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College of Law and Politics

Department of Law  
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Department of Politics



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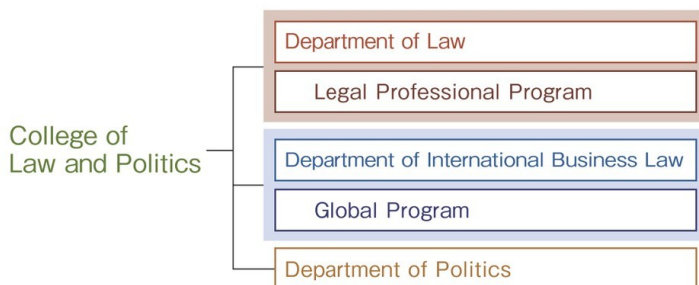
There is an old Roman maxim which states that the law is established for the benefit of men (*hominum causa jus constitutum est*). This means that the value of law exists in how it allows people to lead better lives and improves the society in which people live. If the meaning sounds vague, imagine your immediate surroundings first, then slowly broaden the scope of your imagination. When people meet and do something together (e.g., one's family and school), a society is formed. In your family or at your school, you must have gone through hardships to find a compromise to competing interests and values and reach an agreement. Everyone has had such experiences. At the level of a nation, although social issues in a country may seem abstract, the essence is exactly the same. The purpose of studying at the College of Law and Politics is to develop the abilities to utilize law in order to peacefully resolve issues where people's contradictory interests and values collide, and to help build a society in which people can live together harmoniously. To develop these abilities, one must not merely study and master knowledge of existing laws and social, political and economic systems, but also learn to utilize the knowledge and skills developed by our predecessors to carve out new paths for the future. Legal and political studies offer methodologies to cultivate new potential for a society and to enable people to coexist based on a mutual respect for diverse values. Through studying at Rikkyo University's College of Law and Politics, I promise that you will gain knowledge and reasoning skills that will serve you in good stead for the rest of your life, presenting wisdom for you to build a better future.

Yoshizumi Tojo, Dean, College of Law and Politics



### History of the College of Law and Politics

- 1874 College was originally established as the Rikkyo School by Bishop Channing Moore Williams, an Episcopal Church missionary from the U.S.
- 1922 Rikkyo School accredited to become a university (Rikkyo University) under the prewar education system
- 1959 The College of Law and Politics (Department of Law) established
- 1961 Comparative Law Major created at the Graduate School of Law and Politics
- 1969 Civil and Criminal Law Major created at the Graduate School of Law and Politics
- 1988 Department of International and Comparative Law established at the undergraduate level
- 1991 Politics Science Major established at the Graduate School of Law and Politics
- 1996 Department of Politics established at the undergraduate level
- 2006 Majors at the Graduate School of Law and Politics were reorganized to create Law and Politics Major
- 2007 Department of International and Comparative Law renamed to be the Department of International Business Law



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– Department of Law –

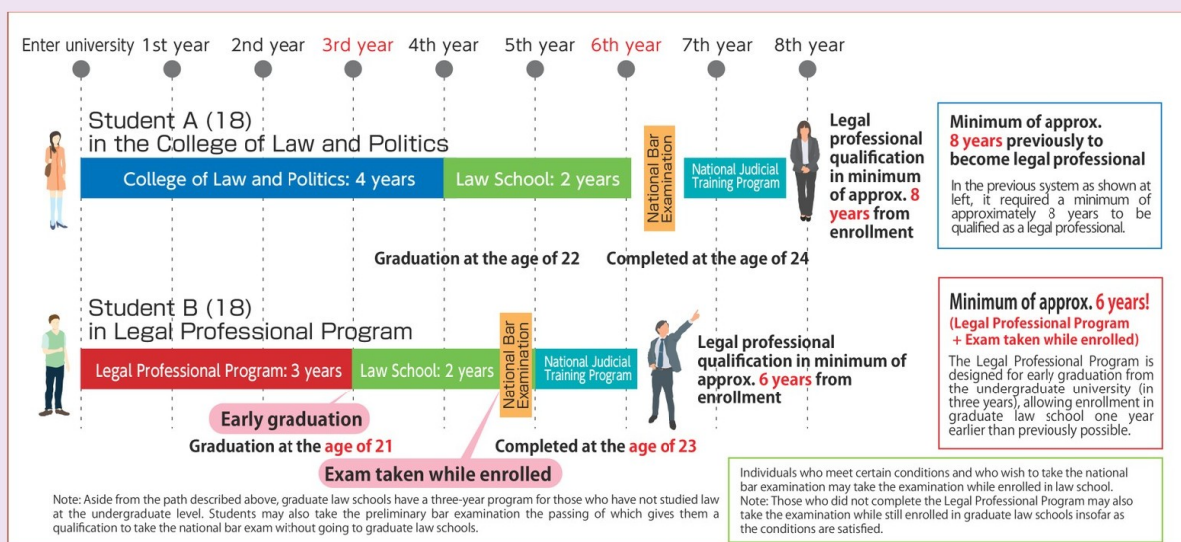
# Legal Professional Program and Early Graduation System (provided in Japanese language only)

— For individuals who want to become judges, public prosecutors or lawyers —

The College of Law and Politics offers the Legal Professional Program within the Department of Law in order to provide solid support to students who aim to become legal professionals.

A legal professional must have exceptional abilities that include legal reasoning and the ability to create legal documents. The Legal Professional Program provides training to build such abilities for students to become legal professionals in small-sized seminars that cover major areas of law. The program also offers various necessary supports, such as practicing essays for the bar examination and information exchange sessions in collaboration with legal professionals who are graduates of Rikkyo University.

Upon completion of the Legal Professional Program, students may apply for a special academic track for training legal professions under which students may enroll in graduate law schools without taking the entrance examinations (as of April 2022, the track is prepared to enroll in the graduate law school programs at Keio University, Waseda University and Chuo University). As of April 2023, the Legal Professional Program is open to second-year students in the Department of Law. An application is required in advance. The selection is made based on the student's academic record in the previous year in major law subjects and essay.



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## The Legal Professional Program and Early Graduation

Students enrolled in the Legal Professional Program may take advantage of early graduation at the end of their third year if they have earned the prescribed credits with excellent academic records, thereby greatly shortening the amount of time required to become legal professionals.

With this system in place, Rikkyo College of Law and Politics firmly supports those who aim to become legal professionals.



## Message from Academic Staff

Take the shortest path to become a legal professional!



Kentaro Kobayashi, Professor

If you enroll in the Legal Professional Program, you can be a legal professional in just six years after entering the undergraduate study at the College of Law and Politics. This short path had been available only to the few. The Legal Professional Program was created to allow many more people to follow the same path. One significant benefit of the program is a special academic track to enroll in law schools of well-known private universities in the Tokyo area without taking the entrance examinations. Another is a superb educational opportunity offered in small-sized seminars taught by passionate instructors. Join the program and take the short-cut together!

# The Global Program (provided in English)

— Crossing Borders through a Legal Education —

Being launched in April 2022 under the Department of International Business Law, the Global Program gives students an opportunity to hone their legal knowledge and objective thinking through learning a legal approach to international business disputes, negotiation strategies and effective communication techniques.

Since all of the specialized courses in the program are provided in English, students can take all of the courses required for the degree in English only. (Students may also take courses offered in Japanese if they wish to.) We are proud of the wide range and diversity of the law courses offered in English in the program, which makes the program the one and only English language-based law degree program in Japan.

Our pioneering English program is recognized with a generous endowment from the Suenobu Foundation, thanks to which we have established the Suenobu International Business Law course.

## Admissions to the Program

- Enrollment: Maximum of 38 students (including 8 international students)
- Admission procedures: Entrance Exam for International Students (Admissions by Document Screening), and the Admissions for the PEACE Program (General Entrance Examination)
- Entrance Exam for International Courses (only for those who also understand Japanese)

## Overview of the Curriculum

- All of the specialized courses required for the degree are offered in English. (Students may also take courses provided in Japanese.)
- Small-sized classes
- Some of the topics covered are basic ideas as to the ways of preventing and resolving international business disputes through negotiations, and rules for contracts (e.g., in the case where company X imported luxury brand products, whether X should be entitled to claim for damages against whom if the products are damaged in a shipping accident).
- For international students, an extensive Japanese language program is provided according to their language levels and goals.



## Message from Academic Staff

### Studying law in English

**Daniel Machado**

(Specially Appointed Associate Professor)



The law is a language. Even if you study it in your native language, learning the law means learning a new language. Then, why not do it in English from the outset? Since my entire legal education was in Japanese, I know how difficult it can be to study law in a foreign language. However, I also know how interesting and insightful it can be. Like spoken languages, legal systems are rooted in the culture and history of their respective countries. By studying law in English, you compel yourself to learn more about the legal culture and history of English-speaking countries. By doing this in Japan, you gain a unique understanding of the law. The Japanese legal system belongs to a family of legal systems that are very different in some ways from the system prevalent in the English-speaking world—so different that your first challenge will be to relearn the meaning and usage of the word “law” itself.

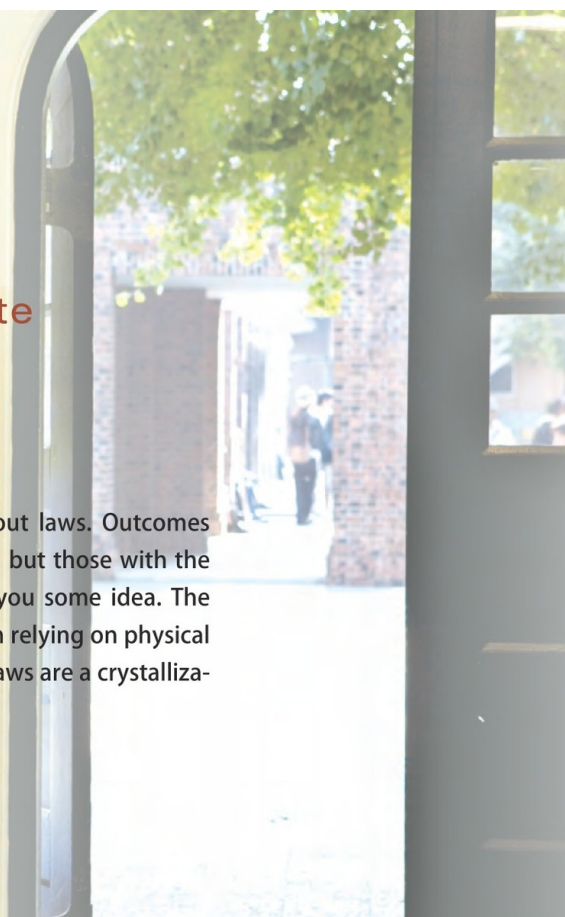
## Four-Year Curriculum (offered in English)

1st year	2nd year	3rd year	4th year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Law and Society in Japan</li> <li>● Introduction to Legal Studies</li> <li>● Legal Presentation</li> <li>● Legal Writing</li> </ul>			
Specialized courses (e.g., Contracts, Property, Torts, Civil Procedure, Negotiation Basics)	Specialized courses (e.g., Corporate Law, International Business Law, Anglo-American Law)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Introductory Seminar on Law</li> </ul>	Seminars (The topics of each seminar vary depending on the instructor.)		
	Study abroad programs (e.g., Oxford Summer Program)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Courses provided in Japanese</li> </ul>			

# Department of Law

We foster the abilities to reevaluate and resolve issues from a legal viewpoint and to create better-ordered social systems

Imagine what conflict resolution would be like in a society without laws. Outcomes would surely favor the powerful, and not just the physically strong but those with the financial resources to hire soldiers. A mafia movie may also give you some idea. The scenario would be quite dystopic. Laws exist to prevent people from relying on physical forces to resolve conflicts. While we may not live in an ideal world, laws are a crystallization of wisdom for building a better world.



## Characteristic of the Department

### 1 | The Department of Law is not only for becoming a legal professional; it is for mastering the disciplines needed for handling legal matters

Studying law is not merely for those who wish to become judges, public prosecutors, and lawyers. Studying law is also beneficial for those who would like to work at local and national governmental offices and the legal departments of private companies. Learning law can also be useful for those who wish to work at NGOs or other similar organizations. It also serves you to become more sensible citizens in the society. At the Department of Law, students gain fundamental legal knowledge as well as a legal way of thinking. A branch of an academic area is called a discipline. The discipline of law is more established than other academic disciplines, such as that of literature or sociology. The existence of the national bar examination is an indication of the solidity of legal study as an independent academic discipline.

## Characteristic of the Department

### 2 | The Department of Law also offers advanced learning based on foundational knowledge of law

The Department places significant weight on essay-style examinations in order to make sure that students acquire fundamental knowledge of law. However, the Department also offers small-sized classes as an advanced learning environment. With a limited number of participants in each class, students learn that there are no predetermined answers to any social issue through group discussion and debate. Small-sized classes are also beneficial to accommodate individual students' academic interests. The Department of Law strives to not let students be confined to certain specialized fields, but rather to enable students to broaden their horizons and to wield skills in problem assessment, problem-solving, conflict prevention, and social system-designing.

## Characteristic of the Department

### 3 | The Department of Law also produces talent for financial and other sectors

As stated above, the Legal Professional Program established by the Department of Law is not only for students who wish to become legal professionals. It is certainly a preparation for those who will go on to graduate law school and pursue that path. However, legal studies are also essential for working in specialized professions related to law, such as civil servants at the national or local level or employees in the legal departments of private companies. Learning law can also be useful for working at NGOs or other similar organizations. Private companies, especially those in the financial sector (banking, insurance, etc.), are intimately involved in legal issues. As a result, many graduates of the Department go on to work in the financial sector, as well.

### The Department is suitable for those who wish to...

It is often said that you study something that has a single correct answer in a high school, while you study something that has no correct answer to at a university. This is generally true in the sense that there is often no single right answer to issues dealt with in legal education. However, there are definitely wrong answers. The national bar examination, the standard test on knowledge of law, is established to measure one's ability to reach the point where right and wrong are decided without setting foot on the wrong side. The only way for you to train this ability is to build knowledge step by step. Although flashes of genius may do wonder, students who can put in steady effort will be especially well-suited for the Department of Law.

## Four-Year Curriculum (offered in Japanese only)

	Introductory Period		Formation Period				Completion Period					
	1st Year Spring	1st Year Autumn	2nd Year Spring	2nd Year Autumn	3rd Year Spring	3rd Year Autumn	4th Year Spring	4th Year Autumn				
	Acquiring basic knowledge necessary for college study		Gaining various experiences to broaden one's view				Broadening specialization aiming to achieve future goals					
Mandatory Courses	Language Education A (English)		Language Education B (a language not previously studied)									
	Introduction to Academic Studies				Cross-disciplinary Studies General Sports Studies							
Electives	Basic Literature Reading (Introductory Courses (Academic Learning Methods))											
	Department of Law Course Group A				*Introduction to Law, Introduction to Political Science, Constitutional Law, Civil Law, Criminal Law, Legal Policy, etc. *Commercial Law, Administrative Law, International Law, Civil Procedure, Labor Law, Criminology, Philosophy of Law, Sociology of Law, etc. *Criminal Procedure, Civil Execution Law and Civil Provisional Remedies Law, Comparative Constitutional Law, etc.							
	Department of Law Course Group B				*Gateway to Law and Politics, Social Research Methods, Statistics, etc. *Social Security Law, Economic Law, Tax Law, Anglo-American Law, Intellectual Property Law, International Economic Law, etc. *Environmental Law, Financial Transaction Law, Conflict of Laws, etc.							
	Introductory Seminars on Law				Seminars, Seminars on Law and Politics Seminar Papers							
					Studying Abroad Approval Courses / Overseas Research Papers							
					College of Law and Politics Self-Initiated Special Lecture							
Free Electives	Courses provided in the Department of Law, free electives in the Department of Law, courses provided in the other Colleges, free elective Language Courses, f-Campus courses, etc.											

Note: Students who wish to enroll in the Legal Professional Program may apply to the program during their first year.

Note: For details about the Legal Professional Program, see page 3.

## Message from Academic Staff

### The Civil Code is a mirror of society: Let's learn changes in our society by studying the revisions to the Civil Code



#### Haruna Fujisawa, Professor of Law

Courses to teach: Civil Law /Secured Transactions

Upon the revisions to the Japanese Civil Code on April 1st, 2022, the legal age for adulthood was lowered from 20 to 18. Unlike before, now all students who enrolled in the undergraduate programs at universities are adults. As celebrated in the traditional coming-of-age ceremonies, becoming an adult is a happy event. However, when a person becomes an adult, they are no longer protected by the provisions in the Civil Code applicable to minors. With the lack of legal protection, more high school and college students may get involved in contractual disputes and other legal trouble than before.

In the Department of Law, students will learn the Civil Code and related laws, from the basics to in-depth, and will acquire abilities to help resolve legal problems that arise in our increasingly complex contractual society. Such abilities will help you and others once you go out into the world.

Beside the revision to the Civil Code related to adulthood, many other revisions were made to the Civil Code in recent years. While the Japanese Civil Code had not seen major revisions since its enactment in the Meiji Era (1868-1912) except for post-war revisions to family law, various changes in the Japanese society, such as globalization and declining birthrate, have called for changes in the Civil Code. By studying the Civil Code, students learn not only what is in its provisions, but how to resolve issues in our society using the Civil Code as a tool to solve them. With that in mind, now is an exciting time to study the Civil Code. Since graduate school, I have been researching the area of property law and law on security interests in the Civil Code. Since revisions to these areas are currently being discussed as well, I myself get to feel the excitement in researching in the areas. I would like to share that with you all in my lectures and through lots of open discussion with you.

# Department of International Business Law

The Department is intended to develop talent that can serve to create bridges between Japanese companies and the world with a broad perspective and “legal mind”

The pace of globalization has been remarkable in the business world. An increasing number and volume of transactions between Japanese companies and companies abroad generates the need to prepare for legal disputes with parties who do not share the same language and culture as you. In the Department of International Business Law, students learn business transactions from a legal perspective, negotiation skills and ways of preventing and resolving conflicts. Our Department enables students to hone their legal knowledge, objective thinking and reasoning skills, which are called “legal mind,” and to become active participants in global businesses.

## Characteristic of the Department

### 1 Many courses are taught in English at the Department of International Business Law

One unique feature of the Department of International Business Law is that many specialized law courses are taught in English apart from those taught in Japanese. This is because of our Global Program (for more details, see page 4). Many law courses taught in English are also open to students who do not belong to the Global Program.

The Global Program accepts students through (a) a selective admission process for international programs (for Japanese students), (b) the Admissions by Document Screening (for international students), and (c) the Admissions for the PEACE Program (General Entrance Examination) (for international students). Students in the Department of International Business Law may also apply to transfer to the Global Program during the second semester of their first year.

## Characteristic of the Department

### 2 The Department of International Business Law offers a full range of practical courses and career education

First-year students take introductory law courses. Second-year students may take courses from a category of courses named “International Business Law.” Courses in the category are designed to help students develop business negotiation skills and skills to solve and prevent conflicts useful for international businesses.

Career education is another strong focus of the Department. In the Introductory Seminar on Law (Future Skills Project) which is open for first-year students, students work in groups to try to resolve problems companies and local municipality governments face, and receive feedback from professionals who currently work in the relevant fields. From the second year on, several courses offer students opportunities to learn various business fields and the trends in the fields in order to design their own career paths.

## Characteristic of the Department

### 3 The Department of International Business Law trains lawyers for the global stage

In the globalized business world, various conflicts constantly arise many of which take a form that has not been witnessed before. The purpose of the Department of International Business Law is to train individuals to become capable of facing such complex problems with the legal knowledge and skills acquired in the Department.

While Japanese companies doing business internationally will be the primary sources of employment for our graduates, considering that the curriculum of our Department has many specialized courses taught in English, learning at our Department will also be an advantage for those who wish to work at non-Japanese companies doing business internationally.

### The Department is suitable for those who wish to...

Because many law courses are taught in English at the Department of International Business Law, the Department is suitable for those who wish to use English at work or work internationally in the future.

When working at a company, legal knowledge can be useful not only for preventing problems from arising but also for resolving problems, in case they arose, in a proper and favorable way.

Those who wish to become active participants in the international community should definitely come to the Department of International Business Law. Together with your peers, you can become a businessperson who carries weight in international society.



## Four-Year Curriculum (offered in Japanese only)

	Introductory Period	Formation Period		Completion Period				
	1st Year Spring Acquiring basic knowledge necessary for college study	1st Year Autumn Gaining various experiences to broaden one's view	2nd Year Spring	2nd Year Autumn	3rd Year Spring	3rd Year Autumn	4th Year Spring	4th Year Autumn Broadening specialization aiming to achieve future goals
Mandatory Courses	Language Education A (English)							
	Language Education B (a language not previously studied)							
Electives	Introduction to Academic Studies	Cross-disciplinary Studies General Sports Studies						
	Basic Literature Reading (Introductory Courses (Academic Learning Methods))							
	Department of International Business Law Course Category A	*Introduction to Law, Introduction to Political Science, Constitutional Law, Civil Law, Criminal Law, etc.						
		*Introduction to International Business Law 1A, International Economic Law, Commercial Law, Labor Law, Tax Law, Intellectual Property Law, Economic Law, Anglo-American Law, etc.						
		*International Business Law 1B/2, Conflict of Law, etc.						
	Department of International Business Law Course Category B	*Introduction to Legal Studies, Contracts, Gateway to Law and Politics, etc.						
		*International Business Law, Corporate Law, Anglo-American Law, International Law, Social Security Law, Oxford Summer Program, etc.						
		*Intellectual Property Law, Cross-Border Litigation, International Civil Procedure, Financial Transaction Law, etc.						
		Introductory Seminars on Law	Seminars, Seminars on Law and Politics Seminar Papers					
			Studying Abroad Approval Courses / Overseas Research Papers					
Free Electives	College of Law and Politics Self-initiated Special Lecture							
	Courses provided in the Department of Law, free electives in the Department of Law, courses provided in the other Colleges, free elective Language Courses, f-Campus courses, etc.							

Note: For details on the Global Program, see page 04.

## Message from Academic Staff

### Acquiring wisdom, not knowledge



#### Eriko Taoka, Associate Professor of Law

Courses to teach: Contracts and Comparative Constitutional Law

"Studying law is to acquire wisdom, not knowledge." This is what a professor once said in class when I was a freshman in an undergraduate law department myself. Knowledge is information you find in a textbook, which you can acquire through memorization. In contrast, wisdom refers to the perspective and logical reasoning one applies and utilizes to deal with matters he/she encounters in his/her life. Wisdom cannot be acquired through rote memorization. It can only be acquired through an accumulation of experiences.

At the College of Law and Politics, over a period of four years, you will examine many kinds of conflicts and problems in society and constantly consider how to resolve them under the law. These vicarious experiences of social issues and conflicts and constant thinking processes will train your abilities to extend your imagination and put yourself in the shoes of other people. Furthermore, you will gain the creativity to come up with solutions that can properly reconcile the interests of those involved no matter what issues or conflicts you face.

The abilities to imagine and understand other people's perspectives and different opinions, and to come up with solutions to reconcile competing interests and different opinions constitutes wisdom. Whatever career path you take after graduating from the College of Law and Politics, this wisdom will surely become useful, because you will encounter and continue to encounter various conflicts and problems in different situations. At such times, you will surely be able to draw upon your wisdom and guide people toward a solution that accommodates diverse and competing interests. When I was an undergraduate student like you, I did not clearly understand the difference between knowledge and wisdom. The difference became clearer over time. Now that I am on the teaching side like that professor who once gave me the wisdom, I'd like to pass the wisdom to you.

# Department of Politics

Develop the ability to build desirable political and social systems through learning perspectives to identify issues in politics and give proper analyses to the issues

What is the meaning of studying political science stand in the College of Law and Politics? We know that laws exist for people. However, it is people who create the laws. The value of studying political science at the College is in revealing the humanity behind the law. Various values, interests and senses of justice are embedded throughout the political process of making laws: from the elections of the members of the Diet, deliberations in the Diet, and ultimate law-making outcomes. Political science is a study of people.

## Characteristic of the Department

1

**The Department of Politics values the ability to come up with questions**

In the Department of Politics in the College of Law and Politics, we do not hold classes in the way of teaching the answers to problems.

What we do is help students learn to come up with questions related to politics, both past and present. To formulate questions, or an act of questioning, is a crucial act that will lead to political and social changes in the next generation. Stop looking for answers on Google.

Instead, we challenge you to ask as many questions as you can here at the Department of Politics. This is a “dojo” for the intellect—welcome!

## Characteristic of the Department

3

**The Department of Politics trains individuals to become able to design social and political systems**

The Department of Politics trains creative individuals who are committed to bringing about a desirable future for our society.

Individuals who study three areas — Japanese politics and political history, international politics, and political thought — become able to set questions and tasks based on a deep understanding of human behavior. Setting such questions tasks will surely lead to changes in our society. Those with the abilities to see the ideal future of our society by questioning the existing society are needed not only in politics, government or the private sector, but also in any industry.

The future begins here at the Department of Politics of the College of Law and Politics at Rikkyo University.

## Characteristic of the Department

2

**The Department of Politics offers education that gives weight to political thought, history and evidence**

The governments of different countries dealt with the COVID-19 pandemic in different ways. How effective their measures were — including those of Japan — had much to do with whether or not the country had previously experienced outbreaks of infectious diseases such as SARS and MARS. Whether or not the wearing of masks, lockdowns, or compulsory vaccinations became controversial was heavily influenced by the political ideology in each country around the idea of freedom. In the Department of Politics, we excel at examining the political history of countries, including Japan, and at empirically analyzing real-world politics while referring to the literature of Japanese and international political thought.

**The Department is suitable for those who wish to...**

Are you one of those who feel somewhat uneasy about the thought that you have been living without thinking very deeply about things around you? For instance, are you going to select a school merely based on your academic records rather than what you wish to do, but at the same time, feeling like there is something wrong about the world you are living in, such as politics and society in general? If you are wondering what is going on in our society, why our society is the way it is, and what you can do about it, we welcome those uneasy feelings and questions at the Department of Politics! We have no sure-fire remedy to dispel uneasy feelings. However, we would like you to share those feelings with us, so we can start thinking about issues causing the feelings together.

## Four-Year Curriculum (offered in Japanese only)

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	Language Education B (a language not previously studied)							
Electives	Introduction to Academic Studies		Cross-disciplinary Studies General Sports Studies					
	Basic Literature Reading (Introductory Courses (Academic Learning Methods))							
	Department of Politics Course Category A		*Introduction to Law, Introduction to Political Science, Constitutional Law, Civil Law, History of European Political Thought, etc. *Modern Political Theories, International Politics, Public Administration, European Politics, American Political and Diplomatic History, Asian Politics, Political History of Japan, History of Japanese Political Thought, Political Process, etc. *Political Sociology, Theories of Comparative Politics, Local Autonomy, Comparative Politics, etc.					
	Department of Politics Course Category B		*Gateway to Law and Politics, Statistics, Social Research Methods, etc. *Principles of Economics, Administrative Law, Sociology of Law, Legal History, Information Processing for Social Science, etc. *Japanese Diplomacy, History of International Politics, Peace Studies, Special Lectures on Political Science, Public Finance, Social Policy & Administration, etc.					
	Introductory Seminars on Political Science		Seminars, Seminars on Law and Politics Seminar Papers					
			Studying Abroad Approval Courses / Overseas Research Papers					
			College of Law and Politics Self-initiated Special Lecture					
	Free Electives		Courses provided in the Department of Law, free electives in the Department of Law, courses provided in the other Colleges, free elective Language Courses, f-Campus courses, etc.					



## Message from Academic Staff

### To ultimately build the world without war



#### Takuya Sasaki, Professor of International Studies

Courses to teach: Courses on American Political and Diplomatic History

In recent years, we have witnessed an increasing volume of that has informed us of the significantly deteriorating international environment surrounding Japan. For better or worse, the international order formulated by and centered around the United States has reached a turning point with the inescapable consequences entailed not only on Japan but also on other countries around the world. Compounding the situation is the rise of new and emerging global issues such as climate change, infectious diseases, war refugees, and natural disasters, which transcend national borders. As the international society has never encountered these pressing issues simultaneously, it might be fairly said that we are now entering and navigating uncharted waters.

My research areas are American politics and diplomacy as well as US-Japanese relation, and I teach courses on American political and diplomatic history at Rikkyo. While Mr. Trump's assumption of the Presidency, the subsequent erosion and perversion of American democratic principles, and the rapidly deteriorating US-China relationship were something beyond our anticipation, these phenomena may well indicate an inadequacy of our existing conceptual and analytical framework. I myself was rather taken aback by these unexpected developments, but I have renewed my academic interest in my research subject, American politics and diplomacy, which I now find all the more fascinating.

Regrettably, acts of violence and conflicts that are directly related to war and peace are erupting across the world. Given the dramatically changing strategic landscape in the Asian-Pacific region, an elevation of the US-Japan partnership to a new level of cooperation is almost inevitable. I believe that now more than ever, we need young aspiring students who will accept an intellectual challenge to proactively address the issue of peace and war, critically examine it, and explore ways of achieving and acquiring peace. Time in college is unique and precious as students could immerse themselves in their own learning and really mull over issues in all of their complexity. I very much look forward to welcoming new students in my class and studying together by reading textbooks in the field of politics so as to gain an insight into making the world a better place.

# Career Support

## Career Support in the Changing Society

Students are going out into a society where people are living to the age of 100. One's career path is not likely a linear path that once was the norm from education to work to retirement. It is more likely that one switches back and forth between work and education in his/her flexible multi-stage life structure that involves multiple locations and a wide range of activities. We also live in an age of revolutionary technological advances that are accelerating changes to our economic system and industrial structure, which makes it even more difficult to imagine the future (e.g., a VUCA environment).

Another change we have to adapt to is the difficulty of face-to-face communication due to the impact of COVID-19, which spread around the world in 2020. While expression via nonverbal communication has become more difficult — including facial expressions, gesturing, and other physical actions, as well as tone of voice and clothing — verbal communication using words has taken on greater emphasis in today's world.

However, no matter what age we live in, it is vital for one to possess humanity and basic proficiencies, such as knowledge and skills, logical and analytical thinking, and communication skills .

The College of Law and Politics provides a high-level of specialized education in law and political science in order to train individuals well in any times and societies they live in. We also aim to foster proactive thinking skills to enable our students to study throughout their lives even if the future is hard to predict. We therefore provide high-quality career support to enable each and every student to make full use of their unique character and strengths.

## Attentive Career Support

Beside becoming legal professionals, students who graduate from the College of Law and Politics go into a wide range of occupations that include working at private companies or as civil servants. The College provides attentive career support and pragmatic training for students to adapt to a range of career paths and broaden their career opportunities in the changing society. Such career support can be provided as part of our curriculum or as extracurricular activities.

## Courses in the Curriculum (offered in Japanese only)

In the first year of study, a small-sized seminar is held for students to learn to proactively solve problems companies face. The seminar is called the Future Skills Project (FSP). The Gateway to Law and Politics is a course that cultivate students' interest in society and career opportunities. This course covers various industries. For instance, a session on "the Business and Media" brings current social issues to students' attention as preparation for transitioning into the business world and becoming responsible members of society. A session on "the Introduction to Public Service" provides a wide range of information to students who have an interest in the public sector. The course also has sessions for those who wish to become legal professionals and other law-related professions. Designing this way, the course accommodates various interests students have.

In the second year of study, a course named Career Planning Formation brings in graduates of the College of Law and Politics as guests to talk to students about their careers and give students a chance to consider possible futures for themselves. In the second and third years, a course named Career Design/Internship Study allows students to look ahead at possible career paths so that students can continue their studies with clearer purposes. In the course, students also learn Communications to understand themselves and build relationships. Internship opportunities further motivate students to study and take a deeper interest in their place in society.



## Student-Initiated Career Support and Planning

Ordinary career support at a university is based on planning by the university and getting students to participate in it. However, at Rikkyo College of Law and Politics, students themselves take the helm and raise their own career awareness by planning and making proposals. The seminars called the Job Café and Shukatsu Café are those where students themselves invite people in industries students are interested in as guest lecturers, and learn about the industries and career opportunities.

Job Café is a student-initiated seminar where students invite Rikkyo University alumni who work in various fields as guest lecturers. In contrast, Shukatsu Café is a seminar run by fourth-year students who themselves are searching for jobs. Forth-year students share information and their journey to find the jobs they want with their juniors.

Both of the seminars are conducted in small roundtable discussions, which offers rare opportunities to obtain valuable information. (For more details about the seminars, see our Facebook page, "Rikkyo University College of Law and Politics career support.")

# Students' Career Paths

## Students of the College of Law and Politics at Rikkyo University pursue various career paths upon graduation

Of the students who graduated in March 2021 from the College of Law and Politics, 95.1% of students seeking jobs secured positions. Approximately 19% went into finance or insurance; approximately 15% went into the information or service industries; and approximately 14% went into civil service. The remainder went into manufacturing, wholesale/retail, and many other fields. A distinguishing feature of the College of Law and Politics is that its students develop legal thinking skills that are useful in any industry or occupation, and therefore, its graduates are able to choose their career paths from almost any field in the world.

### Major Places of Employment

#### Public Service

Court Official (general), Ministry of Justice, National Public Employee, Finance Specialists, National Tax Experts, Labor Standards Inspectors, Tokyo Metropolitan Government, Kanagawa Prefectural Government, Saitama Prefectural Government, Chiba Prefectural Government, Governments of Special Wards of Tokyo, Yokohama City Municipality Government, Saitama City Municipality Government

#### Finance and Insurance

Bank of Japan, Norinchukin Bank, Japan Finance Corporation, MUFG Bank, SMBC, Mizuho Financial Group, Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking, Nomura Securities, Daiwa Securities, Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance, Mitsui Sumitomo Insurance, Nippon Life Insurance, Dai-ichi Life Insurance, Meiji Yasuda Life Insurance

#### Information

IBM Japan, Salesforce, SAP Japan, Oracle Japan, NTT Data, Rakuten Group, Fujitsu, DeNA, Sky, LINE, Itochu Techno-Solutions (CTC), Trend Micro, Nihon Unysis, Teikoku Databank, Japan Research Institute, Intage, Money Forward, Mynavi

#### Services

JAXA, JETRO, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Nishumura & Asahi, Anderson Mori & Tomotsune, Nagashima Ohno & Tsunematsu, Mori Hamada & Matsumoto, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, KPMG Azsa, PricewaterhouseCoopers Aarata, Deloitte Tohmatsu Consulting, KPMG Consulting, Accenture, JRA, Tokyo Dome, JTB, HIS, Shogakukan-Shueisha Productions

#### Others

Mitsubishi Corporation, Itochu, Mitsui & Co., Sumitomo Corporation, Marubeni, Mitsui Fudosan, Mitsubishi Estate, Dentsu, Hakuhodo, NHK, Fuji Television, TV Asahi, Mainichi Shimbun, Recruit, CyberAgent, TEPCO Holdings, JAL, ANA, Nippon Yusen, JR East, NEXCO East, NEXCO West, NTT East, NTT Docomo, KDDI, SoftBank, Apple Japan, Nihon L'Oréal, JT, Suntory Holdings, Shiseido, Otsuka Pharmaceutical, Keyence, Canon, Panasonic, Asahi Kasei, Fast Retailing

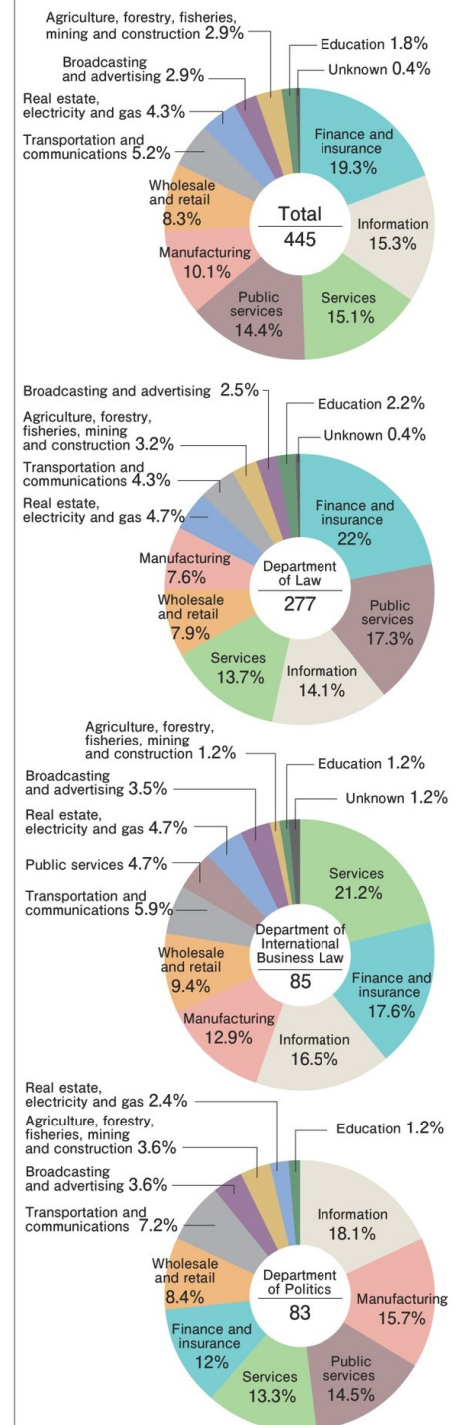
### Graduate Schools

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The University of Tokyo, Kobe University, Chiba University, Tokyo Metropolitan University, Waseda University, Keio University, Chuo University, Hosei University, Nihon University, Kyoto University, Hitotsubashi University, Osaka University, the Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology, Meiji University, Doshisha University, Rikkyo University

### Places of Employment by Industry

(College of Law and Politics, March 2021 graduates)



## Number of international students and partner institutions (As of October 20, 2019)

Rikkyo University is stepping up its efforts to internationalize as it seeks to boost the number of international students to 2,000 by 2024, the 150th anniversary of its founding.

The globalization of the campuses will enable students to gain exposure to a variety of cultures and languages.

Europe	Africa/ Middle East	Asia/ Oceania	North America/ South America
<b>126</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>759</b>	<b>35</b>
Degree-seeking international students <b>21</b>	Degree-seeking international students <b>2</b>	Degree-seeking international students <b>687</b>	Degree-seeking international students <b>4</b>
Special international students <b>105</b>	Special international students <b>0</b>	Special international students <b>72</b>	Special international students <b>31</b>

### Degree-seeking international students

International students who passed the entrance exam and are enrolled in regular academic programs for the purpose of earning degrees

### Special international students

Short-term, non-degree-seeking international students who are enrolled through partner institutions or government organizations

## Scholarships

### Scholarship Programs

Rikkyo University offers various scholarship programs to provide financial and academic support to international students.

Scholarships for privately-financed international students include Rikkyo University scholarships and external scholarships offered by the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) and other private scholarship foundations.

Applicants who wish to apply for scholarships that require a recommendation from the university need to carry out scholarship application registration during the specified period each academic year after enrolling.



<https://www.rikkyo.ac.jp/target/foreign/regular/scholarships/>

### Scholarships that require a recommendation from Rikkyo University

Title	Offered for	Disbursement Period	Amount	No. Awarded	Application Period	Notes
Rikkyo University Scholarship for International Students with Outstanding Academic Achievements	Undergraduate	1 year	¥50,000/ month	10	Early April	—
	Graduate		¥70,000/ month	11		
Rikkyo University Alumni Association Scholarship for International Students	Undergraduate	1 year	¥50,000/ month	7	Early April	—
Rikkyo University International Student Scholarship	Undergraduate	1 year	¥200,000/ year	85	Early October	—
	Graduate					

### Scholarships and Prizes for Students of the College of Law and Politics

Name	Description of the scholarship	Amount (per year)	Number of Recipients (estimated)
Chodo Scholarship (Suenobu Foundation)	This scholarship is granted by the Suenobu Foundation to students in the third year at the College of Law and Politics who have outstanding academic records and demonstrate a great motivation for study. The scholarship is granted for two years consecutively.	600,000 yen	A few
Kushibiki Prize	This is a scholarship from Hironori Kushibiki, a supporter of the university, donated to the Rikkyo University Graduate School. Its purpose is to encourage the studies of third-year students at the College of Law and Politics who wish to study abroad at partner universities under the Rikkyo University's study abroad program.	100,000 yen	one
Kurita Prize	This prize is presented as a grant to commend students at the College of Law and Politics for achieving outstanding grades while studying abroad. It is a grant to students who have studied overseas at a partner university or approved university and have achieved exceptional grades, who submit an overseas research paper after returning to Japan, and whose credits are recognized.	100,000 yen	A few

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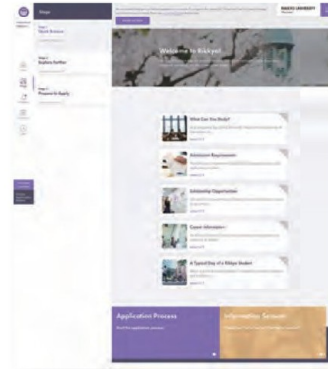
## Admissions by Document Screening



<https://english.rikkyo.ac.jp/admission/information.html>



## Admissions for the PEACE Program (General Entrance Examination)



<https://en.admission.rikkyo.ac.jp/browse/>



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