



Various universities, in collaboration with JICA, have established JICA-DSP among the graduate school degree courses they offer. JICA-DSP consists of class subjects pertaining to the development experience of modern Japan (including the experience of Japan's own development and of its cooperation with other countries through ODA). This program offers JICA scholars a chance to deepen their understanding of Japan's development experience in the respective academic fields.

The Graduate School of Environmental Science

The mission of the program is to generate new research knowledge for the understanding and protection of the global environment. This program seeks to develop technologies, tools, and services to facilitate a transformation to a low-carbon and resource-efficient society.

The field of education and research covers various phenomena, issues, and perspectives related to the environment. Subsequently, our graduate school aims to support breakthrough research across disciplines, develop the next generation of global leaders, and build transformative educational and research partnerships across the region and globe.

Hokkaido University offers the JICA-DSP

JICA-DSP offered by Hokkaido University



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During its high economic growth period, Japan suffered from severe environmental problems owing to pollution and other factors. However, today, Japan holds the highest environmental standard in the world. The program aims to foster leaders in the field of environmental science and administration by providing education on:

- The history of environmental field in Japan
- Environmental law
- Restoration techniques
- Environmental administration process
- Current methods of environmental management



COURSE SUBJECTS

Fundamental Course in Environmental Science

Basic and introductory issues in environmental science such as ecosystem and land use

Advanced Course in Environmental Pollution Comparison

- Environmental protection in industrially developing countries
- Geology, geography, and natural environment (Japanese and global context)

Introduction to Global Environmental Management

Understanding global environmental issues, solutions, and the measurements to protect the environments including Japanese experiences

Introduction to Renewable Energy

- Understanding the characteristics of each energy source
- Understanding current situations and issues in renewable energy referring to the precedents and development experiences inside or outside of Japan

I had the pleasure of taking part in the JICA-DSP to learn how Japan became one of the top modernized countries in the world. Sharing its experience on modernization and development was very unique and its customs, tradition, and values are always kept intact. I learned many things, including that the Japanese people are hardworking and very respectful. It was a pleasure learning about how the country worked on building its industrialized sectors, government policies, the Japanese cultures, and more.

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