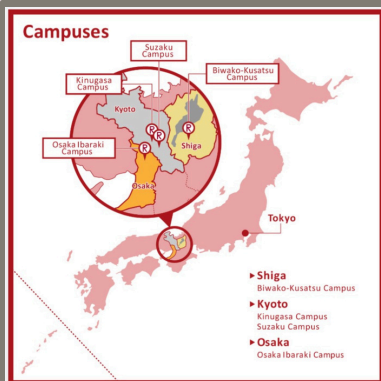


# More about MPED



Location



Scholarship



Asian Development Bank -  
Japan Scholarship Program  
(ADB-JSP)



Faculty Members



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The Graduate School of Economics was founded in 1950. Since the establishment of Master's Program in Economic Development (MPED) in 2002, it has produced many outstanding graduates who have entered the business world, central and local governments, and various research organizations.

## ■ Purpose of the Program

This program provides the curriculum mainly for those who wish to contribute to economic and social development of their home countries.

## ■ Program Structure

### Degree requirements

Students must acquire 30 credits in the two years, including:

- 4 credits from core courses
- 4 credits from Elementary Seminar I and II (1st year)
- 4 credits from Special Seminar I and II (2nd year)



### Type of Courses



		First year	Second year
Course	Core Courses	Microeconomics I, II Macroeconomics I, II Econometrics I, II	
	Elective Courses	Development Economics International Economics International Finance Financial Economics Topics in Economics	Japanese Economy Public Policy Environmental Economics Internship Program Applied Economics
Seminar Classes		Elementary Seminar I, II	Special Seminar I, II Research Seminar I, II
Learning in Practice		Workshop, Fieldwork, Study Tour	

## ■ Field Trip



Lake Biwa Museum



Toyota Museum



Nguyen Phuong Linh  
(Vietnam)

I first arrived in Japan in 2022 and started my new student life as a MEXT-scholarship student. For me, studying at Ritsumeikan University for MPED was the best decision I have ever made. Ritsumeikan supports and nurtures me, increasing my knowledge about economics. I also had opportunities to experience Japanese culture such as the field trip to various companies, or cherry blossom picnic, Gion festival, with our professor and classmates. I have had many unforgettable memories here. I would like to extend my gratitude to Ritsumeikan University and all of my fellow students there. I look forward to seeing all of you soon.



Asel Israilova  
(Kyrgyzstan)

My two years of MPED at Ritsumeikan University was the best academic and cultural experience in my life. With the excellence and support of academic staff I had a great opportunity to deepen my knowledge in economics and conduct independent economic research. I also had a chance to enjoy the Japanese lifestyle and richness of the country, culture and nature. I met a lot of charming people and have many unforgettable memories. I will keep these memories for a long time.

# Alumni's Voice



Andres,  
Barreneche Garcia  
(Colombia)

The MPED program offers an economics program unlike anywhere else in the world as it focuses on the Japanese point of view on development. This approach, although mostly unexplored where I come from, has proven to be very relevant throughout recent history, with many Asian countries as successful examples.



Nwe New  
(Myanmar)

Studying at Ritsumeikan University gave me the advantage of studying in one of the world's largest economies while also receiving high quality guidance from numerous teachers with years of experience in the important East Asian economies of Korea and China.

