition fee for completion of the Master's program: 2,800,000 yen (1,400,000 yen per year if completing in the standard two-year period).

*Total tuition fee for completion of the Doctoral program: 4,200,000 yen (1,400,000 yen per year if completing in the standard three-year period).

*Living expenses: roughly 1,000,000 yen per year

*One-time admission fee of 100,000 yen (payable upon acceptance of an offer of admission)

Tuition fees are payable in quarterly installments, with the first installment due before official enrollment.

Financial assistance

The university offers scholarships providing a 20%, 50%, 70% or 100% reduction of the regular tuition costs. A few top applicants each year may also be eligible for a cash award of 500,000 or 1,000,000 yen per year to help cover living expenses.

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of an overall evaluation of documents submitted by the applicant, and are generally valid for the entire term of enrollment subject to satisfactory academic performance.

Various scholarships offered by outside institutions may also be available to outstanding students after enrollment.

Deadlines

Domestic Applicants

Spring Entry (April): All forms must be submitted by December 16 of the previous year.

Fall Entry (September): All forms must be submitted by June 30 of the same year.

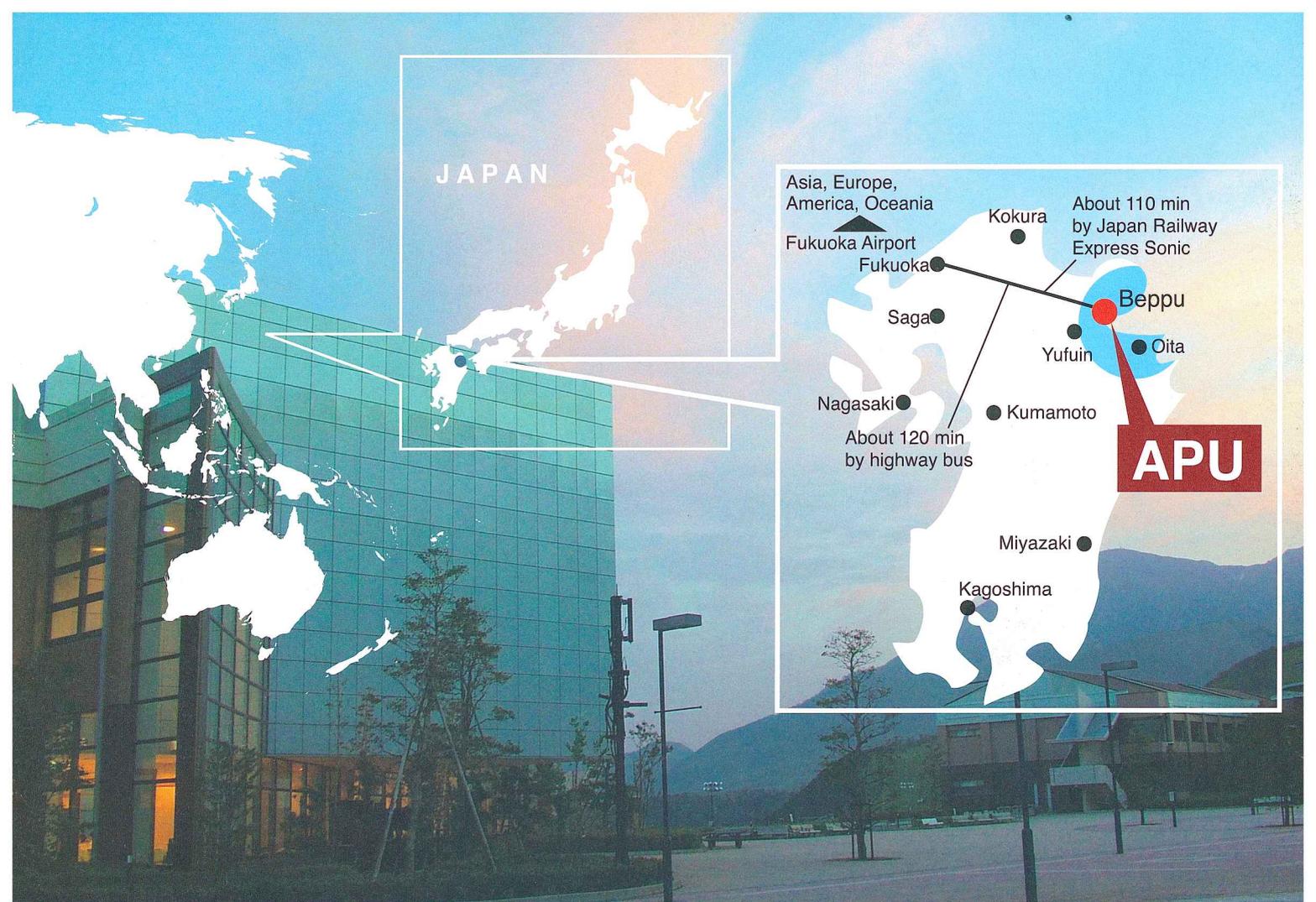
Overseas Applicants

Spring Entry (April): All forms must be submitted by October 31 of the previous year.

Fall Entry (September): All forms must be submitted by April 30 of the same year.

For full details regarding admissions requirements or our fast and convenient **online application**, please see the Admissions Guide available online at www.apu.ac.jp/graduate, or contact the APU Admissions Office at apugrad@apu.ac.jp if you have any further questions.

※Please note that the details on this page pertain only to the programs in the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies. Application information regarding the IMAT Program covered on pages 19 & 20 of this pamphlet is available at www.apu.ac.jp/graduate.



JAPAN

Asia, Europe,
America, Oceania

Fukuoka Airport

Fukuoka

Kokura

About 110 min
by Japan Railway
Express Sonic

Beppu

Saga

Yufuin

Oita

Nagasaki

About 120 min
by highway bus

Kumamoto

APU

Miyazaki

Kagoshima

APU Overseas Offices

There are APU Overseas Offices in the following countries and territories.
Students are encouraged to make inquiries at these local offices where possible.
Students in other regions should contact the APU Admissions Office directly below.

Canada

The UBC-Ritsumeikan Academic Exchange Program at
University of British Columbia
Room 333, Ritsumeikan-UBC House,
6460 Agronomy Road, Vancouver, B.C. V6T 1W9, Canada
Tel: +1-604-822-9501 Fax: +1-604-822-9515
URL: <http://www.ritslab.ubc.ca>

China

Ritsumeikan Liaison Office located in Shanghai Jiao Tong University
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200030 China
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