Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU)

Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies

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Program Name

Master's program in International Cooperation Policy (ICP) For Component 1-2 Public Financial Management Master's program in Asia Pacific Studies (APS) For Component 2-1 International Relations

Degree

Master of Science in International Cooperation Policy For Component 1-2 Master of Science in Asia Pacific Studies

Credits and years required to graduate

32 Credits, 2 Years

For Component 2-1

Math Exam

Not Required

Admission Quota

2 students per batch

(1 slot for Component 1-2, 1 Slot for Component 2-1)

Web Links

- University https://en.apu.ac.jp/home/
- Graduate School https://admissions.apu.ac.jp/graduate
- Program:

ICP:

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APS:

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List of Courses:

https://admissions.apu.ac.jp/graduate/acad emics/gsa master/model/

• Campus Facilities https://en.apu.ac.jp/home/contents/campu smap.html/

Features of the University

Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU) first opened its doors in 2000 thanks to a collaboration between the Ritsumeikan Trust, Oita Prefecture, and Beppu City. With an entirely new multicultural learning environment consisting of half international students and half Japanese/domestic students, APU's aim is to

provide an international education that leads to the development of global leaders working in a diverse range of fields and industries. In these past twenty years, this goal has been reached with results exceeding expectations! APU now has over 20,000 alumni from more than 150 countries and regions, and this alumni network of global individuals continues to grow every year.

The Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies currently boasts more than 150 international students from 51 countries and regions and 98% of them are international students. It has been ranked 5th among private universities in the Times Higher Education Japan University Rankings since 2016.

Features of the Graduate School

The Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies aims to cultivate individuals who will contribute to the sustainable development of and coexistence in the Asia Pacific region. These individuals will possess broad knowledge across many fields including administration, security, environment and development, economics, sociology, cultural and media studies, and tourism and have practical problem-solving skills required for the development of the Asia Pacific region. The courses taught under this program consist of four pillars: analytical foundation courses, core courses on the Asia Pacific region, division

specific courses and intensive research-oriented seminar courses.

Most courses are run on a quarterly basis, each lasting approximately two months. This program nurtures students' research skills, including the ability to formulate frameworks for analyses, collect and analyze data and test arguments and hypotheses.

Students are expected to conduct research under a specific theme in a systematic manner throughout their studies. At the end of the program, students must submit a thesis or report on a theme of their choice, which they have developed under personal

guidance from their supervisors in the seminar courses run throughout the duration of the program.

During this process, students are encouraged to conduct field research. In addition, APU organizes numerous seminars and field studies and invites prominent scholars and researchers to share on their fields of expertise. Students are encouraged to develop their research by taking advantage of these opportunities.

Faculty

Master's Program in Asia Pacific Studies

Faculty Name	Position	Division	Research Area
HASUDA Takashi	Associate Professor	SC	History of Pre-modern Southeast Asia
HEO Seunghoon Emilia	Associate Professor	IR	International Reconciliation, Conflict Resolution, Peace Studies (Education)
IGUCHI Yufu	Professor	SC	Gender Studies, Cultural Studies, Southeast Asian Studies, Malaysian Studies
KASEDA Yoshinori	Professor	IR	Japanese Foreign Policy, International Politics with a regional focus on East Asia
KIM Chan Hoe	Professor	SC	Folklore Studies
KOJIMA Shinji	Associate Professor	SC	Inequality, Work and Employment, Globalization, Migration, Multiculturalism, Japanese Society
LE Hoang Anh Thu	Associate Professor	SC	Social and Cultural Anthropology, Southeast Asian Studies, Vietnamese Studies, ageing and life course, Buddhism and society, civil society, faith-based philanthropy, food system, foodbanks
MANTELLO Peter A.	Professor	IR, SC	Science and Technology Studies (STS), Artificial Intelligence (AI), AI and Security, Malicious Use of AI, Social Media, Surveillance Studies, Political Communication/Conflict Media, Film TV and Videogame Studies
ROTHMAN Steven B.	Associate Professor	IR	International Relations Theory, International Cooperation, Regime Theory, Soft Power, Pedagogy
SEIKE Kumi	Professor	SC	Sociology in general, Sociological theory, Anthropological theory, Philosophy: Kant, New realism
VYAS Utpal	Associate Professor	IR	International Relations, International political economy, Comparative politics, Area studies and Regionalism (Asia and Europe)
YOSHIDA Kaori	Professor	SC	Media studies, Cultural studies (gender, ethnicity, nation), Popular culture, Dark tourism, Memory studies, Identity politics and media
YOSHIMATSU Hidetaka	Professor	IR	International relations, International political economy, regionalism and regional politics in the Asia-Pacific, great power politics in the Indo-Pacific

Abbreviations:

IR: International Relations DivisionSC: Society and Culture Division

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