

**Message from the President of APU to the victims and those whose lives were affected
by the earthquake in Colombia on 10 August 2026**

We would like to express our deepest sympathies to everyone affected by the recent major earthquake in western Colombia. We extend our deepest condolences to those who have lost their lives and their families, and we sincerely pray for the safety of everyone in the affected area and for a swift recovery and reconstruction.

Currently, we are working diligently to confirm the safety of applicants, current students, and alumni who are Colombian nationals or residents, as well as their families.

Additionally, we have established a support hotline for APU applicants, current students, and alumni. If you have any concerns or are experiencing difficulties, please do not hesitate to reach out for assistance at any time.

- Contact for those applying to APU, or those who are interested in studying at APU:
https://admissions.apu.ac.jp/contact_us/
- Contact for students: apustu1@apu.ac.jp
- Contact for alumni: apualumn@apu.ac.jp

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