



# JICA Development Studies Program (JICA-DSP)



## Background

Japan, as the first non-Western nation to become a developed country, built itself into a country that is free, peaceful, prosperous and democratic while preserving the tradition. Japan will serve as one of the best examples for our partner countries to follow in their own development.

Also, Japan and JICA could significantly contribute through ODA to the success story of development in Asia, and then have shared knowledge and expanded activities in other regions.

JICA Development Studies Program offers good opportunity to partner countries to share and apply the above mentioned experience/knowledge.

JICA-DSP is a part of the government's activities to commemorate 150th anniversary of the Meiji Restoration.



**JICA and universities in Japan  
jointly built and offer JICA Development  
Studies Program .**



## Program Overview

JICA Development Studies Program is a program that invites future leaders from partner countries to Japan to complete master's or doctor's degrees at Japanese graduate schools, where they learn about Japan's experiences with its own modernization and development experience with Japanese development cooperation to other countries.

Students will not only study in their respective academic fields, but will also learn much from modern Japan's experience of development, which differs significantly from the history of growth and development found in the West. Students can study the 'Japanese experiences' systematically, including even negative ones, so that they may use this knowledge to contribute to the development of their own countries.

## Program Structure

### “Short-term Introductory Course: Understanding the Japanese Development Experience”①

This short-term intensive course (5 days), jointly offered by JICA and cooperating universities, provides participants with the opportunity to learn about Japan’s development in the modern era and its history beyond the boundaries of the university.

### “Development Studies Programs Offered by Various Universities” (Individual Programs)②

In the four (4) academic areas listed below, each graduate school provides lectures about (i) good lessons and challenges of the Japan’s modernization (in the regional and other countries’ context), and (ii) experience and contribution of Official Development Assistance (ODA) of Japan’s government to the world. Those lectures are basically offered with credits as a part of existing master/doctor courses of universities. These programs are designed for participants to better understand Japan’s development experiences in their specialized fields through the class subjects of each university.

**1) Politics, Law**  
Politics, Law, Governance, etc.

**2) Economics**  
Economics, Finance, Industrial Development, Management, etc.

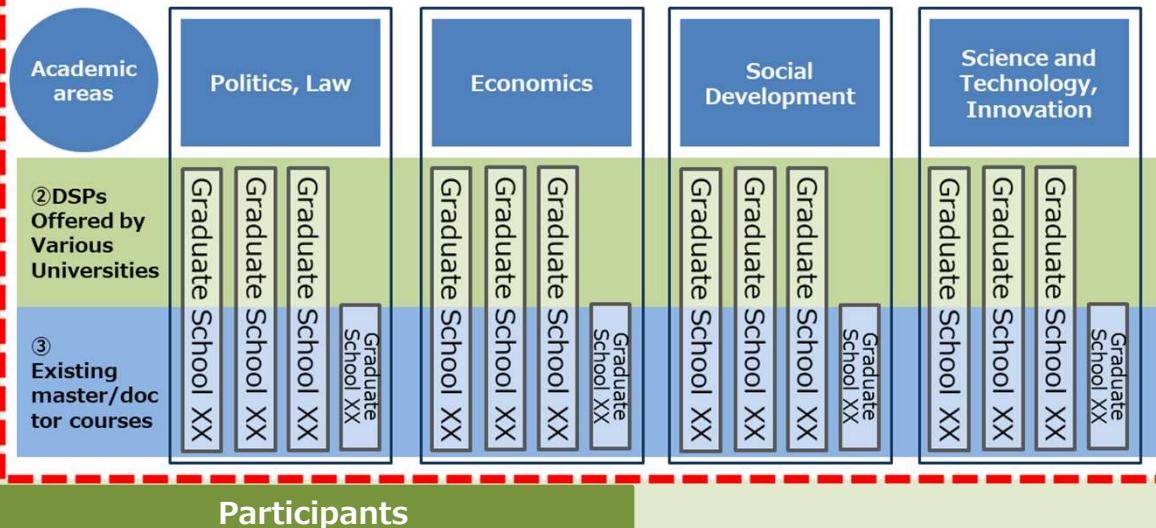
**3) Social Development**  
Education, Health, Land Development, Agricultural Economics, Environment, Disaster Risk Reduction, etc.

**4) Science and Technology, Innovation**  
Engineering, Science, Agricultural science, Medical Science, *Monozukuri* (Japan’s manufacturing), IT, etc.



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