

Field of Study	Law
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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	LL.M. program in International Economic and Business Law (IEBL) http://www.law.kyushu-u.ac.jp/programsinenglish/llmprogram.htm
	Degrees	Master of Laws
	Credit and years needed for graduation	30 credits, 2 Years

2 . Features of University

The history of Kyushu University dates back to 1902 when Fukuoka Medical College was established as the foundation of Kyushu Imperial University. In 1911, Kyushu Imperial University, along with the Collages of Medicine and Engineering, were established.

The total number of students currently amounts to 18,588, while the faculty members number 2,186. International exchange programs are also greatly encouraged at Kyushu University. With in mind, the university accepts many overseas students each year. At present there are more 1,500 international students from about seventy countries studying here.

Located in the heart of East Asia, midway between Tokyo, Shanghai and Seoul, Fukuoka is the largest city in Kyushu, the southeast of Japan's four main islands. 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 post-war 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 the Program

LL.M. program in international Economic and Business Law (IEBL)

In 1994, the Faculty of Law at Kyushu University established Japan's first Master's program taught entirely in English: the LL.M. program in international Economic and Business Law (IEBL). Drawing upon faculty members with particular strengths in those fields of law, the IEBL program is designed to provide both Japanese students and international with the ability to confront the many challenges of international economic affairs and commercial transactions. Taught in English from a Japanese perspective, the IEBL program seeks to develop a critical understanding of economic and legal principles within the framework of international & comparative law.

5 . Necessary Curriculum to Obtain to the Degrees

[LL.M.]

All IEBL students will be expected to complete a 30-credit (approx. five courses per semester) curriculum and submit a Master's Thesis. Courses offered within the framework of the LL.M. program are grouped around four key themes:

- a. Global Governance and Corporations
 - International Business Law & Foreign Direct Investment Law
 - International Maritime law
 - Law of GATT/WTO
 - Corporate Governance
 - EU Law & International Trade
 - Practitioner Perspective on Global Governance & Corporations

- b. Economic and Business Law in Asia
 - Corporate Social Responsibility in Labor and International Law
 - Competition Law in Japan & Asia
 - International Taxation
 - Bankruptcy Law in Asia
 - Asian Tax Law

- c. Innovation and the Law
 - Cultural Diversity & the Law
 - Information Transaction in the Digital Age
 - Corporate & White Collar Crime
 - Bioethics & the Law
 - E-Commerce

The above is an indicative list and is subject to change. Up-to-date details on the courses offered can be found at: <http://www.law.kyushu-u.ac.jp/programs/english/>

6 . Academic Schedule

The academic calendar for 2010-2011 is uploaded on the following website (subject to change on a yearly basis):

<http://www.law.kyushu-u.ac.jp/programs/english/2010-2011academiccalendar.pdf>.

This academic calendar aims to inform students attending the 12 months program.

Students attending the 24 months program (2010-2012) will have to take notice of the following differences (subject to change on a yearly basis):

- The Fall Semester is from October 5th 2010 -January 27th 2011 (with a New Year's Holiday from 25th December 2010 – January 5th 2011), and the Spring Semester is from April 11th 2011 – July 22nd 2011. The dates for 2011-12 semesters will be confirmed in October 2011.
- The working title of the thesis must be submitted to the Secretariat by e-mail by June 30th 2011.
- A 35 pages draft of the thesis must be submitted on August 12th 2011.
- The deadline for the submission of the thesis will be in mid-August 2012 (the exact date will be confirmed in October 2011).
- The oral examination will be held in early September 2012.
- The final decision to confer the degree will be taken at the first faculty meeting after the oral examination in September 2012.

7 . Facilities

【Accommodations】

The university will make every effort to assist students in relocating to Fukuoka. A limited number of University = affiliated apartments may be made available on a first-come, first served basis. University apartment rates as of October 2010 are as follows. Please note they are subject to change.

1. Single room 5,900 yen/month
2. Double occupancy(married w/o children) 11,900yen/month
3. Family occupancy 14,200 yen/month
4. Utilities are paid by the student.

For the detailed information, please see the website.

<http://www.isc.kyushu-u.ac.jp/supportcenter-e/housing/on/kashihama/main.html>

【University Library】

The Law Library of Kyushu University houses one of the largest collections in Japan with over 310,000 volumes. It is particularly well known for its collection of international and foreign-language materials, and is an excellent resource for students.

For the 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

【LL.M.】

- Abe, Michiaki
- Ago, Shinichi
- * • Fenwick, Mark

- * • Han, Sang Hee
- * • Igimi-Yasutake, Mariko
- * • Kojima, Ryu
- * • Kono, Toshiyuki
- * • Levin-Kobayashi, Hisako
- * • Pejovic, Caslav
- * • Teramoto, Shinto
 - Ueda, Junko
- * • Van Uytsel, Steven
- * • Wrbka, Stefan
- * • Yanagihara, Masaharu