



ADMISSION INFORMATION

Admission requirements

- Vietnamese and foreign students who have graduated from university with a minimum GPA of 2.5 out of 4.0 scale.
- English proficiency requirements:
 - Level 3/6 (4.5 IELTS) in Vietnamese reference framework for foreign language or equivalent;
 - For students who study Japanese Studies: N2 level in the Japanese – Language Proficiency Test (JLPT).

Entrance exam

- Open admission
- Entrance exam: documents screening and oral exam

Application documents

Visit the VJU website at www.vju.vnu.edu.vn or vju.ac.vn for admission guidelines and to download application documents.

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DURATION AND LOCATION

Duration: 24 months

Location: My Dinh Campus of Vietnam Japan University

DEGREE AND QUALIFICATION

The degree of Master in Area Studies (Vietnamese Studies/Japanese Studies)

TEACHING LANGUAGES

Vietnamese Studies: Vietnamese and English

Japanese Studies: Japanese and English



The University of Tokyo is ranked 1st among the most reputable and prestigious universities in Japan and 36th in the world according to The Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2020.



"The master's program in Area Studies at Vietnam Japan University, which consists of Vietnamese Studies and Japanese Studies (including TJFL, Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language), shall equip graduate students with general, up-to-date and specialized knowledge to work in research environment or involve in practical activities associated with Japan and Vietnam."

"The program shall provide high-quality human resource for policy-making, policy-managing and policy-implementing agencies. Students graduated from the program can also work at universities, research institutes, diplomatic agencies, international organizations, governmental agencies as well as national and international enterprises operated in the fields of culture, cooperation and development in Vietnam, Japan and the world."

Prof. Dr. Sc. Vu Minh Giang, Vietnam National University, Hanoi.
Director Master's Program in Area Studies



"Along with the faculty members of the VNU, the Department of Area Studies, which has excelled in the field of Vietnamese Studies and Japanese Studies for more than 100 years, will introduce our students to the latest academic accomplishments. Whether you are in Vietnam or Japan, studies, to enhance your career, it is essential to not only

gain practical knowledge but also disseminate it to the society.

We assure you that the knowledge our department impacts will contribute to the development of both Vietnam and Japan. We welcome highly motivated applicants from all over the world."

Prof. Junichi Iwatsuki, The University of Tokyo.
Co-Director Master's Program in Area Studies



MASTER'S PROGRAM IN AREA STUDIES

The program is endorsed by:



EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

The master's program in Area Studies at Vietnam Japan University (VJU) aims to:

- Equip students with an advanced knowledge of Area Studies (Japanese Studies/Vietnamese Studies) based on modern theories, an interdisciplinary approach and research methodologies which are used at leading Japanese and Vietnamese universities and institutes;
- Equip students with general, up-to-date and comprehensive knowledge on Japanese and Vietnamese issues (including the issues of social science - humanities and natural science, especially geography, environmental resources, sustainable development);
- Equip students with skills to use the interdisciplinary approach and the capacity to conduct survey, research, explicate the problems or/and phenomena arising during the sustainable development in Japan, Vietnam, and other areas.

After graduation, students will have the ability to undertake such positions which require synthetic and interdisciplinary research skills at international organizations, diplomatic agencies, governmental and non-governmental organizations, universities, research institutes, services and trading companies, especially Japanese companies. Students can also pursue PhD degrees at leading universities in Japan and around the world.

ADVANTAGES OF THE PROGRAM

- High quality program; based on the curriculum of The University of Tokyo; modified to meet the requirements of Vietnam context;
- International academic environment with a minimum 50 percent of lecturers from Japan; modern facilities; participation in projects with well-known professors;
- Substantially subsidized tuition fees; full scholarships for outstanding students based on performance;
- From 1 - 3 months internship in Japan. At least 50 percent of students can participate with fully covered;
- Modern knowledge and skills in a multicultural context, especially Japanese;
- Competency when applying for jobs at Vietnamese, Japanese enterprises and international organizations upon graduation.

CURRICULUM

The curriculum consists of 64 credits, including core courses of fundamental and specific knowledge as well as elective courses in each specified field.

COURSES	CREDITS
General knowledge	10
Philosophy	4
Japanese Language	6
Fundamental and specific knowledge	
Compulsory courses	9
Basic Sustainability Science	3
Methodology and Informatics for Sustainable Science	3
Theory and Methodology of Area Studies	3
Elective courses	16/46
Fundamental courses for Area Studies (elective)	8/ 14
Vietnam and Japan in the World I	2
Vietnam and Japan in the World II	2
Vietnam in Asia	2
Japan in Asia	2
TJFL in Asia	2
Academic English	4
Fundamental courses for Vietnamese Studies (elective)	16/32
Diachronic approach	6/8
Vietnamese Language and Literature	2
Vietnamese Culture and Religion	2
Vietnamese History and Geography	2
Vietnam: Tradition and modernity	2
Contemporary approach	6/8
Politics and Diplomacy of Contemporary Vietnam	2
Economy and Business Management of Contemporary Vietnam	2
Law and Administration of Contemporary Vietnam	2
Society and Culture of Contemporary Vietnam	2
Special lecture	2/ 10
Special Lecture on Vietnamese Studies I	2
Special Lecture on Vietnamese Studies II	2
Special Lecture on Vietnamese Studies III	2

Special Lecture on Vietnamese Studies IV	2
Special Lecture on Vietnamese Studies V	2
Integrated research seminar	2/6
Seminar on Traditional Vietnam	2
Seminar on Modern Vietnam	2
Seminar on Contemporary Vietnam	2
Specialized courses for Japanese Studies (elective)	16/42
Diachronic approach	6/10
Japanese Language and Literature	2
Japanese Thought and Religion	2
Japanese History and Geography	2
Japan: Tradition and Modernity	2
Current Issues and Language Life in Japan	2
Contemporary approach	6/10
Politics and Diplomacy of Contemporary Japan	2
Economy and Business Management of Contemporary Japan	2
Law and Administration of Contemporary Japan	2
Society and Culture of Contemporary Japan	2
Language Policy and Language Planning in Japan	2
Special lecture	2/ 12
Special Lecture on Japanese Studies I	2
Special Lecture on Japanese Studies II	2
Special Lecture on Japanese Studies III	2
Special Lecture on Japanese Studies IV	2
Special Lecture on Japanese Studies V	2
Special Lecture on Japanese Studies VI	2
Integrated research Seminars	2/10
Seminar on Traditional Japan	2
Seminar on Modern Japan	2
Seminar on Contemporary Japan	2
Seminar on Japanese Language Education	2
Seminar on Japanese Society	2
Internship	6
Master's Thesis	15
TOTAL	64