

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.

## Department of Education at Sophia University

We examine educational phenomena from various perspectives and disciplines, including philosophy, history, sociology, political science, and psychology. One of the strengths of the department lies in its approach of comparing policies and practices across different times and locations in order to gain meaningful insights into the nature of education, based on human dignity.

#### **Graduate School of Human Sciences**

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## JICA-DSP offered by Sophia University



# PROGRAM OUTLINE

We discuss policies and issues related to educational development in developing countries. We then analyze the history and experiences of educational development in Japan from the perspective of the process of modernization and post-World War II reconstruction to the present day by comparing it with international trends and policies in other countries. This program aims to nurture new leaders who can contribute to the development of education in developing countries.



### **COURSE SUBJECTS**

#### History of Japan's **Educational Development**

- Challenges of educational development faced by developing countries
- History and experiences of Japanese education and Japan's international cooperation in the field of education

#### International Education

- Multifaceted characteristics of internationally developed educational programs
- International education policies and practices, such as education for sustainable development

#### **International Educational Development**

- Educational development in low-income countries, transition countries, and postconflict societies
- Socio-political aspects of educational development, including educational policy, governance and administration, the role of schools in promoting social cohesion, and decentralization

Having the opportunity to enroll in "History of Japan's Educational Development" has been a pleasure. Learning about Japan's educational development in different periods as well as the connections between Japan and JICA in developing countries was a valuable experience. The class provided me with an opportunity to discuss education issues with classmates from around the world, providing me with an opportunity to gain a broad range of perspectives in terms of education. This has influenced my outlook on living in Japan and when I return to my home country.

### Kuntida Sriwichian Naresuan University,

Thailand

**Graduate School of Global** Studies Doctoral Program JICA Scholar: SDGs Global Leader



Through the JICA Development Studies Program, I had the opportunity to learn more about Japan's history, particularly in Education and the key role it plays in the development of a country. The discussions we had were engaging and stimulating and definitely helped deepen my knowledge of the relation between Japan and my country which, in turn, broadened my understanding of the realities and challenges of education in developing countries. The knowledge that I gained from this course is valuable and will be useful in my role of liaison between Japan and my country.

## Komaclo **Emmanuelle**

Côte d'Ivoire

Graduate School of Science and **Technology Master's Program** JICA Scholar: ABE Initiative



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