

# MPP / IP

Master of Public Policy, International Program

## Application Period

- Applicants with Scholarships from JJ/WBGSP or ADB-JSP  
November 1, 2009 ~ December 11, 2009 JST
- All Other Applicants  
November 1, 2009 ~ January 29, 2010 JST (Subject to change)



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# MPP/IP: Program description

The Graduate School of Public Policy (GraSPP), the University of Tokyo, is launching a 2-year taught-in-English program. The Master of Public Policy, International Program (MPP/IP), will welcome its first class in October 2010. An extensive and diverse menu of taught-in-English courses will be offered, giving international students without Japanese language skills the opportunity to learn cutting edge approaches to the public policy arena from internationally renowned faculty members at the University of Tokyo.

All courses offered in MPP/IP are also open to English-competent students in the Japanese MPP program. Additionally, student groups and school organized extra-curricular activities are combined, allowing for increased social and scholarly exchange. Furthermore, MPP/IP students have access to courses in other graduate schools, both English and, language competency permitting, Japanese based.

## Key Features of MPP/IP: for Future World Leaders in the Field of Public Policy

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### 1. Education in English

English is recognized as the global language of both business and diplomacy. For those seeking careers that engage the international community, the ability to express one's ideas and opinions in English is critical. Recognizing the need to offer a program built on this premise, GraSPP launched the MPP/IP program. We seek to provide

students interested in studying in Asia access to the global standard in public policy education. Courses, field studies, and case studies are all offered in English. Students interested in focusing on Asian affairs, without Japanese language ability, now have an avenue to do so at one of the world's premier educational institutions.

### 2. Curriculum with International Compatibility

Course work at GraSPP is similar to that of other leading public policy schools, and is especially integrated and compatible with our exchange school network. While the range of courses available is wide, the

curriculum as a whole focuses on issues concerning the Asian region. This reflects both the school's commitment to the community in which it is located, as well as its faculty member's expertise.

### 3. Expanding International Reach

Student exchanges are available with public policy schools in the U. S., Europe, and Asia: Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs; the University of California San Diego's School of International

Relations and Pacific Studies; Sciences Po in Paris; the Hertie School of Governance in Berlin; and the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy in Singapore.

### 4. Attracting Young Professionals from Asia and the Rest of the World

Several scholarships from the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank, and other public

and private institutions will be available for young professionals in eligible countries.



## Study at the University of Tokyo:

### Tradition in Excellence

As a leading research university with over 4,000 faculty, and nearly 30,000 students, the University of Tokyo offers courses in essentially all academic disciplines at both undergraduate and graduate levels. Cutting-edge research across the full spectrum of academic disciplines

is a timely tradition at the school, as is providing students a learning environment ideal for both intellectual development and professional skills attainment. Many of the school's graduates have gone on to become leaders in government, business, and the academic world.

### Location Advantage

The main campus of the university has a rich and long history, and is located in Hongo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo, steps away from both Kasumigaseki, the government district, and

Marunouchi, the business epicenter. The school's convenient location near the heart of Tokyo offers students easy access to leading practitioners, as well as vice-versa.



*GraSPP* was established in 2004 with a mission to bridge the gap between academic learning and public policy practices. Academic staff and private / public sector policy practitioners work closely together to connect social science theory to real world problems. In the modern globalized world, effective policy making requires an international perspective. This, coupled with strong fundamental academic training, is what we seek to provide our student body, in preparation for careers spanning government, business, and the public

sector. Despite a short history, GraSPP is now recognized as a leading public policy school in Japan. Since its inception, GraSPP has enrolled approximately 100 students per year. More than a third of our graduates have been placed in various Japanese government ministries, with the remaining two-thirds entering a wide range of private and public sectors, including banking, media, NGO's, and think tanks. Students seeking employment benefit from GraSPP's excellent reputation of producing highly skilled and capable graduates.

## Curriculum

The MPP/IP curriculum consists of (1) compulsory core courses in Microeconomics for Public Policy, Macroeconomics for Public Policy, and Statistical Methods; (2) elective core courses; (3) case studies; and (4) elective

courses. Case studies are faculty-directed group projects on real-world policy issues. Often practitioners—from government, the central bank, or private businesses—will be available for consultation and guidance.

			Credits
Core Courses	Required	Microeconomics for Public Policy	4
		Macroeconomics for Public Policy	5
		Statistical Methods	4
	At least 3 courses from	Introduction to Public Management	2
		Policy Process and Negotiation	2
		Governance and Development	2
		International Conflict Study	2
		Comparative Governance System	2
		Modern Japanese Diplomacy	2
Case Study Courses*	8 credits required in total	2 or 4	
Sample Elective Courses**	Economic Analysis of Public Policy	2	
	Macroeconomic Policies in Japan	2	
	Central Banking	2	
	Technology and Industrial Policies in a Globalizing World	2	
	Trade Policy and Industrial Development	2	
	Development Economics	2	
	Transportation Policy	2	
	Management of Science and Technology	2	
	The Politics and Diplomacy of Contemporary China	2	
	International Politics in East Asia	2	
Other	Internship	1	

\* Many case study courses in different policy areas will be offered.

\*\* Listings here are samples.

# Faculty

The following faculty members of three University of Tokyo Graduate Schools (Public Policy, Economics, and Law and Politics) constitute the core teaching staff of the MPP/IP. Other Schools and Research Institutes also

provide courses in the program. Furthermore, exploiting enormous concentration of public and private, both domestic and international, organizations in Tokyo, many distinguished practitioners will contribute to the program.

## Yoshitsugu KANEMOTO (Ph.D. Cornell) Professor, Public Policy and Economics Dean, GraSPP

Professor Kanemoto taught at University of British Columbia before coming back to Japan. He is widely published in the fields of urban economics, contract theory and public economics in prestigious

international journals, and is a fellow of Regional Science Association International. He has been a member of many advisory councils of the Japanese government, including the Council for Infrastructure.

## Takatoshi ITO (Ph.D. Harvard University) Professor, Public Policy and Economics

Professor Ito has taught extensively both in the United States and Japan, including at University of Minnesota and Harvard University. He also served as Senior Advisor in the Research Department, IMF (1994-97) and as Deputy Vice Minister for International Affairs at Ministry of Finance, Japan (1999-2001).

He is the author of many books and more than 50 academic journal articles on international finance and the Japanese economy, and was a member of the Prime Minister's Council of Economic and Fiscal Policy from October 2006 to October 2008.

## Shin'ichi KITAOKA (Ph.D. Tokyo) Professor, Law and Politics

Professor Kitaoka's main research interests are Political and Diplomatic History of Japan, Civil-Military Relations, Political Party and Political Leadership, US-Japanese Relations and the United Nations. He has received many awards and honors, including the Yoshino Sakuzo Prize and the Suntory Prize for

Liberal Arts. He was Japan's Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations from 2004 to 2006. He has served on many governmental advisory panels, including Prime Minister Koizumi's Task Force on Foreign Affairs (2001-2004).

## Keisuke IIDA (Ph.D. Harvard) Professor, Law and Politics

Professor Iida taught at Princeton University for nine years before coming back to Japan in 1999. His main research fields are politics

of trade and theories of legalization. He has published numerous books and journal articles in these fields.

## Ryozo HAYASHI (LL.M Harvard) Professor, Public Policy

Professor Hayashi worked for the Japanese government for more than 30 years, mainly at the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry (formerly, Ministry of International Trade and Industry)

before joining the University of Tokyo. While in the government, he led many key U.S.-Japan trade negotiations, and became Director-General of the Economic and Industrial Policy Bureau in 2002.

## Shin'ichi NAKABAYASHI (M. Phil. Oxford) Professor, Public Policy

Professor Nakabayashi had a long and distinguished career in Japan's Ministry of Finance before joining GraSPP in 2008. He

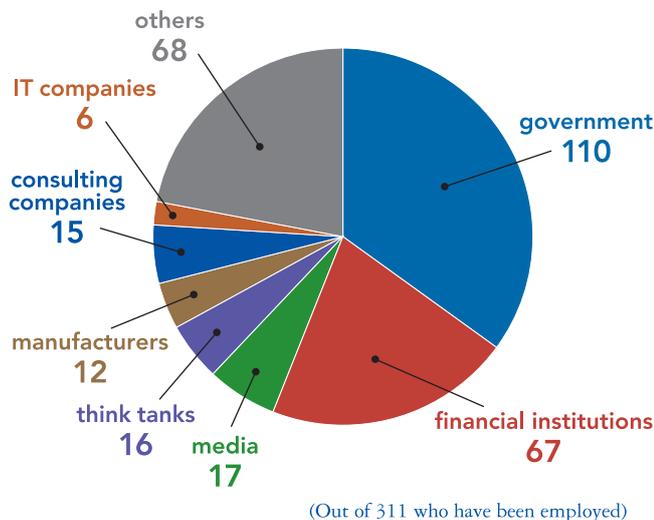
also served as First Secretary, Permanent Delegation of Japan to OECD, and Advisor, Asia and Pacific Department, IMF.

Name	Title	Course Title	Notes
Kiichi FUJIWARA	Professor, Law and Politics	International Conflict Study	
Akio TAKAHARA	Professor, Law and Politics	The Politics and Diplomacy of Contemporary China	Ph.D. Sussex
Hideaki SHIROYAMA	Professor, Law and Politics	Governance and Development	
Yasuyuki SAWADA	Associate Professor, Economics	Advanced Development Economics I, II	Ph.D. Stanford
Masahiro MATSUURA	Associate Professor, Public Policy	Policy Process and Negotiation	Ph.D. MIT
Jun'ichi FUJIMOTO	Assistant Professor, Economics	Macroeconomics for Public Policy	Ph.D. UCLA, formerly, Ministry of Finance
Takashi KANO	Assistant Professor, Economics	Statistical Methods	Ph.D. University of British Columbia, formerly, Economist, Bank of Canada
Hitoshi TANAKA	Visiting Professor, Public Policy	Japan's East Asia Policy	Former Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs
Shotaro OSHIMA	Visiting Professor, Public Policy	Foreign Policy I, II	One of the Members of the Appellate Body of the WTO
Katsuya HIHARA	Project Professor, Public Policy	Transportation Policy	M.P.P. Harvard, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

(As of winter 2009)

# Career Path

Students who have completed GraSPP have met with highly favorable job prospects. About a third of GraSPP alumni have gone to various parts of the Japanese government, and the rest to major private corporations, mass media, and think tanks, among others.



## Government and Municipal Offices – breakdown

(out of 33 students graduated spring 2009)

Category	Count
<b>Newly employed</b>	<b>30</b>
MOFA (Ministry of Foreign Affairs)	8
MIC (Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications)	5
MEXT (Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology)	3
MAFF (Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries)	2
MLIT (Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism)	2
MOD (Ministry of Defense)	2
FSA (Financial Services Agency)	2
METI (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)	1
CO (Cabinet Office)	1
MOF (Ministry of Finance Japan)	1
MHLW (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare)	1
MOE (Ministry of Environment)	1
Board of Audit, Japan	1
<b>Reinstated in former office</b>	<b>3</b>
METI (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)	1
MHLW (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare)	1
National Diet Library	1

# Student Voices



**Kenta WATANABE** (First Africa Division, Middle Eastern and African Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Graduated AY2008)

After graduating from Todai in 2003, four years of my experience as a reporter at the Nihon Keizai Shimbun was rewarding, but I soon realized that I would need further academic training to participate in advanced policy and current events dialogue. GraSPP, with its renowned faculty, balanced and extensive course offerings, and practical approach to curriculum development, met my needs perfectly. The structure of GraSPP was ideal for me for several reasons. Firstly, the wide range of course offerings, access to other graduate schools at Todai, and curriculum flexibility, allowed me to take classes outside my economics major, including international law and foreign policy courses. Secondly, the faculty

were not only extremely knowledgeable in both theory and practice, but also readily available to assist students in and outside of class. My second year case study was led by Dean Kanemoto and two professors from the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, offering me access to guidance from professors at the forefront of both academia and real-world practice. Finally, the diversity of the student body at GraSPP - scientists, bankers, human rights and non-profit professionals, as well as a growing international student body - proved to be one of the most rewarding aspects of my time there. I am pleased to see that MPP/IP will further enhance its diversity.



**Yukiko OMAGARI** (Current Student AY2009)

GraSPP has been a valuable platform for me to reinforce knowledge gained from both study and work experience in the human rights arena, having joined the school after 2 years at an NGO focusing on rights of migrant women and children, and earning an undergraduate degree at Washington College, United States, in International Affairs. The coursework at GraSPP has been rigorous, rewarding, and thought provoking. The school's location in the center of Tokyo has been great both academically and socially. The school draws the world's top talents to various types of round-table

discussions, lectures, and large-scale conference. Just this semester I had the opportunity to speak directly with former UN secretary general Koffi Annan, as well as his successor Ban Ki-moon. I have also greatly enjoyed living in Tokyo; spending time with friends in this amazing city. After graduating, I plan to work for a local, yet internationally focused NGO, concentrating on refugee and immigration issues. I hope to use the cross-disciplinary knowledge I have gained at GraSPP to help contribute to policy formation and development of civil society.



**Aleksandra MILUSHEVA** (Current International Student AY2009)

At GraSPP, you can find experienced professors whose backgrounds encompass both extensive academic training and real-world knowledge. Many hail from the world's most influential multilateral organizations, and have been trained at the leading universities both in Japan and abroad. I have really enjoyed the diversity of their perspectives, and ability to promote lively classroom discussion. For me, the chance to create a broad network of professional and personal relationships was one of the most important factors in my decision to attend graduate school. GraSPP has offered me precisely this.

Theoretical and technical training at GraSPP are complimented with out-of-classroom learning opportunities, such as field trips to government and business entities, interviews and luncheons with policy or business practitioners, and internship opportunities at the full spectrum of private and public sector organizations. Another valuable offering at GraSPP is its extensive exchange network with schools all over the world. I am really looking forward to participating in this network, and will attend Columbia University's international affairs school next semester.

# Scholarship Opportunities

A limited number of scholarships are available from the following organizations:

- The World Bank
- Asian Development Bank

For the eligibility and more information, please refer to GraSPP's website:  
<http://www.pp.u-tokyo.ac.jp/en/index.htm>

## Admission

**Application Deadline: December 11, 2009 JST** (Those who are eligible for ADB-JSP or JJ/WBGSP)  
**January 29, 2010 JST\*** (All other applicants) \* Subject to change

### Application Procedure

For enrolment in October 2010, completed applications must be submitted to the Graduate School of Public Policy by registered mail or an international delivery service (such as UPS or FedEx) by the

deadline. We will not accept applications that arrive after December 11, 2009 JST (for those who are eligible for ADB-JSP or JJ/WBGSP) or January 29, 2010 JST (for all other applicants). Applicants must

take TOEFL as early as possible, because submission of Official Score Reports is an indispensable part of the selection procedure.

### Application Documents

Please obtain the necessary forms at the Graduate School of Public Policy's website and prepare the documents according to the below list. Applications must be written in English. If accompanying documents are not written in English or Japanese, an official English or Japanese translation should be attached.

※ Please note that none of the submitted documents and materials will be returned. Upon receiving all required documents, a notification email will be sent confirming your application has been received in full.

※ This document is written for prospective students applying for admission to the MPP/IP program in October 2010. The application documents and the deadline are now being reviewed and subject to change. The latest information is available at the Graduate School of Public Policy's website. The application forms will be made available on the website by the end of September.

1. APPLICATION Form (Form #1)
2. Official Proof of Graduation
3. Official Transcript
4. TOEFL Official Score Report ※Applicants can alternatively submit the score of IELTS.
5. GRE General Test Official Score Report (optional)
6. Two Letters of Reference including Form #2
7. Statement of Purpose (Form #3)
8. Letter of Endorsement (Form #4) ※Those who are eligible for ADB-JSP or JJ/WBGSP
9. Statement of Eligibility and Expression of Intent (Form #5)  
※Those who are eligible for ADB-JSP or JJ/WBGSP
10. One photocopy of the applicant's census register, passport, or other proof of citizenship.
11. Three passport-style photographs
12. Any receipt for remittance of Application Fee.
13. Checklist (Form #6)

### Qualification for Enrollment at GraSPP

To apply for any programs in the Graduate School of Public Policy, an applicant must:

1. Be a holder of a Bachelor's degree or an equivalent status at the time of enrollment.
2. Have at least 16 years of school education including university education or its equivalent. Applicants who have spent fewer than 16 years completing their elementary, middle school, high school and university education must explain very clearly their academic history.

※ Please note that those applying based on non-standard qualifications are expected to contact the MPP/IP Admissions Office, Graduate School of Public Policy prior to the submission of application documents.

### Tuition and Fees

- Application fee 10,000 yen (for the applicants residing outside Japan)  
30,000 yen (for the applicants residing in Japan)
- Admission Fee 282,000 yen
- Annual Tuition 535,800 yen (M.P.P. program)

※ Japanese government (Monbukagakusho) scholarship students are exempt from the application fee as well as the admission fee and annual tuition.

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