



Hokkaido University
Graduate School of Economics and Business
Graduate School code: 6A

Web site: <http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/>

1. Graduate School code	6A	
2. Maximum number of participants	1 Participants per year	
3. Fields of Study	■ Economics	
Sub Fields		
4. Program and Degree	Program	Economic Policy Course
	Degree	Master's Degree in Economics
5. Standard time table (Years needed for graduation)	Starting as a Research Student up to 6 months, then 2 years as a Master's Student after passing the entrance-exam	
6. Language of Program	(1) Lecture: All lectures in English. (2) Text: All texts in English. (3) Laboratory work: Conducting of the research is instructed by the supervisor in English. Safety instructions are written in English. (4) Seminar: All seminars in English.	
7. Desirable English level and Necessary Academic background	Linguistic Ability	TOEFL iBT:80, PBT:550, TOEIC730 or IELTS6.0 is required
	EJU, IELTS, GRE or else	(1) At least 16 years of academic background or equivalent (an equivalence will be examined in each context) (2) Knowledge of economics or that of calculus & statistics (3) An intensive Japanese course is compulsory in the first semester after the arrival.
8. Prior Inquiry From Applicants (Before Submission of Application Documents)		
9. Website	(1) Graduate School of Economics and Business http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/ (2) Hokkaido University http://www.global.hokudai.ac.jp	
SuS10. Professors and Associated	Name	Research Subject, Contact (e-mail), Special message for the Future students

Professors	Please select five courses that you are most interested in the list of courses. E-mail Address for inquiries: ecokyomu@jimu.hokudai.ac.jp	
	Economic Analysis	
	Kazuo MACHINO Professor	Applied Game Theory http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff1
	Hajime KUBOTA Professor	Microeconomics http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff1
	Hisamitsu SAITO Associate Professor	Urban Economics http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff1
	Economic Policy	
	Yukiko ABE Professor	Labor Economics http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff3
	Jyn-ichi ITAYA Professor	Public Economics http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff3
	Susumu IMAI Professor	Industrial Organization http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff3
	Koichi KOYAMA Professor	Public Finance http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff3
	Yuka OHNO Professor	International Political Economy http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff3
	Masato HIWATARI Associate Professor	Development Economics http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff3
	Toyoichiro SHIROTA Associate Professor	International Finance https://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff3
	Social and Historical Economics	
	Tsutomu HASHIMOTO Professor	History of Economic Thought http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff2
	Tetsuhiko TAKAI Associate Professor	Global Economic History http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff2
Jaehyang HAN Associate Professor	Regional Economic History http://www.econ.hokudai.ac.jp/en08/faculty/staff2	
11. Features of University	<p>Hokkaido University is one of the oldest, largest, and most prestigious universities in Japan. Boasting the largest number of faculties of Japan's national universities, we cover almost all areas of the humanities and social and natural sciences and are leader in research activities in Japan and the world.</p> <p>Our alumni include a Nobel laureate, business leaders, research pioneers, artists, and writers. Our graduates benefit from the University's determination to develop curious minds that are ready to embrace challenges and acquire knowledge, reveal new global perspectives and find solutions which change society for the better.</p> <p>We offer a broad based educational experience, world class research facilities, and</p>	

	<p>all the attractions of living in the cosmopolitan city of Sapporo. The atmosphere is warm and welcoming, our campuses clean and safe, and we are located in a breath-takingly beautiful setting.</p>
<p>12. Features of Graduate School</p>	<p>The Graduate School of Economics and Business is just an eight-minute walk from JR Sapporo Station. Its lush green campus with 18 graduate schools and other institutions forms a nationally unparalleled environment where academic facilities coexist with government offices and private enterprises.</p> <p>◆Interdiscipline The Graduate School of Economics and Business provides students with a wide range of opportunities not only to engage in specialized research programs in economics and business administration but also to pursue a variety of intellectual activities regardless of their academic fields, places of origin or nationalities. Hokkaido University has 12 undergraduate schools as well as 21 graduate schools and other institutions covering almost all academic disciplines. The majority of these schools and institutions are located on a single campus, allowing students to take related subjects offered at graduate schools in humanities (e.g., law, literature and pedagogy) and science (e.g., medicine, engineering, information science, science and agriculture). As such, the Graduate School of Economics and Business offers the ideal environment for students to broaden their horizons by tapping into the interdisciplinary networks that only a university of this caliber can provide.</p> <p>◆Multifacility The Graduate School of Economics and Business is equipped with air conditioning and heating systems, laboratories with network facilities, a computer room, a library, a printing room, lockers for individual students, and a student lounge. Additionally, the lecture building includes lecture/rooms with multimedia equipment and a workstation lounge. The campus has (a total of) 17 libraries (one of the largest collections of books in Japan), more than 10 cafeterias, 2 bookshops, 2 dormitories, the Hokkaido University Hospital, the Health Care Center, the Sports Training Center, and the Hokkaido University Museum, which all serve to support students' intellectual pursuits and research endeavors. The Hokkaido University Tokyo Office in the city's Marunouchi district provides enhanced mobility to faculty members and students alike by offering access to Internet connections and meeting spaces in the heart of the nation's capital.</p> <p>◆Nature and Urbanism The main campus of Hokkaido University is nestled in central Sapporo, a city with more than 1.9 million residents. Despite its location directly in front of Sapporo Station, it maintains the feel of Hokkaido's pristine, unspoiled natural environment with its lush green urban oasis. The Graduate School of Economics and Business is located near the bust of Dr. William S. Clark (the university's founder) and a clear stream that flows idyllically among trees and over vast expanses of lawn. Outside the campus, however, is an energetic urban space that never sleeps, teeming with activity related to the Hokkaido Government Building, other government offices, main and branch offices of private enterprises, department stores and hotels. This environment acts as a reminder that the graduate school is the nearest of all those on the campus to JR Sapporo Station. The Graduate School of Economics and Business offers a place where students can</p>

	<p>devote themselves to their research on a verdant campus with a rich history in close proximity to a major dynamic hub of administration, business and commerce.</p>
<p>13 . Features and Curriculum of Program</p>	<p>Approximately 50 faculty members conduct diverse research in the fields of economics, econometrics, business administrations, and accounting. The school atmosphere is very collegial providing graduate students ample opportunities to interact with faculty members and conduct interdisciplinary research. For each foreign graduate student a Japanese tutor will be assigned to assist him/her in assimilating to Japanese university environment.</p> <p>◆ Principle policy of the program Hokkaido and Africa are struggling against similar development problems: deficit budget, trade deficit, agricultural depression, insufficient manufacture sector, dependency on public works, income differentials, overpopulation of the capital, depopulation of rural areas, brain drain, etc. With this problematic, we propose our program as follows. (i) Learning theories and methods based on macroeconomics, microeconomics and applied economics as essential tools to solve problems (ii) Based on a particular interest of a fellow, learning applied economics and writing a research paper under the supervise of an advisor (iii) Constructing a network with 30,000 students, including 1,500 international students, local business persons and civil servants, who face to similar local development problems as Sri Lanka.</p> <p>◆ Expected outcome of the program (i) Mastering specialized tools to plan and practice socio-economic development policies based on economics (ii) Mastering specialized and interdisciplinary knowledge to solve a development problems (iii) Constructing a human network with future leaders in 18 different majors and local business persons and civil servants, who face to similar development problems.</p> <p>[Economic Policy Course] ◆ Necessary Curriculum to Obtain Master's Degree in Economics (1) Credits to obtain the Degree - Lectures: min. 22 credits (min. 16 credits in Economics: Economic Analysis, Economic Policy or Social and Historical Economics) - Supervisor's seminar: (Compulsory) 8 credits - Research Paper (Compulsory) 16 credits - 1 semester as a research student (recommended): Preparatory studies under the guidance of the Supervisor</p> <p>(2) Economic Analysis - Macroeconomics A and B: 2 credits x2 - Microeconomics A and B: 2 credits x2 - Urban Economics A and B: 2 credits x2</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Economics and Management in English A: 2 credits - Mathematical Statistics B: 2 credits (3) Economic Policy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International Political Economy A and B: 2 credits x2 - International Economics A: 2 credits - Development Economics A and B: 2 credits x2 - Labor Economics A and B: 2 credits x2 - Public Economics A and B: 2 credits x2 - Public Finance A: 2 credits - Game Theory A and B: 2 credits x2 (4) Social and Historical Economics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - History of Economic Thought A and B: 2 credits x2 - Global Economic History A and B: 2 credits x2 - Regional Economic History A and B: 2 credits x2 - History of Economics A and B: 2 credits x2 (5) Elective in non-economical subject <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Business Management Course Organization theory A and B, Organizational innovation A and B, Business strategy B, Theories of Growth of SMEs A - "Nitobe School": Interdisciplinary Certificate Program in English https://nitobe-school.academic.hokudai.ac.jp/ cf. A voice of an ABE Fellow at Nitobe School. https://nitobe-school.academic.hokudai.ac.jp/voice/693 - "Hokkaido Summer Institute": Interdisciplinary intensive lectures in English http://hokkaidosummerinstitute.oia.hokudai.ac.jp/ (6) Non-credit subjects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General Japanese Course https://www.global.hokudai.ac.jp/current-students/japanese-language-support-2/ - Undergraduate course in English Japanese Economy Japanese Management Career Planning https://www.global.hokudai.ac.jp/current-students/career-2/
<p>14. Academic Schedule</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Fall Semester: from October to February <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - October: Welcome Party - October-February: Intensive Japanese Course for research students - December-January: Winter Vacation - February: Entrance examination of Master's program for research students - February: Term examination - February-March: Spring Vacation cf. Sapporo Snow Festival - March: Graduation Ceremony for the 2nd-year-master's student ◆ Spring Semester: from April to August <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - April: Guidance for the 1st-year-master's student

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - May: Spring holidays (Golden Week) - June: University's International Festival - July-August: Term examination - August-September: Summer Vacation
15. Supporting service to International Students	
International Students Support Center Consulting or counseling about daily life, campus life, cross-cultural adjustment etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆Student Support Desk At the Student Support Desk, experienced international students provide consultation and can answer any questions you may have. Support provided in Japanese, English, and other languages. ◆Counselling Service The Institute for International Collaboration counselor can help you resolve your difficulties and provide you with professional advice. Language : Japanese or English
Provision of Student Dormitory	We have dormitories for singles, couples and families.
Japanese Language Education Program for International Students	<p>The Center for International Education and Research offers a General Japanese Course for international students. Classes are offered at 8 levels: Introductory 1-4, Intermediate 1-3 and Advanced and each level contains the following subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Introductory: Grammar, Oral Skills, Kanji/ Vocabulary -Intermediate: Interaction (Basic and Practical), Expression (Basic and Practical), Comprehension (Basic and Practical), -Advanced: Interaction, Expression, Comprehension and Business Japanese. <p>Students are free to choose the unit of study according to their needs; however, class levels will be determined on the basis of a placement test and on the previous study of Japanese. Application and placement test can be done online.</p>
Cultural Activities	Institute for International Collaboration offers many kinds of cross-cultural events and cultural exchange opportunities which are open to international students, international researchers, their families, Japanese students, and University staff.
Any special attention to Religious Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Halal foods available at the cafeteria. - Prayer room in Institute for International Collaboration.
facilities (Library etc)	<p>As one of Japan's leading research libraries, the Hokkaido University libraries hold approximately 3.88million books and journals including a unique collection of materials particularly focused on the northern region.</p> <p>http://www.lib.hokudai.ac.jp/en/</p>

<p>Please state other particular supporting service you are endeavoring, if any.</p>	<p>◆Supporter System The International Student Supporter System is designed to provide assistance to first-comers to Sapporo to ensure that International Students commence their lives in Hokkaido smoothly. For further information, please visit: http://www.global.hokudai.ac.jp/current-students/im-here/supporter-system/</p> <p>◆Career Support The Career Center provides various job search support including resume critique, mock interviews, career advice, and seminars. For further information, please visit: https://www.global.hokudai.ac.jp/current-students/career-2/</p>
<p>16. Message to Prospective International Students</p>	
<p>Message from University</p>	<p>https://www.global.hokudai.ac.jp/about/presidents-welcome/</p>
<p>Voice of International Students</p>	<p>Please refer to here</p>