

Admission Policy

1. Colleges

Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU) welcomes students who will uphold the university's basic ideals of Freedom, Peace, and Humanity, International Mutual Understanding, and the Future Shape of the Asia Pacific Region. These students should also, while using both English and Japanese, be ready to acknowledge and understand differences in cultures and values, engage actively in an international campus community, and contribute to mutual learning.

New undergraduate students must possess the following attributes and abilities in order to engage in this kind of learning:

(1) Knowledge and Skills

- Basic knowledge required for studying at university
- English or Japanese language proficiency required to pursue university-level studies

(2) Reasoning, Judgment, and Expression

- Critical thinking, analytical ability, and creativity needed to identify problems and proactively work towards their resolution
- Ability to interpret information accurately, as well as express one's own ideas clearly and logically using facts and data

(3) Initiative and Capacity to Collaborate with Individuals from Diverse Backgrounds

- Ability to pursue goals and follow them through
- Readiness to engage with and support others on the basis of mutual understanding
- Desire to make full use of a multicultural learning environment and participate in multicultural collaborative learning

College of Asia Pacific Studies

- (1) Interest in one of the fields of environment and development, hospitality and tourism, international relations and peace studies, and culture, society, and media in the Asia Pacific region and global society
- (2) Ability to integrate large amounts of information and think from multiple angles when framing opinions

College of International Management

- (1) Interest in global management
- (2) Desire to contribute to the development of the Asia Pacific region and the world at large as a global citizen with an understanding of social responsibility

(Common to all Colleges)

In order to admit undergraduate students compatible with APU's learning environment, applicants will

be evaluated through a comprehensive assessment of the aforementioned knowledge, skills, reasoning, judgement, expression, initiative, and capacity to collaborate with individuals from diverse backgrounds using a variety of methods.

2. Graduate Schools

Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU) welcomes students who will uphold the university's basic ideals of Freedom, Peace, and Humanity, International Mutual Understanding, and the Future Shape of the Asia Pacific Region. These students should also be ready to acknowledge and understand differences in cultures and values, engage actively in an international campus community, and contribute to mutual learning.

New graduate school students must possess the following attributes and abilities in order to engage in this kind of learning:

- (1) Specialized knowledge and global perspective required to pursue advanced studies in one's graduate school and division
- (2) Analytical skills, perceptiveness, and aptitude to solve real-world problems
- (3) Requisite English language proficiency for research and study
- (4) Desire to contribute to and make full use of a multicultural collaborative learning environment

Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies

Master's Program in Asia Pacific Studies

- (1) High level interest in research pertaining to specialist fields including international relations, social studies, and cultural studies required for the development of the Asia Pacific region and the world at large
- (2) Strong intention to contribute to sustainable development and coexistence across the world

Master's Program in International Cooperation Policy

- (1) High level interest in research pertaining to specialist fields including administration, environmental studies, development, health science and tourism required for the development of the Asia Pacific region and the world at large
- (2) Strong intention to contribute to sustainable development and coexistence across the world

Doctoral Program in Asia Pacific Studies

- (1) High level interest in pioneering new academic disciplines required for the development of the Asia Pacific region and the world at large
- (2) Aptitude and skills for mastering new academic theories and applications as an independent researcher
- (3) Strong intention to contribute to sustainable development and coexistence across the world

Graduate School of Management

- (1) High level interest in solving the management issues faced by companies and other organizations within global society
- (2) Ability to contribute innovative ideas to the sustainable development of the Asia Pacific region and the world as a whole, as a well-rounded manager and inclusive leader with a deep sense of social responsibility
- (3) Analytical skills, perceptiveness, and problem-solving ability acquired through at least three years of workplace experience

(Common to all Graduate Schools)

In order to admit graduate students compatible with APU's learning environment, research plans, assessment tests, interviews, academic transcripts, and other materials will be used in a multi-faceted evaluation of the aforementioned knowledge, attributes, skills, and intentions.