



Iwate University (Iwate Prefecture)



Features of the Program: (1) Japanese language study and courses offered by the Faculty of Education on the same campus!
(2) The opportunity to participate in the Japanese school internship program.

◇ University overview

○ Characteristics and history

Iwate University is 2.5 hours from Tokyo by bullet train and is **located in the city of Morioka**, which has a population of 300,000 and is surrounded by pristine nature. The university consists of 4 faculties and 5 graduate degree programs. There are about 4,650 undergraduate students and 800 graduate students, supported by 750 members of faculty and staff. The student to teacher ratio in the Faculty of Education is **10:1**, ensuring students and faculty have close contact. It offers programs for all subjects taught in secondary education, and has four affiliated schools: a kindergarten, an elementary school, a junior high school, and a special-needs school. This environment enables the teacher-trainee to study education theoretically and practically.

○ International Exchange

International Exchange Agreements between Iwate University and other universities (as of Oct. 2020): 19 countries and 1 region/59 universities and institutes. International students on campus:

	Year/ 2018	2019	2020
International students	214	238	201
Teacher-training students	0	1	0



◇ Outline of the course for Teacher-Training students

○ Participants can learn both basic Japanese and take specialty courses in education. They can also experience Japanese education through participating in the school internship program (SIP). Additionally, the International Center offers courses on Japanese culture and organizes various events for international students, including a ski trip. At the end of this program, students receive certificates of completion for the program and SIP. The two types of courses are 18 months long.

○ Number of students to be accepted: 3

【1.5 year course in specialty】 Student focuses on courses or research in specialty only and does not take Japanese language courses.

【1 year course in specialty】 Student begins courses or research in specialty after 6 months of Japanese language training.

● Japanese language education / International Education Center :
Teacher-training students spend 15 to 17 periods a week for a span of 15 weeks in an intensive Japanese program at the Iwate University International Center.

● Specialized training / Faculty of Education :
Teacher-training students take lectures and seminars, write research papers and receive guidance from their academic advisors.

● Practical training, Participatory subjects such as field trips and regional exchanges :

Students also experience Japanese education through participating in the school internship program (SIP). They can take lectures at both the undergraduate and graduate level.

● Additional Information

After the intensive Japanese study has finished, students are still eligible to take Japanese classes.

A Japanese graduate student serves as a tutor.

◇ Follow-up for graduates

After students leave, they can receive continued contact and personalized support. For example, an advisor can give a recommendation letter for students who want to continue their education.

◇ Accommodations

International students can live in a dormitory called International House located on campus. It has a share house type room (a unit to share with 4 roommates) and a single room. Family rooms and couple rooms are not available. *Residence fees are to be paid monthly, and no need to pay full amount in advance.

Rent (including utility fees) to be paid monthly :

【Share house type room】33,000yen/month

【Single room】36,000yen/month

Facility handling charge : 30,000yen (One time fee)

Internet access fee : 24,200yen/year

Bedding set rental fee : 11,000yen/year

○ Facilities:

【Share house type room】(Share space) kitchen, toilet, coin-operated shower, refrigerator, microwave, dining table, chairs, cupboard

(Private space) desk, drawer, chair, bed, mattress, air-conditioner, curtain, wardrobe, book shelf, laundry hook, wireless LAN

【Single room】 kitchen, toilet, desk, chair, bed, mattress, refrigerator, air-conditioner, curtain, wardrobe, book shelf, laundry hook, kitchen drawer, wireless LAN

○ The university campus is within 20 minutes of Morioka station and downtown Morioka, so it is very convenient for shopping and other amenities.

◇ Contact

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◇ Course Description, Number of students to be accepted, Qualifications and, etc.

Faculty of Education							
Course code	Name of Adviser	E-mail	Teaching Field(s)	Course Description	Language	Number of students to be accepted	Qualification and Requirement for students. Number of students in past 5 years.
03001	<u>FUJII Tomohiro</u> (Professor)	mugentom@iwate-u.ac.jp	Japanese Education	Japanese Education/Literacy Education, Reading Instruction	Japanese	1	To have some command of English, and interested in the language education on the education system of Japan.
03002	<u>YABU Toshihiro</u> (Professor)	yabu@iwate-u.ac.jp	History of Chinese Thought	Chinese ancient classics	Japanese	1	To have some command of Japanese when entering the graduate school.
03003	<u>YOSHII Yoji</u> (Professor)	yoshii@iwate-u.ac.jp	Mathematics, Mathematics education	Algebra and Geometry	Japanese	2	To have some command of English.
03004	<u>KAMADA Yasuhisa</u> (Professor)	kama@iwate-u.ac.jp	Sports Science	Soccer teaching methodology	Japanese	1	To have some command of English.
03005	<u>SHIMIZU Shigeyuki</u> (Professor)	s.shimizu@iwate-u.ac.jp	Health & Sports Education	Health & sports education/Field athletics teaching methodology	Japanese	1	To have some command of English.
03006	<u>MITSUI Takahiro</u> (Associate Prof.)	mitsui@iwate-u.ac.jp	Nutrition Science, Health Science	Habit-forming disease & dietary life	Japanese	1	To have some command of English.
03007	<u>HALL James</u> (Associate Prof.)	jhall@iwate-u.ac.jp	English education, global studies, qualitative research	Communicative language teaching in Asian contexts/ Global Education/ Qualitative research/ Teaching English as a foreign language	Japanese, English	1	To have some command of English. / 2 from Indonesia, 1 from Hungar
03008	<u>INUZUKA Hirohiko</u> (Professor)	philofic@iwate-u.ac.jp	Phonetics/Phonology	Effective teaching of English pronunciation	Japanese	1	To have some command of English.
03009	<u>SAKAINO Naoki</u> (Professor)	sakaino@iwate-u.ac.jp	English/American literature (drama)	Study on Shakespeare/British dramas around the time of the Restoration	Japanese	1	To have some command of English.

03010	<u>OBA Yoko</u> (Associate Prof.)	obayoko@iwate-u.ac.jp	Music Composition	Theory of music, Harmonics, Music composition, Music arrangement	Japanese	2	Can read instructional materials in Japanese
03011	<u>OGAWA Harumi</u> (Associate Prof.)	harumiog@iwate-u.ac.jp	English Education, Educational Psychology, Cross-cultural Communication	Motivation for learning a foreign language	Japanese, English	1	Has sufficient proficiency in either English or Japanese. / 1 from Spain
03012	<u>MAWATARI</u> Kentarou (Associate Prof.)	mawatari@iwate-u.ac.jp	Theoretical physics	Elementary particle physics	Japanese, English	1	To have a command of English.