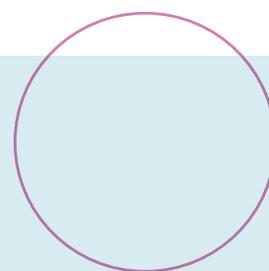
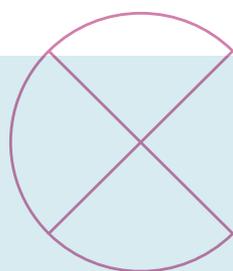
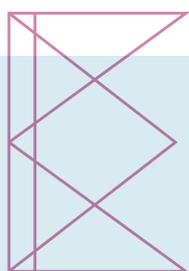
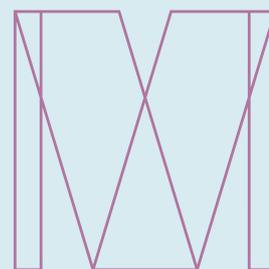
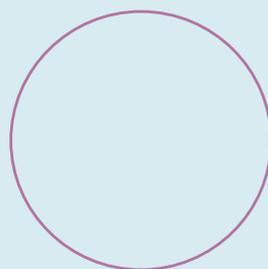
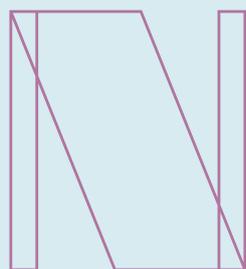


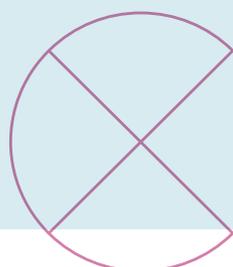
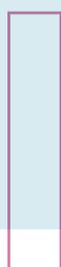
# Master's Program in Economic Development



*Graduate School Of Economics*



*Ritsumeikan University*





## Program Structure

### Required Credits

Students must acquire 30 credits in the two years, including:

- 4 credits from core courses.
- 4 credits from Elementary Seminars I and II of their first year.
- 4 credits from Special Seminar I and II of their second year.

### Thesis Writing

Students are required to submit a thesis and pass its examination.

		First Year	Second Year
Course Work	Core Courses	Microeconomics I Microeconomics II Macroeconomics I Macroeconomics II Econometrics I Econometrics II	
	Elective Courses	Development Economics Japanese Economy International Economics Public Policy International Finance Environmental Economics Financial Economics Applied Economics Topics in Economics	
Thesis; Elementary Seminars Special Seminars Research Seminars		Elementary Seminar I Elementary Seminar II	Special Seminar I Special Seminar II Research Seminar I Research Seminar II
Learning in Practice		Open Seminar, Work Shop, Field Work, Study Tour	

### Program Schedule

First Academic Year	
September February-March March	Entrance ceremony, Fall semester begins Spring break Submission of Research Plan (for thesis)
April June August-September	Spring semester begins/Health Examination Announcement of Supervisor and Sub-supervisor Summer break / Summer Intensive Course
Second Academic Year	
September January January February-March	Fall semester begins Interim Presentation Submission of Special Seminar Report Spring break
April June July August August-September September	Spring semester begins/Health Examination Final Presentation Submission of thesis (twice) Oral Examination Summer break Commencement ceremony

### Model of Course Registration

\*2 credits for each

1st Semester	2nd Semester	3rd Semester	4th Semester
Elementary Seminar I Microeconomics I Macroeconomics I Econometrics I 2 or 3 Elective Courses	Elementary Seminar II Microeconomics II Macroeconomics II Econometrics II 2 or 3 Elective Courses	Special Seminar I Research Seminar I	Special Seminar II Research Seminar II
10-12 credits	10-12 credits	4 credits	4 credits



## Voice of Alumni



01

### **Nwe New (Myanmar)**

Studying at Ritsumeikan University gives me the advantage of studying in one of the world's largest economies while also receiving high quality guidance from numerous teachers with years of experience in the important East Asian economies of Korea and China.



02

### **Andres (Colombia)**

The MPED program offers an Economics program unlike anywhere else in the world as it focuses on the Japanese point of view on Development. This approach, although mostly unexplored where I come from, has proven to be very relevant throughout recent history, with many Asian countries as successful examples.



03

### **MANALO Pamela Diaz (Philippines)**

The MPED Program provides a good venue for a healthy exchange of ideas and country experiences on socio-economic issues confronting developing countries. It also gives a deeper insight to the Japanese economy through faculty members who have first-hand knowledge and experience with Japan's public sector. Visiting professors from other countries and academic institutions help broaden students' perspective on more global economic concerns.

With rich library resources and support from the faculty, students are able to conduct researches that are more current and relevant.



04

### **Asel Israilova (Kyrgyzstan)**

My two years of MPED at Ritsumeikan University were the best academic and cultural experience in my life. With the excellence and support of academic staff I had a great opportunity to deepen my knowledge in economics and conduct independent economic research. I had also a chance to enjoy Japanese lifestyle and richness of this country, culture and nature. I met a lot of charming people and had unforgettable memories. I will keep these memories for a long time.



## Past Thesis Topics

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- Financial Integration and Total Factor Productivity: In Consideration of FDI and Different Capital Control Indices
- Military Conscription and Developing Countries
- THE EFFECTS OF EARLY MATERNAL EMPLOYMENT ON LATER COGNITIVE SKILLS OF CHILDREN IN INDONESIA
- Economic Growth and Air Pollution from the Transport Sector: An Analysis for Southeast Asian Countries
- Land Tenancy and Agricultural Productivity: Empirical Evidence from Rice Farming in Bangladesh
- Forest Plantation and the Environmental Kuznets Curve for Deforestation
- The Determinants on Real Estate Prices: A Comparative Analysis Among Japan, the U.S. and China
- The impact of firms' internal factors on the growth of SMEs in Uzbekistan
- A Comparison of Market Integration between China and Japan during the 19th Century
- Inflation and Economic Growth: Cross-country Panel Analysis
- Estimating the effects of migration on education using Tajikistan's Household Survey.
- Economic Growth and Air Pollution from the Transport Sector: An Analysis for Southeast Asian Countries



## Expected Path After Program Completion

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After graduation, students are generally expected to:

- Engage in national government and state-enterprise planning, policymaking, economic analysis, and international relations.
- Be involved in the coordination of regional economic development through local government, NGOs and related international organizations.
- Be involved with economic research & education at universities and research organizations; make economic strategy proposals and foster leaders of the next generation.
- Pass through a doctoral course and become a researcher or international public servant who plays an active role on the global scene.



# Field Trips



Panasonic Field Trip



Fujitec Field Trip



TOTO Field Trip



TOYOTA Field Trip



# Faculty members



Name	Position	Field of Research, Subject of Research, Research Theme etc.
AONO, Kohei	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monetary Economics</li> <li>Empirical Finance</li> <li>Empirical Study on Japanese Stock Market Empirical Analyses on the Impacts of Unconventional Monetary Policy</li> </ul>
GOKAN, Yoichi	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Macroeconomic Theory</li> <li>Macroeconomic Dynamics Theory</li> <li>Economic Growth Theory</li> <li>Endogenous business cycle theory: in determinativeness and branch theory</li> </ul>
GOMBI, Ichiro	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Macroeconomic Theory</li> <li>International Finance</li> <li>A Theoretical Study on Determination of Exchange Rate and International Balance of Payments</li> </ul>
HARIMAYA, Koza	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Economic statistics, Economic Policy, Money, Finance</li> <li>Empirical analysis of financial institutions and financial markets</li> <li>Empirical analysis of the effects of industrial policy</li> </ul>
HAYASHI, Hiroaki	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comparative Economic Systems</li> <li>Economics of System Transformation</li> <li>Comparative Study on Socio-economic Problems of Transition Countries</li> </ul>
HORI, Kazumi	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contract Theory</li> <li>Organizational Economics</li> <li>Applied Microeconomic Theory</li> </ul>
ICHINO, Yasukazu	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International trade theory</li> <li>Microeconomic theory</li> <li>Teaching economics</li> <li>Diversity and international trade</li> <li>Gains from trade</li> <li>Flipped classroom in teaching economics</li> </ul>
INASAWA, Izumi	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Comparative Analysis of Policy Making Process in Energy / Environmental Sectors</li> <li>Environmental Policies and Development</li> <li>International Project Finance</li> </ul>
KAKINAKA, Makoto	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public Policy</li> <li>Financial Systems</li> <li>International Economics</li> </ul>
KAWAGISHI, Taketo	Associate Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Macroeconomic Theory</li> <li>Economic Growth Theory</li> <li>Dynamic Macroeconomic Analysis</li> </ul>
KOBAYASHI, Mizuki	Associate Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Automobile industry</li> <li>Relationship between automobile companies and suppliers</li> </ul>
KURIHARA, Yukiko	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Micro data Analysis Based on Secondary Utilization of Official Statistics</li> <li>Regional and Seasonal Features of Work-Life Balance Based on Time-Use Information: An Empirical Study</li> </ul>
KUROKAWA, Kiyoto	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regional Development Economics.</li> <li>Private sector development study in developing countries.</li> <li>Economic Resilience</li> </ul>
LEE, Kangkook	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Macroeconomics of inequality and economic growth</li> <li>Financial development, financial globalization and income distribution</li> </ul>
MASWANA, Jean-Claude	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development Macroeconomics</li> <li>Development theories and policies</li> <li>International Trade and Economic Growth</li> <li>Trade and Sustainable Development</li> <li>Asia-Africa's Economic Interactions</li> </ul>
MATSUMOTO, Akira	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Study on systematizing of the international economics with the international value theory as the key concept</li> <li>On relation between monetary policy and prices</li> <li>On factors of the fluctuation of Foreign Exchange and the Level</li> </ul>
MOMOTA, Akira	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Economic growth theory</li> <li>Population economics: a theoretical approach</li> <li>A theoretical study on macroeconomic dynamics under low fertility and aging societies</li> </ul>
NAKAMOTO, Satoru	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Political economics analysis of the contemporary U.S. economy</li> <li>Study of shift towards service economy</li> <li>Study of globalization</li> <li>Study of creative economy</li> </ul>
NIIGATA, Atsushi	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International finance</li> <li>Financial market analysis</li> <li>Impact of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) on finance</li> <li>Financial industry analysis</li> </ul>

Name	Position	Field of Research, Subject of Research, Research Theme etc.
NITTA, Kohei	Associate Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Experimental Economics and Behavioral Economics</li> <li>Research on Social Norms</li> <li>Layered Public Goods Game</li> </ul>
NOMURA, Ryoichi	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strategic Trade Policy</li> <li>International Trade Theory</li> </ul>
ODAMAKI, Tomoko	Associate Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Social Policy</li> <li>Co-production of Welfare Services</li> </ul>
OHNO, Atsushi	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Political Economy</li> <li>Fair Trade and Ethical Consumption</li> <li>WTO and Development Policy</li> </ul>
OKAWA, Masayuki	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Study on the Theory of International Trade Theory under Imperfect Competition</li> <li>Theoretical Study on International Trade and Trade Policy</li> </ul>
OSHIO, Ryohei	Associate Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>European Economic History</li> <li>Socioeconomic history of performing arts and theatre in Vienna</li> <li>Socioeconomic history in modern Austria</li> </ul>
QIN, Jie	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Financial Economics</li> <li>Behavioral Finance</li> <li>Market Microstructure</li> <li>Emotion and decision making</li> </ul>
SANO, Sayaka	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rural economy</li> <li>Development economics</li> <li>Economics policy (Agricultural policy)</li> <li>Agribusiness and Cooperatives in Brazil</li> </ul>
SASAO, Toshiaki	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Environmental Economics</li> <li>Economic Analysis of Waste Management and Circular Economy</li> </ul>
SATOH, Takashi	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Marxian Economic Theory</li> <li>Theory of Capital</li> <li>The Theory of Capitalist Economy</li> </ul>
SEKI, Mai	Associate Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Labor economics</li> <li>Economics of education</li> <li>Development economics</li> <li>Applied microeconomics</li> </ul>
SHEN, XUEMEI	Associate Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General equilibrium model</li> <li>Global value chain</li> <li>Input-output analysis</li> <li>Public finance</li> </ul>
SHIMADA, Koji	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Energy Consumption Behavioral change using pricing and nudge</li> <li>Renewable energy policy and market evolution</li> <li>Climate change adaptation policy and behavioral change</li> </ul>
SUGITA, Nobuki	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Economic Policy of Japan</li> <li>Measurement of Income Disparity</li> <li>Regional Development Policy</li> </ul>
SUSA, Taiki	Associate Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public Economics</li> <li>Political Economics</li> <li>Intergovernmental fiscal competition under globalization and effects on political process</li> </ul>
TAKEUCHI, Ai	Associate Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Experimental Economics and Game Theory</li> <li>Institutions to raise and sustain cooperation</li> <li>Effects of information on behavior</li> </ul>
TERAWAKI, Taku	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Economic valuation of non-market goods with stated preference approaches</li> <li>Empirical analysis of consumer behavior/preference using survey data</li> </ul>
TOKUMARU, Natsuka	Associate Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Economic Philosophy</li> <li>Experimental Economics</li> <li>Micro-behavioral Theory of System and Ethics</li> </ul>
YAMAI, Toshiaki	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modern European social economic history centered on 19th and 20th century Germany</li> <li>Social Inequality in Germany after 1945</li> <li>Regional Plan and Local Autonomy in Germany After World War II</li> </ul>
YOSHIOKA, Shinji	Professor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Japanese Economy</li> <li>Economic Policy</li> <li>Business cycle in Japan, and applying for development economics, and policy analysis in general</li> </ul>

\*Faculty list subject to change. For the latest list, please refer to the following website. [URL] <http://www.ritsumeai.ac.jp/gsec/mped/staff/>



# Scholarship Information



## Apply before Enrollment

For details, please visit the website [ritsumei financial](#)

Scholarship Name	Qualifications		Scholarship Conditions
	Nationality / Area	Age	Period
Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho) Scholarship (MEXT) *1	Countries recognized by the Japanese Government	Under 35	Please confirm From the guidelines
Asian Development Bank-Japan Scholarship (ADB-JSP) *1	Citizens of ADB borrowing member countries	Under 35	2 years
Joint Japan/World Bank Scholarship (JJWBGSP)*1	Citizens of World Bank member countries eligible to borrow	N/A	2 years
International Monetary Fund (IMF)	Please confirm from the guidelines.	Please confirm from the guidelines	1 year
SEISEKI-YUSHUSHA Scholarship (For 1st Year of Enrollment)	To be decided on the evaluation of entrance examination	N/A	1 year
Tuition Reduction Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students, Category I (100% exemption from tuition)	To be decided on the evaluation of entrance examination	N/A	2 years (Master)

\*1 Recipients of these scholarships may not accept any additional scholarships. The above information is current as of May 2018, but subject to change without notice.

## Apply after Enrollment (for self-financed international students)

For details, please visit the website [ritsumei g-career scholarships and grants](#)

Scholarship Name	Scholarship Conditions		Application Period
	Amount	Period	
Tuition Reduction Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students, Category II	20% exemption from tuition (excluding admission fee.)	1 year	Spring or Fall
SEISEKI-YUSHUSHA Scholarship (For 2nd Year Students)	I : 150,000 yen II : 100,000 yen III : 50,000 yen (per semester) 1	1 year	Once in Fall of 2nd Year



# Tuition, Fees

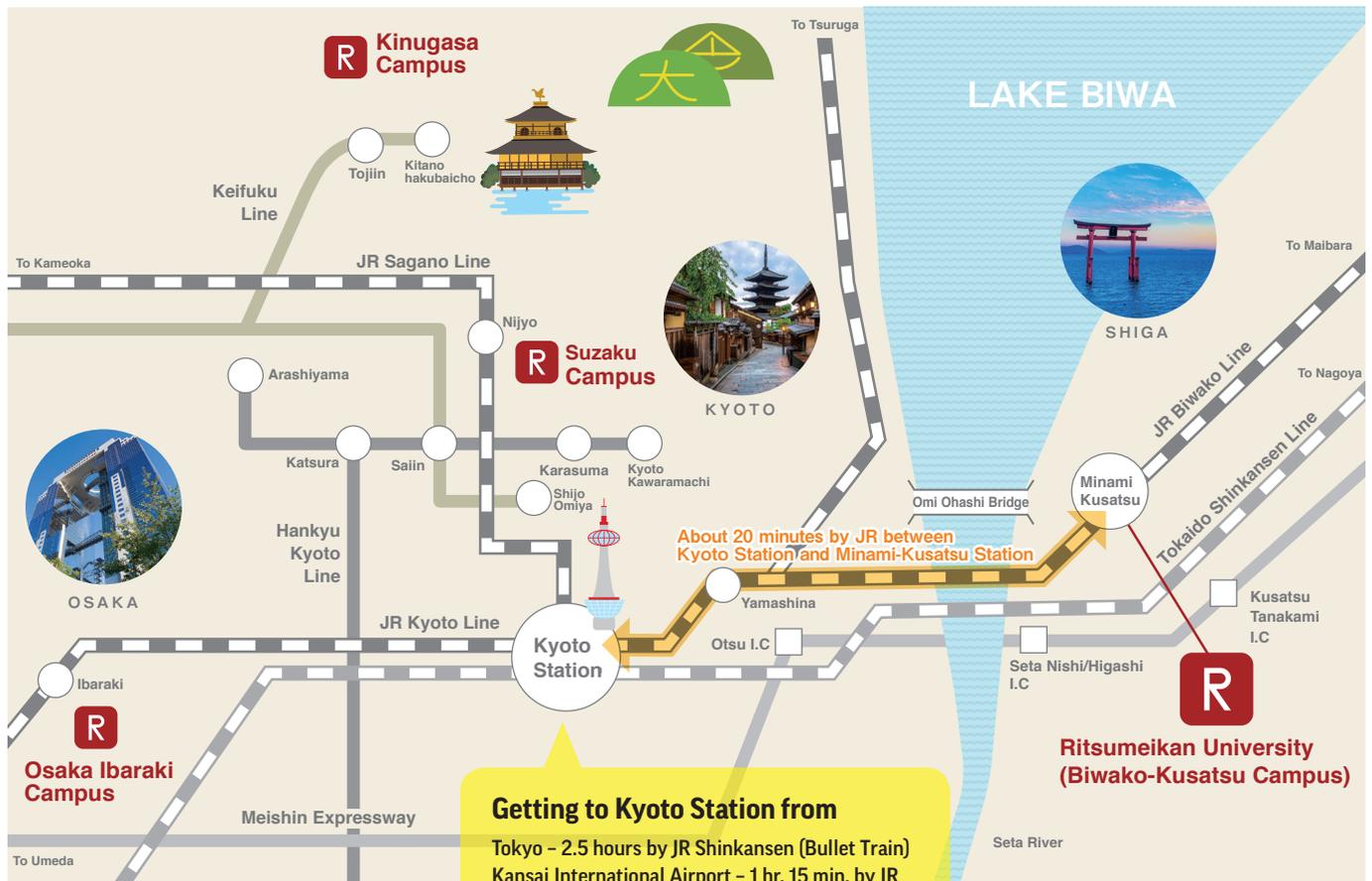
## Tuition & Fees for Master's Program for Academic Year 2018 Entry

Japanese Yen

	Admission Fee	Tuition	Total *1
Ritsumeikan graduates	-	900,000	900,000
All other university graduates	300,000	900,000	1,200,000

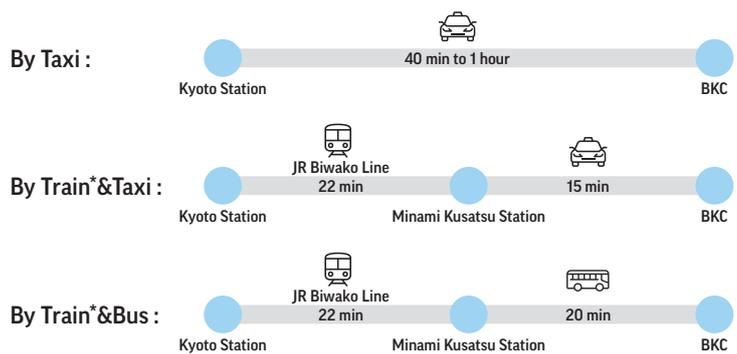
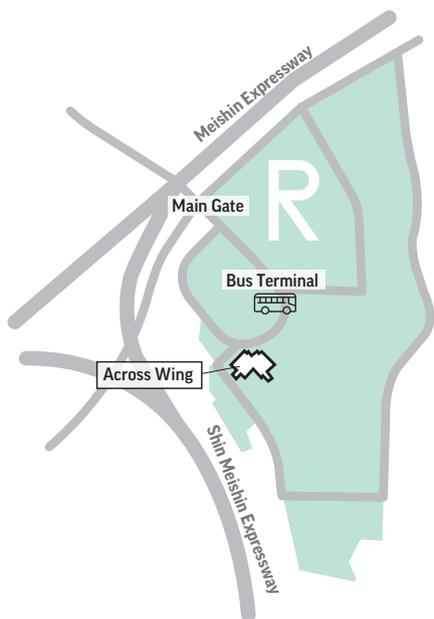
\*1 In addition to the fees listed above, we collect fees for the following: (Academic Society fee: 7,000 yen/year; Graduate Students Association fee: 4,000 yen/year; Alumni Association fee: 30,000 yen (once, at the time of enrollment). The Alumni Association fee is not collected from students who are enrolling from Ritsumeikan University, however, since they have already paid this fee (excluding grade skipping, graduated within three years).

# Access



**Getting to Kyoto Station from**  
 Tokyo - 2.5 hours by JR Shinkansen (Bullet Train)  
 Kansai International Airport - 1 hr. 15 min. by JR Limited Express "Haruka" train  
 Nagoya - 40 min. by JR Shinkansen (Bullet Train)

## Biwako-Kusatsu Campus Access Map



\*Trains leave from platform 2. However, as a limited number of trains take a different train line (Kosei line), please be careful that your train does NOT go to Otsukyo station. Your train should proceed: Kyoto - Yamashina - Otsu --- Minami Kusatsu.

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