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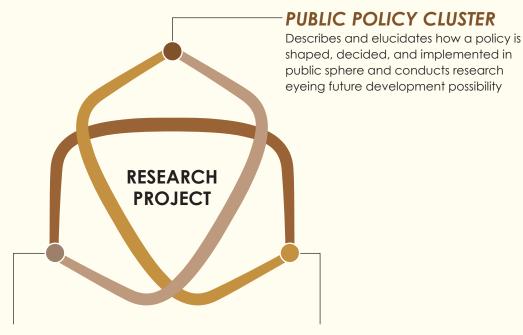


Building up the ability to implement policies through direct interaction with society

Policy science is a new discipline that involves interdisciplinary and practical studies.

The curriculum of Ritsumeikan University's Graduate School of Policy Science (GSPS) is characterized by its "Research Project" program, which aims to open up intellectual spaces where faculty members of different specialties work with graduate students each of whom pursues different research themes. There, they are guided by their respective motivations to explore policy design to find solutions to policy issues that have taken place in real society, by constantly alternating between practical and basic theoretical approaches.

3 "Research Projects" featuring policy science



ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT CLUSTER

Aims to "pursue and design the theory for sustainable society". Conducts research from the following 3 approaches; 1. mastering policy science/engineering, 2. solving the same-dimension problems regarding human, society, and economics which arise according to regional environment change, 3. acquiring field research technique

SOCIAL MANAGEMENT CLUSTER

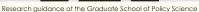
Focuses on the current state and problems of the social system and/or network which designs such policies as welfare and/or regional management, and its management process multidirectionally

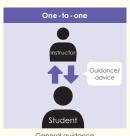
Project-type research guidance to deal with policy issues

What is unique in our graduate school is "project-type" research guidance for which instructors from different expertise organize joint research teams and students participate in the joint research process within the group. The purpose of this Research Project is just not giving research guidance from one academic supervisor for one specific area, rather collectively directing the students by several instructors who differ in their specialties but have common

interests in the area/theme of study.

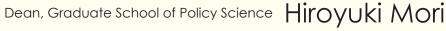






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Message from the Dean of the Graduate School of Policy Science



Ritsumeikan University's Graduate School of Policy Science (GSPS) was established in 1997 with a view to develop students' essential research skills to correctly understand the policy issues that we face in today's society, work out for optimal solutions, and upgrade their practical competence.

Policy science is a discipline that explores solutions to various policy issues that affect us while pursuing innovation of social science itself. Through policy science study, the GSPS aims to train both new types of researchers with practical skills and competent policy practitioners.

Then, what is policy science in the first place?

The name "policy science" itself implies that this discipline has its own theoretical system. Policy science requires the ability to make an exact understanding in various policy issues. It also involves appropriate solutions to such policy issues. Since each of policy issues has various social and natural aspects, research achievements in a wide range of academic fields such as political science, economics, law, business administration, sociology, urban planning and environmental engineering must be served for studies in policy science. In this sense, policy science is supposed to be interdisciplinary research, encompassing many different academic disciplines. With this comprehensive nature, we must develop each own specialized field.

As a research institution to study the solutions to policy issues, the GSPS places special emphasis on the interaction with real society. To be specific, we have opened research sites called "Regional Co-Creation Centers" in local public bodies in several regions and other social institutions where graduate students are given opportunities to observe, as part of their researches, administrative personnel implementing policies firsthand.

Furthermore, we are going to register the achievements of such field researches in our "Policy Base" database on case-by-case basis and make such data globally available. In this way, researchers and graduate students of the GSPS can contribute to the enhancement of this database through their research activities.

The process of solving policy issues involves the steps of: collecting, analyzing, and interpreting information; developing options for solutions and predicting outcomes; making decisions; implementing the decisions; and conducting post-evaluations special skills are also required for each of these steps. The curriculum of the GSPS is designed to provide graduate students with such skills through hands-on learning.

The GSPS also offers a project-style joint research program, which was conceived in consideration of the integrated nature of policy issues, the object of policy science research. This program is called "Research Project" in the Master's Program and "Research Seminar" in the Doctoral Program. Under these programs, several faculty members conduct research activities jointly with graduate students and offer research guidance to them.

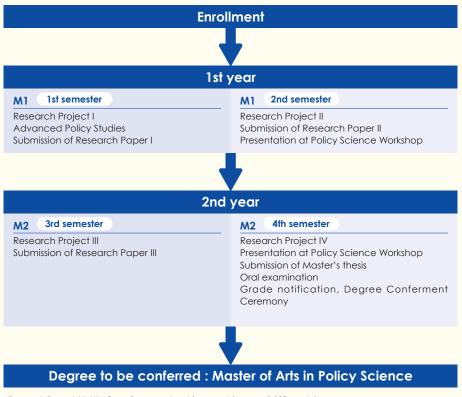
By carrying out policy science research by making the most of these opportunities unique to the GSPS, we hope to train high-caliber personnel capable of finding optimal solutions to all social issues.



CURRICULUM

Curriculum Planning Guide

(Master's Program in Policy Science)



- •Research Paper I / II / III : Compile research achievement (approx. 3,000 words)
- Policy Science Workshop: Oral research presentation (20–30 minutes)

Course Titles

- Policy Case Reading I (Studies in Culture and Public Policy)
- Policy Case Reading I (Environmental Policy Analysis)
- Policy Case Reading I (Local Governance)
- Policy Case Reading I (Japan Studies)
- Introduction to Public Policy
- Introduction to Social Management
- •Introduction to Sustainable Development
- Policy Case Reading II (Planning Science and Technology)
- Policy Case Reading II (Social Welfare Policy)
- Policy Case Reading II (Statistical Analysis for Policy Studies)
- Policy Case Reading II (Japan Studies)
- Policy Case Writing I
- Policy Case Writing II
- Participatory Case Research Analysis
- Social Survey Data Archive Analysis
- Policy Science Special Lecture (Technology Management I·II)
- Advanced Policy Studies
- Research Project I
- •Research Project II
- Research Project III
- Research Project IV

Faculty members

PUBLIC POLICY CLUSTER

KATSUMURA Makoto

[Area of expertise]

Political Science (Japanese Political History)

KAMIKUBO Masato

[Area of expertise]

Specially appointed Professor

KAMIKO Akio

[Area of expertise]

Local Government System, Local Public Personnel System, Conduct Codes of Government Officials

KIDO Hideki

[Area of expertise]

Government, Comparative Politics, Intergovernmental Relations

Professor

TSAY Shiow-Ching

Administrative Law, Comparative administrative Law, Asian Law (Chinese Law, Taiwanese Law)

Specially appointed Professor

SATOH Mitsuru

[Area of expertise]

Theory of political process

Professor

SHIGEMORI Tamihiro

[Area of expertise]
History of political theory

Professor

TABAYASHI Yo

[Area of expertise]

American literature, cultural studies

HICKS Kimberley Anne

[Area of expertise]
Political studies, political culture

FUJIWARA Chiemi

[Area of expertise]

Japanese language education

Specially appointed Professor

MABUCHI Masaru

[Area of expertise]
Public Administration, Public Policy

Professor

MIYAWAKI Noboru

[Area of expertise]

International politics, international public policy, security and human rights diplomacy

MORI Michiya

Public administration, Political process theory

YASUE Noriko

[Area of expertise]

EU studies, study of international organizations, global governance

ARITA Yutaka

[Area of expertise]

Medieval Philology and Foreign Language Pedagogy (French, Italian)

Associate Professor

KAKUMOTO Kazumasa

[Area of expertise]

Civil law, New fields of law

FUJII Tadasuke

[Area of expertise] Political science

Associate Professor

MORI Takatomo

[Area of expertise]

Information engineering, control engineering

ENVIRONMENT AND

ISHIHARA Kazuhiko

Urban planning, community development

Professor

UEHARA Takuro

[Area of expertise]
Ecological economics, Resource & environmental economics, System dynamics

Professor

KANEGAE Hidehiko

[Area of expertise]
Planning theory, Disaster Mitigation, Simulation &

Professor

KOSUGI Takanobu

[Area of expertise]
Global environmental policy, energy and environmental systems analysis

Professo

ZHOU Weisheng

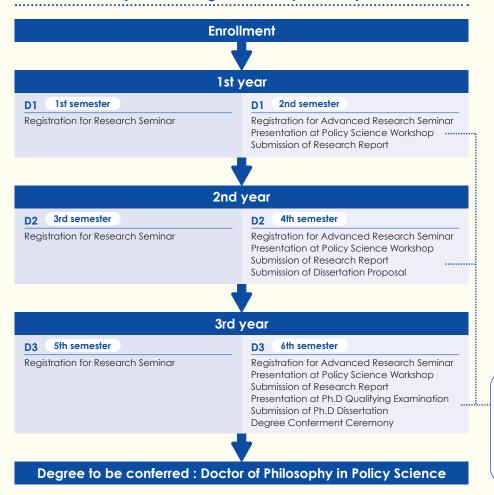
[Area of expertise]
Environmental policies, policy engineering,

TAKAMURA Gakuto

[Area of expertise]
Sociology of law, urban environmental law, Field research Method

Curriculum Planning Guide

(Doctoral Program in Policy Science)



Ritsumeikan University's Graduate School of Policy Science offers a research program spanning three years until conferral of a doctorate. Research is conducted under systematic and organized guidance. As in the Master's Program, Doctoral students receive systematic instruction while participating in joint research projects through the enrollment period. In addition to refining research capability, this program cultivates ability to design and manage research process - an essential skill for an independent Policy Science research. Doctoral students are required to summarize their research in their doctoral dissertations.

Presentation at academic conference Attendance to international conference Domestic / Overseas research Contribution of articles

DEVELOPMENT CLUSTER

YOSHIDA Tomohiko

Urban Planning, Human Settlement and Housing

SAUCEDO SEGAMI, Daniel Dante

Public Archaeology, Cultural Anthropology (Latin America)

SAKURAI Ryo

Environmental Education, Policy Evaluation, Wildlife Management

SHIKI Kimiko

Urban housing policy, housing problem, housing

Associate Professor

TOYODA Yusuke

Disaster Mitigation, Disaster Risk Reduction, Disaster Recovery, Community-based Approach, Social

Associate Professor

NAKANO Katsuyuki

[Area of expertise]
Sustainable System, Environmental Policy, Environmental Social System

SOCIAL MANAGEMENT CLUSTER

AZUMA Yoshifumi

International Development, Area Studies of

Southeast Asia, Peace Studies, Social Demography

IIDA Miki

Cultural studies, gender studies

ISHIKAWA Ibuki

Management (Management strategy, organization, corporate behavior)

INABA Mitsuyuki

Learning science, cognitive science

Professor

OTSUKA Yoko

Welfare policy, gender studies

ODA Hisaya

Development economics, area study of South

KISHI Michio

Public Economics, Public Management

SAKANISHI Akiko

Urban Economics, Labor Economics, Economic

SAKURAI Masanari

Sociology (Social enterprises, NPO, volunteering,

Professor

NISHIMURA Yozo

Monetary Economics, International Finance, International Economics

HATTORI Toshiyuki

Management accounting, Strategic analysis

HIRAOKA Kazuhisa

Public finance, local public finance, regional economy

MORI Hiroyuki

Public finance, urban political economy

Associate Professor

KOJIMA Naoko

Foreign language education

SCHRÖDER Martin

Global Value Chains, Industrial

Organisation, Production Management

TAKASHINO Nina

Economic policy, development economics agricultural economics

Associate Professor

FUNAHASHI Toyoko

Global Marketing, Regional Economy of the **Philippines**

Master's thesis/Doctoral dissertation titles (excerpted)

Master's thesis titles (* Number in parenthesis indicates the year when the degree was conferred.)

- A Case Study on Effects of CHSE Policy for Tourism Recovery During Covid-19 Pandemic in Restaurant Business in Great Bandung Area, West Java Province, Indonesia [2022]
- A Comparative Gaming Simulation Study as a Tool to Enhance Community-Based Disaster Risk Reduction Among Foreign Residents and Japanese Locals [2022]
- Impact of politics on education in multi-cultural societies of South-Asia: Emphasizing India [2022]
- A Case Study of the Catering Industry of Songjiang University Town in China after the COVID-19 Pandemic: The Perspective of Small and Medium Restaurants [2022]
- How social support and resilience prevent suicidal thought among rural older adults: An example of a Chinese case [2022]
- Behaviour and Intention Analyses of Plastic Waste Separation at Source in Japan [2022]
- The Power Arena: Exploring the Persistence of Land Reallocation in Village X of Shandong [2022]
- Comparative Study of Ghana and Japan Fiscal Decentralization Systems and the Implication for Local Governance [2022]
- THE EFFECT OF PADDY LAND CONVERSION, LAND OWNERSHIP, AND AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY ON FARMERS POVERTY IN INDONESIA [2022]
- Effectiveness of Industrial Estates as Designated Agglomerations in Indonesia: Case Study of Weda Bay Industrial Park in Halmahera Tengah Regency [2022]
- Institutional Sustainability of Community-Based Drinking Water Supply System: A Comparative Study of KOTAKU and PAMSIMAS in West Java [2022]
- Utilization of the One Map Policy on Land Registration to Enhance Regional Development Case Study: Fakfak Regency, West Papua Province, Indonesia [2022]
- Empowering Local Communities through the Tourism Social Enterprise Approach: A Case Study of Entra Indonesia [2021]
- Household Determinants of Secondary Enrolments: A Case Study of District Hafizabad, Punjab, Pakistan [2021]
- Participation in Waste Management by the People in Indonesia (Implementation of National Policy and Strategy For Municipal Household Waste and Domestic Waste Management in West Bangka Regency) [2021]
- Educational Assistance on Poor Student in Indonesia: A Case Study at Junior High School in Hinai and Tanjung Pura District, Langkat Regency [2021]
- The Role of Financial Literacy, Self-Control, and Living Apart Together on Retirement Readiness: A Case Study of Pre-Retirees of the Audit Board of the Republic of Indonesia [2021]
- How to Avoid Inconsistencies among Government Plans for Border Area -Application of Analytic Hierarchy Process (AHP) in Border Area Development Programs- [2021]
- Employee Willingness to Relocate: A Study on Indonesia's Capital Relocation Plan [2021]
- The Evaluation of e-KTP Program Implementation in Indonesian Local Government: A Comparative Study in Metro Municipality and Pringsewu Regency [2021]
- Deregulation, Competition and Liberalization: Understanding Japan's Air Transport Policy [2020]
- Environmental Policy Implementation in Road Infrastructure Management: A case study of Western Indonesia National Road Improvement Project (WINRIP) [2020]
- EVALUATION OF MONITORING AND FOLLOW-UP ON AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS IN CENTRAL MINISTRIES IN INDONESIA [2020]
- THE SOCIAL CAPITAL OF THE TRADITIONAL MARKET IN FACING THE COMPETITION OF THE MODERN MARKET IN SIJUNJUNG REGENCY [2020]
- DESIGNING OF SOCIAL FORESTRY PROGRAM IN THE MOUNT CIREMAI NATIONAL PARK BASED ON VALUATION OF ECOSYSTEM SERVICES [2020]
- Municipal Bonds as Alternative Infrastructure Development Financing in Indonesia [2020]
- FACTORS INFLUENCING THE COMMODIFICATION IN CULTURAL HERITAGE TOURISM IN INDONESIA [2020]
- PARTICIPATORY AND TECHNOCRATIC ASPECTS OF PORT DEVELOPMENT IN YOGYAKARTA SPECIAL PROVINCE [2020]
- THE INFLUENCE OF LAND OWNERSHIP ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LAND USE PLAN (Case Study: BUKITTINGGI CITY) [2020]
- Implementation of Forest Moratorium Policy: Case Study of Deforestation and Forest Degradation in Papua Province, Indonesia [2020]
- ENHANCING EARTHQUAKE COPING CAPACITY OF MALAYSIAN SCHOOL STUDENTS THROUGH GAMING SIMULATION [2020]
- Research about Japanese Legalization of Public Service Ethics Practice Centered on the National Public Service Ethics Act [2019]
- Analysis of Employee Competence by using the Concept of SARCoN in Nuclear Energy Regulatory Agency (BAPETEN)
 [2019]
- EXAMINING TRIP SATISFACTION USING FEEDER MODES TO ACCESS BUS RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEM: CASE STUDY OF RAWALPINDI-ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN [2019]
- Comparative Study on Faoreign Assistance Policy of Japan and Taiwan to Solomon Islands [2019]
- A Comparative Study on Local Economic Revitalization Between Thailand and Japan [2019]
- The role of civil society in the process of democratization in Senegal [2019]
- AGEING FARMERS ISSUE AND YOUTH ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM IN AGRICULTURE SECTOR: A Case Study of PATRA Community [2019]
- A Case Study on Citizen Participation Factors in Musrenbang (Development Planning Forum) in Batam Municipality, Indonesia [2019]
- Security competition and the security dilemma in East Asia, 1992–2017 [2019]

Doctoral dissertation titles (* Number in parenthesis indicates the year when the degree was conferred.)

- An Analysis of Bangladesh's Ready-Made Garment Sector: Its Competitiveness, Sustainability, and Compliance [2021]
- A Study on the Influences of Social Interaction on Housing Relocation from Slum to Public Housing: A Case Study of Greater Jakarta, Indonesia. [2021]
- A Study Toward More Accessible and Suitable Spatial Information for Risk Communication in Indonesia: Focusing on Supply and User Side [2021]
- A Study on the Competitiveness of Indonesian Historical Post-Mining Cities as Tourist Destinations [2021]
- A Study of International Comparison on State-sponsored Legal Aid in Common Law Jurisdictions for the Quality Implementation of Legal Aid System in Myanmar [2020]
- Corporate Social Responsibility in Developing Country: A New Approach for Understanding the Governments' Intermediary Role of Quasi-redistribution in Indonesia [2020]
- An Analysis of Indonesian Female Labor Migration: A Case of Indramayu Regency, West Java Province, Indonesia [2019]
- A Study on Conventional Motorcycle Taxi's Demand in the Urban Fringes of Outer Metropolitan Area: Case Study in West Java, Indonesia [2018]
- The Analysis of Government Spending on Education: Theory and Empirical Evidence from the Districts in Indonesia [2018]
- Inclusion and Exclusion of ZAINICHI Koreans by the Government of South Korea: Focusing on the Era of Lee Seung-man Regime [2017]
- A Study on Policies toward Stranded Tourists by Public Support of Disaster Response Framework in Concentrative Tourism
 after Great Earthquakes: A Case Study of World Cultural Heritage, Himeji Castle [2017]

ALUMNI VOICES

Dr. Meng Ye

Lecturer, School of Public Management and Liberal Arts, Dalian Maritime University, China Completed the GSPS Doctoral Program in September 2019

I have an indissoluble bond with Ritsumeikan University that I visited its Osaka Ibaraki Campus as a conference speaker in 2015, which impressed me deeply with its friendly campus environment

Immediately, I decided to pursue my doctoral degree in Ritsumeikan University.

As a rapidly developing country, China faces problems such as effective utilization of abandoned land in urban-rural fringe. Meantime, with an increase in the leisure time and income, urban residents have a demand for conducting planting activities as a leisure way.

From this point of view, my research connected these two factors together and was committed to help local governments to integrate allotment gardening into urban planning and urban land use systems.

Ritsumeikan University helped me a lot in the three-year doctoral study.

It offered me various financial aid to support my field trips in China and presentations at overseas conference, the professors here taught me professional knowledge on policymaking, spatial analysis and so on, and the staff here facilitated my life and study.

I sincerely appreciate this university for giving me such a wonderful and unforgettable study experience.

Therefore, Ritsumeikan University is definitely the preferred choice for those consider studying for a degree in Japan, outperforming many universities in aspects of faculty quality, learning environment, and geographical location.



Public Official, Semarang City Government, Indonesia Completed the GSPS Master's Program in September 2020

My research theme is about alternative infrastructure development financing in Indonesia. The decentralization system implemented in the country makes local governments have more tasks, meaning that more funds are also needed.

Therefore, alternative development financing is urgently needed by local governments to accelerate the development as well as to minimize their dependency on the central government.

My study focuses on one of the alternatives broadly implemented in some countries, namely municipal bonds.

By utilizing a descriptive approach, it tries to find out the best way to encourage the issuance of municipal bonds to become an alternative development financing in Indonesia.

As one of the best private universities in Japan, Ritsumeikan University provides not only excellent facilities for studying and conducting research but also a friendly campus environment that keep student life joyful.

Moreover, Ritsumeikan University has the Research Project program that involves interdisciplinarity.

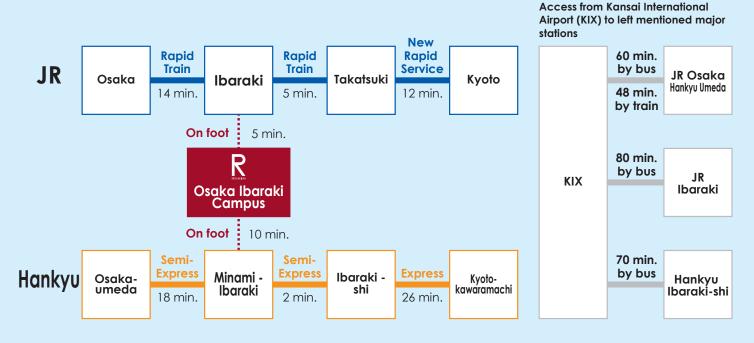
By having the experts in each field of study, I had the opportunity to deepen my knowledge and to discuss my research from various points of view, which broadened my comprehension.

Eventually, I believe that Ritsumeikan University, and Japan in general with its fascinating places and culture, is more than a pleasant place to study and to have a wonderful experience in life.





Access to Osaka Ibaraki Campus



 $^{^{\}ast}$ As of January 2023. Time for transfer not included.

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