

1. University
Private Meiji University
2. Graduate school
Graduate School of Governance Studies
3. URL of University
http://www.meiji.ac.jp/cip/english/
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http://www.meiji.ac.jp/cip/english/graduate_education/graduate_s.html
5. Features of University
<p>Meiji University was founded in January 1881 as Meiji Law School by a group of young lawyers barely in their 30's: Tatsuo Kishimoto, Kozo Miyagi, and Misao Yashiro. It was an era characterized by Japan's urgent need to become a modern nation. The three founders of Meiji Law School hope to "foster bright capable youths to lead the modern society of Japan".</p> <p>Although they confronted countless obstacles and hardships along the way, they were able to set up Meiji University as a site for learning and education. Meiji University has become one of the most prominent private universities in Japan. It celebrated its 120th anniversary in 2001. With Rights, Liberty, Independence and Self-government as its guiding principles, Meiji University has contributed to Japanese Society by turning out more than 400,000 graduates to date. The university's numerous alumni have achieved much in the world.</p> <p>Meiji University is ranked among the best universities in Japan. It currently consists of nine schools: The School of Law; The School of Commerce; The School of Political Science and Economics; The School of Arts and Letters; The School of Science and Technology,; The School of Agriculture; The School of Business Administration; The School of Information and Communication, The School of Global Japanese Studies.</p> <p>The Graduate School is made up of seven departments: The Department of Law; The Department of Commerce; The Department of Arts and Letters; The Department of Science and Technology; The Department of Agriculture; and The Department of Business</p>

Administration. In addition, there are four independent graduate schools that are exclusively dedicated to professional education: The School of Governance Studies, The Law School, The School of Global Business and School of Professional Accountancy.

Meiji University has three campuses: Surugadai Campuses; the junior Izumi Campus and the Ikuta Science Campus. The university employs excellent teaching staffs who are linked to other institutions and facilities for education and research, both in Japan and throughout the world. Providing a solid education and advanced research opportunities, the central Surugadai Campus, in particular, features a high standard of Information and communication technology.

6. Features of Graduate school

Meiji University offered a program where graduate students are supposed to acquire fundamental and applicable knowledge of governance and management skill at the Graduate School of Governance Studies, under Master's Program for Governance Studies.

One of the major objectives of this program is to help to enhance the administrative capacity and governance skill of young people from developing countries. Especially, the program aims to help JDS students, who are mostly government officials from developing countries develop capacities in policy formulation and implementation. The special feature of the program is that many of the Japanese students in our school are assembly members of local governments and local government officials. Sharing ideas and opinions with other students are an essential part of education as way to widen student's perspectives in research.

The focus of study is on governance, public policy and public management. Under this heading, the students will deal with a broad spectrum of issues such as health, welfare, tax, and environment. They will also examine different policy making styles as well as questions of policy implementation and evaluation.

Offering a wide range of topics for students to choose from, this program encourages students to specialize further in conceptual policy areas such as governance and policy sciences or the more pragmatic government-business relationships and inter-governmental interfaces. Students are required to evaluate the role and function of these policy matters from different perspectives. In this regard, the program is highly interdisciplinary, enabling students to apply various approaches and concepts in political science, economics, and public management. By being exposed to these wide fields, students will increase their governance knowledge and management skills.

The initial year will mainly be devoted to the introduction of certain concepts, theories and methodologies germane to policy sciences and public management. This will help students to deepen their understanding of governance, public management, policy making, policy implementation and program evaluation. In these courses, students are encouraged to participate aggressively in class discussions, while they are also expected to conduct their own preliminary research related to their specific policy interests.

The second year focuses on independent research, although students will also attend several seminars relative to their research concerns. Each student will have to write a research paper, equivalent to a master thesis, by the end of the second year under the supervision of a designated advisor. The theme of the thesis may vary according to their interests for example, governance, public management, international finance, urban policy, and social development.

7. Features of the Program

The program is designed to cover the entire process of public policy, from issue finding, planning, decision making, implementation and evaluation. It is a reflection of the growing importance of a political and administrative understanding of the policy development, legislative consistency, economic efficiency, and the heightened importance of specialized capabilities to approach global issues. The curriculum covers all aspects of governance, divided into three major study areas - political/administrative, economic/fiscal and legal - together with courses that emphasize a broad international viewpoint. Practical instruction is given in writing master's thesis, and special exercises are provided to improve the basic skills required by politicians and civil employees. The school aims to produce highly-skilled professionals who combine an open-minded outlook with relevant practical skills. Classes are divided into four fields.

- (1) Policy Studies (Field A): This course provides a governance-based approach to study public policy, covering both basic knowledge and specialized theory of policy science. Academic significance and theories are studied with regard to various policy areas.
- (2) International Policy Studies (Field B): International comparative studies from governance perspectives are applied to deepen understanding of public policy in international settings. Students acquire a thorough knowledge of conditions and trends in international economics and policies, and gain an international outlook that will serve them well in their professional careers.
- (3) Public Management Studies (Field C): Theory and practice are studied in relation to actual public policy to have a good insight into whole concept and methods of public management from governance perspectives. In addition, students gain a deeper understanding of the ongoing changes in national and regional economic management resulting from administrative reform and government decentralization.
- (4) Policy Studies-practical aspect (Field E): This course provides opportunities to learn actual operations of Japanese public and private sectors. The classes basically consist of two components: a lecture in a class and relevant field trip. By visiting and observing

the field will certainly help student learn in depth about Japanese experiences and historical and theoretical background of those practices.

- (5) Special Research Studies (Field F): Students are taught methods for preparing reports and presentations, and acquire the research methodology and techniques for implementing public policies from governance perspective.

8. Curriculum in general

1) Academic credit requirements

- Students are required to complete 40 credits, and also complete a Master’s thesis.
- Among the 40 credits students are required to earn at least 6 credits from “Field A”, 4 credits from “Field B”, 2 credits from “Field C” and 8 credits from “Field F”.
- Students must enroll in courses of “Research Method 1”, “Research Method 2” in 1st year, “Research Paper 1” and “Research Paper 2” in 2nd year taught by their supervisor.
- Students are required, in addition to the above mandatory courses, to complete a minimum of 2 credits among a courses taught by their own supervisor.
- Maximum credits that a student can enroll are up to 36 credits per year.
- The inter-departmental courses basically are not counted as required credits for graduation. However, a specific courses admitted by the School of Governance Studies are counted in the credits for the graduation up to 4 credits. Also, these courses are included in the maximum credits of 36 that a student can enroll per year.

2) Course title

Field A	(credits)
Governance 1	(2)
Governance 2	(2)
Urban Policy 1	(2)
Urban Policy 2	(2)
Public Administration 1	(2)
Public Administration 2	(2)
Politics and Development 1	(2)
Politics and Development 2	(2)
Public Policy 1	(2)
Public Policy 2	(2)

Field B

Comparative Public Administration 1	(2)
Comparative Public Administration 2	(2)
Comparative Local Government	(2)
International Relations 1	(2)
International Relations 2	(2)
Japanese Economy in International Environment 1	(2)
Japanese Economy in International Environment 2	(2)
Field C	
Public Finance	(2)
Economic Development 1	(2)
Economic Development 2	(2)
TQM in Public Sector	(2)
Spatial Planning	(2)
Field E	
Policy Studies IV-C Multicultural Policy for a Local Community	(2)
Policy Studies VII-F Regional Development in developing countries	(2)
Policy Studies XI-A Human Resources Development in Local Government	(2)
Policy Studies XI-B Introducing Spatial Planning in Tokyo	(2)
Policy Studies XI-C Introducing TQM to Public Sector	(2)
Policy Studies XI-D Tax Policy and Tax Administration	(2)
Field F	
Research Method 1	(2)
Research Method 2	(2)
Research Paper 1	(2)
Research Paper 2	(2)
Social Research Method	(2)

9. Degree	
Master of Public Policy	
Note :	
10. Credit needed for graduation	
40 Credits, 2 Years	
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11. Academic Schedule	
Autumn Semester Courses Begins:	Beginning of September
Registration for Course Enrolment:	End of September
Winter Vacation:	End of December to beginning of January
Autumn Semester Courses Ends:	End of January
Spring Semester Courses Begins:	Beginning of April
Registration for Course Enrolment:	Middle of April
Spring Semester Courses Ends:	End of July
Summer Vacation:	Beginning of August to middle of September

12. Facilities

1) Academy Common and Liberty Tower

- Liberty Tower is a 23-storied building which constitutes the various school offices and class rooms fully equipped with facilities for audiovisual education.
- Academy Common where more highly advanced audio-visual equipments are installed in all classrooms was built next to Liberty Tower in 2004.
- Most of the lecture will be held on 19F of the Liberty Tower and 8-10F of Academy Common.

2) Building No.14

- International Student Lounge is located in the 4F to support the school life of International students. It's open from Monday to Saturday 10AM-6PM.
- Study rooms are for all students in the Graduate Schools of Governance Studies, Global Business, professional Accountancy and the Law.
- It is open from 7:30 AM to 11PM and copy machines and open printers are set in the 4 F. Lockers and Lounge is available.

3) Library

Meiji University libraries play a central role in the educational and research activities of the university. These libraries systematically provide and maintain materials for the educational and research activities of students and staff. The libraries are comprised of the main library at the Surugadai Campus, the Izumi Library for humanities and social science students at the Izumi Campus, and the Ikuta Library for students in the Sciences, Technology and Agriculture at the Ikuta Campus.

As of March 2004, the libraries provide approximately 2,050,000 books, 21,000 newspapers, journals, and other periodicals, as well as a collection of numerous materials on microfilm, microfiche, and CD-ROM. The library catalogue has been made into a database, and can be searched not only from terminals connected to the library computer, but also via the Internet.

The central library has four floors, with a bright and open structure illuminated by natural lighting. In order to keep up with the networks academic environment to distribute information through network. The library has a Multimedia Area equipped with computers connected to the Internet and computers specifically stationed for searching CD-ROM materials. It is also equipped with approximately 640 information outlets.

Note: Dormitories are not available.

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13. List of faculty members capable of guiding JDS fellows

See the attached list.

Teaching Staff

Name	Class Subject	Research Topics
Hiroo Ichikawa, Ph.D. (Dean of the School of Governance Studies, Professor)	Urban Policy 1,2 Research Paper 1,2 Research Method 1,2	Urban Policy
Akira Nakamura, Ph.D. (Professor)	Public Administration1,2 Research Paper 1,2 Research Method 1,2	Public Management, Governance Studies
Yasushi Aoyama (Professor)	Spatial Planning Research Paper 1,2 Research Method 1,2 Policy Studies -B	Urban Policy
Nobusato Kitaoji (Professor)	TQM in Public Sector Research Paper 1,2 Research Method 1,2 Policy Studies -C	Public Sector Management, Program Evaluation & Performance Measurement
Shigeru Yamashita (Professor)	Comparative Local Government Research Paper 1,2 Research Method 1,2 Policy Studies -A	Local Government
Takafumi Kanemura (Professor)	Public Finance Research Paper 1,2 Research Method 1,2 Policy Studies -D	Local Government Finance, Public Sector Accounting

Kyoko Ryu (Professor)	Governance 1,2 Research Paper 1,2 Research Method 1,2	Public Administration
Yuriko Minamoto (Professor)	International Relations 1,2 Research Paper 1,2 Research Method 1,2	International Development, Social Development, Evaluation Research
Kosaku Dairokuno (Professor)	Comparative Public Administration 1, 2 Research Paper 1,2 Research Method 1,2	Comparative Public Administration, Comparative Politics
Etsuko Katsu (Professor)	Japanese Economy in International Environment 1,2 Research Paper 1,2 Research Method 1,2	International Finance
Tomoko Yamagishi (Associate Professor)	Policy Studies - C	Cultural Studies, Middle East Studies
Yumi Horikane, Ph.D. (Associate Professor)	Politics and Development 1,2 Research Paper 1,2 Research Method 1,2	Political Economy of Development, Comparative Politics in Asia
Nobuhisa Taira, Ph.D.(Lecturer)	Public Policy 1,2	Urban Policy, Policy Evaluation
Lau Sim Yee(Lecturer)	Economic Development 1,2	Southeast Asia Development Technology Transfer in East Asia
Junichiro Yabuta (Lecturer)	Policy Studies -F	Planning in Developing Countries
Aki Yonehara, Ph.D. (Lecturer)	Social Research Method	Education Policy in Developing Countries