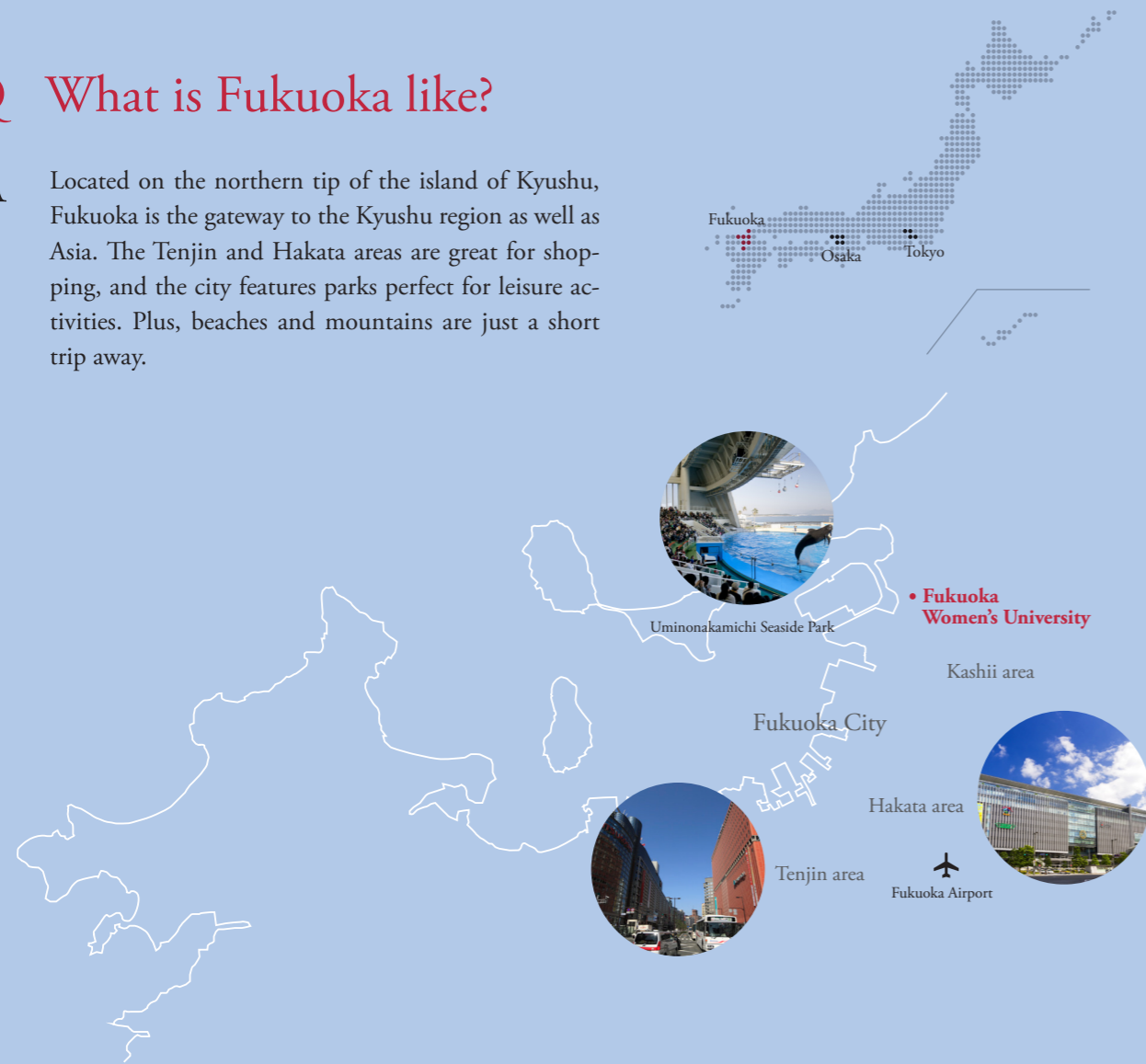


Q What is Fukuoka like?

A Located on the northern tip of the island of Kyushu, Fukuoka is the gateway to the Kyushu region as well as Asia. The Tenjin and Hakata areas are great for shopping, and the city features parks perfect for leisure activities. Plus, beaches and mountains are just a short trip away.



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Q What can I study at Fukuoka Women's University?

A Fukuoka Women's University (FWU) is a one-college institution. Its International College of Arts and Sciences has three departments offering broad-based, comprehensive education that integrates the humanities and sciences with the aim of providing students with the specialized knowledge and wide-ranging skills necessary to thrive in an international environment.

Department of International Liberal Arts

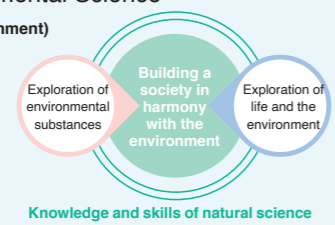
Students are free to select courses that align with their personal learning goals, ranging from academic disciplines such as ideology and culture, literature, language and language education, history, economics, politics and law, business management, and sociology, to area-focused courses that include Japan, Asia, Europe, the Americas, and global studies. Through these courses, they foster the ability to think logically, multi-dimensionally, and creatively. Students are also expected to develop autonomy and self-regulation, problem-solving skills, and leadership capabilities.



Department of Environmental Science

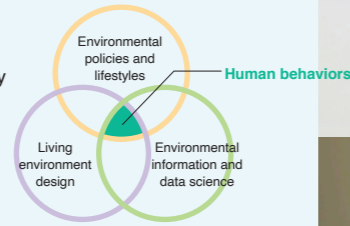
Course of Natural and Environmental Science (Environmental Substances/Life and Environment)

This course explores phenomena related to substances and life with the aim of building a society in harmony with the environment.



Course of Environmental Management (Environmental policies and lifestyles/ Living environment design/ Environmental information and data science)

This course is students comprehensively study the above three areas while exploring the human behaviors that best contribute to improving the environment.



Department of Food and Health Sciences

Students who complete the required credits will, upon graduation, earn a dietitian license and become qualified to take the examination for national registered dietitians. Those aspiring to become a national registered dietitian will sit for the national exam held at the end of the academic year of their graduation. Note: The national registered dietitian license does not meet the status of residence (work visa) eligibility requirement.

Q Why do students live in the dormitory?

A All first-year students entering the university reside at the International Friendship House NADESHIKO. This on-campus joint housing for international and Japanese students is both a place of residence and a place for learning. Sharing everyday life with Japanese students provides great opportunities for international students to develop initiative, independence and the ability to be proactive.

Four students share a dormitory unit consisting of four private rooms, each with a balcony

A dormitory unit is shared by four students, with one private room per student. The resident composition per unit is one international student (first- to fourth-year) and three first-year Japanese students. Dormitory life enables students to develop interpersonal skills, cross-cultural sensitivity, and communication skills in foreign languages. International students are expected to build good relations with Japanese students and contribute to the internationalization of the university.



On-campus dormitory ensures easy access to classes

On-campus housing means no time lost on commuting, giving students more time to focus on their studies and extracurricular activities. Fitted with the necessary equipment and facilities for starting a new student life, the dormitory provides management support and quality security services, and ensures a safe dorm life experience.

Well-maintained living environment for starting your new student life

Each private room is fitted with a bed and desk. Students are not expected to have everything when they arrive. It is more fun and economical to gradually buy what you need as you settle in.

Fee: **15,000 yen per month** 180,000 yen per year

Separate cleaning fee to be paid in advance at the time of arrival: 16,500 yen (The fee includes housing use, activity, maintenance and renewal, gas, water, electricity and internet connection.)

Dormitory data

Capacity	340 (four residents per unit). 85 units x 4DK (four private rooms with shared dining and kitchen, bathroom, and toilet) Building A – C (six stories).
Area	Private room: approx. 9.9m ² One unit: 82.40m ²
Furnishing and facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private room: air conditioner, desk with lamp and book shelf, chair, closet, bed with storage space, internet connection, balcony with a laundry pole and hooks. Note: Students can bring their own or rent bedding and pillows. Shared by four people: kitchen (IH stove, sink, refrigerator, IH rice cooker, microwave oven, kettle, dining table, etc.), bathroom (with shower), air conditioner, wash basin, toilet, washing machine, vacuum cleaner, umbrella stand, shoe cabinet, internal phone, etc. For use by all residents: hallway, meeting room(s), kitchen, shower room(s), laundry room, etc.
Meals	Students can prepare their own meals or eat at the cafeteria (open on weekdays from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm). The university co-op J Shop is open on weekdays from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Hours are subject to change.
Building management and security	<p>The main entrance is fitted with a card-key type automatic lock system, and a security system with surveillance cameras and security guards is in place. Management staff is on duty at all hours.</p> <p>Dorm residents must return by 11:00 pm; the curfew extends from 11:00 pm to 5 am (except in case of emergency).</p> <p>Overnight stays away from the dormitory are not permitted on weekdays during the school semester, except for special circumstances. Prior approval is required for overnight stays.</p>

Q What are the career paths of graduates?

A Class of 2022 employment rate: **100%** (three graduates advanced to graduate-level studies)

Employers Seiko Electric Co., Ltd., ANA Fukuoka Airport Co., Ltd., FANCL Corporation, infoSense Corporation
Graduate schools Fukuoka Women's University, Doshisha University, Shizuoka University

There were 14 international student graduates. From the Department of International Liberal Arts, five graduates sought employment and all received job offers.

Two from the Department of International Liberal Arts and one from the Department of Environmental Science advanced to graduate-level studies.

Support Programs



Q Will I have the opportunity to study Japanese after entering the university?

A FWU offers on- and off-campus opportunities for international students to develop Japanese language skills and academic skills using the Japanese language. We help students achieve their potential through a Japanese language program that meets their individual learning needs.

Japanese Language Program (Academic and Career Japanese Language Program)

As developing the four skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing in Japanese, the program provides the basic knowledge necessary for conducting daily life in Japan and enables students to make oral presentations and write academic essays in Japanese by the end of the course.

Japanese Language Proficiency Test not required for admission
FWU does not require the Japanese Language Proficient Test administered by the Japan Foundation and Japan Educational Exchanges and Services for admission. Nevertheless, students are expected to have Japanese language skills sufficient to understand lectures conducted in Japanese, and are strongly encouraged to master the language.



Q What student support programs are available?

A FWU has a buddy program to help international students settle in smoothly upon arrival. International students can develop real-life Japanese conversation and communication skills while making new Japanese friends through this program.

JD-Mates support international students

Japanese students volunteering to assist international students are designated by the university as JD-Mates (Joshi-Dai-Mates). Each international student is matched with a JD-Mate who will help them adjust to campus and academic life by assisting with such matters as entry into Japan, settling in the dormitory, opening a bank account, and purchasing insurance.



Incoming international students

FWU actively welcomes its international students.

International students

Undergraduate: **58** Graduate: **22**

Total number of students

Undergraduate: **1,019** Graduate: **56**

Japan	South Korea	China	Vietnam	Malaysia	Thailand	Germany	Serbia
Undergraduate 961	Undergraduate 31	Undergraduate 12	Undergraduate 10	Undergraduate 1	Undergraduate 3	Undergraduate 1	Graduate 1
Graduate 34		Graduate 20		Graduate 1			

As of May 2023

Q Is financial support available for international students?

A International students are fully exempt from enrollment fees to help reduce their financial burden. Furthermore, FWU supports hard working international students by offering a tuition reduction/exemption program for those who achieve a certain level of academic performance.

Admission fee	Tuition fee	Supporters Association fee	Insurance fee	Dormitory fee	Student association	Total (except tuition fee)
520,000 yen Not applicable to international students	535,800 yen Qualified students are exempt in full or in part	Initiation fee 40,000 yen Membership fee 10,000 yen	Department of International Liberal Arts 40,060 yen / 4 years Department of Environmental Science 40,060 yen / 4 years Department of Food and Health Sciences 40,130 yen / 4 years	196,500 yen Half semester: 90,000 yen Cleaning fee to be paid in advance at the time of arrival: 16,500 yen	15,000 yen / 4 years	Department of International Liberal Arts 301,560 yen Department of Environmental Science 301,560 yen Department of Food and Health Sciences 301,630 yen

Tuition is reduced or exempted for international students who meet the academic performance criteria specified below:

1. Tuition reduction/exemption for first-year students is dependent on their entrance examination scores.

Full tuition exemption

Applies to students who meet either A or B below. (Maximum 10 students)

- A. An EJU score in the top 20% of all examinees in "Japanese language" and an average score or higher in at least one other subject.
- B. A score surpassing the "full exemption" threshold for one of the English language exams indicated in the table below.

Half tuition exemption

Applies to students who meet either A or B below. (Maximum 10 students)

- A. An EJU score in the top 30% of all examinees in "Japanese language" and an average score or higher in at least one other subject.
- B. A score surpassing the "half exemption" threshold for one of the English language exams indicated in the table below (as of April 2023).

	TOEFL (iBT)	TOEIC L&R, S&W	IELTS	GTEC	TEAP	TEAP CBT	Cambridge English Examination	Eiken
Full exemption	72 or higher	1560 or higher	5.5 or higher	1190 or higher	309 or higher	600 or higher	160 or higher	2300 or higher
Half exemption	57 or higher	1350 or higher	4.5 or higher	1075 or higher	267 or higher	510 or higher	150 or higher	2125 or higher

2. Tuition reduction/exemption for second- to fourth-year students is dependent on their academic performance in the previous semester.

Full exemption Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher **Half exemption** Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher but less than 3.0 and does not receive the full tuition exemption

Note 1: If there are more than ten qualified students, the tuition reduction/exemption will be granted in the order of the highest scores. Note 2: The information above is applicable for the 2023 academic year. Please check the FWU website for updates.

Taking advantage of the "pre-arrival admission" system

Take the entrance examinations in your home country

The "pre-arrival admission" system allows applicants living outside of Japan to take the required examinations and secure admission to higher educational institutions in Japan without leaving their home country. FWU administers entrance exams in South Korea and Malaysia for general international applicants, and in Vietnam and Thailand for applicants recommended by an FWU partner institution. Admission decisions are made based on the scores of the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU) managed by the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO), taken outside of Japan. By taking advantage of this system, applicants can sit for the EJU and gain university admission without having to travel to Japan.

Scholarship from the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)

Students admitted to FWU through the pre-arrival admission system are eligible to apply for a scholarship under JASSO's "Reservation Program for the Monbukagakusho Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students (recommended by the university)."

FY1: In the 2023 academic year, the scholarship awarded 48,000 yen x 12 months (spring semester entrants) or 48,000 yen x 6 months (fall semester entrants).

Scholarships for International Students

While there is no FWU scholarship program for privately-financed international students, FWU recommends scholarships offered by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT), Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO), and other foundations and organizations. Below is a list of scholarships for privately-financed international students for which FWU received pamphlets/application booklets this year. Students will be notified via email when information on additional scholarship opportunities becomes available.

- *List of Scholarships for International Students (Name of scholarship, name of organization)
- *Monbukagakusho Honors Scholarship for Privately-Financed International Students, Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)
- *Scholarship, Rotary Noneyama Memorial Foundation
- *Scholarship for international exchange students, Heiwa Nakajima Foundation
- *Future Development Scholarship for International Students, Fukuoka City International Foundation
- *Fukuoka City International Foundation Scholarship, Fukuoka City International Foundation
- *Future Development Scholarship for International Students, Fukuoka City International Foundation
- *JES Scholarship, Japan Educational Exchanges and Services
- *Fukuoka Satooya Scholarship for International Students from Asian Nations, Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation
- *General Scholarship, ASSURAN International Scholarship Foundation
- *Shiki Masakazu Memorial Scholarship for Asian Student
- *Iwatani International Student Scholarship, Iwatani Naooji Foundation

Q Is there an entrance examination exclusively for international students?

A International students other than those recommended by an FWU partner institution should apply through the general admissions process. Pre-arrival admission decisions are made based on the applicant's EJU scores (exams must be taken outside of Japan). By using the pre-arrival admission system, applicants can take the EJU and gain admission without having to travel to Japan.

Time of enrollment	April 2024		
Departments inviting applications	Department of International Liberal Arts/Department of Environmental Science/Department of Food and Health Sciences		
Dates	General admissions process for international students	International students recommended by an FWU partner institution<Vietnam>	International students recommended by an FWU partner institution<Thailand>
Number of planned admissions	20	Few	Few
Exam date	December 10, 2023	July 17, 2023	December 12, 2023
Exam Locations	•FWU, Japan •Seoul, South Korea •Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	•Hanoi, Vietnam	•Bangkok, Thailand
Selection methods	•Essay •Interview •EJU •English proficiency examination*	•Interview •EJU •English proficiency examination * •Application documents with a letter of recommendation	•Interview •EJU •English proficiency examination * •Application documents with a letter of recommendation
Remarks	-	Recommendation from an FWU partner institution is required	Recommendation from an FWU partner institution is required

The number of general admissions (20) includes the number of admissions of the applicants recommended by an FWU partner institution.

*Accepted English proficiency examinations: (1) Eiken (2) TOEFL (BT) (3) TOEIC® Listening & Reading Tests and TOEIC® Speaking & Writing Tests (4) GTEC (4 skills) (5) IELTS (6) TEAP (7) TEAP CBT (8) Cambridge English Exam

Selection methods	Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU)*			English		Exams administered by FWU		Total score
	Japanese	Science	Mathematics	Score certificate of the English proficiency exam	Essay	Interview		
Department of International Liberal Arts	300 points**	-	200 points	Course 1 or Course 2: 100 points**	100 points **	150 points	150 points	1000 points
Department of Environmental Science	300 points**	200 points	-	-	100 points **	150 points	150 points	1000 points
Department of Food and Health Sciences	300 points**	200 points	-	-	100 points **	150 points	150 points	1000 points

*Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU)
- Examinees can choose the language of the exam questions (Japanese or English).
- Exam scores must be less than two years old to be valid (counted from the FWU exam date).
- Applicants seeking pre-arrival admission must take the exams outside of Japan.

** The scores of the EJU "Japanese language" and "mathematics" exams and the English language exam will be adjusted to conform to FWU's exam score scale. If an applicant submits more than one English language exam score certificate, the highest adjusted score will be used for evaluation. Applicants must submit the score of one of the English language exams taken within two years counted back from the application period's start date.

Q What are the EJU scores of successful applicants?

A FWU does not make public the threshold scores for admission. Please refer to the table below.

Entrance exam classification	Department	Total scores of successful applicants			Raw EJU scores of successful applicants			Raw EJU scores of successful applicants (Japanese language)			Score allocation		
		Highest score	Lowest score	Average score	Highest score	Lowest score	Average score	Highest score	Lowest score	Average score	Total score	Details	
International student admissions	General process	Department of International Liberal Arts	848	635	751.3	703	487	619.1	406	274	353.6	1000	EJU 600 points, English exam 100 points, essay 150 points, interview 150 points
	Department of Environmental Science	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1000	EJU 600 points, English exam 100 points, essay 150 points, interview 150 points
	Department of Food and Health Sciences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1000	EJU 600 points, English exam 100 points, essay 150 points, interview 150 points

Note: The intake capacity of international students through the general admission process includes additional seats. The EJU scores of the successful applicants listed above are unscaled.

Q What are the number of applicants and the applicant-to-admission ratio?

A Please see the table below.

Selection category	Department	Number of planned admissions	Number of applicants	Applicant-to-admission ratio	Number of applicants who took the exams	Number of successful applicants	Additional successful applicants	Number of entrants		
International student admissions process	General admissions	Department of International Liberal Arts	12	13	1.1	13	11	0	6	
		Department of Environmental Science	5	1	0.2	0	0	-	-	
		Department of Food and Health Sciences	3	2	0.7	1	0	-	-	
		Total	20	16	0.8	14	11	0	6	
		Pre-arrival admissions (Overseas exam venue)	Department of International Liberal Arts	-	6	-	6	5	0	3
			Department of Environmental Science	-	0	-	0	-	-	-
	Department of Food and Health Sciences		-	0	-	0	-	-	-	
	Recommended by an FWU partner institution	Vietnam	Department of International Liberal Arts	Few	0	-	-	-	-	-
			Department of Environmental Science	Few	0	-	-	-	-	-
			Department of Food and Health Sciences	Few	0	-	-	-	-	-
		Total	Few	0	-	-	-	-	-	
		Thailand	Department of International Liberal Arts	Few	1	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Environmental Science			Few	0	-	-	-	-	-	
Department of Food and Health Sciences	Few		0	-	-	-	-	-		
Total	Few	1	-	-	-	-	-			
Total	Department of International Liberal Arts	12	14	1.2	13	11	-	6		
	Department of Environmental Science	5	1	0.2	0	0	-	-		
	Department of Food and Health Sciences	3	2	0.7	1	0	-	-		
	Total	20	17	0.9	14	11	0	6		

Q Where can I get past exam questions and application information?

A This information is available on our website.

Past exam questions
http://www.fwu.ac.jp/exam_info/kakomon.html



Application information
http://www.fwu.ac.jp/exam_info/foreign_students.html



Q How do I apply?

A FWU accepts online applications only. Click our website's "Online application" banner or scan the QR code on the right.

<https://www.postanet.jp/info/011030>

