

Waseda University

Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies (GSAPS)

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Tokyo 169-0051 JAPAN



Programme Name	International Studies
Degree	MA in International Relations
Credits and years required to graduate	30 Credits, 2 years
Math Exam	Required but scores are used only as a guide
Admission Quota	2 students per batch

Web Links

- University
<https://www.waseda.jp/top/en>
- Graduate School
<https://www.waseda.jp/fire/gsaps/en/>
- Faculty Members
<https://www.waseda.jp/fire/gsaps/en/admissions/project>
- Syllabus
<https://www.waseda.jp/fire/gsaps/en/academics/registration>

Features of the University

Waseda University was founded as Tokyo Senmon Gakko (Tokyo College) in 1882. Since its foundation, the university has proactively opened its doors to international students.

Waseda University is now known around the world as one of the top universities in Japan. It has produced eight prime ministers so far, and its alumni are widely active in various fields, not only in Japan, but also on the world stage. The university continues to create new eras and culture through education and research activities of a global standard.

Features of the Graduate School

The Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies (GSAPS) was founded in April 1998. The mission of GSAPS is to assess and analyse the Asia-Pacific region from a broad analytical perspective. GSAPS is a cross-disciplinary school that has "International Relations", "International

Development/ Policy Studies", and "Area Studies", and is one of the few educational institutions in the world that offers an interdisciplinary International Relations programme for training students in three specializations.

Features of the Programme

In the Programme of MA in International Relations, students focus on one area of three specializations - "International Relations", "International Development / Policy Studies", and "Area Studies", but at the same time can take courses in all three areas.

GSAPS offers many courses that are especially useful for the study of effective policy administration in Nepal. GSAPS provides guidance to JDS fellows from Nepal in the following ways. In the field of economic policy, GSAPS helps JDS students to acquire the skills necessary for conducting practical research, analysis, and the construction of policy recommendations so that they can contribute to the fostering of international economic ties with Nepal's neighbouring countries in South Asia, China, and emerging economies in Southeast Asia and Northeast Asia.

Curriculum

Required Credits

Core Courses	22 credits
Basic Courses	
Advanced Courses	
Courses offered by another institution	8 credits
Project research / Master's thesis	
Total	30 credits

Project Research / Master's Thesis

Project research is carried out in seminar style. Under the instruction of their academic advisors, students learn and master skills to prepare and complete their thesis, to compile, analyse and review relevant information fully and to understand the research methodology.

Course Name	Instructor	Credits
Area Studies		
Politics and International Relations of China	AOYAMA, Rumi	8
Popular Culture in Asia	NAKAJIMA, Seio	8
Globalization and Socio-Cultural Change	FARRER, Gracia Liu	8
Politics of Religion, Culture, and Gender, Politics in Southeast Asia	MIICHI, Ken	8
International Relations		
International Relations and Security in East Asia	UEKI, Chikako	8
Pacific Settlement of International Disputes	KAWANO, Mariko	8
East Asia and America, Foreign Policy	SHINOHARA, Hatsue	8
Law & Organizations in International Relations	SETA, Makoto	8
East Asian Economies and Industries	NABESHIMA, Kaoru	8
Europe and Asia: Inter-regional Relations	BACON, Paul Martyn	8
Culture and Politics in the Asia-Pacific	LEHENY, David	8
International Development/ Policy Studies		
Peace, Human Rights and Social Development in Less Developed Countries	KATSUMA, Yasushi	8
Economic Development and Policy in Asia	KATO, Atsushi	8
Investing in Asia	KIKUCHI, Tomoo	8
International Education Policy in the Globalizing World	KURODA, Kazuo	8

Global Sustainability and International Development Cooperation Studies	MATSUOKA, Shunji	8
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*Since the above information may change, please visit [GSAPS website](#) for the latest information.

Academic Schedule

[Academic Calendar 2023](#)

Facilities

GSAPS Library	Mon.-Fri. (9:10-21:00)
Student Dormitories	Please refer to the following website and contact the "Residence Life Center", if you have any inquiries regarding dormitories and housing. https://www.waseda.jp/inst/rlc/en/

Student Support System

GSAPS also has a "TA" system to provide IT environment support such as common PC/printer/network troubleshooting.