

General Education

As part of our dedication to holistic education, as described in our mission statement, Fukuoka University maintains a general education system that helps ensure that our students graduate with enlightened and broad-minded thinking capabilities, the ability to view problems comprehensively and thereby make sound judgments, and genuine humanity. The general education program is composed of courses from the three fields of the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences, as well as interdisciplinary courses, courses in foreign languages and physical education courses. The core characteristic of our general education program is that the curriculum is designed so that most students can complete the program within their first two years while still being able to take specialty courses at the same time.

Foreign language education at the university is one example of how this works. Languages offered in the program include English, German, French, Chinese, Spanish, Korean and Russian. The purpose of language education is to help our students develop broad cross-cultural perspectives, and to equip them with communication skills that enable them to understand what others have to say while being able to express their thoughts and ideas.

General education occupies an important position in the university's comprehensive education system because it encourages our students to cultivate a spirit of initiative and eagerness to learn new things, supported by the ability to analyze and organize.

Fukuoka University Data

Student Enrollment

(As of 1 May 2011)

Undergraduate Faculties		Graduate Schools		MA	MS	PhD	JD	Total
Humanities	2,578	Humanities		90		38		128
Law	2,787	Law		18		6		24
Economics	2,981	Economics		57		9		66
Commerce	2,784	Commerce		26		10		36
Commerce Evening School	981	Science			82	6		88
Science	1,165	Engineering			198	9		207
Engineering	3,025	Medical Sciences			5	118		123
Medicine	1,070	Pharmaceutical Sciences			13	26		39
Pharmaceutical Sciences	1,436	Sports and Health Science			38	9		47
Sports and Health Science	1,228	Institute for Legal Practice					88	88
Total	20,035	Total		191	336	231	88	846

Alumni

(As of 31 March 2011)

Undergraduate Faculties	214,005
Graduate Schools	6,532
Institutions prior to Fukuoka University	10,332
Total	230,869

Teaching Staff

(As of 1 May 2011)

Faculties and Institutes	
Humanities	132
Law	39
Economics	36
Commerce	46
Science	104
Engineering	133
Medicine	231
Pharmaceutical Sciences	89
Sports and Health Science	56
Institute for Legal Practice	13
Fukuoka University Hospital	312
Fukuoka University Chikushi Hospital	119
Others	43
Total	1,353