Internationalization of Japanese Higher Education

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International Students Studying in Japan

As of May 1 in each year

※In accordance with the unification of student visas, the total number of international students including Japanese language institutes is also drawn since 2011.

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<th>Country</th>
<th>The number of International Students (Last year)</th>
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<td>China</td>
<td>114,950(107,260)</td>
<td>7,690</td>
<td>Indonesia</td>
<td>6,277(5,495)</td>
<td>782</td>
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<td>Viet Nam</td>
<td>72,354(61,671)</td>
<td>10,683</td>
<td>Myanmar</td>
<td>5,928(4,816)</td>
<td>1,112</td>
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<td>Nepal</td>
<td>24,331(21,500)</td>
<td>2,831</td>
<td>Thailand</td>
<td>3,962(3,985)</td>
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<td>South Korea</td>
<td>17,012(15,740)</td>
<td>1,272</td>
<td>Malaysia</td>
<td>3,094(2,945)</td>
<td>149</td>
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<td>Taiwan</td>
<td>9,524(8,947)</td>
<td>577</td>
<td>Others</td>
<td>33,219(28,076)</td>
<td>5,143</td>
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<td>Sri Lanka</td>
<td>8,329(6,607)</td>
<td>1,722</td>
<td>Total</td>
<td>298,980(267,042)</td>
<td>31,938</td>
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Source: Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)
**MEXT Scholarships**
- Provides a wide range of scholarship programs for mainly degree seeking students (covers full duration necessary for the degree)
- Mainly graduate school level
- FY 2019 budget: 18.5 billion yen, 11,276 students
- 117,000 yen-145,000 yen/month ※The amounts is different depending on the level of study and the area.

**MEXT Honors Scholarships for Privately Financed International Students**
- Provide grants for privately financed students with good academic records for 1 year
- FY 2019 budget: 3.6 billion yen, 7,800 students
- 30,000 yen-48,000 yen/month ※The amounts is different depending on the level of study.

**Student Exchange Support Program**
- For students on exchange programs (up to 1 year)
- FY 2019 budget: 1.6 billion yen, 5,000 students
- 80,000 yen/month
Japanese Students Studying Abroad
(Number of Exchange Agreements and Japanese Students Studying Abroad)

Source: Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO), MEXT
### Number of agreements with the US

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<td>2,652</td>
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<td>2014</td>
<td>2,875</td>
<td>8,495</td>
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<td>3,184</td>
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<td>18,769</td>
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<td>20,159</td>
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### Survey of agreements currently underway

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Survey of agreements disrupted by the Great East Japan Earthquake:

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Survey of agreements currently underway:

- 2010: 228
- 2011: 673
- 2012: 311
- 2013: 345
- 2014: 537
- 2015: 458
- 2016: 476
- 2017: 809
- 2018: 652

Sources: MEXT’s Survey of Intercollegiate Agreements with Overseas Universities and of Overseas Campuses and JASSO’s Survey of Japanese Students Studying Abroad Based on Agreements

※Fiscal year runs from April 1 through March 31.
Total Number of Japanese Students in the US

※ Figures up until 2012 cover international students (those who don’t have the citizenship of the admitting country), but beginning 2013 the figures are for international students enrolled in institutes of higher learning (students who moved residence from their previous country of residence or home country to another country with the purpose of study). So the figures are no longer comparable.

Sources: For Japanese student figures -- OECD’s *Education at a Glance*; UNESCO Institute for Statistics; Institute of International Education’s *Open Doors*; China’s Ministry of Education; Taiwan’s Ministry of Education

For figures on Japanese students studying in the U.S. – Institute of International Education’s *Open Doors*

※ Fiscal year runs from April 1 through March 31.
Scholarships for Japanese Students (Study Abroad)

**Scholarship for Degree courses**
- For gaining an undergraduate degree, master's degree or PhD
- FY 2019 budget: 0.9 billion yen, 371 students
- (59,000 yen-148,000 yen/month)
※The amounts is different depending on the level of study and the area.

**Scholarship for Short courses**
- For short-term study abroad (up to 1 year) under exchange agreement
- FY 2019 budget: 5.7 billion yen, 20,450 students
- (60,000 yen-100,000 yen/month)
※The amounts is different depending on the level of study and the area.

**“TOBITATE! Young Ambassador Program -scholarship program supported by the private sector-**
- Private sector’s support; financial support, selection of scholarship awardees, training before and after study abroad, and provision of internship opportunities
- For study abroad(up to 2 years), with some focus on practical training (like internship and volunteer)
For more details, please visit TGU website:
COIL (Collaborative Online International Learning)

What is COIL?

Collaborative Online International Learning

COIL is a new practical application of international and interactive education, applying the advance of online education methods to international inter-university exchange. Students can stay in their home country/university and learn together with students at overseas universities through the use of information and communications technology (ICT) to hook up virtually on programs in many different disciplines.

This program will support universities in Japan that pioneer international education programs with quality assurance, including credit recognition and grades assessment, through the use of COIL education with overseas partner universities.

※Local corporations, business organizations, local governments, and similar entities will also be partners to implement programs
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