



FACT SHEET FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS 2020-2021

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<http://international.hit-u.ac.jp/en/index.html>

Hitotsubashi University is a national university, and is the only university in Japan to specialize exclusively in the humanities and social sciences. Since its foundation as the oldest business school in modern Japan in 1875, Hitotsubashi has been at the forefront of Japan's innovation. It has been a powerhouse for generations of Japan's globally active business leaders as well as a research hub producing cutting-edge research in the global academic network of the social sciences.

Currently, Hitotsubashi has a teaching staff of about 540, with approximately 4,400 students enrolled in undergraduate courses and 1,900 in graduate courses. There are about 880 international students, along with about 480 researchers from abroad whom we welcome each year from around the world.

EDUCATION

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Faculty of Commerce and Management	http://www.cm.hit-u.ac.jp/eng/
Faculty of Economics	http://www.econ.hit-u.ac.jp/eng/
Faculty of Law	http://www.law.hit-u.ac.jp/eng/faculty_of_law/
Faculty of Social Sciences	http://www.soc.hit-u.ac.jp/en/

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Graduate School of Business Administration	School of Business Administration (SBA) http://www.sba.hub.hit-u.ac.jp/eng/ School of International Corporate Strategy (ICS) * http://www.ics.hub.hit-u.ac.jp/
Graduate School of Economics	http://www.econ.hit-u.ac.jp/eng/
Graduate School of Law	http://www.law.hit-u.ac.jp/eng/graduate/
Graduate School of Social Sciences	http://www.soc.hit-u.ac.jp/en/
Graduate School of Language and Society	http://gensha.hit-u.ac.jp/english/
School of International and Public Policy	http://www.ipp.hit-u.ac.jp/english/index.html

(*) Courses offered under the School of International Corporate Strategy (ICS) are not open to exchange students.

STUDENT EXCHANGE AT HITOTSUBASHI

Students from our partner institutions who have been nominated as exchange students can apply to study at Hitotsubashi University for one of following four options.

1. From Spring to Summer quarter (April 2020 to July 2020)
2. From Spring to Winter quarter (April 2020 to January 2021)
3. From Autumn to Winter quarter (September 2020 to January 2021)
4. From Autumn to Summer quarter (September 2020 to July 2021)

Exchange students must have completed two (2) years of undergraduate study or possess equivalent academic ability prior to commencing their exchange at Hitotsubashi University; however, this shall not apply unless it is specified in student exchange agreement with partner universities.

<http://international.hit-u.ac.jp/en/pros/exchange/index.html>

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

Exchange Students are required to fulfill one of the following qualification criteria.

- English: TOEFL (PBT) 550 / TOEFL (iBT) 79 / IELTS (academic module) 6.0 or equivalent
- Japanese: JLPT Level 2, N2 or equivalent

* Applicants from the partner institutions in USA, Canada, UK, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore and Hong Kong are exempted from the English language requirements.

** Applicants from the partner institutions which programs are fully conducted in English are exempted from the above language requirements with the letter of proof from the partner institutions.

GPA SCORE REQUIREMENT

Exchange Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.7 or above on a 4.0 scale.

STUDYING AT HITOTSUBASHI

Hitotsubashi University emphasizes small-group class education, and one of the prominent characteristics is our seminar style approach. The seminar style approach keeps class sizes small and focuses on intense student-faculty interaction providing rich course content.

(1) Enroll in Specialized Courses/Seminar Conducted in Japanese or English

➤ Courses/Seminar Conducted in Japanese

Both graduate and undergraduate courses in Japanese are available. Students must possess minimum language proficiency in Japanese (JLPT Level 2 or N2).

➤ Courses Conducted in English

Both graduate and undergraduate courses in English are available; however, most courses conducted in English are undergraduate-level courses, and only a limited number of graduate-level courses are available in English.

(2) Enroll in Japanese Language Courses

Hitotsubashi University offers a wide variety of Japanese Language Courses ranging from introductory to advanced levels.

<http://international.hit-u.ac.jp/en/courses/japanese/index.html>

(3) Research Under Supervisor (*this option is only for graduate exchange students.)

Graduate exchange students can do their research under a supervisor who specializes in a field that matches their interest.

WEB SYLLABUS (Catalogue of all courses offered at Hitotsubashi)

<https://syllabus.cels.hit-u.ac.jp/>

COURSE REGISTRATION

In every term, exchange students shall register for courses with a total of at least six 105 minute slots of class time per week. Typically, two-credit courses meet once a week for a 105 minute lecture over a 14 week long for semester courses or meet twice a week for a 105 minute lecture over a 7 week long for quarter courses.

<http://international.hit-u.ac.jp/en/pros/exchange/reg.html>

WORKLOAD HOURS

In accordance with the Standards for Establishment of Universities, all Japanese universities have the same benchmark for the workload hours. Calculations of workload hours for credit course is; 1 credit = 45 hours of workload; 2 credits = 90 hours of workload.

FEES

Tuition fee is waived for exchange students from partner universities with tuition waiver agreement.

HOUSING

Hitotsubashi University has two residence halls for exchange students; Residence Hall Kunitachi on Kunitachi campus and Residence Hall Ikkyo-Ryo on Kodaira campus. Exchange students are given priority to reside in a single room of either one of the residence halls with a common area to be shared with residents on the same floor. However, not all exchange students are guaranteed a room due to limited availability. Personal preference of which residence hall to be assigned is not considered. For more details of housing cost, please refer to the websites below.

Residence Hall Kunitachi: <http://international.hit-u.ac.jp/en/curr/accom/kunitachi/index.html>

Residence Hall Ikkyo-Ryo: <http://international.hit-u.ac.jp/en/curr/accom/kodaira/index.html>

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

The following scholarships might be available for exchange students. The application details are not yet determined, and will be informed via email once confirmed.

- Japanese Government Scholarship (Monbukagakusho: MEXT)
In order to apply for the MEXT Japanese Studies Students Scholarship, applicants must fulfill all of the following eligibility requirements: 1) starts his/her enrollment at HU in September, 2) to be a one academic year exchange student, and 3) holds a high proficiency of Japanese language. (Please note that a selected scholar must pass JLPT Level 2 or N2 before entering to HU.)
- Japan Student Services Organization Scholarship (JASSO)

APPLICATIONS

Applicants wishing to apply for student exchange should submit the application forms through the relevant office of their home institution. Application forms submitted directly from the applicants will not be accepted.

Nomination / Application Deadline for September 2020 Admission: March 31, 2020

Nomination / Application Deadline for April 2021 Admission: September 30, 2020

Application Procedures for Undergraduate Students

<http://international.hit-u.ac.jp/en/pros/exchange/undergrad.html>

Application Procedures for Graduate Students

<http://international.hit-u.ac.jp/en/pros/exchange/grad.html>

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2020-2021

The academic year begins on April 1 and ends the following March 31. Examinations may occur during or at the end of the lecture period.

Spring - Summer 2020			
Spring		Summer	
Classes begin:	April 6	Classes begin:	June 1
Classes end:	May 29	Classes end:	July 21
International student orientation: March 26 – April 3			
Kodaira-sai University Festival: June 13, June 14			
Intensive Course *Optional: July 27 – 31			
Grade release date: September 1 (both for undergraduates and graduates)			

Autumn – Winter 2020			
Autumn		Winter	
Classes Begin:	September 14	Classes Begin:	November 5
Classes end:	November 4	Classes end:	January 8
International student orientation: September 3 – 11			
Ikkyo-sai University Festival: November 21 – 23			
Intensive Courses *Optional: (I) January 12 – 21 AM, (II) January 21 PM – 29, (III) February 1 – 5, (IV) March 8 – 26 (for international students) <TBC>			
Grade release date: March 8 (both for undergraduates and graduates)			

USEFUL LINKS for EXCHANGE STUDENTS

1. General Information for Exchange Students
<http://international.hit-u.ac.jp/en/pros/exchange/index.html>
2. International Student & Study Abroad Advising: Incoming Exchange Students
http://international.hit-u.ac.jp/en/cge/advising/04_Incoming%20Exchange%20Students/index.html
3. International Student Orientation
<http://international.hit-u.ac.jp/jp/pros/orientation/index.html>

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