

Sub-Program	2. International Relations
Component (Development Issue)	2.1 International Relations
Accepting University	International University of Japan Graduate School of International Relations International Relations Program
Target Applicant	BCS Cadre Officials
Background	<p>The main source of acquisition of foreign currency in Bangladesh is export of garment products, remittances from overseas workers and foreign aid. The essential elements prerequisite for achieving poverty reduction are trade and investment relationships with the international community and the management of foreign aid. The garment industry accounts for three fourths of the export, and Bangladesh is currently addressing further strengthening of the competitiveness of its garment industry, diversification of export industries, and improvement of the basic infrastructures that can support those issues. For the direct investment promotion that is closely related to the export-oriented industries, it is necessary to improve the investment environment such as improvement of the laws, systems, and procedures.</p> <p>For the diplomatic relations, Bangladesh is playing an important role in each of organizations such as the U.N. and OIC. In particular, Bangladesh is making a contribution to the peace and stability of the international community, being one of the countries dispatching the greatest number of personnel to the PKO. The current administration succeeded the "Look East Policy" from the ex-administration and promotes enhancement of its economic relations with southeast Asian and east Asian countries.</p> <p>Based on such a situation, it is an issue to develop human resources who can enable enhancement of the relations with the international community through trade and investment, and that of efficient management of foreign aid, aiming for poverty reduction with a long-term perspective. It is also necessary to develop human resources who have the ability to formulate the diplomatic policies that can contribute to the stabilization of the international community focusing on the Asian region and to the enhancement of the relations such as economic cooperation, both of which are the preconditions of the country's economic growth.</p>

Component	Objective / Research Area	Outline of University Program
International Relations	<p><Objective> To ensure that JDS participants who are/will be responsible for issues related to international relations such as trade, finance, and regional cooperation and to foreign aid management will upgrade their skills on policymaking and institution building in relation to strengthening of multilateral diplomatic relations with the focus on development, trade and investment, and building-up of closer relationship with Asian countries.</p> <hr/> <p><Research Area></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strengthening of multilateral diplomatic relations focusing on development, trade, investment and finance 2. Building-up closer relationship with Asian countries 	<p>In the program, JDS Fellows may choose from two concentrations;</p> <p>1. MA in International Relations The International Relations degree provides a comprehensive understanding of trends in contemporary politics, economics and society. For the MA in International Relations, we emphasize the study of comprehensive and interdisciplinary world trends with a special emphasis on the Asia Pacific region, and Japan in particular. The Islamic world also receives considerable attention. The program is constructed to allow students the maximum freedom to pursue their own interests within the limits of the specializations offered by the IUJ faculty.</p> <p>2. MA in International Peace Studies The Peace Studies degree contributes to creating conditions for peace and enhancing human security. MA in Peace Studies track focuses on how peace and security may be created in conflict areas. It examines methods of conflict resolution and peace building which focus on development strategies that lead to stability. A clear link is made between peace, security and economic development.</p>