



JICA-DSP



Understanding Japan Program, Kyushu University



JICA Development Studies Program (JICA-DSP)

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.



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Founded in 1911, Kyushu University is a leading research-oriented institute of higher education, encompassing a wide range of fields within the areas of science and technology, humanities, and social science. This program is an addition to the degree programs of various graduate schools in Kyushu University and aimed at international students (including JICA Scholars) to acquire systematic knowledge about Japan's experience of development and to deepen their understanding of development history of science, technology, and society in Japan. Japanese students with an ambition to develop their career internationally can also attend this course. The "class share" model, with international and Japanese students, ensures that this program is interactive and informative. Consisting of over eleven subjects from various graduate schools within Kyushu University, this course offers a certificate to those who secure over 4 merits.

Kyushu University offers the JICA-DSP

<https://www.kyushu-u.ac.jp/en/>

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COURSE SUBJECTS

Graduate School of Humanities

- Introduction to Japanese studies (omnibus style subject)
- Introduction to modern Japanese society

Graduate School of Law

- Law and development: From the perspective of economic and business history
- Law and development: A Japanese perspective and experience

Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences

- Construction of agriculture, forestry, and fisheries, and development of Asian agriculture
- AgriBio advanced technology and international contribution

Graduate School of Engineering

- Urban transport project
- Urban development project

Interdisciplinary Graduate School of Engineering Sciences

- Industrial systems/Exercise of Project Management
- Industrial structure of Japan

Graduate School of Design

- Design in Japan



The course has helped me understand how agriculture in Japan has developed since the Meiji era. I was especially excited to learn how the agricultural marketing system works in Japan. It was unfortunate that we could not witness how the sake is brewed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. I think students would enjoy more field trips like the visit to the University's rice breeding field. I enjoyed the course tremendously and I have gained a lot of knowledge and experience from it.

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