One of the most prestigious national universities in Japan.
HOKKAIDO UNIVERSITY
OVERVIEW

One of The Seven Major National Universities In Japan
Hokkaido University was established in 1876 as Sapporo Agricultural College, and was the first higher education institution in Japan to award a bachelor’s degree. It later became Hokkaido Imperial University and has since been recognized as one of the seven major universities in Japan.

Top-Level Research
Hokkaido University can boast of top-level research in a variety of fields; representative of this is the Nobel Prize in Chemistry that Emeritus Professor Akira Suzuki was awarded in 2010 for his work in catalytic chemistry. In addition, according to the QS World University Rankings, Hokkaido University ranks 39 in the field of Agriculture/Forestry and within the top 100 in six fields—Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Materials Science, Biological Sciences, and Earth/Ocean Sciences.

12 Undergraduate and 18 Graduate Schools—the Most Comprehensive Curriculum of National Universities
Hokkaido University’s 12 undergraduate and 18 graduate schools cover almost all areas of the humanities, social and natural sciences, and our research leads Japan and the world. Our faculty of over 2,000, allows us to offer our students highly specialized knowledge from researchers in diverse fields.

Extensive Career Support
Because we are a comprehensive university, our graduates are able to pursue careers in industry, government, and international organizations. We can also boast of substantial career support for our international students that endeavor to work in Japan. Our Career Center offers guidance and preparation for job hunting in Japan such as how to write an entry sheet and interview training.

Safe and Comfortable Student Life
International students new to Japan can thrive by taking advantage of the various forms of support we offer. For example, we have a Supporter System in place where both Japanese and foreign students contribute their experiences to help new students settle in quickly; and the International Student Support Desk is open daily to assist with matters in a timely manner.

Great Location
Hokkaido University is located in the northern-most major island in Japan. Its main campus is located in Sapporo which is the 5th largest city in Japan and all faculties and schools except for one are located there. Faculty of fisheries Sciences is located in Hakodate, south-west of Hokkaido Island. The natural bounty of Hokkaido is an attraction for tourists, and our Sapporo campus has been chosen as “most favorite campus” in a questionnaire by a major Japanese newspaper.

Established
1876

Sapporo Campus Size
180ha
Equivalent to over 400 football fields

Total Student Numbers
18,000 (approx.)
12,000 undergraduate and 6,000 postgraduate

International Student Numbers
1,875
1,831 on student visas, 44 others

CALENDAR

Academic Year.................................................April 1 - March 31
1st Semester.................................................April 1 - September 30
Summer vacation........................................Early August - Late September
University Foundation Day..............................August 14
2nd Semester.................................................October 1 - March 31
Winter vacation.............................................Late December - Early January

Note: Holiday periods differ slightly depending on the faculty or graduate school
**GENERAL INFORMATION ON ENTRY**

**Paying your own way?**

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| Undergraduate Students | To obtain a bachelor's degree | 1. You must have completed 12 years of education in a foreign country OR be at least 18 years of age and hold the International Baccalauréat.*  
2. You must take the EJU. For grades, see page 6. | See page 6 |
| Graduate Students | To obtain a master's or doctoral degree | You must have completed 16 years of education and hold a bachelor's degree or equivalent.** | See page 10 |
| Research Students | To research with no aim of obtaining a degree | You must hold a bachelor's degree or equivalent. | See page 10 |
| Auditors       | To attend lectures as a non-award student (credited on non-credited) | You must possess a high level of knowledge in the specified area you wish to study. | Submit required documents to the school you would like to enter |

*Other high-school qualifications may be accepted if deemed equivalent. Please enquire at the Hokkaido University Admission Center.

**18 years in the case of Medicine, Dental Medicine, and Veterinary Medicine

**Japanese Language Requirements**

**Japanese Language Support**

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<td>Unless you plan to enter the Modern Japanese Studies Program, (see page 4) advanced Japanese is required. (around N1 level of the JLPT) All lectures, tutorials, and seminars are conducted in Japanese at this level. Testing is conducted within the framework of the EJU examination (please see page 3 for more information).</td>
<td>The Japanese language ability requirement differs at each graduate school depending on your major and/or your supervisor's approach. Please enquire at each graduate school for appropriate language requirements.</td>
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**APPLY ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Visit the University's online application page and register your application. Then send the application materials so that they are received by the University by the application deadline.

**MODERN JAPANESE STUDIES PROGRAM**

The Modern Japanese Studies Program (MJSP) is a four-year bachelor’s degree program. It is preceded by a six-month Intensive Japanese Course for those without sufficient Japanese to enter the bachelor’s degree program directly. MJSP gives a comprehensive education in the language and society of Japan. Hokkaido University invites applications from students worldwide who have a high command of English, an interest in the society and culture of contemporary Japan, and very high levels of academic achievement.

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- To obtain a minimum of 16 years of education or equivalent AND be at least 18 years of age.
- You must possess a high level of knowledge in the specified area you wish to study.

**APPLICANTS**

Submit your application online in November (1st call for applications) OR in February (2nd call for applications). The most up-to-date official University documents giving details about the application process are available on the website.

**VISIT THE UNIVERSITY**

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**Modern Japanese Studies Program**

To mjisp/oia.hokudai.ac.jp [http://altair.sci.hokudai.ac.jp/grad/igpoverview/]

Proficiency Test—can apply for exemption from taking the Intensive Japanese Course.)

**Japanese Language Requirements**

- **Japanese ability:** none for Intensive Japanese Course entry; Intermediate Japanese for Bachelor’s Degree program entry

**Japanese Language Support**

Center for the Advancement of Global Education offers challenging supplementary Japanese language classes to international students. No Japanese language major exists. Courses are designed to support you in your everyday life, research, and career.

**PROGRAMS OFFERED IN ENGLISH**

**Under Graduate**

- **Modern Japanese Studies Program**
  - [http://http://osa.hokudai.ac.jp/mjsp/]
  - [http://plus.hokudai.ac.jp/mjsp/]
  - +81-11-706-8045

**Post Graduate**

- **Doctoral Program in Chemistry and Materials Science**
  - [http://www.chem.hokudai.ac.jp/]

- **Doctoral Program in Environmental Sciences**
  - [http://www.env.hokudai.ac.jp/e3/]

- **PhD Program in Veterinary Science Toward Contributing to "One Health"**
  - [http://www.vetmed.hokudai.ac.jp/onehealth/en/]

- **Doctoral Program in Agriculture Sciences**
  - [http://www.ag.hokudai.ac.jp/]

- **Doctoral Program in Life Sciences**
  - [http://www.lif.hokudai.ac.jp/]

- **Doctoral Program in Environmental Sciences**
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**Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho) Sponsored?**

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The Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU) is used to evaluate the Japanese language proficiency and the basic academic abilities of international students wishing to study at the undergraduate level at universities or other such higher educational institutions in Japan. See below for fields and scores. For detailed information, please visit the JASSO website www.jasso.go.jp/en/eju/index.html

Have you obtained 12 years or more of education?
Do you have advanced Japanese?

Total of 'Science' + 'Mathematics' 300 or higher.
EJU 'Japanese as a Foreign Language' 360 or higher (including writing aptitude)

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EJU 'Japanese as Foreign Language' 360 or higher (including writing aptitude)

Total of 'Science' + 'Mathematics' 265 or higher.
EJU 'Japanese as a Foreign Language' 270 or higher (including writing aptitude)

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1. Read and understand the online application procedures issued by Hokkaido University and submit your application via the web page at: 1st www.hokudai.ac.jp

2. Paper-based application forms are no longer available.

3. Wait for your results.

4. Results announced in early March. Get ready to begin your Hokudai Experience! The academic year begins in April.

AGRICULTURE

Agronomy and Biosources
Agrobiology and Bioresources Stream
Biochemistry and Biotechnology
Biotechnology and Environment Stream
Animal Science
Animal Science Stream
Agricultural Economics
Agricultural Economics Stream

ENGINEERING

Applied Science and Engineering
Applied Physics and Engineering, Applied Chemistry, Materials Engineering
Electronics and Information Engineering
Electronics and Information Engineering Stream
Mechanical and Intelligent System Engineering
Mechanical and intelligent System Engineering Stream
Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Engineering
Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Engineering Stream

FISHERIES SCIENCES

Aquaculture/Animal Science
Aquaculture/Animal Science Stream
Marine Biology
Marine Biology Stream
Applied Marine Science
Applied Marine Science Stream

SCIENCES

Mathematics
Mathematics Stream
Physics
Physics Stream
Chemistry
Chemistry Stream
Biological Sciences
Biology, Molecular Functions
Earth and Planetary Sciences
Earth and Planetary Sciences Stream

VETERINARY MEDICINE

Cooperative Veterinary Education Program
Basic Veterinary Sciences, Pathological Veterinary Sciences, Applied Veterinary Sciences, Veterinary Clinic Medicine

PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES AND PHARMACY

Pharmaceutical Sciences
Pharmaceutical Sciences Stream
Pharmacy
Pharmacy Stream

DENTAL MEDICINE

Dentistry
Dental Health and Oral Medicine Stream
Medicine
Medicine Stream
Health Sciences
Health Sciences stream

MEDICINE

Medicine
Internal Medicine, Cardiology, Endocrinology and Metabolism, Neurology, Nephrology, Hematology, Oncology, Gastroenterology, Pulmonary Medicine, Infectious Diseases, Immunology, Rheumatology, Allergy, Infectious Diseases, Cardiovascular Medicine, Neurological Medicine, Nephrological Medicine, Hematological Medicine, Pulmonary Medicine, Infectious Diseases, Pediatric Medicine, Critical Care Medicine

chemical, Pharmacology, Pathology, Microbiology, Forensic Medicine

PHARMACY

Basic Pharmaceutical Sciences, Applied Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Applied Pharmaceutical Sciences, Health Sciences, Medical Science

WOMEN'S HEALTH SCIENCE

Pathology
Pathology Stream

EDUCATION

Law
Public Law, Private Law, Criminal Law, Social Law, Interdisciplinary Legal Studies, Political Studies

ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Economics
Economic Theory, Economic History, Applied Economics
Business Administration
Business Administration, Management Information

LETTERS

Humanities and Human Sciences
Philosophy and Cultural Sciences, History and Anthropology, Linguistics and Literature, Human Sciences

MEDICINES

Basic Medical Sciences, Pathological Medical Sciences, Applied Medical Sciences, Medical Research

FACULTY / SCHOOL

EJU REQUIREMENTS (see checked box 1 above)

SELECTION METHODOLOGY

School of Economics and Business Administration (4 year degree)
School of Education (4 year degree)
School of Law (4 year degree)
School of Letters (4 year degree)
School of Pharmacy (4 year degree)
School of Dental Medicine (6 year degree)
School of Medicine (6 year degree)
School of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Pharmacy (6 year degree)
School of Veterinary Medicine (6 year degree)
School of Agriculture (4 year degree)
School of Engineering (4 year degree)
School of Fisheries Sciences (4 year degree)
School of Science (4 year degree)

Application Document Screening, Interview, Report Submission of TOEFL*
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* TOEFL PBT, TOEFL, TOEIC, CAMBRIDGE, IELTS and other examinations deemed equivalent may also be accepted.
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Field Science Center for Northern Biosphere  
Biosource Development, Ecosystem Conservation, Sustainable Bioproduction, Biodiversity, Ecosystem Function, Population and Community Ecology

Information Initiative Center  
Supercomputing, Information Networks, Digital Contents, Media Education, System Design, Cyber Security

Institute for Catalysis  
Catalyst Surfaces, Catalysis Theory, Surface Molecular Science, Catalytic Transformation, Catalyst Material, Photo catalysis, Molecular Catalysis, Macromolecular Science, Research and Development Division

Institute for Genetic Medicine  
Molecular Pathogenesis, Pathophysiology, Disease Control, Probiotics Immunology

Institute for the Advancement of Higher Education  
Higher Education, Communication in Science and Technology Education, Research Program

Institute of Low Temperature Science  
Water and Material Cycles, Frontier Ice and Snow Science, Environmental Biology, Pan-Olkhon Research Center

Office of International Affairs  
Japanese, Japanese Culture, Japanese Studies

Research Center for Integrated Quantum Electronics  
Quantum Crystal Photonics, Quantum Intelligent Devices, Integrated Quantum Systems

Research Institute for Electronic Science  
Photonics and Optical Science, Material and Molecular Science, Biology and Life Science, Research Center of Mathematics for Social Creativity, Research Group, Nanotechnology Research Center

Slavic-Eurasian Research Center  
Russia, Siberia and Far East, Central Eurasia, Eastern Europe, Comparative-Regional Studies, Border Studies

The Hokkaido University Museum  
Research of Academic Samples

POSTGRADUATE ENTRY

For Master’s, Doctoral, and Research Students

Entry Requirements

In order to gain entry into a master’s, doctoral, or professional degree program, applicants must:
1. hold a bachelor’s degree or equivalent and have completed at least 16 years of education (18 years for the case of Medicine, Dentistry, and Veterinary Medicine)

Information on Research Students

Many International Students enroll from six months to one year as “research students.” Some graduate schools recommend doing this as a precursor to their graduate programs to allow students to settle into their research environments with ease. As with post-graduate students, research students receive guidance from a supervisor in their field of specialization but they cannot receive credits and do not obtain any formal qualification.

For information on tuition fees, examination fees, and entrance fees, please see page 13.
For information on scholarships, please see page 14.

STEPS

You need to have completed Step 1 at least six months prior to your intended enrollment!

STEP 1

Find a Supervisor

Graduate and research students conduct research under the guidance of a supervisor. To enter Hokkaido University as a research or graduate student, you need to find a faculty member who is willing to give you instruction on your research. Find a prospective supervisor from our website:

- Hokkaido University Website: Research and Education: Find a Researcher: Researchers’ Database
  - http://researchers.general.hokudai.ac.jp/search/index.html
- HUSCAP
  - http://eprints.lib.hokudai.ac.jp/dspace/index.jsp
- All web and e-mail addresses for our graduate schools are listed on page 11-12.

STEP 2

Apply to the graduate school

Check how to apply on the website of the graduate school you wish to enter. Applicants must pay the examination fee at the time of application.

- The Hokkaido University Seoul, Helsinki, and Lasuka Offices provide information and services regarding the University and its entrance examinations to potential students like yourself. Feel free to contact them (see the back cover).

STEP 3

Take the entrance examination

Screening procedures for research students are conducted on the basis of documentation submitted whilst screening procedures for graduate level students differ between each school. Please check the website of the school you wish to enter. In the event that you are required to come to Japan for the entrance examination, you will need to obtain a temporary stay visa at your local Japanese Embassy.

STEP 4

Commence enrolment procedures

After passing the screening process, you will be required to submit necessary documentation, pay the entrance fee, and complete other necessary procedures to become enrolled. Only once you are issued with a Letter of Acceptance from Hokkaido University can you apply for a student visa at your local Japanese Embassy.

ADMISSION BY SEMESTER

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*Allowed, but only under special circumstances  **For International Media and Communication majors only
***This is a two year professional degree, not a master’s degree
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1. At Hokkaido University, tuition is paid in two installments: May and November.
2. Should tuition fees be revised during a student’s period of enrollment, the new amount will become effective from that point on.
3. Students who fail to pay tuition fees for two terms will not be allowed to continue.
4. Students enrolled in regular (degree-seeking) undergraduate and graduate courses who experience financial difficulty while maintaining excellent academic records may apply to receive a 100%, 50% or 25% tuition fee reduction.
5. Tuition Fees must be paid in yen.

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Q: How easy is it to obtain a tuition fee waiver if I’m having financial difficulties?

A: In 2015, 98.1% of first semester applicants and 97.9% of second semester were successful in obtaining a tuition fee waiver of either 100%, 50% or 25%.

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### SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

#### Japanese Government

**Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho) Scholarship**

There are three methods to secure a “Monbukagakusho Scholarship”:

1. One method to apply for a scholarship is to receive a recommendation to MEXT from the Japanese Embassy or Consular Office in your country. To receive a recommendation, you need to pass a primary screening conducted by the local embassy with cooperation from your country’s government. For more details, enquire at your local Japanese Embassy or Consular Office.
2. Students coming to Hokkaido University can also apply through our University. Application is made through your prospective advisor. University recommendation is only available to Graduate Level Research students. Undergraduate Students are ineligible to apply. For details, visit our website.
3. Domestic Selection: This category targets self-supported students currently studying in Japan.

#### Hokkaido University (pre-enrolment application)

**Hokkaido University President’s Fellowship**

This scholarship is for prospective international students seeking master’s or doctoral degrees and targeted toward those students who have excellent academic record as well as a strong interest in Hokkaido University and Japanese culture. Students must be current or alumni students of universities that have concluded Inter-University Exchange Agreements and a Memorandum of Understanding on Student Exchange with Hokkaido University. Please refer to the English website (http://www.oia.hokudai.ac.jp) for more detailed information.

**Special Grant Program for Self-Supported International Students**

This program is for prospective international students seeking doctoral degrees or the international students selected for the “Program for Leading Graduate Schools”. To obtain this special grant, applicants must have excellent academic records and be able to prove how their research can contribute internationally in their chosen field. International students selected for this program are hired as Research Assistants or receive a stipend and tuition fees are waived. Please refer to the English website (http://www.oia.hokudai.ac.jp) for more detailed information.

**Private (pre-enrolment application)**

**AUN/SEED-Net (JICA)**

Open to citizens of ASEAN countries who are conducting study in Engineering fields at AUN/SEED-Net Member Institutions. Scholarship covers tuition fees, living expenses, health insurance, and round-trip air ticket as per JICA regulations. For details, please visit the JICA Project Office for AUN/SEED-Net website at: [www.seed-net.org/](http://www.seed-net.org/)

**JASSO (Japan Student Service Organization)**

This scholarship is open to undergraduate students (¥48,000 monthly) taking the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU) or graduate students (¥48,000 monthly) who intend to enrol in a school that offers pre-arrival admission.

For a full list of private scholarship available, please visit: [www.jasso.go.jp/study_j/documents/scholarshipse_reserve.pdf](http://www.jasso.go.jp/study_j/documents/scholarshipse_reserve.pdf)

Although highly competitive, there are a variety of scholarships that students can apply for after arriving in Japan.

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**COST OF LIVING**

**How much money will I need?**

Sapporo provides an excellent quality of life and a cost of living more reasonable compared with other major cities in Japan. Your budget will depend on the lifestyle you choose to lead (eating in restaurants or cooking at home, living in private accommodation or in University dormitories). Generally with tuition costs included, you should budget for ¥1,500,000 per year ($12,605 USD).

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Please note rent fees are subject to change. In addition to rent and utilities charges, there is a cleaning charge and bed linen rental charge.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT**

Once you get to Hokkaido you’re not alone. We run a wide range of services to help you get the most out of your time here, to prepare for life beyond university, and to help you if times get tough. These are just a few of the ways we will support your health and welfare, academic life, and career planning during your time with us. The Office of International Affairs specializes in providing the following services:

**Supporter System**

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*For more information on accommodation for International Students, please refer to our website or enquire at the Division of International Services, Office of International Affairs.*

**Student Support Desk**

At the Student Support Desk, experienced international students provide consultation and can answer any questions you may have. Need help reading Japanese documents? Don’t understand procedures you need to carry out at your local government office? Want advice on where to shop? Don’t hesitate to drop into the Student Support Desk directly and ask away. Support provided in Japanese, English, and other languages (depending on staff rotation e.g. Chinese).

Office hours: Mon-Fri, 09:00-18:00

**Counselling Service**

Being far away from your family and friends, you may experience homesickness and loneliness. Starting your study in a new environment may cause anxiety, and adjusting to a different culture and climate can also be tough. Many people feel anxious and stressed when going through changes and life transitions. If you are experiencing any difficulties in your study, career decision-making, interpersonal relationships, or cultural adjustment, do not hesitate to ask for help.

The OIA counselor can help you resolve your difficulties and provide you with professional advice or counseling. Language: Japanese or English

**Career Support**

The Career Center provides various job search support including resume critique, mock interviews, career advice, and seminars. If you are planning on gaining employment in Japan, you should start your job search process early. We encourage you to take advantage of the rich resources at the Career Center.
At Hokkaido University, there is more to student life than just lectures and tutorials. An abundance of opportunities await international students to become part of the many activities available on campus. There are approximately 50 cultural clubs and approximately 60 athletic clubs at Hokkaido University. If you wish to know Japan and get better acquainted with Japanese students, participation in club activities will prove to be extremely rewarding.

The Office of International Affairs offers many kinds of cross-cultural events and cultural exchange opportunities which are open to international students, international researchers, their families, Japanese students, and University staff. Come by the OIA to find upcoming events on the message board or in the OIA Bulletin News.

Hokkaido is the northernmost region of Japan, consisting of one large island and 509 surrounding islands. Dotting the center of the main island are mountain ranges and impressive volcanoes surrounded by sweeping coastal plains. The island's total land mass is 83,000km² which makes up 22% of the total land mass of Japan. Sapporo is known for its amazing food, unique history, natural beauty, and cosmopolitan character. With its fashionable restaurants, cafe culture, and relaxed atmosphere, it’s often rated as one of the most desirable places to live in Japan. Sapporo offers a high quality lifestyle with its perfect blend of bustling city life and the natural peace of the great outdoors.