

# **6. Off-campus Study Programs**

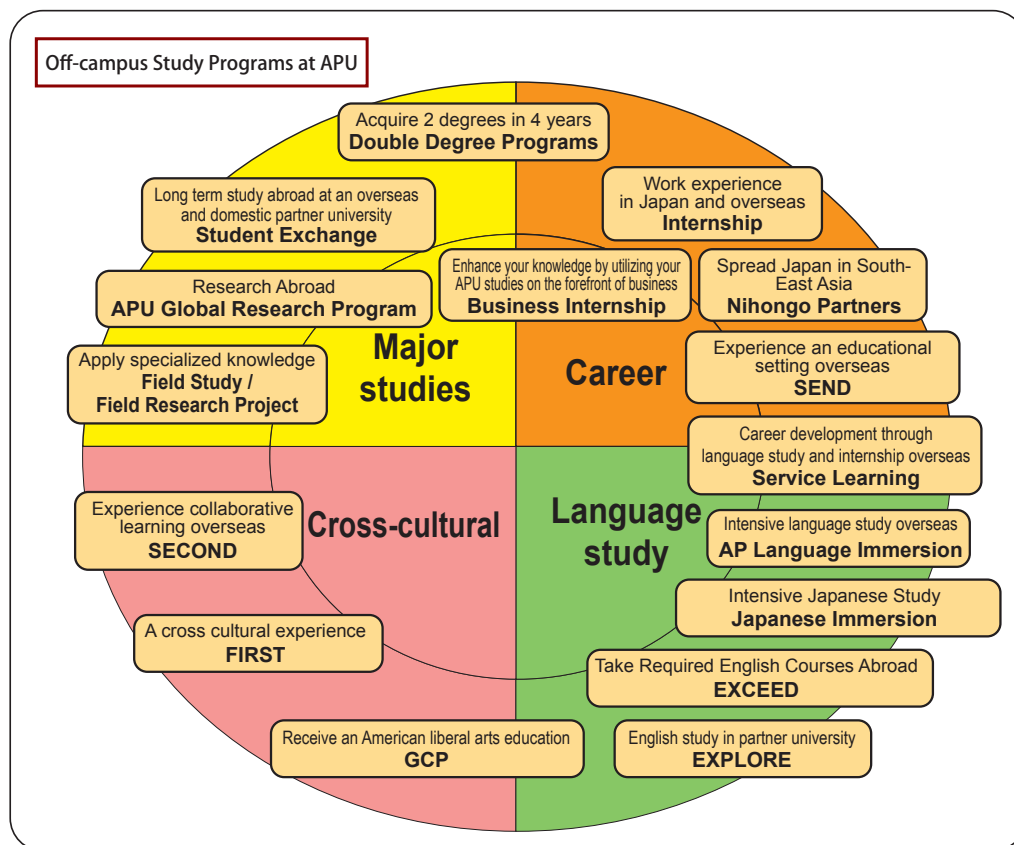
**(Overseas and Domestic Student Exchange  
and Study Abroad Programs)**



## 6.1 Overview of Off-campus Study Programs

APU education stresses the elements of knowledge, experience, and exchange. Classroom lectures are useful for acquiring knowledge; however, it is also necessary to provide students with off-campus opportunities to gain experience and participate in exchange activities.

Moving away from the standard system of teaching and learning based solely on classroom lectures, APU designs programs to focus on experience and practical learning. These are called Off-campus Study Programs. There are a wide range of Off-campus Study Programs to meet the needs of students at various stages during their four years of study. Off-campus Study Programs do not simply provide an opportunity for you to apply the knowledge you learn in the classroom. They provide an opportunity for you to go beyond the learning experience as you reflect on your academic plans and career development. APU offers a range of programs from domestic and international fieldwork to internships. The University also makes use of its vast global networks to provide a wide variety of regional and international cooperative programs. We strongly urge all students to take advantage of at least one Off-campus Study Programs as part of their four-year course of study.



\*For program details and program periods, please refer to the List of Off-campus Study Programs on the following page.

\*Please check the Academic Office website for the latest information.



## 6.1.1 List of Off-campus Study Programs (Short / Middle-term)

	FIRST (Overseas)	FIRST (Domestic)	SECOND
<b>Program Aims and Features</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intercultural experience and understanding</li> <li>Exchange with people from a different country</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understanding Japanese culture</li> <li>Practical application of Japanese skills</li> <li>Exchange with local Japanese people in a non-campus setting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intercultural Experience and understanding, Group work with domestic and international students</li> </ul>
<b>Eligible Participants</b>	1st - 2nd semester students		1st - 3rd semester students
<b>Application Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Domestic students or Japanese-basis international students or international students who have completed Pre-Advanced Japanese</li> <li>Students must have earned the following number of credits at the time of application: -2nd semester: 14 credits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English-basis international students</li> <li>Students must have earned the following number of credits at the time of application: -2nd semester: 14 credits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Domestic Students / International Students</li> <li>Students must have earned the following number of credits at the time of application: -2nd semester: 14 credits -3rd semester: 28 credits</li> </ul>
<b>Semester and Duration of study</b>	Spring Semester (5 days)	Fall Semester (4 days)	Summer Sessions
<b>Application Period</b>	<b>SP</b>	April	April
	<b>FA</b>	-	September - October
<b>Study Site (Country / Area)(Past programs included)</b>	Taiwan, Korea	Kyushu Area, Japan	South East Asia
<b>Subject (Field) Number of Credits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intercultural Fieldwork I (Common Liberal Arts Subject) 2 credits</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intercultural Fieldwork II (Common Liberal Arts Subject) 2 credits</li> </ul>
<b>Grades</b>	P (Pass) / F (Fail)		Regular grading (A+, A, B, C, F)
<b>Semester Credit is Awarded</b>	Semester when the program is conducted		Semester when the program is conducted
<b>Estimated Cost (JPY)</b>	70,000 - 80,000	30,000 - 40,000	130,000 - 150,000
<b>Inclusion in Credit Registration Limit</b>	Not included	Not included	Not included
<b>Subject Re-registration</b>	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted

\*The above contents may change. Please refer to the program recruitment guidelines for details.

\*All the above subjects will be registered by the university.

Japanese Immersion	AP Language Immersion	EXCEED
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Intensive study to improve your Japanese skills</li> <li>● Interact with local people off campus</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Intensive Language Learning Overseas</li> <li>● Intercultural experience and understanding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Intensive study to improve English skills.</li> <li>● Students can finish required English courses in half a year through short-term study abroad</li> </ul>
1st - 7th semester students	1st - 7th semester students	1st semester students
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● English-basis students (Excluding Native Japanese speakers) who have completed Intermediate Japanese or the equivalent qualification</li> <li>● Japanese-basis students (Excluding Native Japanese speakers)</li> <li>● Must meet Japanese ability requirements for the course</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Requirements vary according to the program</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Japanese-basis Students in their first semester in the AY 2019 spring semester who start their required English courses from the "Pre-Intermediate" level</li> </ul>
Winter Session	Summer / Winter Sessions (3 - 5 weeks)	Spring Semester (Overseas part: Summer Sessions, 4 weeks)
-	April	April
November	October	-
APU, Beppu Area	China, Korea, Vietnam, Indonesia, Thailand, Mexico, etc.	Singapore
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Special Lecture (Language Subject) 4 credits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Intensive Language Learning Overseas (Language Education Subject) 2 or 4 credits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Intermediate English A 4 credits</li> <li>● Intermediate English B 2 credits</li> <li>● Special Lecture (Language Subject) 2 credits</li> </ul>
Regular grading (A+, A, B, C, F)	Regular grading (A+, A, B, C, F)	Regular grading (A+, A, B, C, F)
Semester when the program is conducted	Semester when the program is conducted	Semester when the program is conducted
10,000	200,000 - 450,000	400,000
Not included	Not included	Not included
Permitted if it is a different program	Permitted if it is a different program	Not permitted

\*"Field Research Project" and "Volunteer Activities" subjects can be counted for graduation up to 8 credits each. "Internship" and "Business Internship" can be counted for graduation up to 14 credits in total. If a student earns enough of these credits to exceed the maximum credit limits, the surplus credits will be added to the "subjects not counted towards graduation" subject field.

List of Off-campus Study Programs  
(Short / middle-term)

	GCP(Global Communication Program)	SEND	Nihongo Partners
<b>Program Aims and Features</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication skills</li> <li>• Intercultural understanding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Educational internship at secondary schools or universities abroad</li> <li>• Japanese language education support and Japanese culture classes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand the local people and teach them Japanese language and its culture.</li> <li>• Understand the culture and language of the country.</li> <li>• Cultivate a positive attitude towards different cultures through communication with people of a different cultural background.</li> </ul>
<b>Eligible Participants</b>	3rd - 6th semester students at the time of departure (2nd - 5th semester students at the time of application)	2nd - 7th semester students	Follow the Requirements of the Japan Foundation
<b>Application Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Japanese-basis domestic / international students</li> <li>• Students must have completed Intermediate English A / B by the time of departure</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Native Speakers of Japanese</li> </ul>	
<b>Semester and Duration of study</b>	Spring Semester 2nd Quarter (2 months)	Summer / Winter Sessions (3 - 4 weeks)	August - February (Past-program basis)
<b>Application Period</b>	<b>SP</b>	April	June-July
	<b>FA</b>	November - January	-
<b>Study Site (Country / Area)(Past programs included)</b>	U.S.A. (Texas)	Thailand, Vietnam, etc.	Indonesia
<b>Subject (Field) Number of Credits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Special Lecture (E) (Common Liberal Arts Subject) 8 credits</li> <li>• Volunteer Activities (E) (Common Liberal Arts Subject) 2 credits</li> </ul> Total: 10 credits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Internship (J) (Common Liberal Arts Subject) 4 credits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Special Lecture (Language Education Course) 16 credits</li> </ul>
<b>Grades</b>	Regular grading (A+, A, B, C, F)	Regular grading (A+, A, B, C, F)	P (Pass) / F (Fail)
<b>Semester Credit is Awarded</b>	Semester when the program is conducted	Semester after the program is conducted	Semester when the program is conducted
<b>Estimated Cost (JPY)</b>	500,000 (Airfare not included)	100,000 - 150,000	None (Subsidy from the Japan Foundation)
<b>Inclusion in Credit Registration Limit</b>	Included	Not included	Not included
<b>Subject Re-registration</b>	Not permitted	Not permitted	Not permitted

\*The above contents may change. Please refer to the program recruitment guidelines for details.

\*All the above subjects will be registered by the university.

Service Learning	Internship	Business Internship	APU Global Research Program
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Acquisition of practical English skills</li> <li>Job shadowing in a company, an NGO, or other social engagement situation.</li> <li>Identification of career vision.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work experience</li> <li>Career development</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Career development</li> <li>Practical experience in the business Field</li> <li>Deepen specialized studies of the College of International Management</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Acquire on-site research skills</li> <li>Formulate research proposals</li> </ul>
2nd - 7th semester students at the time of departure (1st - 6th semester students at the time of application)	2nd - 7th semester students at the time of application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be a student from the College of International Management</li> <li>Be in or between 4th and 7th semesters at the time of departure</li> </ul>	3rd - 7th semester students (2nd-6th semester students at the time of application)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Japanese-basis students (will be given priority)</li> <li>Students must have completed Intermediate English A / B by the time of departure (approximately TOEFL® ITP Test 460 or above)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students who are going to work in companies and organizations that have signed a Memoranda of Understanding with APU</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or above at the time of applying (for students under the AY 2017 curriculum)</li> <li>Completion of / Must have earned credit for at least 10 courses out of the 12 required major subjects, including Fundamental Mathematics or Advanced Mathematics (for students under the AY 2011 curriculum)</li> <li>Completion credits for at least one mathematics course and 5 APM core subjects</li> <li>All other application requirements must be met.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students must apply as a group consisting of 2 - 5 members</li> </ul>
Summer Session - Fall Semester 1st quarter (Approximately 3 months)	Summer / Winter Sessions (several days - 8 weeks)	Summer Sessions (Approximately 2 weeks)	Summer or Winter Session
-	Around May - June	Around May - June	-
November - January	Around November - December	-	November - January
U.S.A. (Texas)	Japan, Vietnam, etc.	Japan	Sweden, Vietnam, Taiwan, Korea, etc.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Special Lecture (Language Education Subject) 4 credits</li> <li>Internship (E) (Common Liberal Arts Subject) 4 credits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internship (Common Liberal Arts Subject) 2 or 4 credits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business Internship (APM Major Education Subject) 2 credits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For AY 2011 Curriculum Students Field Study 2 credits (APS students: Major Education Subject APM students: General Elective)</li> <li>For AY 2017 Curriculum Students APS Field Study 2 credits (APS students: Major Education Subject APM students: Other College Subject)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Special Lecture: P (Pass) / F (Fail)</li> <li>Internship (E): P (Pass) / F (Fail)</li> </ul>	P (Pass) / F(Fail)	P (Pass) / F(Fail)	Regular grading (A+, A, B, C, F)
Semester when the program ends	Semester after the program is conducted	Semester after the program is conducted	Semester when the program is conducted
1,100,000 (Airfare not included)	Varies according to the internship	Varies according to the internship	Approx. 30,000 - 100,000 (Airfare not included)
Not included	Not included	Not included	Not included
Not permitted	Permitted if it is a different program	Permitted if it is a different program	Not permitted

\*"Field Research Project" and "Volunteer Activities" subjects can be counted for graduation up to 8 credits each. "Internship" and "Business Internship" can be counted for graduation up to 14 credits in total. If a student earns enough of these credits to exceed the maximum credit limits, the surplus credits will be added to the "subjects not counted towards graduation" subject field.

■ List of Off-campus Study Programs  
(Short / middle-term)

		Field Study	Applied Training / Field Research Project
<b>Program Aims and Features</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practical, specialized study</li> <li>• On-site research activities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practical, specialized study</li> <li>• Research and analysis</li> <li>• Seminar-linked practical learning</li> </ul>
<b>Eligible Participants</b>		3rd - 7th semester students	5th - 7th semester students
<b>Application Requirements</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If a program is held in English, Japanese basis students must have completed Intermediate English A / B by the time of departure</li> <li>• Requirements vary according to the program</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students must be enrolled in the program instructor's seminar and must intend to continue studying under the same instructor in the next semester.</li> <li>• Requirements vary according to the program</li> </ul>
<b>Semester and Duration of study</b>		Summer / Winter Sessions (several days - 4 weeks)	Summer / Winter Sessions (several days - 3 weeks)
<b>Application Period</b>	<b>SP</b>	April	April
	<b>FA</b>	October	October
<b>Study Site (Country / Area)(Past programs included)</b>		Italy, Slovakia, Thailand, Japan, etc.	Japan, China, Korea, etc.
<b>Subject (Field) Number of Credits</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For AY 2011 Curriculum Students Field Study 2 or 4 credits (Own college: Major Education Subject, Other college: General Elective)</li> <li>• For AY 2017 Curriculum Students APS Field Study 2 or 4 credits Field Study for Environment and Development 2 or 4 credits Field Study for Tourism and Hospitality 2 or 4 credits Field Study for International Relations and Peace Studies 2 or 4 credits Field Study for Culture, Society, and Media 2 or 4 credits APM Field Study 2 or 4 credits (Own college: Major Education Subject, Other college: Other College Subjects)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For AY 2011 Curriculum Students Applied Training 2 or 4 credits (Own college: Major Education Subject, Other college: General Elective)</li> <li>• For AY 2017 Curriculum Students Field Research Project 2 or 4 credits (Own college: Major Education Subject, Other college: Other College Subjects)</li> </ul>
<b>Grades</b>		Regular grading (A+, A, B, C, F)	Regular grading (A+, A, B, C, F)
<b>Semester Credit is Awarded</b>		Semester when the program is conducted (depending on the program)	Semester when the program is conducted (depending on the program)
<b>Estimated Cost (JPY)</b>		10,000 - 400,000	30,000 - 100,000
<b>Inclusion in Credit Registration Limit</b>		Not included	Not included
<b>Subject Re-registration</b>		Permitted if it is a different program	Permitted if it is a different program

\*"Field Research Project" and "Volunteer Activities" subjects can be counted for graduation up to 8 credits each. "Internship" and "Business Internship" can be counted for graduation up to 14 credits in total. If a student earns enough of these credits to exceed the maximum credit limits, the surplus credits will be added to the "subjects not counted towards graduation" subject field.



## 6.2 Overseas Student Exchange Programs

The following guidelines apply to programs based on Student Exchange Agreements signed with partner universities. The primary aim of these programs is to enable participants to take courses in their area of specialization at a different university, giving them the maximum opportunity to broaden their knowledge. These programs should be seen as an opportunity to further develop study skills and research abilities acquired to date, not merely to improve language ability.

This section provides a general explanation of the systems and procedures for Overseas Student exchange programs. For more information, please refer to the Overseas Student Exchange Programs page on the Off-campus Study Programs website.

### Student Status, Tuition Fees, and Credit Transfer during Student Exchange

	Student Exchange or Double Degree Programs	Independently Arranged Study Abroad	Overseas Study during a Leave of Absence
Student Status	Exchange	Exchange	Leave of Absence
Tuition	APU Tuition	APU Tuition + tuition of host institution	Screening / administration fee: 15,000 JPY + APU matriculation fee: 5,000 JPY per semester + tuition of host institution
Credit Transfer	Possible	Possible	Not Possible

## Eligibility and Requirements for Overseas Student Exchange Programs

<b>Program Aims and Features</b>	Specialized study at overseas partner universities	
<b>Eligible Participants</b>	4th – 7th semester students	
<b>Program Length</b>	1 semester or 1 year (2 semesters) Note: 1 year (2 semesters) of exchange may cross over in different year levels at APU.	
<b>Application Requirements</b>	Current semester	2nd – 5th semester students
	GPA	Semester GPA of at least 2.00 Cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 or higher in addition to the host university requirements.
	Language Proficiency Requirement	Applicants must meet the English language proficiency requirements set by their chosen host university. Required English language proficiency scores differ per host university and all applicants should make sure to confirm those of their chosen host university well in advance. Accepted English language proficiency scores: IELTS™, TOEFL iBT® Test, ITP® Test, etc. Note: Applicants who plan to take classes in the local language may also be required to submit a language proficiency test score for that language in addition to the required English language proficiency score.
<b>Application Period</b>	Recruitment is held twice a year, one year prior to the actual program start date. Spring departure programs: 1st round mid-April to mid-May, 2nd round early-June to late-June Fall departure programs: 1st round mid-October to mid-November, 2nd round mid-December to early-January	
<b>Host Universities</b>	Overseas universities with which APU has signed a Student Exchange Agreement	
<b>Departure Dates</b>	Departure dates vary depending on the host university	
<b>Course Content</b>	Curricular courses offered at the host university	
<b>Course Registration</b>	Students register for courses at the host university	
<b>Grade Received</b>	T (Transfer)	
<b>Timing of Credit Transfer</b>	In the semester of return to APU	
<b>Accommodation</b>	University dormitory, private apartment, etc.	
<b>Primary Expenses</b>	APU Tuition, housing fees, meals, living expenses, textbooks, visa application fees, round-trip transportation, overseas travel insurance, risk management system (J-TAS) fees, miscellaneous expenses	

### Note:

- Departure dates, program length, and recruitment slots will be decided based on the balance of incoming and outgoing exchange students, as well as each partner university's academic calendar.
- 2nd year transfer students can apply from their 4th semester onwards.
- 3rd year transfer students are not eligible to apply.

## Screening Process

Students will be selected based on a comprehensive screening of application documents, academic criteria, language proficiency test scores (IELTS™ / TOEFL®), and an interview. Interviews will be conducted only if deemed necessary following the document screening.

## Schedule

Timing	Description
After successfully clearing APU internal screening	APU nominates accepted students to their host university.
Approx. 4 months prior to departure	Students submit application forms to their host university.
Approx. 3 months prior to departure	Students receive their letter of acceptance from the host university, apply for a visa, apply for housing, purchase insurance, etc.
Approx. 2 months prior to departure	Students prepare for departure to their host country.

## Credit Transfer after Student Exchange

### All students

- Students can transfer a maximum of 60 credits from credit-transferrable programs while enrolled and this includes credits earned at their host university through exchange.
- Students can transfer only credits for subjects offered as part of the regular curriculum at their host university.
- To transfer credits from subjects taken at their host university, students must apply to have these subjects screened. Applications are screened by the two colleges and Academic Affairs to evaluate if credits can be transferred. If transfer of credits is deemed possible, students must submit a Credit Transfer Request, host university transcript(s), and other required documents to finalize the credit transfer.
- It is not possible to transfer credits for subjects with no relation with the APU curriculum (e.g. sports / art courses).
- If a host university subject is transferred under the name of a specific APU subject, it is no longer possible to register for that subject at APU.
- Credits transferred from subjects taken at the host university will be listed as "T" (transfer) on the students' academic transcript.

### AY 2017 Curriculum students

- We highly recommend that APM students choose a university accredited by AACSB, EQUIS, or EPAS. APM students studying at partner universities with one or more of these accreditations may be able to transfer some subjects as APM major education subjects. Subjects taken at non-accredited universities may not be eligible for transfer as APM major education subjects.

## Independently Arranged Study Abroad

"Independently Arranged Study Abroad" does not refer to a Student Exchange Program with a university with which APU has signed a "Student Exchange Agreement," but instead refers to a system where the student applies independently and is accepted to a study abroad program at a university of the student's choice after evaluation by APU. The student's status will be set to "exchange" while they are overseas. In order to obtain this "exchange" status at APU for this type of program, students must fulfill the following requirements:

- The classes that the student will be attending overseas must be accredited classes (the duration must be six months or more).
- The course of study at the host university must be deemed academically beneficial to the student.
- APU and the host university must agree on the student's study abroad program.
- The student must not possess a passport for the country or region of the host university. If the student possesses a passport for the country or region of the host university the student must have received less than four years of education in that country or region after Junior High School (beyond G7).

\* For more details please contact the Academic Office.

## 6.3 Domestic Exchange Programs

### Ritsumeikan University - Akita International University Exchange Program (1 semester or 1 year program)

Through domestic exchange programs it is possible to study at two universities: Ritsumeikan University (RU) and Akita International University (AIU). Unlike APU, Ritsumeikan University (RU) has nine colleges, so it is possible to deepen your knowledge in areas that are not available at APU. (There are actually 16 colleges; however, program participants are able to apply to nine of them.) Additionally, RU has a high percentage of students who are Japanese. On the other hand, Akita International University (AIU) offers many small classes, and classes are all held in English. In contrast to major education where you master knowledge deeply in a specific field of expertise, their programs offer a liberal arts education where you master diverse perspectives that can help you make the right decisions based on the circumstances. Please choose and participate in the program that best matches your interests and where you can enrich your experiences and deepen your studies. Details regarding application periods etc. are available on the Domestic Exchange Program page of the Off-Campus Study Programs website.

#### Host Universities and Colleges

Host Universities	College	Campus	Number of Students to be Accepted	Period
Ritsumeikan University (RU)	College of Law College of Social Sciences College of International Relations College of Letters	Kinugasa Campus (KIC: Kyoto City, Kyoto)	Up to 30 students per year	Spring Departure: 1 semester or 1 year Fall Departure: 1 semester
	College of Economics College of Science and Engineering College of Sports & Health Sciences	Biwako - Kusatsu Campus (BKC: Kusatsu City, Shiga)		
	College of Policy Sciences College of Business Administration	Osaka Ibaraki Campus (OIC: Ibaraki City, Osaka)		
Akita International University (AIU)	College of International Liberal Arts	Akita International University (AIU: Akita City, Akita)	Up to 10 students per year	Spring Departure: 1 semester or 1 year Fall Departure: 1 semester or 1 year

## Application Requirements

- Current 3rd - 6th semester students (Applicants must be in their 4th - 7th semester at the time of departure)
- Current number of completed credits: at least the number of your previous semester ×14 credits
- Cumulative GPA: 2.50 or above
- Language Requirements:
  - RU: Sufficient Japanese Ability (ideally, have completed Advanced Japanese)
  - AIU: TOEFL® Test score of 500 or higher (TOEFL ITP® Test score is acceptable)
- \* Students are not permitted to participate in this program in the semester that they are scheduled to graduate (including Accelerated Graduation Program students).
- \* 3rd year transfer students are not eligible to apply. Students who transferred in their 2nd year can apply from their 4th semester onwards.
- \* Applicants to the College of Science & Engineering will be screened individually to determine if they have the academic ability necessary to take courses in this specialization.

## Scholarships (for International Students)

APU students currently on reduced tuition will continue to receive their tuition reductions while on exchange. (Students on exchange will have their status set to "study abroad.") Students on scholarship should contact the Student Office for more information.

## Guidance Session

The guidance session for students participating in fall will be held in April, and the guidance session for students participating in spring will be held in October. Students interested in the above programs should attend the guidance session.

### **Akita International University Winter Exchange Program**

Under this program students can attend and receive credits for Akita International University Winter Program subjects – courses held from January to March. The application requirements are the same as the Akita International University Semester Exchange Program. Details will be announced during the April guidance session. Students cannot participate in just the Winter Program. It must be combined with the regular exchange program (1 semester if started in Fall, or 1 year).

### **Ritsumeikan University Summer Session Exchange Program**

Under this program students can attend and receive credit for Ritsumeikan University Summer Session week-long intensive courses held at the end of August to the beginning of September. Details will be announced on the Academic Office website in mid-May. Please check p.191-193 "Credit Transfer Programs for Credits Earned at Other Universities in Japan" if you wish to apply for this program.

#### **Note:**

Please also refer to p.81 for more information regarding the credit transfer system.

## 6.4 Double Degree Programs

In the Double Degree Programs, students receive two degrees after completing two years of study at APU and another two years at the host institution (a total of four years). Students must satisfy the graduation requirements set by both universities and thus, the subjects they can take may be limited. Students must have a concrete study plan to be able to complete the requirements of their chosen Double Degree Program.

The following shows an outline of the Double Degree Programs offered at APU. Please note that the program contents vary depending on the host institutions. Recruitment guidance sessions for each program are held as appropriate to provide program specifics. Interested students are encouraged to attend these sessions. Detailed information is available on the Double Degree Programs page on the Off-campus Study Programs website.

### 6.4.1 Double Degree Programs for College of Asia Pacific Studies (APS)

#### Double Degree Program with St. Edward's University (USA)

<b>Period of study at host institution</b>	2 years [Spring enrollees] 2nd semester - 5th semester (first quarter) [Fall enrollees] 3rd semester - 6th semester (first quarter)
<b>College</b>	School of Behavioral and Social Sciences (Global Studies)
<b>Application period</b>	Early to Mid-March
<b>Eligibility*</b>	For departure in Fall 2022 ● Applicants must be 1st year undergraduate APS students enrolled in the 2021 Fall semester or 2022 Spring semester ● Open to both Japanese-basis students and English-basis students ● Open to both domestic students and international students ● 2021 Fall enrollees: Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher and have obtained 14 credits or more for their first semester. ● Applicants must fulfill the following language requirements at the time of application IELTS™ 5.5, TOEFL iBT® Test 71, TOEFL® PBT Test or TOEFL ITP® Test 525, TOEIC® L&R TEST(IP) 700, EIKEN® Grade pre 1 or higher
<b>Screening process</b>	Document screening and interview
<b>Number of students accepted</b>	Approximately 5 students
<b>Language requirements for accepted students</b>	Accepted students must fulfill the below language requirements prior to departure. TOEFL ITP® Test 550, TOEFL iBT® Test 79, IELTS™ 6.0

\*Main requirements are listed only. Please check the application guidelines for a complete list. There are also a number of different requirements to be met prior to departure.

## Double Degree Program with Salzburg University of Applied Sciences (Austria)

<b>Period of study at host institution</b>	2 years 3rd semester - 6th semester
<b>College</b>	Department of Innovation and Management in Tourism
<b>Application period</b>	Early to Mid-June
<b>Eligibility*</b>	For departure in Spring 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applicants must be APS students in their 1st semester as of the 2022 Spring semester</li> <li>• Open to both Japanese-basis students and English-basis students</li> <li>• Open to both domestic students and international students</li> <li>• Applicants must fulfill the language requirements at the time of application IELTS™ 5.5, TOEFL iBT® Test 71, TOEFL® PBT Test or TOEFL ITP® Test 525 or higher</li> </ul>
<b>Screening process</b>	Document screening and interview
<b>Number of students accepted</b>	Approximately 3 students
<b>Language requirements for accepted students</b>	Accepted students must fulfill the below language requirements prior to departure. TOEFL ITP® Test 550, TOEFL iBT® Test 79, IELTS™ 6.0

\*Main requirements are listed only. Please check the application guidelines for a complete list. There are also a number of different requirements to be met prior to departure.

## 6.4.2 Double Degree Programs for College of International Management (APM)

### Double Degree Program with Neoma Business School (France)

<b>Period of study at host institution</b>	2 years [Spring enrollees] 2nd semester - 5th semester [Fall enrollees] 3rd semester - 6th semester
<b>College</b>	Centre d'Etudes Supérieures Européennes de Management (CESEM) School of European Higher Studies of Management
<b>Application period</b>	Early to Mid-March
<b>Eligibility*</b>	For departure in Fall 2022 ● Applicants must be 1st year undergraduate APM students enrolled in the 2021 Fall semester or 2022 Spring semester ● Open to both Japanese-basis students and English-basis students ● Open to both domestic students and international students ● 2021 Fall enrollees: Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 2.80 or higher and have obtained 14 credits or more for their first semester. ● Applicants must fulfill the language requirements at the time of application IELTS™ 5.5, TOEFL iBT® Test 71, TOEFL® PBT Test or TOEFL ITP® Test 525, TOEIC® L&R TEST(IP) 700, EIKEN® Grade pre 1 or higher
<b>Screening process</b>	Document screening and interview
<b>Number of students accepted</b>	Approximately 10 students
<b>Language requirements for accepted students</b>	Accepted students must fulfill the below language requirements prior to departure. TOEFL ITP® Test 550, TOEFL iBT® Test 79, IELTS™ 6.0

\*Main requirements are listed only. Please check the application guidelines for a complete list. There are also a number of different requirements to be met prior to departure.

## 6.4.3 Notes for All Double Degree Programs

- Schedules and Credit Transfer processes are similar to those for Overseas Student Exchange programs.
- Student status while at the host institution will be "Exchange." Time spent abroad will count toward the period of enrollment so that students may graduate in a minimum of 4 years.
- Number of students accepted in the programs may vary based on the balance of incoming and outgoing Double Degree Program students.
- Students must pay tuition only to APU during their time as program students. Paying tuition to the host institution is not necessary.
- Other primary expenses are as follows.
  - Dormitory fees (or fees for other types of housing), meals, living expenses, textbook fees, application fees (passport, visa), round-trip transportation, overseas travel insurance, risk management system (J-TAS) fees, miscellaneous fees.
- For more information, please refer to the Double Degree Programs page on the Off-campus Study Programs website.



## 6.5 Overseas Short-Term Summer / Winter Programs

APU students can participate in curricular summer and winter programs offered at APU's partner universities. You can apply for any summer and winter programs offered at one of APU's partner universities. Please check all relevant program information including eligibility, program dates, language(s) of instruction, fees, the number of credits, and accommodation carefully before applying for the APU internal screening. If approved by Academic Affairs, credits obtained during short-term programs will be transferred back to APU and counted toward the credit requirements for graduation.

Please refer to the Off-campus Study Programs website for more information.

