

# International University of Japan

## Fact Sheet for Exchange Programs 27/28

### MASTER'S PROGRAMS

International Relations, International Development,  
Public Management and Policy Analysis

### OUR LOCATION

## Global Learning, Rooted in Japan

IUJ is located in **Minamiuonuma City, Niigata Prefecture**, in the heart of Japan. Surrounded by rich nature and four distinct seasons, IUJ offers the ideal environment for focused study, cross-cultural learning, and personal growth.

### ACCESS TO IUJ



From Tokyo  
Approx. 1 hr 45 min by Shinkansen



From Narita International Airport  
Approx. 2 hr 30 min by train



From Tokyo International Airport (Haneda)  
Approx. 2 hr 30 min by train

### WHY STUDY AT IUJ



#### RICH NATURAL SURROUNDINGS

Study in a peaceful setting surrounded by mountains and nature.



#### SAFE AND WELCOMING COMMUNITY

Join a close-knit international community where students from around the world live and learn together.



#### GATEWAY TO JAPAN

Discover Japanese culture and daily life while staying connected to Tokyo and beyond.

## ACADEMIC FRAMEWORK

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**Language of Instruction**

**Credit System**

**Grading System**

**Cross-Registration System**

**Course Offerings**

**Japanese Language Courses**

All courses are conducted entirely in English.  
1 credit = 8 × 90-minute sessions (12 classroom hours).  
Grades are awarded on a scale from A (4.00) to F (0.00).  
Students are free to take courses from both the Graduate School of International Relations (GSIR) and Graduate School of International Management (GSIM).  
A wide range of courses is available in public policy, economics, politics, law, research methods, regional studies and related fields.  
Variable credits are awarded according to proficiency level, with courses offered from beginner to advanced.

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR AND APPLICATION DEADLINES

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**Fall 2027**

1<sup>st</sup> Module: Oct. 4 – Nov. 27  
2<sup>nd</sup> Module: Nov. 29 – Dec. 11  
Exam Week: Dec. 13 – Dec. 17  
  
Deadline for Nomination: Apr. 12, 2027  
Deadline for Application: Apr. 29, 2027

**Spring 2028**

1<sup>st</sup> Module: Apr. 3 – May 27  
2<sup>nd</sup> Module: May 29 – June 10  
Exam Week: June 12 – June 15  
  
Deadline for Nomination: Oct. 11, 2027  
Deadline for Application: Oct. 25, 2027

**Winter 2028**

1<sup>st</sup> Module: Jan. 10 – Mar. 4  
2<sup>nd</sup> Module: Mar. 6 – Mar. 18  
Exam Week: Mar. 20 – Mar. 24  
  
Deadline for Nomination: Aug. 23, 2027  
Deadline for Application: Sep. 6, 2027

**Summer 2028 (intensive courses only)**

Mid June – Late July  
  
Deadline for Nomination: Feb. 14, 2028  
Deadline for Application: Feb. 28, 2028

(Subject to change.)

## REQUIRED APPLICATIONS DOCUMENTS

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Nominated students are required to submit the following documents via email at [ofcintl@iuj.ac.jp](mailto:ofcintl@iuj.ac.jp) by the designated deadline set for each term:

- Exchange application form (available at [www.iuj.ac.jp/ir-info/exchange-program/](http://www.iuj.ac.jp/ir-info/exchange-program/))
- Study Plan at IUJ (available at [www.iuj.ac.jp/ir-info/exchange-program/](http://www.iuj.ac.jp/ir-info/exchange-program/))
- Latest resume (must be typed)
- Latest official academic record (transcript at your home institution)
- A copy of applicant's passport clearly showing his/her name, birth date, passport number.

## HOUSING AND INTERNET CONNECTION

IUJ guarantees **on-campus housing** for all exchange students in one of its three dormitories, each just a short walk from classrooms and campus facilities. Every room is fully equipped with free high-speed internet (wired and wireless), creating a convenient and supportive living environment from the very first day. More info: <http://www.iuj.ac.jp/cs/>.

## ESTIMATED MONTHLY LIVING EXPENSES

- Dormitory fee: Up to JPY 39,000/month  
\*10,000 JPY of a maintenance fee at check-in
- Meals: JPY 30,000~ /month
- Academic Materials: JPY 10,000~ /term
- Miscellaneous: JPY 30,000~ /month

## VISA SUPPORT

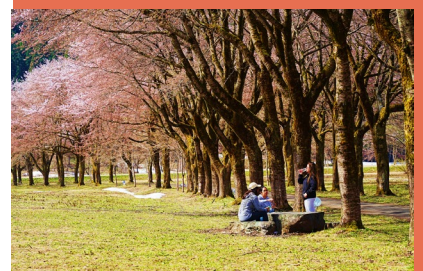
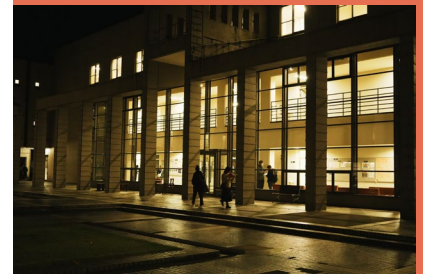
To support your entry to Japan, IUJ will apply for your **Certificate of Eligibility (CoE)** on your behalf and send it to you upon issuance. With this document, you can apply for a **Student Visa** at the Japanese embassy or consulate in your country. Full visa assistance is provided throughout the process. More info: <https://www.iuj.ac.jp/admis/visa/>

## HEALTH INSURANCE

Enrollment in Japan's **National Health Insurance (NHI)** is mandatory for those who obtain a Student Visa. With NHI, students pay only **30% of medical costs** at clinics or hospitals. The premium is about JPY 5,000 per term. However, as NHI does not cover car accident injuries, students are strongly advised to obtain additional travel insurance before arrival.

## ALUMNI NETWORK

Your connection with IUJ doesn't end when your exchange does. As an exchange student, you are invited to become an **Honorary IUJ Alum**, giving you access to a vibrant global network of alumni and lifelong connections with the IUJ community.



## VOICES FROM OUR EXCHANGE STUDENTS



IUJ was both intellectually enriching and personally transformative—broadening my perspective on international relations and deepening my passion for the field.

Julie from Ewha Womans University (South Korea)



The friendships and kindness I found at IUJ made my stay truly enjoyable and memorable.

Po-Chen from NCCU (Taiwan)



At IUJ I advanced my studies in big data and business analytics, while enjoying a welcoming community that made my exchange truly unforgettable.

Rebecca from Bocconi (Italy)

**Join IUJ and become part of a global community  
shaping the future of business and society.**

## CONTACT

### Exchange Program Team

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