

Sub-Program/Component	Advancement of Governance / Public Administration
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1	University	Kyushu University (National)
	Graduate School	Graduate School of Law
	URL of University	http://www.kyushu-u.ac.jp/english/index.php
	URL of Graduate School	http://www.law.kyushu-u.ac.jp/programsinenglish/
	Program Name	Comparative Studies of Politics and Administration in Asia (CSPA)
	Degrees	Master of Laws
	Credit and Years needed for Graduation	30 Credits 2 Years

2. Features of University

Kyushu University is located in the city of Fukuoka on the northern coast of the island of Kyushu. Kyushu is the westernmost of the four main islands of Japan.

The history of Kyushu University dates back to 1902 when Fukuoka Medical College was established. In 1911, Kyushu Imperial University was established comprising of a College of Medicine and Engineering.

The university is the largest and prestigious institution in Kyushu. The total number of students currently enrolled amounts to approximately 18,000, while the faculty numbers around 2,300.

International exchange programs have always been strongly encouraged at Kyushu University. With this in mind, the university accepts many overseas students each year. At present there are more 1,200 international students from about seventy countries studying at the university. Kyushu University's International Student & Research Support Center provides extensive assistance to all overseas students.

Located in the heart of East Asia, midway between Tokyo, Shanghai and Seoul, Fukuoka is the largest city in Kyushu. It is a thriving modern metropolis that has not sacrificed its unique local character and charm.

3. Features of Graduate school

The Law faculty was established in September, 1924 as the Department of the Faculty of Law and Letters and came into independent status in 1949. It now consists of thirty-two Chairs. Annually, 248 students are admitted and, as of April 1, 2005, the number of graduates amounts to 15,642. Fields of occupational activities of these alumni are extensive, covering judicature, governmental services (both national and local), businesses, journalism, education, research, etc. The number of those who were granted the D.LL. degree under the old University system totals 31. The new system graduate course (Division of Law. Graduate School, Kyushu University), which was set up in 1953 under the postwar educational reorganization, has produced roughly 650 masters and almost 100 doctors. Since its establishment, the Faculty of Law has been contributing to educate future leaders of Asia.

Along with a long history as a center of excellence in Japan's legal and political education, the Law Faculty has been innovative in its education such as launching Japan's first LL.M program entirely managed in English, followed by a similar program in politics and public administration. As of April 2009, it accepts around 90 international students, out of which 70% coming from Asia, in its graduate school of 166 students.

4. Features of Program

Master program in Comparative Studies of Politics and Administration in Asia (CSPA)

The CSPA program was officially launched in 1999. It has two key features: firstly it focuses on comparative research into politics and administration in Asia for a Master's degree, secondly, instruction and program administration are managed entirely in English. On the first point, there has been much research into Asian economies and area studies, but comparative research into politics and administration has been relatively neglected. The CSPA program is pioneering in this regard, its courses providing gateways towards resolving pressing contemporary issues in Asia. Secondly, all classes, as well as instruction of master thesis writing are provided in English removing a major difficulty for students wishing to undertake graduate research in Japan.

The successful achievement of nation building in Asia is now being challenged at three levels: local, national, and global. What once were questions of problems of maintaining political organization and administrative organization are now often covered under governance theory. There were many cases where government theory was equated only with the formal political system, but greater attention is now being paid in the analysis of Asian politics to how a country is actually ruled and how policies are formulated in practice. These themes treat the global, national and local levels not as separate layers but as interacting components. In recognition of this changing context of contemporary Asia, the CSPA has been launched at Kyushu University's Faculty of Law.

5. Necessary Curriculum to Obtain to the Degrees

-Module Subjects-

All students are expected to complete the pre-set 20 credits curriculum and additional writing requirement of a thesis worth 10 credits. The course selection will provide students with a well-rounded consideration of relevant issues, while at the same time, introducing the students to some of the leading members of the Faculty. Although the Program's curriculum is pre-selected, students with facility in the Japanese language may also participate in other Japanese language courses offered by the Faculty.

Courses offered in 2010-2011 are the following:

- Democracy and Power
- Contemporary Japanese Political and Diplomatic History
- Governance of the EU
- International Relations in East Asia
- Seminar on Governance and Global Politics
- Asia-Pacific Political Economy
- Energy and Environmental Policy in Contemporary World
- Comparing Legal and Political Cultures
- Thesis Workshop
- Gender and International Politics (Intensive)
- Third World Development: Strategies and Issues (Intensive)

Further information on additional intensive courses can be found at:

<http://www.law.kyushu-u.ac.jp/programs/english/>

The above is an indicative list and is subject to change. Up-to-date details on the courses offered can be found at: [Kyushu University, Faculty of Law - Programs in English](#)

6. Academic Schedule

See Attached document, which describes the schedule in detail.

7. Facilities

【Accommodation】

The university will make every effort to assist students in relocating to Fukuoka. A limited number of university apartments are available. In the event that university accommodation is not available, then the International Student & Researcher Support Center will assist you in finding suitable private accommodation.

【University Library】

The Law Library of Kyushu University houses one of the largest collections in Japan with over 31,000 volumes. It is particularly well known for its collection of international and foreign -language materials, and is an excellent resource for students.

In addition, students are given access to various on-line services, including LEXIS/NEXIS and WestLaw.

For more detailed information please see the Kyushu University Library

Website (http://www.lib.kyushu-u.ac.jp/place/for_member/?skinid=9)

8. List of faculty members capable of guiding JDS fellows

Hachiya, Machiko (International Politics, EU Studies)

Izumi, Kaoru (Political Science, Korean Politics)

Lee, Hong Pyo (International Relations, East Asian Regional Security)

Okawara, Nobuo (Political Theory and Comparative Politics)

Ogawa Reiko (Migration Studies, Anthropology)

Oga, Toru (Political Science)

Hasumi, Jiro (Political Science)

9. Message for Applicants

The Faculty of Law, Kyushu University is delighted to be able to offer graduate study opportunities in comparative political science and international economic and business law. We have over a decade of experience in offering our English programs and well over 150 alumni. We are therefore confident that our programs are internationally competitive and will provide you with a rewarding study experience. The Faculty of Law has an internationally diverse faculty, as well as Japanese faculty drawn from a range of backgrounds (e.g. international organizations, private companies & the legal profession).

In addition, our experience with international students means that we are well placed to provide

support and assistance in ensuring that you are comfortable living in Japan. The large international student body means that you will not have any trouble developing a support network amongst fellow students. We have had a number of students from Bangladesh on our programs and they have found life at Kyushu University to be very rewarding.

Finally, Fukuoka is an attractive cosmopolitan city that is ideal for an enjoyable and productive student life.

We very much look forward to receiving applications from suitably qualified candidates from Bangladesh.

Reference

YLP IEBL JDS JLTC BiP LL.D. CSPA ACADEMIC CALENDAR, 2010-11

This calendar is for reference purposes only. It provides a rough indication of the academic calendar for the IEBL program. Dates are subject to revision.

Fall Term, 2010

September		
28	BiP Orientation	
	Japanese Law Classes Begin	
October		
8	IEBL Entrance Ceremony, Guidance	
9	LL.M. CSPA Classes Begin	
12	Health Sports Day (National Holiday) <u>NO CLASS</u>	
13	Gymnastics Festival	
20	Deadline for submitting the Course Registration Form	
30	Deadline for submission of Research Topics & Research Proposal	
November		
3	Culture Day (National Holiday) <u>NO CLASS</u>	
18	Monday's classes will be held instead of Wednesday's classes	
23	Labor Thanksgiving Day (National Holiday) <u>NO CLASS</u>	
December		
23	The Emperor's Birthday (National Holiday) <u>NO CLASS</u>	
24-25	<u>NO CLASS</u> (Term for Make-up Class if any)	
26	Winter Holidays Begin (through Jan.7)	

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January		
8	Classes Begin	
11	Coming of Age Day (National Holiday) <u>NO CLASS</u>	
15	<u>NO CLASS</u> (Day for Make-up Class if any)	
27	LL.M. CSPA & Japanese Law Classes End	
28	LL.M. & Japanese Law Classes Examination Term Start	

February

10	LL.M. & Japanese Law Classes Examination Term End
11	National Foundation Day (National Holiday)
12	LL.M. & Japanese Law Classes Examination Term End
13	Spring Holidays Begin (through Apr. 4) Alumni Symposium (YLP IEBL JDS JLTC BiP LL.D.)
14	Alumni Symposium (YLP IEBL JDS JLTC BiP LL.D.)
15	Conference with University of Hokkaido
17	Submission Deadline for the LL.D. Application
mid.-end.	Clinical Study

March

1-31	Spring holidays
Beg.	3 days YLP Study Trip
22	Vernal Equinox Day (National Holiday)
31	Submission of Thesis Title and Cluster Choice

Spring Term, 2011

April

5	LL.M. Classes Begin
29	Showa Day (National Holiday) <u>NO CLASS</u>

May

3	Constitutional Memorial Day (National Holiday) <u>NO CLASS</u>
4	Greenery Day (National Holiday) <u>NO CLASS</u>
5	Children's Day (National Holiday) <u>NO CLASS</u>

June

18	Deadline for submitting Thesis draft (30 pages) * *Applicable to student, who wishes to participate in the summer internship
30	Deadline for submitting Final Thesis Title

July

16	Monday's class will be held instead of Friday's class
19	Sea Day (National Holiday) <u>NO CLASS</u>
23	LL.M. Classes End
26	Examination Term Start (LL.M.)

August

6	Examination Term End (LL.M.)
12	Deadline for submitting Thesis
17	Oral Defense (CSPA)
14	Summer Holidays Begin

September

Beg.-Mid.	Final Exam (Open Presentation)
Beg.-Mid.	Final approval at the Law Faculty Meeting
Beg.-Mid.	Graduation Ceremony