



Hirosaki University



Hirosaki University, in its role as a comprehensive public university in the north of Japan, has set as its foundation a commitment to serve as a core actor for regional revitalization. Taking this commitment into consideration, we established four strategic areas of concentration, renewable energy, the environment, radiation emergency medicine, and food. We have subsequently integrated these strategic and related themes into our research and educational programs. We have also made great headway in establishing ties with local organizations and governmental bodies. Moreover, we will continue to contribute to local society through human resource development and the fostering of innovation.



Our university motto is: “communicating to the world; creating with our community”.

Aomori Prefecture ranks at the top of all prefectures in regards to installed wind power capacity. Currently, we have an ongoing social implementation experiment that uses a small-size wind turbine generator to produce enough energy for an aquaculture operation. This is one example of how we promote “local production for local consumption” of renewable energy. In these modern times, every community is directly connected to the world. Solving regional problems is deeply related to solving world problems.



Hirosaki University is located in Hirosaki City, which has a rich historical and cultural heritage and is blessed with beautiful nature. While having every modern convenience, the

city maintains an aura of tradition due to the fact that it was built around an ancient castle surrounded by cherry blossom trees, and has numerous historic sites to visit. The city is compact, enabling anyone to easily find their way around and the closely-knit community surrounding the campus offers many first-hand opportunities to taste everyday life in Japan. We receive a lot of support from local residents and are happy to have the opportunity to study and work in this ideal environment.

Academics Humanities and Social Sciences, Education, Medicine, Health Sciences, Science and Technology, Agriculture and Life Science, Regional Studies, Agricultural Sciences

Number of Students Undergraduate 5,982 / Graduate 880 / International Students 196

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Outline of Iwate Prefecture and Iwate University

Iwate Prefecture is about 500 kilometers north of Tokyo in the Tohoku region. As the second largest prefecture in Japan, its area is seven times larger than Tokyo's. The whole prefecture of Iwate is well known both for its spectacular natural beauty, such as the Rikuchu (saw tooth) Coast and Mt. Iwate (called "NANBU-FUJI"), as well as for its cultural assets, including the Chusonji Temple, a UNESCO World Heritage site, in the town of Hiraizumi. Iwate University is located in Iwate Prefecture's capital, Morioka City, which is one of the principal cities in the Tohoku region.

The university's faculties and graduate schools include Humanities and Social Sciences, Education, Science and Engineering, and Agriculture and there are currently over 5000 students enrolled and 700 administration and teaching staff. Also, Iwate University is hosting over 200 international students from over 20 countries.

Iwate University reorganized our Master's Degree Programs on a large scale and established the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (GSAS) in order to use the post-disaster reconstruction we have carried out over the last seven years in our education and research.

Post-earthquake reconstruction is a local issue specific to Iwate Prefecture, as one of the prefectures affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake. It is possible to develop an academic analysis of Iwate Prefecture in regions across the world that face the same issue, and we should actively communicate the results as shared assets of a worldwide standard. We also constructed an education center on Kamaishi Campus in order to maintain a practical education and research environment for our fishery-related curriculum, newly established after the Earthquake. This is one of the results we have achieved with the cooperation of the community, and we believe that, as a core institution of the region, we have a duty to support the promotion of the fisheries industry in Iwate Prefecture. We consider these to be world-leading activities in which we should be engaging, and it is thanks to these activities that Iwate University continues to be rooted in the community.

Iwate University will continue to endeavor in our three missions, education, research, and social contribution, in an effort to answer various expectations of the society.



Academics Humanities and Social Sciences, Education, Science and Engineering, Agriculture

Number of Students Undergraduate 4,689 / Graduate 827 / International Students 238

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Tohoku University



Tohoku University was established in 1907 as Japan's third national university, and has consistently ranked high among the country's leading academic institutions. It has a diverse community of more than 18,000 students, spread across four main campuses in Sendai City. With a strong history of innovation, Tohoku University is home to leading, groundbreaking research - most notably in materials science, physics and chemistry - and encourages academic-industry-government co-operation. In the eight years since the Great East Japan Earthquake, the university has provided

vital disaster science expertise and support to the region's reconstruction efforts. It was among the first to be named a Designated National University in 2017.



Tohoku University has formed academic exchange agreements with many world-leading universities and research facilities. We have university-level agreements with 231 institutes in 35 countries, and department-level agreements with 470 institutes in 62 countries.

We are also an active member of several international university consortia, with which we have implemented double degree and joint education programs. We aim to continue creating new and innovative collaborations, while strengthening the relationships we enjoy with our current partners.



The Future Global Leadership Program (FGL) offers 3 undergraduate and 15 graduate degree courses taught in English.

Exchange, short-term and double-degree programs are available for the students from partner institutions.

The university has 1,197 dormitory rooms for international students in addition to its own scholarship program.

Academics Arts and Letters, Education, Law, Economics and Management, Science, Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Engineering, Agricultural Science, International Cultural Studies, Information Sciences, Life Sciences, Environmental Studies, Biomedical Engineering, Law School, School of Public Policy, Accounting School

Number of Students Undergraduate 11,373 / Graduate 7,193 / International Students 2,257

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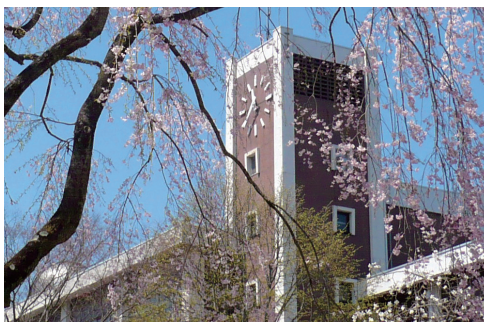


Miyagi University of Education

Miyagi University of Education is a national university committed to training future educators. Since our establishment, following the principle of “Taking the Responsibility to Educating Teachers,” we have focused on training university students to become teachers with a strong will for high quality, high proficiency and life-long learning. Having been entrusted with taking the responsibility of being the base of education over a vast area, and redefining the Mission Statement, we now aspire to train students to become outstanding educators following our motto of “For the Future of Education and the Future of Children.”

Our university is made up of three curricula in the undergraduate school: Elementary School Teacher Education; Junior High School Teacher Education; and Special Needs Teacher Education, and two curricula in the graduate school: Master's Course and In-service Teacher Master's Course. In all our curricula, we take upon the responsibility of training teachers who have exceptional human qualities and practical leadership skills and broad vision to excel in their chosen field. The professors at MUE are devoted to training inspirational teachers on a daily basis, as is described in our Diploma Policy.

There is also an abundance of extra-curricula activities available at MUE, including independent research seminars, club activities, volunteer groups, short-term and long-term study abroad programs, exchange programs and well as strong links with educational organizations such as zoological parks and astronomical observatories. In addition, there are firm relationships with international organizations such as UNESCO, NIDTEP in Thailand, and active cooperation with affiliated universities in several countries. Our professors understand the great importance of rearing the next generation as globally minded people.



Academics Education

Number of Students Undergraduate 1,482 / Graduate 121 / International Students 22

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Akita University



Akita University is a comprehensive national university consisting of both undergraduate and graduate programs. Formerly known as Akita Normal School, Akita Young Men's Normal School, and Akita Mining College, it was later established as Akita University in 1949.

Faculty of International Resource Sciences

This is the only Faculty of International Resource Sciences in Japan. It is comprised of science and technology studies from the fields of science and geotechnology with a focus on

economic minerals and petroleum exploration, development, and production. The faculty also provides studies in humanities with a focus on the politics and cultures of resource-producing nations.



Faculty of Education and Human Studies

The faculty consists of two departments. The Department of School Education strives to train the teachers of tomorrow for active engagement in regional education through close partnerships with real-world classrooms, and the Department of Regional Studies and Humanities aims to provide graduates with a multifaceted perspective for contributing to regional revitalization and for helping to resolve regional issues.



Faculty of Medicine

Passing on knowledge and compassion to train tomorrow's medical professionals and researchers.

School of Medicine

School of Health Sciences

Faculty of Engineering Science

This faculty consists of four departments, the department of Life Science, Materials Science, Mathematical Science and Electrical-Electronic-Computer Engineering, and Systems Design Engineering. These programs train advanced engineers and researchers in developing and researching world-leading technology such as technologies to help the elderly population, research new materials, and clean the environment. The faculty also researches and develops rockets and other aerospace vehicles and structures, and researches regional disaster prevention targeting events such as tsunami or snow damage.

Academics International Resource Sciences, Education and Human Studies, Medicine, Engineering Science

Number of Students Undergraduate 4,384 / Graduate 692 / International Students 202

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Yamagata University

As of January 31, 2019, Yamagata University has 92 academic partnership institutions in Asia, Europe, North America, and elsewhere, and provides international students and scholars with study abroad opportunities for a semester or a full academic year in Japan. In an effort to globalize our academic resources, we encourage faculty members to develop collaborative research and education with their counterparts at overseas institutions. We also host international symposiums and accept groups of visitors from abroad. Moreover, as bases for joint research as well as exchange of students, faculty and staff, we are planning to set up satellite offices abroad. The first of these was opened at Hanoi University of Agriculture in Viet Nam in December 2008. The office is being used constructively to publicize Yamagata University, to attract students wishing to study in Japan, exchange of faculty and researchers, and for promotion of international joint research. Today, there are seven satellite offices in the world (China, Vietnam, Indonesia, Kenya, Peru, Latvia, Mongolia).



Academics Humanities and Social Sciences, Education Art and Science, Science, Medicine, Engineering, Agriculture

Number of Students Undergraduate 7,492 / Graduate 1,260 / International Students 234

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Fukushima University



Fukushima University was established in 1949 with two Faculties of Education and Economics under the post-war new educational system. At present, we have five faculties: Human Development and Culture, Administration and Social Sciences, Economics and Business Administration, Symbiotic Systems Science and Food and Agricultural Sciences, and four post-graduate schools.



The University is situated on a hill in the southern part of Fukushima City; the area is called “Kanayagawa”, which is 10 km from the city center. In addition, as well as the five Faculties, we have an Institute and several Centers which, together, constitute a broadly-based, world-class university: the Institute of Environmental Radioactivity (IER), the Fukushima Future Centre for Regional Revitalization (FURE), the Centre for Regional Affairs (CERA), the School Clinical Support Centre, the Information Network Centre, the Health Centre and the International Centre.



The University, as a higher-education body in the Prefecture, has been assisting in the recovery from the disasters of the areas affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake and the nuclear plant accident. Soon after the disasters the University established the FURE and the Centre initiated a program to help the affected people and regions. Furthermore, the IER was established by the Japanese Government in 2013 since when domestic and international experts have been engaged in research on the environmental and ecological impact of the dispersed radioactive materials.

The University has a mission to produce global-minded people who will lead and work for Fukushima in the future to recover from the disasters. And the University wishes to share the experiences and lessons learned from the disasters since 2011 with the world.

Academics Human Science, Economics, Psychology, Business Administration, Arts and Literature, Mathematics and Information Technology, Health and Sports Sciences, Mechanical and Electronics Engineering, Foreign Language and Cultures, Materials and Energy Sciences, Law and Politics, Life and Environmental Sciences, History and Society, Agricultural Science, Food Science

Number of Students Undergraduate 4,191 / Graduate 263 / International Students 106

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