

Intercultural Sensitivity Workshop

From Theory to Practice: Applying Intercultural Sensitivity in Education
in order to Live and Thrive in a Global and Multicultural Society

We welcome participation from faculty and staff involved in international and diversity education, representatives of local governments, corporations, external educational institutions, APU alumni, and other interested parties.

Lecturer & Workshop Facilitator

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Why this training matters:

What does it mean to provide education that recognizes and brings out individual diversity? How can we foster an inclusive environment within an organization to promote better collaboration and innovation? How can students deepen their expertise while developing as global citizens? How can we resolve conflicts among staff and students?

For this workshop, we have invited an expert IDI (Intercultural Development Inventory) trainer from the U.S. to introduce the theory of intercultural sensitivity development known as the Intercultural Development Continuum (IDC). Participants will enhance their own intercultural sensitivity while also gaining hands-on experience in applying this knowledge to their own work context, such as course design, student support, and other professional responsibilities. Let's learn together the inclusive theories and practical methods that educators and educational institutions need in order to enhance the quality of education in today's global and diverse society.

The workshop will be conducted in Japanese with simultaneous interpretation in English provided.

PART 1: (10:35–12:15): THEORETICAL SESSION ON INTERCULTURAL SENSITIVITY

***LUNCH NETWORKING EVENT** (LUNCH PROVIDED FOR IN-PERSON PARTICIPANTS)

PART 2 (13:00–14:40): APPLICATION SESSION BASED ON THEORY (PRACTICAL EXERCISES INFORMED BY PART 1)

PART 3 (14:50–16:00): INDIVIDUAL CONSULTATION SESSION

*Participating in only Part 2 & 3 is not permitted.

Date
and
Time

**December
15th, 2025**

Mon

10:35-16:00

Venue

**Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific
University
Building FII, Room 125**

**Address: 1-1 Jumonjibaru, Beppu,
Oita 874-8577 Japan**

Capacity: 100 participants for in-person attendance
and 120 participants for online attendance (first-
come, first-serve basis)

Participation fee: Free

How to apply: Please register via the QR code below.

Deadline: Friday, November 28, 2025

Organized by: Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University
and Kyushu Institute of Technology (co-organizer)

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***Online participation is available.**