



University of Yamanashi (Yamanashi Pref.)



Specialist training for practical education research

◇ University overview

○ Characteristics and history

The University of Yamanashi has four faculties: the Faculty of Education, the Faculty of Medicine, the Faculty of Engineering and the Faculty of Life and Environmental Sciences, and two graduate schools: the Graduate School of Education and the Integrated Graduate School of Medicine, Engineering, and Agricultural Sciences. The Division of School Education have several attached schools (Kindergarten, Elementary School, Junior High School and Special Support School for Children with Intellectual Disabilities) and the Center for Educational Research. The Graduate School of Education, Teacher-Training Program students will be enrolled in, is a graduate school of teacher education, and has a course of Advanced Studies on Transforming Education Practice.

○ International Exchanges (As of May 1)

• Number of International students

AY 2021: 239 (from 19 countries)

AY 2020: 229 AY 2019: 194 AY 2018: 179

• Number of Teacher training students in AY 2021: 1
AY 2020: 0 AY 2019: 0

• Number of Academic Exchange Agreements
45 (As of Oct 1, 2021)

○ Local area surrounding the University

The campus of the University of Yamanashi is in a quiet residential district in the city of Kofu, the capital of Yamanashi Prefecture, and about 15 minute walk from Kofu Station to the north. It is also situated in a scenic natural environment, with the famous Mt. Fuji viewed to the south and the Southern Alps of Japan to the west. Kofu City is only about 110 kilometers west of Tokyo and can be reached within an hour and a half from the center of Tokyo by express train.

◇ Outline of the course for Teacher Training students

○ Characteristics of the program

This course has an excellent curriculum for experts engaged in the research of practical instruction and allows students to take advantage of the latest research work in educational science in Japan. In this course we also emphasize education for fostering students' advanced practical teaching abilities with balanced theory and practice combinations by cooperating with schools attached to the university and with the Center for Education Research. In addition, this course utilizes not only the conclusions of these educational studies but also the results of Japanese cultural studies.

The program of this course consists of many unique subjects and lectures. A small number of students will take part and they will be enthusiastically guided by experienced teaching staff, enabling students to study the findings of advanced educational research work in the specialist areas. At the same time, participants in this course can become acquainted with the current condition of Japan's schools and acquire knowledge of Japanese culture.

○ Number of students to be accepted

1 student by each academic advisor and 5 students in total

○ Outline of the course

• Preparatory Japanese Language Education

a) Japanese Language Pre-session Intensive Training Courses at the Center of International Education and Exchange. Three levels are available.

Period: From early October, 2022 to early February, 2023

b) Japanese Language Classes for international students
In order to develop Japanese proficiency further, Japanese language classes are available from pre-intermediate to advanced level throughout the year. Several subjects, including "Japanese Affairs" and "How to Effectively Study a Foreign Language", can be taken in the mixed class environment with Japanese students.

c) Japanese Supplementary classes

Supplementary classes focusing on oral communication can be taken based on the proficiency level.

• Specialized training

◇ Follow-up for graduates

When our graduates have some problems as to practical and theoretical aspects after going back to their home country, they can always receive useful information and advice through exchanging E-mails with our course's teaching staff in each educational and research area.

◇ Accommodations

(Kofu International Student House)

○ Number of rooms

Single 82, Couple 1, Family 1

○ Monthly rent

Single ¥12,000~15,000, Couple ¥17,000,
Family ¥21,000

○ Facilities

Desk, chair, bed, closet, booth room and air conditioner. (Depends on the accommodation.)
Kitchen and washing machine room are shared.

○ Information for Daily Life

It normally takes only 5 minutes by bike from the University to Kofu International Student House. While a warden is available during daytime on weekdays, two of the Japanese House tutors stay during the nighttime and weekends. There are various events organized at the House. (Depends on the accommodation.)

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◇ Course Description, Number of students to be accepted, Qualifications and, etc.

Name of department	Graduate School of Education						
Course code	Name of adviser	E-mail	Teaching field(s)	Course description	Language	Number of students to be accepted	Qualification and requirement for students, number of students in past 5 years
21001	Kenichiro Isaka (Professor)	isaka@yamanashi.ac.jp	Painting and Installation	Research Education (Art Work)	Japanese	1	Japanese Ability
21002	Kazuhiko Nakamura (Professor)	kazuhiko@yamanashi.ac.jp	Growth and Development Health and Physical Education	"	Japanese or English	1	Japanese or English Ability
21003	Tomoyuki Kato (Associate Professor)	tomo-kato@yamanashi.ac.jp	Sport Sociology Football Coaching	"	Japanese, English or French	1	Japanese or English or French Ability
21004	Akifumi Kijima (Professor)	akijima@yamanashi.ac.jp	Human movement science Sport Psychology	"	Japanese	1	Japanese Ability
21005	Daisuke Ando (Associate Professor)	dando@yamanashi.ac.jp	Health Science	"	Japanese	1	"
21006	Chiaki Hasegawa (Professor)	hchiaki@yamanashi.ac.jp	Japanese Linguistics	"	Japanese	1	"
21007	Hiroko Takesue (Associate Professor)	htakesue@yamanashi.ac.jp	Sculpture	Research Education (Art Work)	Japanese	1	"
21008	Taku Minagawa (Professor)	tminagawa@yamanashi.ac.jp	European History	Research Education	Japanese, English, German or Italian	1	Japanese, English, German or Italian Ability
21009	Taku Morimoto (Professor)	tmorimoto@yamanashi.ac.jp	Legal Studies	"	Japanese or English	1	English or Japanese Ability
21010	Yasuhiro Omi (Professor)	omiyas@yamanashi.ac.jp	Cultural Psychology Educational Psychology	"	Japanese or English	1	"
21011	Koichiro Nakamoto (Professor)	knakamoto@yamanashi.ac.jp	Teaching Japanese as a Second Language	"	Japanese	1	Japanese Ability
21012	Naofumi Okumura (Associate Professor)	okumura@yamanashi.ac.jp	American Literature	"	Japanese or English	1	Japanese or English Ability
21013	Sadahito Yoshii (Associate Professor)	yoshiis@yamanashi.ac.jp	Special Needs Education	"	Japanese	1	Japanese Ability
21014	Tomoya Saitoh (Professor)	tomoyas@yamanashi.ac.jp	Language Education	"	Japanese	1	"
21015	Shigeru Machida (Associate Professor)	machida@yamanashi.ac.jp	Chinese Linguistics	"	Japanese and Chinese	1	Japanese and Chinese Ability
21016	Akiko Kamogawa (Associate Professor)	akamogawa@yamanashi.ac.jp	Comparative and International Education	Research Education	Japanese, English or Malay	1	Japanese, English or Malay Ability
21017	Koki Katano (Professor)	katano@yamanashi.ac.jp	Vocal Chorus	Research Education Singing	Japanese, German or English	1	Japanese, German or English Ability
21018	Fumihito Shimizu (Associate Professor)	fshimizu@yamanashi.ac.jp	Calligraphy Education	"	Japanese	1	Japanese Ability
21019	Dai Ogata (Associate Professor)	dogata@yamanashi.ac.jp	Japanese Literature (modern)	Research Education	Japanese	1	Japanese Ability
21020	Takayuki Izaki (Associate Professor)	tizaki@yamanashi.ac.jp	Chinese Literature	Research Education	Japanese	1	Japanese Ability