


# Doshisha University

## Graduate School of Global Studies

Address: Sokokuji Monzencho, Kamigyo Ward, Kyoto, 602-0898, Japan

	Programme Name
	Global Studies
	Degree
	Master of Arts in Global Society Studies/ Master of Arts in Contemporary Asian Studies
	Credits and years required to graduate
	30 Credits, 2 Years
	Math Exam
	Not Required
	Admission Quota
	1 student per batch

### Web Links

- University  
<https://www.doshisha.ac.jp/en/index.html>
- Graduate School  
[https://www.doshisha.ac.jp/en/international/foreign\\_english/index.html](https://www.doshisha.ac.jp/en/international/foreign_english/index.html)
- Program:  
[https://intad.doshisha.ac.jp/intad/en/english\\_program/offered\\_english.html](https://intad.doshisha.ac.jp/intad/en/english_program/offered_english.html)
- Syllabus:  
<https://syllabus.doshisha.ac.jp>
- Courses:  
[https://global-studies.doshisha.ac.jp/qs/attach/page/GLOBAL\\_STUDIES-PAGE-EN-102/124968/file/Civil-Society-English.pdf](https://global-studies.doshisha.ac.jp/qs/attach/page/GLOBAL_STUDIES-PAGE-EN-102/124968/file/Civil-Society-English.pdf)
- Campus Facilities  
[https://www.doshisha.ac.jp/en/student\\_life/facilities/index.html](https://www.doshisha.ac.jp/en/student_life/facilities/index.html)

### Features of the University

Doshisha University consists of 14 faculties and 16 graduate schools, which originated from Doshisha Eigakko (Academy) established in Kyoto in 1875.

Inheriting the passion for education of its founder, Jo Nijima, for 150 years, the University has continued to cultivate "those who use their abilities as conscience dictates" based on the founding spirit of "education of conscience" and to send out into society people who are active in various fields, including economics, politics, religion, education, and social services.

Doshisha University aims to nurture individuals who use their knowledge and abilities as conscience dictates and become dedicated members of society. Christianity, liberalism and internationalism are the three principles of our educational philosophy. Based on these, Doshisha University is committed to pursuing the following educational goals:

Cultivating high morality and rich humanity: Doshisha University aims to help students become individuals of noble character with well-rounded knowledge and a high ethical sense, and to develop critical and scientific thinking, thereby identifying and solving problems on their own initiative, to instil in students a spirit of quest for the truth and the ability to positively contribute to civil society, to provide students with advanced foreign language proficiency to prepare them to become active and engaged members of an increasingly global community, and to cultivate individuals who are able to appreciate the diversity of values in a global society and make vital contributions to the peace and stability of the world.

### Features of the Graduate School

16 graduate schools, support advanced and specialized educational and research activities in state-of-the-art research facilities and environments. In addition to acquiring knowledge in the academic field of their major, students are encouraged to take courses outside their own graduate school or department, subjects are offered to provide the practical research skills required of graduate students and for them to acquire knowledge in adjacent fields.

## Features of the Programme

The Graduate School of Global Studies (GSGS) consists of three clusters (American Studies, Contemporary Asian Studies, Global Society Studies), but aside from a few required elective courses, students can design their own curriculum in free and cross-disciplinary ways. Required elective courses such as "Introduction to Global Studies" and "Theories and Methods" familiarize students with a wide range of contemporary issues from global perspectives, while offering foundational knowledge and methodologies for research. GSGS also offers many elective courses that cover diverse areas, issues, and disciplines, encouraging students to design their course of study through the detailed guidance of the faculty. We conduct about half of the courses in English, which is another distinguished characteristic of our curriculum.

## Faculty

Faculty members who can supervise JDS fellow are listed below:

[https://global-studies.doshisha.ac.jp/gs/en/faculty\\_members/list/index.html](https://global-studies.doshisha.ac.jp/gs/en/faculty_members/list/index.html)

## Student Support System

The University provides a wide variety of support for daily campus life, including support for students with disabilities, volunteer support, awareness-raising activities, and special programs, as well as support for athletic and cultural club activities, in which many students participate.

Being a student is one of the most important and memorable experiences of a person's life. In addition to academic pursuits, extracurricular activities make up a valuable part of the overall university experience. Students can develop their social and interpersonal skills by getting involved in running organizations. This will help to improve their teamwork skills, and ability to build meaningful relationship with friends and peers, as well as with junior and senior students. Responsibility, good judgment, and endurance can also be developed during such activities.

The university provides extensive support and assistance for students with disabilities and responds to their specific needs accordingly. This may include academic support such as note taking and computer-assisted translation, and lifestyle support such as help for wheelchair users.