

Soka University
In the Graduate School of Economics
International Business Studies Program

1. Graduate School Code	5	
2. Area	Business Administration	
3. Research Field	(1) Accounting & Finance (2) Management & Strategy (3) International Business & Economics	
4. Degree	Master's Degree in Economics	
5. Standard Timetable (Years needed for graduation)	Learning Japanese for about 1 year at an designated organization with other JISR participant, then starting Master course for two years after passing the entrance exam.	
6. Language of Program	(1) Lecture: All lectures in English (27/27) (2) Text: English (3) Seminar: English	
7. Desirable English Level and Necessary Academic Background	(1) TOEFL IBT:80+ or IELTS6.0+ is required (2) At least 16 years of academic background or equivalent	
8. Website	http://daigakuin.soka.ac.jp/ibs/	
9. Additional Information	Availability	Note
Japanese Language		
(1) Necessity of Japanese language for study	Not necessary	
(2) Availability of Japanese language class	Available	International graduate students in IBSP are allowed to audit the basic Japanese language classes.
Facility Information		
(1) Dormitory available for JISR participants	Available	Single type: Family type: Not Available *13 (1)
(2) Prayers room or Mosque	N/A	Although prayers room is not available, meeting room can be offered as prayers space. There is a Mosque nearby.
(3) Halal food available in cafeteria	N/A	But, there is a Halal food grocery corner available in Student Center.
Others		
(1) Tutor system	N/A	

10. Features and Curriculum of Program

The International Business Studies Program (IBSP) consists of the three broad areas of study — Accounting & Finance, Management & Strategy, and International Business & Economics. Students can choose the courses and areas according to individual interests and purpose (Please see Annex). Please find the courses offered in the program from: <http://daigakuin.soka.ac.jp/ibs/academic-program.html>

The IBSP includes an internship program in Japan, so that synergy can be realized through the internship experience and course learning. Also, the program offers a unique opportunity and environment to understand globalized Asian business society through living and studying in Tokyo.

11. Professors and Associate Professors

* Research paper of required course in fourth semester will be supervised by professors and associate professors below, based on your field of research.

Position	Name	Research Subject/ Contact
Professor	Manabu Asai (Mr.)	Expertise: Time Series Analysis, Financial Econometrics Major Research Subject: Modeling and forecasting quantitative risks of financial assets
Professor	Hisashi Amagai (Mr.)	Expertise: Business Economics Major Research Subject: Economic Analysis of Corporate Behavior
Professor	Takehiro Usui (Mr.)	Expertise: Environmental Economics, Regional Economics Major Research Subject: Econometric analysis of waste management in the municipal sector
Professor	Junichi Kanzaka (Mr.)	Expertise: Economic History, Comparative Institutional Analysis Major Research Subject: 1. Economic History of Medieval England 2. Development of Irrigation system in Japan
Professor	Naoki Kuriyama (Mr.)	Expertise: 1. Human Resource Management 2. Industrial Relations Major Research Subject: 1. Human Resource Management in global supply chain 2. Labour management Relations in Asia
Professor	Koji Kobayashi (Mr.)	Expertise: Monetary theory, Macroeconomics, Econometrics Major Research Subject: Monetary policy in BOJ
Professor	Konomi Saito (Ms.)	Expertise: International Trade Major Research Subject: Regional Economic Integration
Professor	Ichiro Sugimoto (Mr.)	Expertise: Quantitative Economic History Major Research Subject: 1. Estimates of Historical Economic Statistics and Its Empirical Investigations 2. Area: British Malaya and British Burma
Professor	Isao Takagi (Mr.)	Expertise: Development Economics and Asian Economy Major Research Subject: 1. Studies on Well-Being and Poverty 2. Economic Development of Asian Countries 3. Building Process of ASEAN Community
Professor	Akio Nishiura (Mr.)	Expertise: Development Economics, African Economy Major Research Subject: Business Study in Africa (Agro-Industry, SMME, FDI, Business Group)
Professor	Miyuki Nakamura (Ms.)	Expertise: Corporate Finance Major Research Subject: Study of Financial System in Singapore
Professor	Satoshi Nishida (Mr.)	Expertise: Economic History Major Research Subject: Social and Economic History in Germany after World War II
Professor	Kiyotaka Maeda (Mr.)	Expertise: Financial Accounting Major Research Subject: Convergence of IFRS and Japanese Local Standards
Associate Professor	Makoto Masui (Mr.)	Expertise: Labor Economics Major Research Subject: The effect of employment protection on labor markets with different types of contracts

12. Academic schedule

Sep 2021 : Japanese Language Study
Feb 2022 : Application for Master's Program
June 2022 : Admission for Master's Program
Sep 2022 : Enrollment as Master's Student

13. Sep 2024: Completion Facilities and Cultural activities for International students

(1) Student Dormitory

The university dormitory is not available for graduate students due to its limited capacity. Alternatively, the university will provide rent off-campus apartments service to students upon their request. The apartment is basically for single type, but is arrange-able for family type. These apartments are available located within a 15 to 20 minute-walk to campus, and cost approximately JPY 40,000 to 60,000 per month.

(2) Japanese Language Program

International graduate students in IBSP are allowed to audit the basic Japanese language classes.

(3) Others (Healthcare center, Counseling Support, Homestay Program, Cultural Tour etc)

Facilities and services as healthcare center and counseling supports are open to international students. By holding a variety of events occasionally, such as homestay program during summer, tour to cultural spots, university festival and various activities, providing a fulfilled study life to international students.

<http://www.soka.ac.jp/en/campuslife/>

14. Information on Job Placement Assistance Service for International Students

Soka University offers support for international students including career counseling and guidance services, and will encourage students to become the bridge between Japan and their home countries, as well as the world.

<http://www.soka.ac.jp/en/career/>

15. Message for JISR applicants

The campus is filled with students, faculty and administrators coming from globally diverse background, language paradigms, cultures and history. We have more than 20 students from Islamic area, for examples, Indonesia, Malaysia, Turkish, Egypt, Brunei, Bangladesh, Pakistan and etc. Not only the facilities and infrastructures are substantial, moreover, the teaching staffs and administrators, even the students here are willing to help international students on study and living in Japan.