

Field of Study	Business Administration
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1	University	Waseda University (Private)
	Graduate School	Graduate School of Commerce
	URL of University	http://www.waseda.jp/top/index-e.html
	URL of Graduate School	http://www.waseda.jp/wbs/en/index.html
	Program name	International MBA Program
	Degrees	Master of Business Administration
	Credit and years needed for graduation	Credits: 50 2-year

2 . Features of University

[Waseda University]

In the year 2007, Waseda University celebrated the 125th anniversary of its founding by Shigenobu Okuma, scholar and government leader. Waseda is one of Japan's top private, co-educational institutions of higher learning. Founded as a college with three departments under the old Japanese system of higher education, it has since grown to become a comprehensive university with two senior high schools and a School of Art and Architecture.

Waseda University aims to uphold the independence of learning, and to promote the practical utilization of knowledge and good citizenship.

To uphold the independence of learning, Waseda University shall strive to emphasize freedom of research and investigation, and to encourage original and creative studies, thereby contributing to the advancement of knowledge.

To promote the practical utilization of knowledge, Waseda University shall endeavor to foster ways and means of utilizing knowledge side by side with the carrying on of academic research and learning, thereby contributing to the progress of civilization.

To promote good citizenship, Waseda University shall stress the building up of character which enables one to respect individuality, to enlighten oneself and ones family, to promote the welfare of state and society and to extend one's influence and activity to the world at large.

This declaration was made public by the founder at the 30th Anniversary Convocation held in 1913.

Waseda University is located in the center of Tokyo. Please refer to the following website to know where the university exactly is.

<http://www.waseda.jp/eng/campus/map.html>

3 . Features of Graduate School

The Waseda Business School (WBS) started in 1973 as a non-degree, one-year program of the Systems Science Institute of Waseda University. This was reorganized into an MBA program as the International Management major of the Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies (GSAPS) in 1998. Then, in 2003, a professional degree program was newly established. Also in 2003, the Management of Technology (MOT) program was founded in response to the growing demand for technology management education. A double MBA program was jointly established with

Singapore's Nanyang Technological University (NTU) in 2006. In April 2007, the GSAPS MBA Program and the GSC Professional Course MBA Evening Program merged to form the "GSC Business Track (Professional Degree Program)," creating a new structure for the W.

Beginning in April 2010, the MOT program was moved to a schedule of weekday evenings and Saturdays, similar to the MBA evening program. These programs complement the full-time MBA program, in which students are able to obtain a degree taking only courses conducted in English. All programs are composed of both core and specialized subjects, so students can obtain both the wide-ranging knowledge and specialized expertise required of businesspeople. Also, all students must complete a thesis (professional degree thesis) as part of their graduation requirements, thus ensuring a substantial educational experience that cannot be imparted merely through lectures.

As of April 2011, WBS offers six sub-programs as follows.

MBA program (full time)

- 1 MBA program (in Japanese, 2-year, April entrance)
- 2 MBA program (in Japanese, 1-year, April entrance)
- 3 MBA program (in English, 2-year, September entrance)

MBA program (evening)

- 1 MBA program (in Japanese, 2-year, April entrance)
- 2 MOT program (in Japanese, 2-year, April entrance)

Waseda - Nanyang Double MBA program

(in Singapore, in English, 1-year, July entrance)

The major objective of WBS is to cultivate future business leaders and management executives and professionals with expertise in specific management fields in the global environment. Each of the six sub-programs of WBS has their own objectives corresponding to its characteristics. Generally, the full-time program focuses more on the cultivation of future business leaders and management executives, while the evening program and the double MBA program focus more on the cultivation of professionals with expertise in specific management fields.

All programs provide 'core courses' which give students the broad knowledge base necessary for business persons and 'elective specialized courses' which foster their particular expertise. At the same time, all programs require the completion of a professional degree thesis for graduation. This is aimed at providing highly focused education that cannot be achieved through lectures alone. An MBA degree is conferred on those who complete all requirements of these programs.

We now move into action to make our programs more attractive, and the changes will be reflected from April 2012. The main changes of reformation are as follows; 2-year Full-Time MBA program will be evolved into International MBA program, which stresses the interaction between International students and Japanese students. MBA evening program and MOT evening programs will organized as Evening Program and Specialized Program. Please note that the information written below may be changed for some extent as well. The details of each program, application procedure and application forms will be released on our website around August, 2011.

<http://www.waseda.jp/wbs/en/about/index.html>

The WBS has been proactive in its internationalization. It is the first and only business school, both in Japan and worldwide, to provide MBAs in either Japanese or English. The WBS aims to be

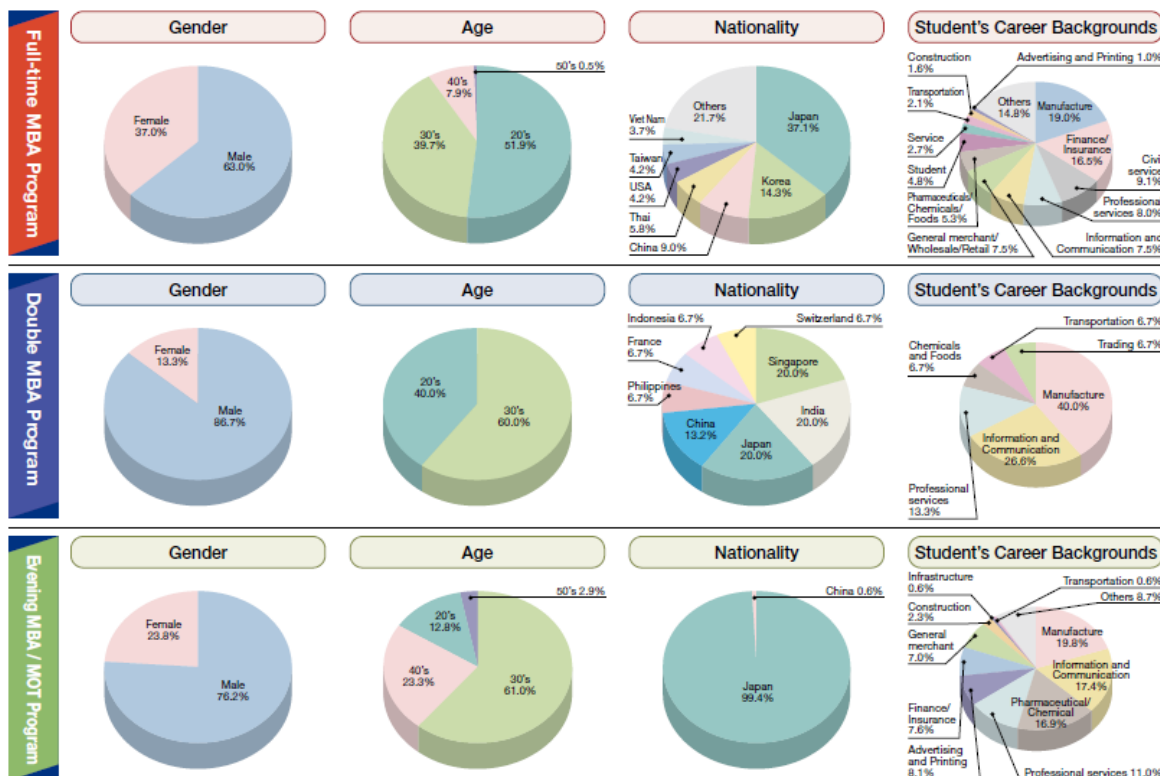
the number one business school in Japan, and to also be recognized as a global business school.

Many international students have converged at Waseda, and English, Chinese, Korean and many other languages can be heard around campus. The WBS has actively sought to accept and send exchange students with overseas business schools from countries including the United States, Germany, and China.

As the largest Japanese business school, with approximately 400 graduate students, the greatest appeal of the WBS is the combination of its attractive individual programs and the opportunities for students to interact across the variety of program.

The students at WBS come from many different nations and they have different experiences and backgrounds.

*The figures are made based on the information of April 2010.



4 . Features of the Program

Waseda Business School (WBS) offers an excellent curriculum, with four distinct streams tailored to students' career goals. Each stream has a common core of courses which fulfill the necessary conditions for an MBA, and specialized courses catering to individual student interests and career objectives.

Within the WBS program, there will be opportunities to specialize in areas such as strategic management, entrepreneurship, and technology management. WBS brings a special focus to the training of management professionals who will be adept at integrating the latest technologies into an overall management strategy in order to respond to the rapidly changing needs of society.

To be awarded a Master of Business Administration degree by Waseda University in the MBA Program (Full-Time), a student must obtain 50 (or more) credits by obtaining 46 (or more) course

credits in his/her subjects and project research and completing the Degree Thesis (4 credits), and pass the evaluation screening, in addition to attaining a Scholarship Average (S. A.) of 0.7 or higher in the final evaluation.

< Graduation requirements for MBA Program (Full-Time) as of April 2011 >

Program	Core Course	Specialized Courses	Bilingual Courses	Courses offered by other Institutions	Project Research		Total
					Project Research	MBA Degree Thesis	
2-year MBA Program	18-22	18-			8	4	50

5 . Necessary Curriculum to Obtain to the Degrees

The curricula offered by the MBA include "Core Courses", "Specialized Courses", "Bilingual Courses", "Specialized Research" and "Non-credit courses".

Core Courses

Core Courses are designed to help the students attain basic knowledge and skills necessary for completing their project researches. Given the nature of these basic courses, it is recommended to take them as soon as possible after entrance.

Students must take 18 credit (9 courses) or more and not more than 22 credits (11 courses) from among the Core Courses as elective and compulsory studies.

Specialized Courses

Specialized Courses are designed mainly to provide proficient training in the acquisition of knowledge and its professional application, and to enhance the students' abilities to develop project research and prepare master's theses. Special Topics offer the students current information on various themes, which are selected by the faculty.

Students in the 2-year course must take more than 18 credits (9 courses) as elective and compulsory studies.

Bilingual Courses

There are lectures conducted in both Japanese and English. Grades are given each half-semester and are not included in the Scholarship Average.

Project Research

The educational activities of project research center on problem-identification and problem-solving skills regarding issues that are affecting society. This curriculum is organized using the Triangle Method, an educational system that promotes close organic relationships between the faculty members of the Institute, graduate students and professional experts from business firms and public organizations.

With guidance from the faculty, graduate school students will master and cultivate knowledge and professional skills necessary for academic research, which ultimately will help them complete their master's theses. In addition, students are expected to improve their problem-identification and problem-solving skills through this scholarly training.

Project research is conducted through seminars as well as research guidance. Fieldwork and internship at corporations or other organizations are also included in this curriculum.

6 . Academic Schedule

Please refer to the attached PDF or following URL.

http://www.waseda.jp/gradcom/student/news/detail/pdf/20110325_mba_fulltime.pdf

7 . Facilities

Note: These could be changes in opening hours during school vacation or national holidays. Please check the opening hours on the bulletin board or the website.

- Graduate Student Study Room (Faculty of Commerce): Basement of Bldg. 11

This study room is for the support of independent study for students in the Graduate School of Commerce and Graduate School of Accountancy.

Open 08:30a.m.- 10:20p.m., Monday- Saturday

-Graduate student lockers: Basement of Bldg.11

Individual lockers and keys are provided for master's students in the Graduate School of Commerce and for MA students. These lockers are available for use during the opening hours of each location (Faculty of Commerce student lounge, computer room and study room).

Open 08:30a.m.- 10:20p.m., Monday- Saturday

-Graduate Student Computer Room (Faculty of Commerce): Basement of Bldg.11

40 personal computers are available in the Graduate Student Computer Room.

Open 08:30a.m.- 10:20p.m., Monday- Saturday

-Graduate Student Lounge (Faculty of Commerce): Basement of Bldg. 11

A lounge is provided for students in Graduate School of Commerce and the Graduate School of Accountancy for breaks and socializing. For the printing of study materials and class presentation documents, there is a copy machine (requiring a card) in this lounge.

Open 08:30a.m.- 10:20p.m., Monday- Saturday

-Faculty of Commerce Library: 10th floor of Bldg. 11

The library is available for students for reading and copying. When using the library, please obey the rules and be careful not disrupt others. Some books in the collection can be borrowed, to a limit of two books per person for two weeks.

Open 08:30a.m.- 10:20p.m., Monday- Saturday

-Takada Library: 3rd Floor of Bldg. 2

Takada Library, a research library on Waseda Campus, stores mainly research books for social sciences such as economics and management. To enter the library, go in the south entrance of Bldg. 2 (a stone statue of a lamb is situated there). The library is on the 3rd floor. Graduate students can read, copy materials and borrow books. The opening hours are longer than those of other libraries; the library is open even during examination periods. Please use it for independent study.

Open 08:30a.m.- 10:20p.m., Monday- Saturday

-Dormitories

Waseda University provides student accommodation including dormitories where Japanese and international students live together. There are also many students who choose to live in private accommodations. Though the university does not provide services to help look for private accommodations, students are encouraged to utilize the below companies recommended by Waseda University.

- Waseda University Property Management Corp., Student Accommodation Center
- Waseda University Cooperation Union
- The Campus Corporation

8 . List of faculty members capable of guiding JDS fellows

Prof. AIBA, Koji
 Prof. HIRANO, Masaaki
 Prof. HIGASHIDE, Hironori
 Prof. OHTAKI, Reiji
 Prof. GROSSBERG, Kenneth Alan
 Prof. NAGAI, Takeru
 Prof. HOHGI, Hideo
 Prof. FUJITA, Seiichi
 Prof. MANO, Yoshiki
 Prof. KUBO, Katsuyuki
 Prof. NISHIYAMA, Shigeru
 Prof. HIBARA, Nobuhiko
 Prof. OSANAI, Atsushi

Please refer to the following URL for further information.

http://www.waseda.jp/wbs/en/mba_fulltime/project.html

9 . Message for Applicants**[Message from Tatsuyuki Negoro, Director of Waseda Business School]**

Waseda Business School (WBS) aims to be a platform that enables students to achieve personal growth in becoming “internationally active businesspeople” with strong “market value” who will lead industrial and social development. “Market value” refers to having abilities that are recognized beyond individual firms.

Upon graduation from the WBS, students become a member of a “businessperson network” that reaches beyond Japan to span the globe, with an emphasis on East Asia in particular. Students also gain access to resource-rich networks in their specialized field that extends beyond company borders. The WBS pursues its mission to nurture next-generation business leaders with the vision and strong spirit to lead industry and society.

[Advise for prospective applicants]

WBS requires English program applicants to submit a score report of English proficiency test and GMAT (Graduate Management Admission Test). Although JDS students can submit GMAT score report later than application period, it is strongly recommended to prepare for it in advance.