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UNIVERSITY

Celebrating our 150th Anniversary in 2025



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Captains of Industry

Captains of Industry are the true Fighters, henceforth recognisable as the only true ones: Fighters against Chaos, Necessity and the Devils and Jötuns; and lead on Mankind in that great, and alone true, and universal warfare __

Thomas Carlyle, Past and Present, 1843

HU at a Glance (As of 2023)



378

Full-time academic staff

7.31

Student/instructor ratio at seminars

62%

Classes w/ < 20 students



6173

Students



4335

Undergraduate

1838

Graduate

901

International

(since 1902)

99169

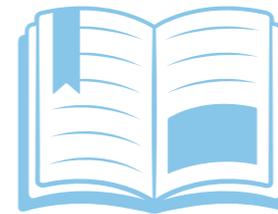
Alumni

Active members of the Josuikai Alumni Association: approx. 35,000



Over **2.3** million

Number of library materials



Total number of books and journals (including electronic version)

Inbound

14.1%

International students on campus

Outbound*

14.4%

Students joining long-term study abroad programs

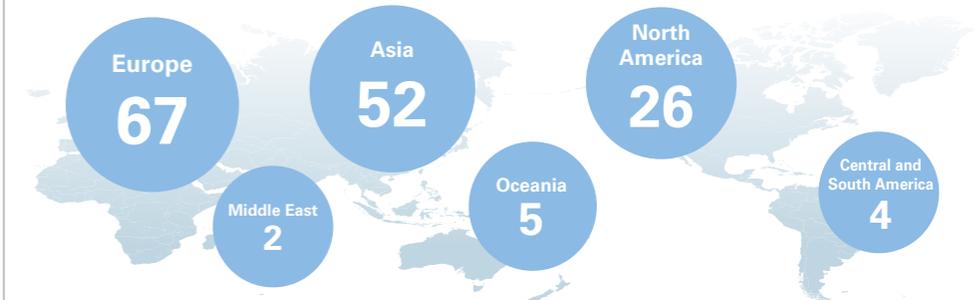
27.1%

Students joining long or short term study abroad programs

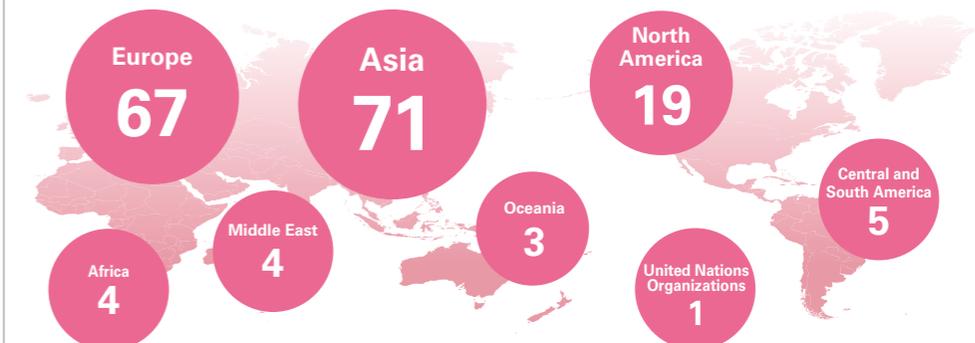
* As of 2022

International Exchange Partner Institutions

■ Student exchange agreements: 156



■ Academic exchange agreements: 174





Community

Distinctive Features of HU

During the course of its long history, HU has developed into a leading research university in Japan specializing in the social sciences. In Japan and around the world, HU has demonstrated its particular strength in academic research that makes practical contributions to improving society. For example, HU has been a leader in research on systemic reforms in public policy, the economy, and law, as well as in business management innovation. HU places equal importance on basic and applied research, aiming to establish a suitable theoretical foundation that leads to effective problem resolution.

All of HU's educational programs have been meticulously prepared to cultivate each student individually, and the University has consequently prepared many promising, talented graduates for society. The faculty is not only deeply involved in cutting-edge research but also closely works with students in small-group seminars of about seven or eight students. The greatest feature of HU is the richness of its high-quality education. Students emerge from this favorable environment with the ability to identify and solve issues on the basis of their in-depth, specialized knowledge and contribute to social, economic, academic, and cultural advancement in Japan and around the world. HU aims to be a world-class education and research center in the social sciences, continuing its esteemed tradition and history while pursuing further sophistication and internationalization of research and education.

Academic Programs

Undergraduate Programs

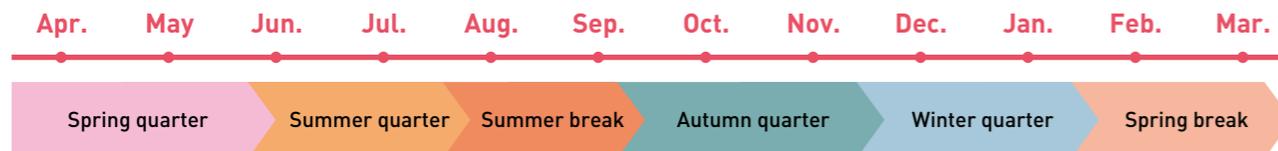
Faculty of Commerce and Management	Bachelor of Science in Commerce and Management
Faculty of Economics	Bachelor of Arts in Economics
Faculty of Law	Bachelor of Laws
Faculty of Social Sciences	Bachelor of Arts in Social Sciences
Faculty of Social Data Science (commenced in April 2023)	Bachelor of Arts and Sciences in Social Data Science

Graduate Programs

Hitotsubashi University Business School (HUB)		
School of Business Administration (SBA)	Master of Science in Commerce and Management Master of Business Administration	Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce and Management Doctor of Philosophy in Finance /Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration
School of International Corporate Strategy (Hitotsubashi ICS)	Master of Business Administration	Doctor of Business Administration
Graduate School of Economics		
Economics	Master of Arts in Economics	Doctor of Philosophy in Economics
Graduate School of Law		
Law and International Relations Business Law School of Law	Master of Laws Master of Business Law Juris Doctor	Doctor of Philosophy in Law Doctor of Philosophy in Business Law
Graduate School of Social Sciences		
Social Sciences Global Issues	Master of Arts in Social Sciences	Doctor of Philosophy in Social Sciences
Graduate School of Social Data Science (commenced in April 2023)		
Social Data Science	Master of Science in Social Data Science	
Graduate School of Language and Society		
Language and Society	Master of Arts	Doctor of Philosophy
School of International and Public Policy		
Public Law Program Global Governance Program Public Economics Program Asian Public Policy Program	Master of International and Administrative Policy Master of Public Policy (Public Economics)	

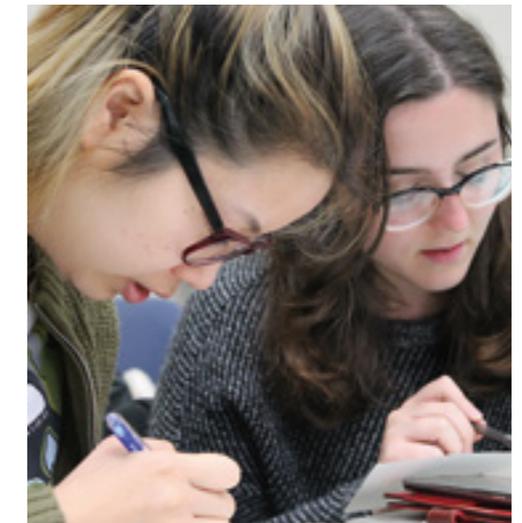
Academic Calendar

The academic year begins on April 1 and consists of four quarters. International students begin their study in April or September.



Hitotsubashi University Global Education Program (HGP)

HGP offers interdisciplinary courses in English, designed for both international and Japanese students. HGP offers interdisciplinary English-medium instruction courses designed for both international and Japanese students. Students can choose from a variety of courses in the humanities and social sciences. The program provides in-depth learning opportunities in the fields of Business, Economics, Law, Sociology, International Relations, and others. The program also includes courses specifically designed for exchange students ranging from the Japanese language (taught in Japanese), Japanese and World Affairs, and seminar-style courses (with a limited number of students).



Japanese Language Education

HU offers a variety of Japanese language education programs. We provide graded courses to develop the Japanese language skills of learners at the beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels. Furthermore, taking advantage of HU's position as one of the leading universities in Japan, we offer specialized content-based Japanese language courses for studying the social sciences.

Global

HU has entered into agreements with top universities around the world, concentrating our efforts on the internationalization of education and research. We hosted 901 international students from 52 countries and regions, accounting for around 14% of our student body (as of 2023). Our campuses, with their distinctively international flavor, provide appropriate settings for the nurturing of globally-active personnel.



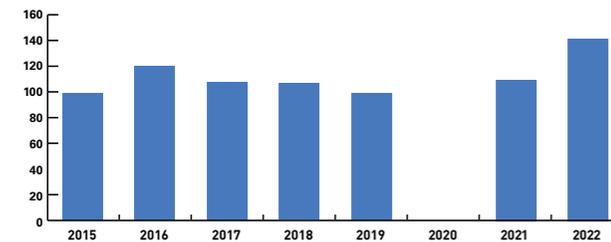
HU residence halls host both international and Japanese students.



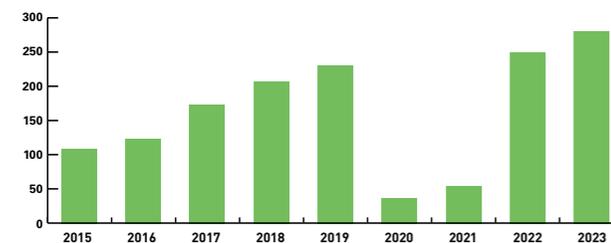
International Exchange

International Exchange Students

Outbound:



Inbound:



Center for Global Education and Exchange

The Center provides Japanese language education, curriculum taught in English, and student life services for international students, as well as supporting Japanese and international students in studying abroad.

Center for Global Online Education

The Center develops online education methods and programs, in collaboration with international partners including educational institutions, international organizations, corporations and non-profit organizations.

Asian Center in China

The Center supports exchange with education and research institutions in China and throughout East Asia.

International Alliances

SIGMA (Societal Impact & Global Management Alliance)

HU is a member of this international alliance comprising nine universities possessing strong management faculties and MBA courses as well as the capacity for advanced research and education in the social sciences.

Member Universities:

- Copenhagen Business School
- ESADE Business School
- Fundação Getulio Vargas
- Hitotsubashi University
- Université Paris-Dauphine
- Renmin University of China
- Singapore Management University
- University of St. Gallen
- Vienna University of Economics and Business

GNAM (The Global Network for Advanced Management)

HU represents Japan in this strategic alliance of the world's 32 top management graduate schools (including Yale University, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, and Technion-Israel Institute of Technology). The members undertake cutting-edge initiatives such as courses delivered jointly.



Double Degree Programs

Based on agreements with overseas universities, we offer programs in which students study both in HU and at the partner institution, receiving degrees from both universities upon completion of their studies.

**School of International Corporate Strategy,
Hitotsubashi University Business School**

Indian Institute of Management Bangalore,
Peking University, Renmin University of China,
Seoul National University, Yale University

Graduate School of Law

National Taiwan University, Renmin University of China,
KU Leuven

School of International and Public Policy

KU Leuven
Sciences Po Strasbourg, School of University of Strasbourg

Excellence

HU has established auxiliary facilities permitting more in-depth research in each field as well as programs allowing the pursuit of more advanced study.

Distinguished In Japan

AACSB

The School of Business Administration (SBA) and the School of International Corporate Strategy (ICS) have been accredited by AACSB International -The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business



83.5%



CUMULATIVE PASS RATE IN THE NATIONAL BAR EXAMINATION: 83.5%

No.1 nationwide from 2005 to 2022 (The average is 56.4%)

TOP

One of the top Designated National Universities -the only one specialized in social sciences



54.8%

SUCCESS RATE OF KAKENHI* APPLICATIONS: 54.8%

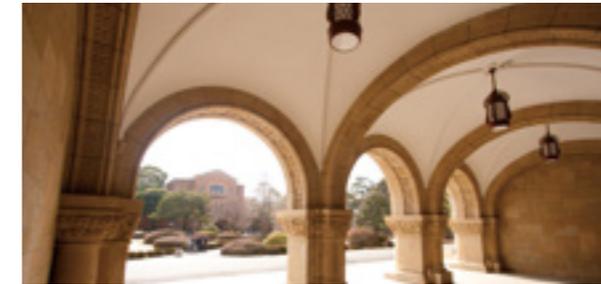
No.1 nationwide (17 times between 2004 and 2023)
*KAKENHI is the largest competitive public research funding program in Japan.



No.1

Employability Ranking at Top 400 Companies

**Weekly Toyo Keizai, AERA MOOK



Professional Schools

HUB: Hitotsubashi University Business School

Our four MBA programs in Business Administration, Management Analysis, Financial Strategy, and International Corporate Strategy offer students the opportunity to pursue a broad range of studies according to their goals.

Hitotsubashi University School of Law

Our curriculum includes unique courses such as Business Law, as well as externships, in order to nurture legal professionals with a broad legal education and a strong public service ethic.

School of International and Public Policy (IPP)

IPP offers Master's degrees in International and Public Administration, and in Public Economics. The school has four programs: Public Law (PL), Global Governance (GG), Public Economics (PE), and Asian Public Policy (APP). Many GG courses and all APP courses are in English.



Executive Programs

HSEP (Hitotsubashi Senior Executive Program)

Targeted at corporate executives, this advanced management education program offered via a consortium was established in 2002. Students of this program, which has as its principal objective the development of management personnel, go on to join the management teams of major corporations.

HFLP (Hitotsubashi Financial Leadership Program)

The goal of the program is the cultivation of the next generation of CFOs, with an ability to transform the very essence of corporations. Students acquire not only financial literacy, but also a cross-cutting range of the most advanced knowledge and skills.

Institute of Economic Research

The Institute of Economic Research (IER) started its functions in 1940 and was reorganized as an attached research institute in 1942. Throughout its history, the IER has generated numerous outstanding research results through the development of databases as well as advanced analysis linked to statistical data. Since 2010, the IER has been serving as a Joint Usage / Research Center accredited by the Japanese Ministry of Education (MEXT), providing infrastructure for advanced empirical analysis of the Japanese and global economies.

Libraries

Main Library

Hitotsubashi University Library began as a library of the Tokyo Commercial School, the predecessor of Hitotsubashi University, in 1885. Since then, the library has supported the University's research, teaching, and learning activities. The Library has particular strength in the field of social sciences, and its collections include rare historical materials as well as today's important academic resources.

The Library holds about 2.08 million books, 17,000 journal titles, 271,000 e-books, 32,000 e-journal titles.

Center for Historical Social Science Literature

The center holds about 76,300 items of Western rare books on social sciences published mostly before 1850, including the first edition of *Leviathan* by Thomas Hobbes.

HIAS

(Hitotsubashi Institute for Advanced Study)

HU established the Hitotsubashi Institute for Advanced Study (HIAS) in 2014 to serve as a center for world-class research in the social sciences and a hub for related research networks. The following university-wide specialized centers have been established under IAS to accelerate such research activities:

- (1) Research Center for Global Economic Systems
- (2) Research Center for Health Policy and Economics
- (3) Research Center for Evidence-based Policy Making
- (4) Research Center for Regional and SME Policy
- (5) Research Center for Asia Policy Studies
- (6) Hitotsubashi International Center of Research and Training of Economic Measurements
- (7) Research Center for Data-driven Society
- (8) Center for Global Governance Research
- (9) Management Innovation Research Center
- (10) Brain Research Center
- (11) Anthropocene Research Center

As the headquarters for research at HU, IAS enhances the caliber and international nature of HU's social science research and nurtures next-generation scholars.



HQ Web Magazine CONTENTS

- ▶ IAS Launches Program to Acquire Top-Class International Researchers
- ▶ Round-table Talk by Professors at the Faculty and Graduate School of Social Data Science
- ▶ Why did these international students choose Hitotsubashi University?



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