



Tohoku University
Graduate School of
Economics and Management
Graduate School code: 48

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1. Graduate School code	48	
2. Maximum number of Participants	1 Participants per year	
3. Fields of Study	<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Science <input type="checkbox"/> Marine Science <input type="checkbox"/> Meteorology <input type="checkbox"/> Natural Disaster/ Disaster Prevention Science <input type="checkbox"/> Tourism •Politics •Economics <input type="checkbox"/> Sociology <input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture (incl. Fisheries) <input type="checkbox"/> Geology <input type="checkbox"/> ICT <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Science •Others(Accounting, Finance, Political Science)	
Sub Fields		
4. Program and Degree	Program	Program in International Accounting Policy
	Degree	Master of Accountancy
5. Standard time table (Years needed for graduation)	2 years to be conferred Master's Degree	
6. Language of Program	(1) Lecture: English only (2) Textbook: English only (3) Seminar: English only	
7. Desirable English level and Necessary Academic background	Linguistic Ability	Those who have passed the JICA Screening English Assessment (1 st and 2 nd screenings)
	EJU, IELTS, GRE or else	
8. Prior Inquiry From Applicants (Before Submission of Application Documents)	See Information 10. Professors and Associated Professors	
9. Website	http://www.econ.tohoku.ac.jp/econ/IGSAP/	
10. Professors and Associated Professors	Name	Research Subject, Contact (e-mail), Special message for the Future students
	Prof. TAKADA,	Accounting System Design,

	Toshifumi (Dr.)	<p>toshifumi.takada.a6(*)tohoku.ac.jp Please change (*) to “@” when you email to the above address.</p> <p>【Special message for the Future Students】 I have been teaching over the past thirty years. I have trained so many exchange students from various countries. If you want to enter our International Accounting and Policy School, I would like to support you in order to facilitate your study and everyday life. We look forward to applications from enthusiastic students from Pacific Islands.</p>
	Prof.OHNISHI, Hitoshi (Mr.)	<p>Modern Global Policy 【Special message for the Future Students】 I have seen and heard a lot of good experiences of incoming exchange students. Through my work in teaching foreign students, I have come to believe that studying abroad is one of the best ways for students to learn about the world. I look forward to continuing to support you.</p>
	Other Professors	Assistant Professor HARTLEY, Ryan (Dr.) , Instructor ABE, Takashi (Mr.), Instructor SUGA, Yoko (Ms.), Assistant Professor WONG, Yiuwai (Dr.), Assistant Professor KIM, Ilju (Ms.)
11. Features of University	<p>Tohoku University is a Japanese national university located in Sendai City. Currently, the university has 10 faculties, 16 graduate schools, 3 professional graduate schools and 5 research institutes. There are approximately 6,400 faculty and staff and 18,000 students. Since it was established as the third national university in 1907, the university’s principle has been to put "Research First", while maintaining an “Open-Door” policy. Tohoku University continues to offer students a world-class education, and to succeed in conducting pioneering research.</p>	
12 . Features of Graduate School	<p>(Message) Since its establishment in 1953, our graduate school has made some leading achievements in our country. Graduates of the our doctoral program are now working actively in the forefront of research and education fields, not only at Tohoku University but also at universities and research institutions all over the country, from Hokkaido to Kagoshima. There are some cases in which international students from China received the doctoral degree from our graduate school, and then started their researching careers in China. Also, as of April 2009 over 980 students (among then more than 260 international students) have received a master's degree, and now are playing important roles in our society. We warmly welcome you to study in our graduate school, and wish you to become elite and play your unique role in advancing society as well as your own future career.</p> <p>(Various possibilities for those who want to study more profoundly in their already chosen field) More than 10% of the students who graduate from the Faculty of Economics continue their studies in graduate school. At the Graduate School of Economics and Management, students can acquire skills and specialized knowledge in the Department of Economics and Management and the Accounting School (Department of Accountancy).</p> <p>(Principles and Goals) We offer an advanced comprehensive education in Economics and Business Administration. We nurture researchers who contribute to solving the social and economic problems of the 21st century and talented individuals who</p>	

	<p>would become social leaders with advanced and specialized professional skills such as certified public accountants. Also, students are educated as forward-looking members of society who can respond to the needs of modern times.</p> <p>(Admission Policies) Tohoku University Graduate School of Economics and Management offers two major fields of study. At the Department of Economics and Management, we want students who have strong interest and also basic knowledge in Economics and Business Administration and who wish to become researchers in the fields above or active professionals. At the Accounting School, we want people who have basic knowledge of accounting and who wish to master analytical abilities and become experts in accounting, and who will be active internationally. (From the website of Tohoku University Graduate School of Economics and Management)</p>
<p>13. Features and Curriculum of Program</p>	<p>The Graduate School International Accounting and Policy Program is intended to train “accounting and financial professionals” that will lead to the resolution of problems faced in developing countries and the local economy, uniting universities and partner institutions in Japan and overseas by jointly running a master’s degree program.</p> <p>The accounting and financial professionals : those who make use of human networks and highly specialized knowledge in order to propose resolutions for economic and financial issues in developing countries and societies and put them into practice, creating effective accounting and financial systems in developing countries, and, as a result, obtain skills for leading social development.</p> <p>Example careers: CPA in audit Corporation in charge of developing countries Government Official in Asia, Africa and Pacific Islands etc. (Accounting / Financial Affairs) Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers with knowledge of Accounting and Finance Researcher or Educator of Accounting and Finance</p> <p>The program consists of 3 subjects: Accounting System Design, Finance for SMEs, Public Policy in Accounting and Finance. Each subject has the following objective and courses.</p> <p>1. Accounting System Design; You can learn the Japanese accounting system design in this subject. Japanese Generally Accepted Accounting Principles consist of IFRS, Japanese standards, Company Codes, and Tax Codes. The objective of this subject is to learn the Japanese GAAP. Accounting as a social infra-structure plays an important role in a country, especially taxation of income. All countries need to stabilize the financial foundations through taxation. Accounting System is a basis for taxation in a modern society.</p> <p>Main courses:</p> <p>(1) Financial Accounting System Design (IFRS, Japanese Accounting Standards for stock market, Company Codes of Accounting, Tax Codes of Accounting) (2) Legal Requirements of Accounting (Company Acts, Stock Exchange Rules) (3) Management Accounting (Total Budget, CVP Analysis, Capital Budget) (4) Taxation (Japanese Corporate Tax Codes, Tax Return and Tax Accounting, Taxation and Collection)</p> <p>2. Finance for SMEs; This subject offers you the total picture of finance for SMEs. There are about 3,000,000 SMEs in Japan. The number of big companies is only 6,000. SMEs constitute the industrial structure in Japan. The Japanese economy has a long history and</p>

lots of experience in the financing of SMEs.

- (1) History of Finance of SMEs in Japan (Launcher of SMEs Finance, 100 Years History of Finance)
- (2) Management and Operations of Banks for SMEs (Credit Granting, Audit, Finance for Banks)
- (3) SMEs Management (Foundations of Finance Theory, Rules and Standards of SMEs)
- (4) Operational Management and Information System of SMEs (Production and Shop Management, Logistics, Efficient Information System)

3. Public Policy in Accounting and Finance; You can learn the policies of the Japanese Government after World War II in Accounting and Finance. Almost everything in Japan was lost by that War by bombing, especially via the targeting of industrial areas and big cities. The Japanese Government played an important role in the reconstruction of the economy through its policies in Accounting and Finance. This subject offers you the knowledge of public policy making for the development of your country.

- (1) Policies in Accounting, Finance and Development of Local Cities (Case Study by the Ministries of Finance, Economy and Industry, Finance Service Agency)
- (2) Development Theory (Theory of Social Development and Its Evaluation, Case Study)
- (3) History of Modern Japan (History of Japan Before and After World War II, Significance of Termination of the War, Globalization)
- (4) Modern Country (International Relations of Modern Countries, Past, Change and Future)

We also offer the following literacy courses for the students.

1. Japanese Language Skills; This course is specially designed for the international students from Africa, Asia, and Pacific Islands. Those international students who don't have any Japanese language skills need not be concerned. You can learn basic Japanese language skills from this course. Through this intensive course, you will be able to communicate with Japanese people in the internship program.
2. English Language Skills; All the students are required to write the Master dissertation in English. A native English instructor will teach you how to write it in English. You can communicate in English with the personnel of the Japanese Government and large international organizations in Tokyo. Writing skills and communication skills in English are necessary for you.
3. Multicultural Understanding

The objective of this course is to understand the existence of different cultures in the world. Students will recognize the cultural differences between countries, religions and social systems through this course. After a lecture by the professor, you are required to discuss in the classroom how to resolve the conflicts caused mainly by the reasons of cultural differences. As the students of this course are to consist of many countries, they will be benefited much from such an international environment.

Please note the followings.

1. This is a 2-year Master course of Tohoku University. 44 units are required to complete it and be awarded a Master of Accountancy.
2. All the courses are to be taught in Tokyo. The main campus of Tohoku University is located in Sendai City, 350 km north of Tokyo. We will have special class rooms in Tokyo for this school. The professors and instructors consist of the collaborating universities and organizations in addition to Tohoku University. The collaborating universities and organizations are Chiba University of Commerce (Japan), Kwansai Gakuin University (Japan), Aoyama Gakuin University (Japan), China University of Political Science and Law (China), Sichuan University (China), Nanjin Audit University(China), Guizhou University

	<p>(China), Dongbei University of Finance and Economics (China), Northeastern Normal University(China), Xiamen University (China), Southwest Jiaotong University (China), Zhejiang University (China), Hebei Normal University (China), National Chang Chung University (Taiwan), National Dong Hwa University(Taiwan), Soochow University (Taiwan), KCA University (Kenya), Sungkyunkwan University (Korea), University of Dhaka (Bangladesh), Mandakh-Burtgel University (Mongolia), University of Sri Jayewardenepura (Sri Lanka), EY Shinnihon Audit Firm (Japan.), and Alliance Forum Foundation (Japan), Edogawa Ward(Japan) .</p> <p>3. All the courses are to be taught in English.</p> <p>4. October 1, 2018 is the beginning of the 1st semester ending March 31, 2019. The 2nd semester is to begin April 1, 2019 ending September 30, 2019.</p>
14. Academic Schedule	<p>November 2017 to May 2018: Selection by JICA.</p> <p>June 2018: Entrance examination for full time students by Tohoku University Accounting School; this examination is to be sat by the candidates selected by JICA.</p> <p>September 2018: Preliminary programs by JICA.</p> <p>October 1, 2018: Entrance Ceremony.</p> <p>October 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019: 1st Semester.</p> <p>April 1 to September 30, 2019: 2nd Semester..</p>
15. Supporting service to International Students	
International Students Support Center for Consulting or counseling about daily life, campus life, cross-cultural adjustment etc.	A specialist counseling office does not exist on our program, but teaching advisors will counsel their students to resolve all problems relating to student life. Teaching advisors will be provided for all students respectively, and support the students in matters pertaining to students' Tokyo life.
Provision of Student Dormitory	We can introduce some information for you about low-rent apartment blocks near the Hirai (Tokyo) Campus.
Japanese Language Education Program for International Students	<p>Regular Japanese classes</p> <p>Japanese Business Communication 1 and 2</p> <p>: The Professor of Japanese Business Communication will teach you Japanese communication skills from elementary level to intermediate level. Of course we will also support the advanced learners outside of the classes.</p>
Cultural Activities	<p>We conducted some events for international students, as below, in 2015-2017:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kimono-kitsuke Class <p>Guest Instructors taught students how to wear Japanese traditional clothes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Japanese Tea Ceremony <p>Guest Instructors taught the Sa-do, Japanese traditional tea ceremony, to students.</p>
Any special attention to Religious Practice	

<p>facilities (Library etc)</p>	<p>You can gain access to the Tohoku University Library's services and our own services, as listed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of electronic journals that Tohoku University has contracted with providers. • Books for your research can be purchased, depending upon budget and availability according to your requests. Books can be used at the Book Space at Hirai Campus. • Copies of books from the University Library of Tohoku University in Sendai City can be requested. They are delivered from Sendai by postal mail (You must pay the expenses for copying the books and the delivery expenses.).
<p>Please state other particular supporting service you are endeavoring, if any.</p>	
<p>16. Message to Prospective International Students</p>	
<p>Message from University</p>	<p>Tohoku University was established as Japan's third national university in 1907. Located on the ancient site of Aoba Castle in Sendai City, Tohoku University is proud to be ranked among Japan's leading universities.</p> <p>Please refer to the Website for details. http://www.tohoku.ac.jp/en/about/presidents_message.html</p>
<p>Voice of International Students</p>	<p>COLABS(Cooperative Laboratory Study Program) http://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/english/exchange/colabs/students-voice/</p> <p>IPLA(Exchange Programs) http://www.insc.tohoku.ac.jp/english/exchange/ipla/students-voice/</p> <p>Why I Chose Tohoku University - YouTube https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mF3HwXXDTrc</p> <p>Student Life @ Tohoku University - YouTube https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5PoeAyhtfYU</p>