

Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies
Graduate School Regulations

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Purport

Article 1

These Graduate School regulations stipulate matters pertaining to the curricula, subjects, and degree completion within the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies, in accordance with Article 15-2, Item 4 of the Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University University Regulations.

English Notation

Article 2

English notation for the graduate school, programs, and majors shall be as follows:

- 1) アジア太平洋研究科 Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies
- 2) 博士前期課程 Master's Program
- 3) 博士後期課程 Doctoral Program
- 4) アジア太平洋学専攻 Major in Asia Pacific Studies
- 5) 国際協力政策専攻 Major in International Cooperation Policy

Purposes of Education and Research

Article 3

The Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies Master's Program in Asia Pacific Studies aims to cultivate human resources who will possess a keen interest in research pertaining to and specialized knowledge and skills necessary for development of the Asia Pacific region in such areas as international relations and social and cultural studies, will achieve practical resolutions for issues in the region, and will contribute to sustainable development and coexistence in the region.

2 The Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies Master's Program in International Cooperation Policy aims to cultivate human resources who will possess a keen interest in research pertaining to and specialized knowledge and skills necessary for development of the Asia Pacific region in such areas as public administration, environment, development, health and tourism, will achieve practical resolutions for issues in the region, and will contribute to sustainable development and coexistence in

the region.

3 The Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies Doctoral Program in Asia Pacific Studies aims to foster the advanced capacity for pioneering a new academic discipline (area) necessary for development of the Asia Pacific region and cultivate advanced researchers and highly qualified professionals with doctorate degree who will contribute to sustainable development of and coexistence in the region.

Curriculum Policy

Article 4

Subjects in the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies Master's Program consist of Analytical Foundation Subjects, Core Subjects on the Asia Pacific Region, Seminars, Major Subjects, Core Related Subjects, and Optional Subjects offered over the course of two years.

2 Major Subjects are subdivided by Division into Major Subjects for International Relations, Major Subjects for Society and Culture, Major Subjects for International Public Administration, Major Subjects for Sustainability Science, Major Subjects for Tourism and Hospitality, and Major Subjects for Development Economics.

3 Subjects in the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies Doctoral Program consist of Lecture Subjects, Seminar Subjects, Research and Presentations, Tutorials, and Optional Subjects offered over the course of three years.

Subjects

Article 5

Subject Names, Number of Credits, Methods of Instruction, Subject Type (Required/Elective/Optional), and Semester Levels for the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies Master's Programs are outlined in Table 1, and those for the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies Doctoral Program are outlined in Table 2.

Required Credits for Completion

Article 6

To complete a Master's in Asia Pacific Studies through the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies, a student must complete at least 32 credits, including 4 credits of Core Subjects on the Asia Pacific

Region, 4 credits of Seminars, and 10 credits of Major Subjects from their respective Division (i.e. International Relations Division or Society and Culture Subjects). Credits from Optional Subjects cannot be included in the credits required for completion.

2 To complete a Master's in International Cooperation Policy through the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies, a student must complete at least 32 credits, including 4 credits of Core Subjects on the Asia Pacific Region, 4 credits of Seminars, and 10 credits of Major Subjects from their respective Division (i.e. International Public Administration Division, Sustainability Science Division, Tourism and Hospitality Division, or Development Economics Division). Credits from Optional Subjects cannot be included in the credits required for completion.

Article 7

To complete a Doctorate through the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies, a student must complete 30 credits. Credits from Optional Subjects cannot be included in the credits required for completion.

Regulations for Amendments and Deletions

Article 8

Amendments and deletions to these Regulations shall be made by the University Senate upon deliberation by the Graduate School Faculty Council.

Supplementary Provision

1 These Graduate School Regulations shall take effect on April 1, 2020.

2 Curriculum policy, subjects, and credits required for completion stipulated in Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University University Regulations enacted on April 26, 2019 will apply to students enrolled prior to AY 2020, regardless of those stipulated in Article 4 through Article 7 and the Tables below.

Supplementary Provision (November 24, 2020: Partial revisions in line with the dissolution of the Public Health Management Division)

These Regulations shall take effect on April 1, 2021

2 Regulations currently in force shall apply to students enrolled as of March 31, 2021.

Table 1: Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies Master's Programs

Field	Subject Name	Numbers of credits	Methods of Instruction	Subject Type (Required/Elective/Optional)	Semester Levels	
Analytical Foundation Subjects	Research Method and Academic Writing	2	Lecture	Required	1	
	Information Resources and Data Analysis	2	Lecture	Required	1	
Core Subjects on the Asia Pacific Region	Social and Cultural Processes in the Asia Pacific	2	Lecture	Elective	1	
	Politics and Economics in the Asia Pacific	2	Lecture	Elective	1	
	Environment and Sustainable Development in the Asia Pacific	2	Lecture	Elective	1	
	Tourism in the Asia Pacific	2	Lecture	Elective	1	
	Public Health in the Asia Pacific	2	Lecture	Elective	1	
	Special Studies (Core Subjects on the Asia Pacific Region)	2	Lecture	Elective	1	
Seminars	Research Project I	2	Seminar	Elective	1	
	Research Project II	2	Seminar	Elective	2	
	Research Project III	2	Seminar	Elective	3	
	Final Research Project	2	Seminar	Required	4	
Major Subjects	International Relations	Regionalism and Globalization	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		International Law	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		International Political Economy	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Comparative Politics and Government	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Special Studies (International Relations)	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Conflict Resolution	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		International Security	2	Lecture	Elective	1
	Society and Culture	Changing Social Landscapes	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Media and Communication	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Migration and Trans-nationalism	2	Lecture	Elective	1

Field	Subject Name	Numbers of credits	Methods of Instruction	Subject Type (Required/Elective/Optional)	Semester Levels	
	Social Organizations and Institutions	2	Lecture	Elective	1	
	Sociology of Everyday Life	2	Lecture	Elective	1	
	Special Studies (Society and Culture)	2	Lecture	Elective	1	
	Cultural Change	2	Lecture	Elective	1	
	International Public Administration	Disaster Relief and Rehabilitation	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Special Studies (International Public Administration)	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		International Public Administration	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		International Organizations	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Project Management	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Planning and Evaluation	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Community Development	2	Lecture	Elective	1
	Sustainability Science	Environment and Natural Resources Conservation	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Advanced Environmental Geosciences	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Environmental Policy, Law and Administration	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Environmental Economics	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Urban Sustainability	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Industrial Ecology	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Special Studies (Sustainability Science)	2	Lecture	Elective	1
	Tourism and Hospitality	Tourism Economics	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Cultural and Heritage Tourism	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Environmental Tourism	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Community Based Tourism	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Health and Wellness Tourism	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Special Studies (Tourism and Hospitality)	2	Lecture	Elective	1

Field		Subject Name	Numbers of credits	Methods of Instruction	Subject Type (Required/Elective/Optional)	Semester Levels
Development Economics		Tourism Policy and Planning	2	Lecture	Elective	1
	Development	Development Economics	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Macroeconomics	2	Lecture	Elective	1
	Economics	Development Finance	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Comparative Economic Development	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Microeconomics	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Community Development	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Special Studies (Development Economics)	2	Lecture	Elective	1
Core Related Subjects		Decision Making Under Uncertainty	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Information Technology and Operations Management	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Product Development Strategy	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Marketing Strategy	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Marketing Research	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Hospitality Management	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Management Information Systems	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Database Management	2	Lecture	Elective	1
		Advanced Data Analysis and Statistics	2	Lecture	Elective	1
	Optional Subjects		Survival Japanese I	2	Lecture	Optional
		Survival Japanese II	2	Lecture	Optional	1
		Japanese for Communication I	2	Lecture	Optional	1
		Japanese for Communication II	2	Lecture	Optional	1
		Japanese for Communication III	2	Lecture	Optional	1
		Japanese for Communication IV	2	Lecture	Optional	1
		Special Studies (Japanese)	2	Lecture	Optional	1

Table 2: Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies Doctoral Program

	Subject Name	Number of Credits	Methods of Instruction	Subject Type (Required/Elective/Optional)	Semester Levels
Lecture Subjects	Perspectives on Asia Pacific Studies	2	Lecture	Required	1
	Theories on Asia Pacific Studies	2	Lecture	Required	1
Seminar Subjects	Advanced Research on Asia Pacific Studies I	2	Seminar	Required	1
	Advanced Research on Asia Pacific Studies II	2	Seminar	Required	2
	Advanced Research on Asia Pacific Studies III	2	Seminar	Required	3
	Advanced Research on Asia Pacific Studies IV	2	Seminar	Required	4
	Advanced Research on Asia Pacific Studies V	2	Seminar	Required	5
	Advanced Research on Asia Pacific Studies VI	2	Seminar	Required	6
Presentations and Research Papers	Research Presentation	2	Seminar	Required	3
	Research Paper I	4	Seminar	Required	2
	Research Paper II	4	Seminar	Required	4
Tutorials	Tutorial I	2	Seminar	Required	4
	Tutorial II	2	Seminar	Required	5
Optional Subjects	Survival Japanese I	2	Lecture	Optional	1
	Survival Japanese II	2	Lecture	Optional	1
	Japanese for Communication I	2	Lecture	Optional	1
	Japanese for Communication II	2	Lecture	Optional	1
	Japanese for Communication III	2	Lecture	Optional	1
	Japanese for Communication IV	2	Lecture	Optional	1