University of Teacher Education Fukuoka, serving as a center in the Kyushu area as an educational research facility, aims to develop intelligence and growth while training competent educators by providing our students with rich training and profound technical knowledge and skills. We aim to contribute to the development of culture in the local and national communities while internationalizing students through educational and academic exchanges with educational organizations around the world, especially East Asian countries.

University of Teacher Education Fukuoka has so far steadfastly pursued its objective of training competent educators. It recently redefined its mission in step with government reforms. Its new mission is to serve as a regional hub for the training of teachers involved in compulsory education, execute a qualitative shift toward practice-oriented teacher training programs, and thereby contribute to enhancing the quality of school teaching in Japan. In order to fulfill its mission and responsibilities, University of Teacher Education Fukuoka will implement the concrete reforms as part of the third midterm objectives’ period, and increase efforts to meet the expectations of the local community and the public.

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Academics Education
Number of Students Undergraduate 2,662 / Graduate 173 / International Students 29
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Founded in 1911, Kyushu University is a leading research-oriented institute of higher education in Fukuoka, which is historically renowned as Japan's gateway to Asia for profound cultural and economic interactions due to its geographical proximity to continental Asia. With an enrollment of nearly 20,000 students, Kyushu University is comprised of 12 undergraduate schools, 18 graduate schools, 17 faculties, 5 research institutes, University hospital, and University library, as well as over 50 affiliated research centers. The international student population is more than 2,300, representing about 100 countries and reflecting our steadfast commitment to internationalization. It has opened its 12th undergraduate school, the School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation in April 2018 which aims to cultivate highly talented professionals who can solve the global issues facing humankind.

Kyushu University finally completed its relocation to Ito Campus in September 2018, and it is now officially one of the largest and most advanced university campuses in Japan. Wanting to build more than just a world-class research and education center, we put great thought into the design in order to create a beautiful, open campus that coexists with the natural environment and preserves much of the original landscape.

The Japanese Government launched the Top Global University Project under the ten-year funding scheme in 2014. Selected as one of the initiatives for university's internationalization, Kyushu University is implementing major reforms of portfolios in research, education, and governance for creation of top global hub campus. We are dedicated to reinforcing various international programs for students and international research collaborations. Kyushu University offers a variety of degree programs taught solely in English and we are developing more study programs collaborating with international partners.
Kyushu Institute of Technology

Extending the Frontiers of Engineering: Educating the Next Generation of Talented Engineers

Meiji College of Technology, a precursor to Kyushu Institute of Technology (Kyutech), was founded by Mr. Keiichiro Yasukawa, a noted businessman of the time. In 110 years since its foundation, Kyutech has produced over 60,000 talented engineers by practicing its founding principle of “instilling a deep knowledge of science and engineering in high caliber students.”

Kyutech has been contributing to knowledge creation that will lead to academic progress, enhanced competitiveness in industry and regional development by making the most of its education and research capabilities.

Kyutech has been producing the engineers who provide solutions to the complicated challenges in the rapidly changing society. Kyutech focuses on not only the education of knowledge and skills, but also notices the essential qualities for global engineers: acceptance of diverse cultures, communication skills, self-learning skills, problem finding and solution skills, and engineering design skills. To cultivate these qualities, Kyutech offers a variety of study programs and the best learning environment.

In addition, we believe university is a place for knowledge creation which unlocks the future. As knowledge creation, research activities have two aspects of value; one is for the development of academic studies and the other is for the development of society. Kyutech has established 10 strategic research centers for the study of environment, energy, space, LSI, networks, robots and more in order to ensure a diverse array of research activities, and to actively promote industrial-academia collaborations.

Kyutech always seeks opportunities for information exchange, dialogue and collaboration with the public to introduce our various education and research activities. We aim to build up relationships and networks, to enhance the quality of education and research, and to realize a campus which encourages people to join in the pursuit of knowledge.

Academics Engineering, Computer Science and Systems Engineering, Life Science and Systems Engineering
Number of Students Undergraduate 4,091 / Graduate 1,541 / International Students 336
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Saga University

Saga University is a national university located in the prefectural seat of Saga Prefecture, Saga City. The university was originally founded in 1949 and later combined with Saga Medical School in 2003. Saga University consists of six faculties, and six graduate schools, one joint Usage / Research Center, and six adjoined institutions. Saga University is one of Asia’s major intellectual organizations and strives to contribute to the development of an international society.

Most international students are administered through the Center for Promotion of International Exchange (CPIE).

The CPIE, established on November 1st 2011, is responsible for the management of Japanese Language Courses, student exchange programs (SPACE), Japanese Language and Culture Studies Program and student counseling for international students. We are focused on ensuring that Saga University, along with the Saga area, provides international students with a nurturing and exciting educational and social environment.

The university has a long history of supporting international students by providing Japanese language classes, housing through the NPO International lodging house -Kokusaigeshukuya- and offering assistance with housing insurance. As a result, many international students who have graduated from our institution say that “Saga is a warm community to live in and Saga University provides students with a positive environment for learning”.

Admission & Support Information

1. Saga University offers as a unique scholarship program: Strategic International Postgraduate Program (SIPOP), Saga University Scholarship for International Students and Kinoshita Memorial Scholarship.

2. Saga University supports international students to have a fruitful campus life not only in study but also in daily social life. For example, many events for international exchanges are held in our campus throughout the year.

Academics

Education, Art and Regional Design, Economics, Medicine, Science and Engineering, Agriculture

Number of Students

Undergraduate 5,795 / Graduate 677 / International Students 245

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In November 1857, a Dutch army surgeon JLC Pompe van Meerdervoort started giving medical lectures in Dutch to 12 students including Ryojyun Matsumoto, a Shogunate doctor. This medical school is the origin of the School of Medicine in Nagasaki University today and the university itself. The university currently has nine undergraduate faculties/schools and seven graduate schools for education and research, further expanding its scope to meet demands of the times.

International Students

As of October 1, 2018, 570 international students from 58 different countries are studying at Nagasaki University. The Center for Japanese Language and Student Exchange provides international students with assistance so that they will be able to settle as easily as possible and it also offers courses about Japanese language and culture.

The University has two International Houses with a combined capacity for about 180 international students and researchers to begin their new life with ease. In addition, about 30 international students are currently living in a student dormitory together with their Japanese peers.

Depending on the eligibility of each student, there are possibilities for scholarships from the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) as well as other external opportunities and the University’s own bursaries. At present, together with tuition exemption possibilities – partially or fully - a majority of international students benefit from some kind of financial aid.

Research

Integrating our unique education and research domains on food resource and environment around Tropical Medicine, Infection, and Radiation Medical Science, we aim to be a global education and research center on “Health and Safety of the earth and human beings”, and be an outstanding comprehensive research university with further advancement, personalization and internationalization of our overall education and research as well as development of influential research results and researchers.

Academics Global Humanities and Social Sciences, Education, Economics, Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Engineering, Environmental Sciences, Fisheries, Biomedical Sciences, Tropical Medicine and Global Health

Number of Students Undergraduate 7,627 / Graduate 1,564 / International Students 569

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Kumamoto University

Kumamoto University is located in Kumamoto City, in the heart of Kyushu Island, which is the third largest island of Japan. The University is one of the oldest universities in Japan, and has been at the forefront of culture, advancing science and technology, accepting many international students, and contributing to local and international communities.

We have been selected by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) for the following 3 projects: the Program for Promoting the Enhancement of Research Universities, the Top Global University Project and Program for Promoting Regional Revitalization by Universities as Centers of Community (COC+Program). Consequently, Kumamoto University will be seeing increased internationalization brought about by international academic and student exchange programs (as of March 2019, we have partnered with 222 institutes from 51 countries and regions), global collaboration research programs with the world’s leading researchers, and other such international activities. The short-term international student exchange programs are conducted at both Kumamoto University and our partner universities. Through these activities, Kumamoto University has been contributing to local communities and to global society.

Japanese higher education institutions are widely recognized as centers of excellence in many disciplines. Not surprisingly, Japan is an increasingly popular destination for students and researchers from around the world who wish to take advantage of the high education standard and share in a unique cultural experience. In addition, Japan is renowned worldwide for its friendliness and welcome to visitors. These values are as prevalent in Japanese society today as ever, and you can be sure that an integral part of the “Kumamoto experience” will be the welcome you will receive.

Academics Letters, Education, Law, Science, Medicine, Pharmacy, Engineering
Number of Students Undergraduate 8,015 / Graduate 2,147 / International Students 543
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Oita University was originally founded in 1949 and later combined with Oita Medical University in 2003. The university now consists of five faculties and five graduate schools with 4,926 undergraduate students, 627 graduate students, as well as 165 international students from about 20 countries. We also have partnerships with 93 foreign universities.

Oita University aims to meet demands of our changing society with a new wave of socially-responsible action. At the highest level we intend to take on a diversity of challenges, to develop the university, and to foster human resources.

**Charter of OITA UNIVERSITY (Excerpt)**

The world has recently seen bewildering changes, and the role of the universities must also change. Oita was once the center for Japan’s inter-cultural exchange. Oita University hopes to continue to build on this tradition of initiative. The basic principles and goals for carrying out the university’s mission are laid out here.

Students are drawn from a variety of academic backgrounds. It is therefore essential to establish a system for their education which will effectively answer individual needs. It will help students to develop their moral sense, their creativity, and their practical abilities. At the same time, it is necessary for the university to encourage advanced research in many fields. Our basic concern will be to secure freedom of research while ensuring that the results of research are disclosed. The university should be organized so as to maintain a balance between fundamental and applied research, and should work towards a rebuilding of knowledge. It is also important to promote active contributions to, and interaction with, both domestic and international society through constructive communication.

To carry out these tasks, the university needs to have an ongoing reform, based on a regular review and evaluation of its system and method of management.

Oita University will begin a new chapter in its history with a renewed organization and system.

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**Academics** Education, Economics, Medicine, Science and Technology, Welfare and Health Science, Social Service Administration  
**Number of Students** Undergraduate 4,926 / Graduate 627 / International Students 165  
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The University of Miyazaki (UoM) was established as a national university corporation in 2003, through the merger of Miyazaki University and Miyazaki Medical College. In April 2016, UoM entered a new stage by opening the Faculty of Regional Innovation. The addition brought our total number of faculties to five, along with the faculties of Agriculture, Education, Engineering, and Medicine, in addition to six graduate schools.

Moving forward, the UoM will continue to specialize its university functions while striving to enhance the individualization of our 5,500 students and 1,800 faculty members. Toward that end, we are engaging in innovative cross-disciplinary programs that combine the fields of Medicine and Veterinary medicine as well as Agriculture and Engineering.

UoM is striving to enhance its global profile by encouraging more Japanese students to study abroad and welcoming more international students to our campus. Currently, more than 200 international students are enrolled at UoM, and we have opened five overseas offices in four Asian countries to promote academic and student exchanges.

In 2017, UoM launched the JICA-funded Bangladesh-Japan ICT Engineers Training (B-JET) program that aims to train human resources in the ICT sector. Program participants first undergo Japanese-language in their home country Bangladesh, followed by further instruction and internships in Miyazaki. All of the former B-JET trainees are currently working in Japan, including many who are employed by companies in Miyazaki City. The city government also provides financial assistance to companies participating in the program. This project is an example of how UoM is promoting internationalization together with the local community.

In striving for such innovation, UoM is guided by the outlook expressed in its university slogan: “Look at the World, Start with the Community.”
Kagoshima University has a long history and rich tradition in education, and the university's origins can be traced back to the Hangaku Zo-shikan School, which was established in 1773 and was run by the feudal domain. After the merger of several higher education institutions including the Seventh Higher School established during the Meiji period, Kagoshima University inherited this educational tradition and was newly established in 1949 as a national university. The university has developed into one of the leading comprehensive universities comprising 9 faculties, 9 graduate schools and 10 education and research institutes with approximately 9,000 undergraduates and 1,600 graduate students including 360 international students.

In the Kagoshima University Charter, approved in 2007, the university declares itself to be a comprehensive university that contributes to the development of society with the community in full respect of the spirit of self-sufficiency and enterprise. The university endeavors to produce graduates possessing high moral principles and a social nature and individuals who aspire to overcome challenges and work actively for the global society.

We are engaged in developing cutting-edge research by applying our specialized knowledge and skills. In particular, we encourage our highly esteemed basic and applied research and promote research which brings innovation while conducting interdisciplinary research in order to solve local issues. At the same time, as 'the center of intelligence' in the community, the university promotes the development of quality lifelong learning, cultivation of human resources, joint research projects with the local community, and industry-university-government collaboration.

Kagoshima University aims to significantly increase our presence all over the world through our various activities and contribute to society both locally and internationally.

**Academics**  Law, Economics and Humanities, Education, Science, Medicine, Dentistry, Engineering, Agriculture, Fisheries, Veterinary Medicine  
**Number of Students**  Undergraduate 8,822 / Graduate 1,553 / International Students 360  
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Fundamental goals of the National Institute of Fitness and Sports (NIFS)

As the only national university in Japan specializing in sports, NIFS works through the mediums of sport and physical activity to cultivate capable individuals possessing creativity and vitality; characteristics essential to a healthy body and a balanced, harmonious mindset. The university works to contribute to the betterment of the nation’s health as a whole, the promotion of learning and culture in both sport and the physical sciences, and to the formation of a healthy, active society.

NIFS has adopted the following fundamental goals for education, research, social contributions, and globalization, while continuing to work to increasingly gain the trust of society and to win acclaim as a university with a unique defining character.

The history of NIFS
Oct 1, 1981 Formally established
Apr 1, 1984 Student enrollment begins
Apr 1, 1988 Graduate School of Physical Education (Master’s Course) is established
Apr 1, 2004 Graduate School of Physical Education (Doctor’s Course) is established
Apr 1, 2016 Joint graduate programs are established with the University of Tsukuba
  · Joint Master’s Program in International Development and Peace through Sport
  · Joint Doctoral Program in Advanced Physical Education and Sports for Higher Education

Academics Physical Education
Number of Students Undergraduate 777 / Graduate 58 / International Students 9
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The University of the Ryukyus is located in Okinawa, the southern part of Japan, and consists of seven faculties and eight graduate schools. Okinawa is blessed with a sub-tropical climate and an abundance of nature, making it a popular destination for many tourists from mainland Japan and abroad.

During its years as the Ryukyu Kingdom, Okinawa forged trading ties with China, Korea and Southeast Asia. Owing to its past, Okinawa’s culture is richly diverse and strongly influenced by its former trading partners.

Taking advantage of its historical background and geographical characteristics, the University of the Ryukyus emphasizes education and research rooted in regional characteristics, including: 1. Field research on coral reefs and subtropical rain forests; 2. Tropical agriculture and biotechnology using unique bioresources; 3. Advanced medical research on tropical infectious diseases and Okinawa’s health and longevity; 4. Information technology, smart energy use, infrastructure management for the development of island’s sustainable societies; 5. Okinawan history, culture, people, language and cross-cultural studies and 6. Comprehensive research on the Asia-Pacific region surrounding Okinawa.

In line with its vision as a university with local and global features, the university has actively promoted international exchanges with academic institutions overseas, especially in the Asia and Pacific region.

Academics Humanities and Social Sciences, Global and Regional Studies, Education, Science, Medicine, Engineering, Agriculture, Tourism Sciences, Health Sciences, Law
Number of Students Undergraduate 7,278 / Graduate 926 / International Students 296
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