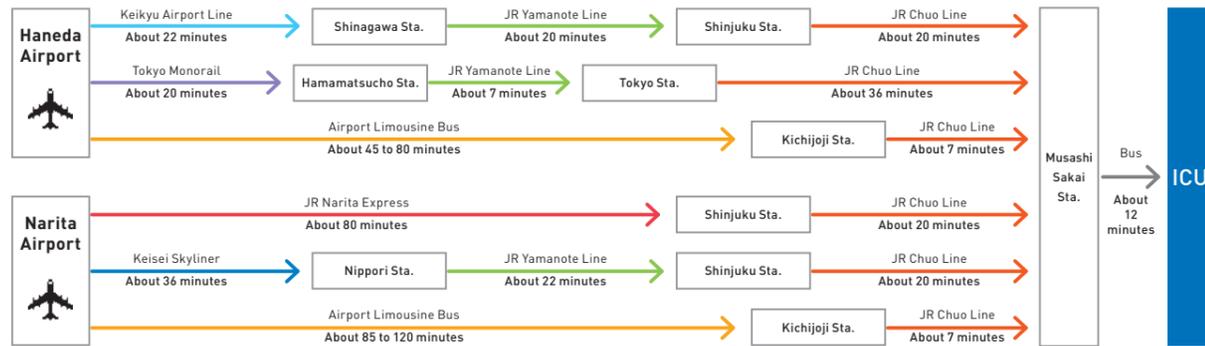
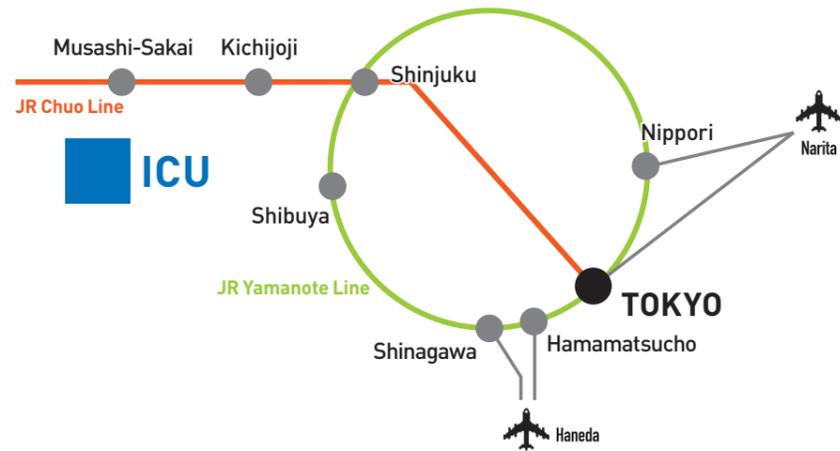


## Directions to ICU



# ICU

## COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Division of Arts and Sciences



ICU Official Website  
<https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/>



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ICU was ranked highest among private universities in Japan



2023

INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

# Why Japan?

Japan is a place where tradition and technology intersect.

## High Quality Education

Japanese universities uphold excellent academic standards and provide students with state-of-the-art technology and facilities. Studying at ICU and learning to speak, read and write Japanese gives students a competitive advantage when seeking a job in Japan and abroad.

## A Safe and Peaceful Environment

Japan is one of the safest countries in the world. With a reliable public transportation system, students can easily navigate busy cities like Tokyo, and travel to the countryside to enjoy the peaceful, picturesque landscape.

## Amazing Cultural Experiences

In Japan, old and new, East and West, and natural and artificial seamlessly blend together. Students are exposed to a rich culture and history and to cutting-edge fashion and technology.



# Why ICU?

At ICU, you will learn how to be a global citizen who is prepared to serve the world.

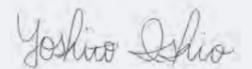
Message from the Dean

## Bringing People Together, Serving the World

Thank you for considering ICU for your college education. There are several clear advantages to choosing ICU. First, we offer an excellent liberal arts education with an international perspective. ICU has been ranked as Japan's top private university for three consecutive years from 2019 to 2021 in the Times Higher Education's Japan University rankings. Second, at ICU you will learn to communicate effectively in Japanese and in English. This skill will allow you to serve as a competent bilingual person in both the professional and academic world. Third, you will have the opportunity to explore a wide range of academic disciplines. (ICU offers 31 majors in the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and interdisciplinary studies). Fourth, ICU aims to instill leadership characteristics in our students by providing a creative, rational, and ethical education. The COVID-19 pandemic has reinforced our awareness that we live in a globally interconnected society that needs solutions to its many problems. More than ever, we need vigorous leaders who can develop and implement creative, rational, and ethical solutions to address global challenges. Thus, by taking advantage of these opportunities at ICU, you will be able to meet the challenges of this global era.

As an international university, ICU seeks excellent students from all over the world. Your unique educational and cultural background will contribute to our diverse campus community, and you will benefit from interacting with students and faculty members who are also unique and diverse.

An ICU education opens doors to a variety of international careers and advanced educational opportunities. Furthermore, your time at ICU will spark a desire and curiosity to be a lifelong learner. Thus ICU will help you prepare not simply for a career but also for a meaningful life of learning. I hope that you will consider applying to ICU.



Yoshito Ishio, Ph.D.  
Dean of the College of Liberal Arts

### ■ Japan's Premier Liberal Arts College and Graduate School

ICU has been a pioneer in liberal arts education in Japan since its founding in 1953.

### ■ Bilingual Education

Japanese and English are the official languages of ICU. This bilingual commitment reflects ICU's internationalism and the promotion of mutual understanding and exchange. Japanese and English courses are offered.

### ■ Japanese Language Education

ICU's Japanese Language Program is one of the world's best, and helps students, from beginners to advanced learners, acquire the skills needed to succeed academically and professionally in Japan.

### ■ Engaging Learning Environment

The ICU campus includes modern facilities and a 150-acre wooded campus unrivaled in the greater Tokyo area.

### ■ A Diversity-Rich Campus

Japanese and non-Japanese students and faculty with a wide range of linguistic and cultural backgrounds study, work and live together and learn to serve the needs of an emerging and interconnected world.

### ■ Top Private University in Japan

ICU was ranked as the leading private university in Japan in the Times Higher Education's Japan University Rankings in 2019, 2020 and 2021.



# What Is ICU Like?

The 620,000 m<sup>2</sup> (150 acre) campus is located in Mitaka, in West Tokyo.



## University Hall

University Hall houses large and small classrooms, research centers and offices. Ever since its founding, ICU maintains a focus on student engagement and small discussion-based classes. The university believes that instructing students in small groups is essential to a good liberal arts education.



## Troyer Memorial Arts and Sciences Hall (open in 2023)

Avenue for learning among a good mix of students with disparate interests and backgrounds opens in 2023. The new building will be open to all students as a venue where the sciences and the arts converge, to enhance collaborative learning across diverse disciplines.



## Library

The ICU Library was ranked 1st in the 2023 University Ranking by Asahi Shimbun. The collection of more than 760,000 volumes in English, Japanese and other languages covers every discipline taught at ICU. A group learning area in the connected Mildred Topp Othmer Library supports students' active learning.



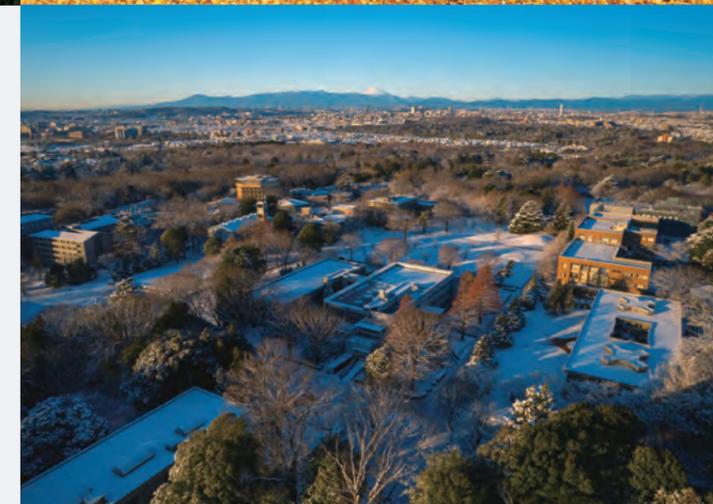
## University Cafeteria

Located on the first floor of Dialogue House, the dining hall is open to students, faculty and visitors. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are available on a daily basis, and vegetarian meals are offered.



## Physical Education Facilities

A state-of-the-art gymnasium, pool and covered tennis pavilion designed by famed architect Kengo Kuma opened in 2018. Outdoor facilities include soccer, baseball and rugby fields, and an archery range.





# Gateway to Knowledge

Expand your potential through liberal arts.

## Facts & Figures (as of 2020)



**31**  
Majors



**840**  
Courses Offered



**2,900**  
Undergraduate enrollment



**50+**  
Countries & Regions  
Represented by Students



**18 : 1**  
Student-to-Faculty Ratio



**36%**  
Non-Japanese Faculty  
\* 90% of all ICU professors have earned academic credentials from universities outside of Japan



**# 1 Ranked**  
Private University  
in 2019, 2020 and 2021  
\*Times Higher Education Japan University Rankings



**5 years**  
Complete B.A. and M.A.  
in "5-year Program"

**Majors** Students declare a major, a double major or a major and a minor at the end of their second year.

- Art and Cultural Heritage
- Music
- Literature
- Philosophy and Religion
- Economics
- Business
- History
- Law
- Public Policy
- Politics
- International Relations
- Sociology
- Anthropology
- Biology
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Information Science
- Language Education
- Linguistics
- Education
- Psychology
- Media, Communication and Culture
- Japan Studies
- American Studies
- Asian Studies
- Gender and Sexuality Studies
- Development Studies
- Global Studies
- Peace Studies
- Environmental Studies

## Four years at ICU

Reflecting the policy of "later specialization," students learn about various areas of study by taking General Education and Foundation Courses during the 1st and 2nd year to identify their individual interest and capabilities. Students are also required to take the assigned courses of the Japanese Language Programs during the first two years.

ICU encourages its students to nurture a broad view of the world, to cultivate flexible thinking by experiencing different areas of knowledge, and to form a comprehensive, versatile academic foundation before beginning the process of selecting a major at the end of their 2nd year.

Even after their major declaration, students can take courses from any major to enhance interdisciplinary study. As a culmination of their studies, all fourth-year students write a senior thesis on a topic of their choosing either in Japanese or English.

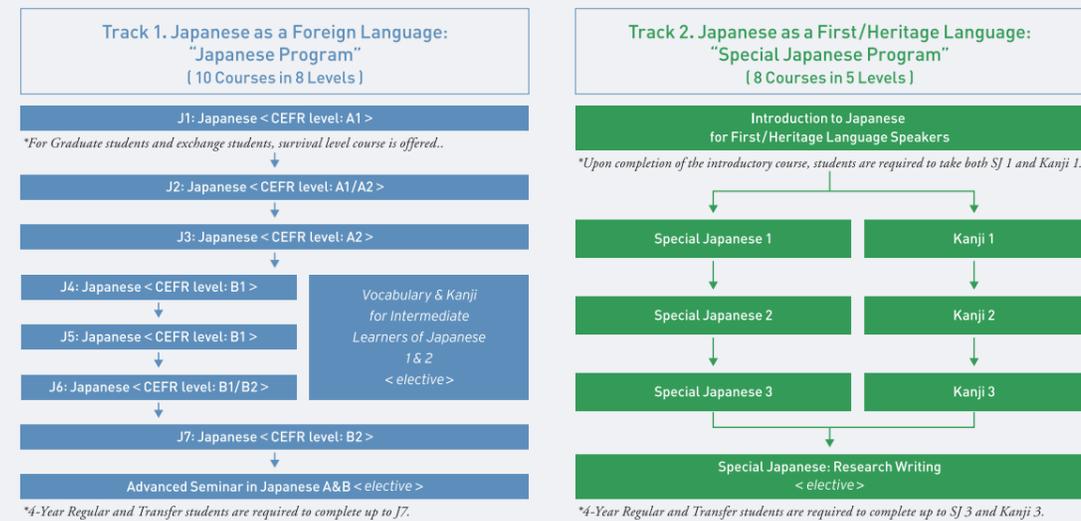
1st year	2nd year	3rd year	4th year	Graduate School
[College-Wide Courses]			<b>5-year Program</b> <a href="https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/academics/5_year_program/">https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/academics/5_year_program/</a>	<b>Complete B.A. and M.A. in 5 years.</b>  <b>Distinctive Study Program</b> • Diplomatic and International Public Service Program • Responsible Global Corporate Executives and Financial Professionals Training Program • IB Teacher Certification Program
Japanese Language Programs [JLP]				
General Education				Graduation (Bachelor of Arts)
Health and Physical Education				
[Specialized Courses]				
Foundation Courses		MAJOR DECLARATION	Area Major Courses Elective Courses	Senior Thesis

# Japanese Language Education

## JAPANESE LANGUAGE PROGRAMS

ICU is committed to being a bilingual university with Japanese and English as its official languages. Students entering ICU through English Language Based Admissions (April / September Entry) will study Japanese in our Japanese Language Programs (JLP) to gain proficiency in Japanese and to enable them to pursue academic studies in Japanese and English.

### The Structure of the Japanese Language Programs <https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/academics/undergraduate/jlp/>

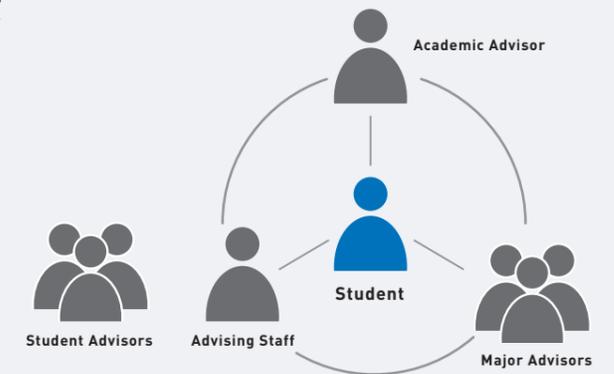


## SUMMER COURSES IN JAPANESE

Summer Courses in Japanese (SCJ) is an intensive six-week program with approximately 50 years of history. Starting in early July, it provides a stimulating environment in which students can increase their understanding of the Japanese language and culture. In addition to the SCJ's 15 weekly class periods of intensive Japanese language instruction, the SCJ also offers cultural programs. Students in the SCJ stay in dormitories on campus or with Japanese families off campus to experience life in Japan. In 2021 and 2022, in response to the COVID pandemic, the SCJ was conducted online.

## Academic Advising and Planning

Each student is assigned an Academic Advisor upon matriculation at ICU. In addition, students are granted a Major Advisor once they declare their major. Staff at the Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL) and specially-trained student advisors within CTL's Academic Planning Center also support students in designing their program of study. The goal is to help students cultivate their independence and active involvement in their studies at ICU.





# Gateway to the World

Learn to embrace difference.

## International Campus

The student population at ICU includes people from over 50 countries and one out of every 10 students does not hold Japanese nationality. International students not only speak different languages but also come from a wide range of cultural backgrounds. Given this diversity, ICU is an environment where students can accept differences, respect each other, and live without boundaries.

This sense of communality extends beyond the classroom walls, too: the relationships that students have with friends in their dormitories and extracurricular activities stretch across national and ethnic borders, making it possible for everyone in the diverse ICU community to share the fruits of learning and growth together.

## International Faculty

36% of the ICU faculty are non-Japanese nationals from nearly 20 different countries and 90% of the faculty have pursued education or research outside of Japan.

## Diversity on Campus

ICU has had a strong commitment to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights since its founding. As such, ICU is a community that upholds the dignity and rights of each student and faculty.

50<sup>+</sup>  
Countries & Regions  
Represented by Students

1:2  
Non-Japanese-to-Japanese  
faculty ratio

90%  
of the faculty  
have education/research  
experience outside of Japan

## International Programs

Since its founding, ICU has offered opportunities for both outgoing and incoming international exchange. Currently, more than 450 ICU students study abroad every year through a variety of overseas study programs.

### List of Exchange Partner Universities

#### Europe

- Belgium  
• Université libre de Bruxelles
- Denmark  
• Aarhus University
- Finland  
• University of Tampere
- France  
• Université de Paris  
• L'Université de Toulouse Jean Jaurès
- Germany  
• Freie Universität Berlin  
• University of Münster
- Iceland  
• University of Iceland
- Lithuania  
• Vytautas Magnus University
- Netherlands  
• Maastricht University  
• Tilburg University
- Poland  
• University of Warsaw
- Russian Federation  
• Moscow State Institute of International Relations
- Slovak Republic  
• Bratislava International School of Liberal Arts
- Spain  
• The Universidad de Málaga
- Sweden  
• University of Gothenburg  
• Linnaeus University
- United Kingdom  
• Birkbeck, University of London  
• Cardiff University  
• University of Durham  
• University of East Anglia  
• The University of Edinburgh  
• University of Essex  
• Goldsmiths, University of London  
• University of Leeds  
• The London School of Economics and Political Science  
• University College London  
• The University of Manchester  
• Newcastle University  
• The University of Sheffield  
• University of Sussex

#### Asia & Oceania

- China / Hong Kong  
• Nanjing University  
• Nanjing Normal University  
• The Chinese University of Hong Kong  
• The University of Hong Kong  
• Hong Kong Baptist University  
• Lingnan University
- India  
• Lady Doak College
- Indonesia  
• Petra Christian University
- Korea  
• Ewha Womans University  
• Korea University  
• Yonsei University
- Philippines  
• Ateneo de Manila University  
• University of the Philippines  
• Silliman University
- Singapore  
• National University of Singapore
- Taiwan  
• Fu Jen Catholic University  
• National Chengchi University  
• Tunghai University
- Thailand  
• Mahidol University  
• Thammasat University
- Australia  
• The University of Queensland  
• Queensland University of Technology
- New Zealand  
• The University of Waikato

#### North & South America

- Canada  
• University of Alberta  
• The University of British Columbia  
• British Columbia Institute of Technology  
• University of Windsor
- United States  
• University at Buffalo, The State University of New York  
• University of California  
  - Berkeley
  - Davis
  - Irvine
  - Los Angeles
  - Merced
  - Riverside
  - San Diego
  - Santa Barbara
  - Santa Cruz
- Duke University  
• Georgetown University  
• Grand Valley State University  
• Guilford College  
• Haverford College  
• University of Massachusetts at Amherst  
• Middlebury College  
• The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
• The Ohio State University  
• University of Pennsylvania  
• Pomona College  
• Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey  
• The University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
• Washington and Lee University  
• Washington State University  
• Western Washington University  
• The College of Wooster
- Chile  
• Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile
- Colombia  
• Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogotá and Cali

99  
Universities\*  
in 37  
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Programs\*

► International Programs

<https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/academics/global/>



\*Including all International Programs



# Gateway to Community

Broaden your view through interactions with people from different backgrounds.



## On-Campus Dormitories

Dormitories at ICU are where students foster respect for human rights and diversity, and learn to share responsibilities and duties inherent in communal living. All 10 on-campus dormitories are set in natural surroundings, and students can enjoy the changing seasons. They are conveniently located near facilities such as the University Hall, the dining hall and the library.

Approximately 900 students (30% of the student body) live in the dormitories. Japanese and non-Japanese students live together and are able to share their diverse social, linguistic, cultural and religious backgrounds and ways of thinking.

<https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/campuslife/dormitories/>



10  
Dormitories  
on campus

## Dormitory Fees (AY2022)

Admission Fee	¥56,000 (\$406) (€400)
Dormitory Fee	¥313,500 – ¥569,500/year (approx. \$2,272 – \$4,127) (approx. €2,239 – €4,068)

\$1=¥138, €1=¥140

30%  
of ICU students  
live on campus

## Extracurricular Activities

ICU students are engaged in a variety of extracurricular activities in the arts, sports, music and cultural fields. Events including the ICU Festival, Christian and International Weeks and the Dormitory Festival are planned and carried out by students. Currently, there are over 50 officially recognized clubs and various independent groups active at ICU.

<https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/campuslife/club/>



# Gateway to the Future

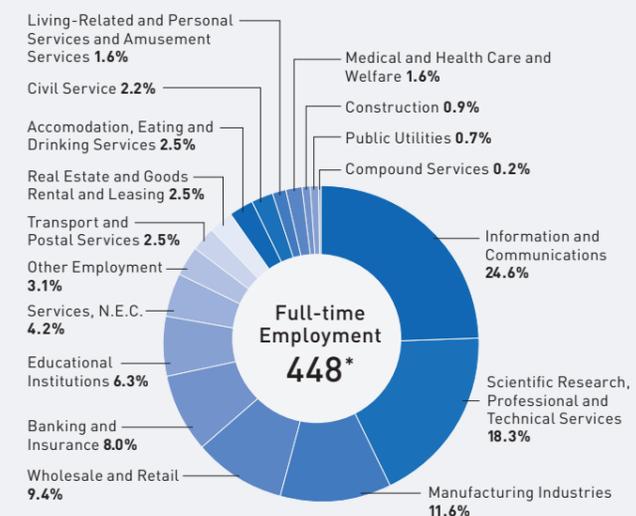
Reach out to the world through ICU.

## Graduate Careers

ICU believes that self-guided learning and experiences gleaned through four-years of study shape the careers of ICU graduates. ICU faculty, staff and alumni support ICU graduates as they embark on their careers.

Most of the students who seek employment find jobs in a wide range of industries, and many pursue careers with global companies and international organizations. The success of ICU students can be attributed to their broad knowledge, multilingual capabilities, sound judgment, creative thinking and international orientation.

## Employment Rate and Data by Industry



\*Employment data 2020 for graduates of the College of Liberal Arts

## Companies Employing ICU Graduates

IBM Japan / Rakuten Group / PwC Consulting / Accenture Japan / NHK (Japan Broadcasting Corporation) / Amazon Japan / Benesse Style Care / DAIKIN INDUSTRIES / Isuzu Motors / Oracle Corporation / Panasonic Corporation etc.

Approximately 20% of graduates opt to go to graduate schools in Japan or overseas.

## Graduate Schools Accepting ICU Graduates in Japan:

ICU / Univ. of Tokyo / Tokyo Institute of Tech / Univ. of Tsukuba ,etc.

## Overseas:

Univ. of Melbourne / Univ. of Sussex / Univ. of East Anglia / Univ. of London / Univ. of Edinburgh ,etc.

The educational experience at ICU encourages students to carry with them a pioneering spirit of openness to constructive change and alternative points of view. This is why a large number of graduates can be found in all corners of the globe.

<https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/campuslife/career/>





# Gateway to ICU

ICU welcomes students with diverse cultural backgrounds, regardless of race, color, gender, sexuality or national origin.

## Admissions

ICU admits students who can thrive academically and personally at ICU, in line with its goal to cultivate responsible global citizens. Applicants for the **English Language Based Admissions (April / September Entry)** undergo a documentary screening process in English, which requires the submission of standardized test scores, such as SAT, ACT, or IB. No prior knowledge of Japanese is required to apply to ICU. Admissions decisions are based on a holistic review of applicants with the goal of identifying students who are able to thrive in a liberal arts environment.

\*Those who wish to study at ICU for one academic year but not from our exchange partner universities should apply for One-Year-Regular Student status through the English Language Based Admissions (April / September Entry).

▶ Please check our website for the details of the admissions <https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/admissions/undergraduate/engdoc> 

**Special website to find out more about learning at ICU**

▶ **GLOBAL ICU**

Every Day is "Global" at ICU. Explore ICU's Global Learning Environment.



<https://www.icu.ac.jp/globalicu/en/> 

▶ **Stories; Students, Faculty, Alumni**

Message for Prospective Students



<https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/about/interviews/> 

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▶ Please check our website 

<https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/>

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<https://www.facebook.com/ICUOfficialJPN/>

## Tuition and Fees (AY2023)

	Annually
Undergraduate	¥1,455,000 (\$10,543) (€10,393)

\$1=¥138, €1=¥140

Matriculation Fee: Regular/Transfer students: ¥300,000  
One-Year-Regular/Kenkyusei: ¥150,000

The tuition fees only comprise 69% of the educational expenses ICU spends per student, and the rest is covered by endowment revenues and other resources.

## Financial Aid

Financing a college education is a major consideration for most students and families. ICU offers extensive opportunities for financial aid, including a range of scholarships for international students subject to their need and merit.

For example, with good academic standing, nearly 100% of international students who applied for tuition reduction scholarships were granted up to a one-third reduction of the annual tuition and facilities fees. The majority of ICU financial aid is awarded after enrollment, but the following two scholarships can be applied for together with the application for admissions to ICU.

ICU Peace Bell Scholarship: One million yen per year for four years (the standard length of time to graduate from ICU)  
ICU Torch Relay High Endeavor Scholarship: Covers matriculation fee, first term tuition and facilities fees (approx. 785,000 yen)

Also, there are other scholarships for international students, such as "Univeristy of Tomorrow Scholarship" which covers matriculation fees, tuition, facilities fees, housing, and living expenses for the four years of an undergraduate program. For details, please visit the website below.

<https://www.icu.ac.jp/en/admissions/finance/>

## JICUF Global Scholarships

Japan ICU Foundation (JICUF) is an independent educational foundation based in New York City. JICUF provides ICU students and faculty with scholarships and grants and manages a variety of international educational and research programs.

<https://www.jicuf.org/scholarships/> 

## A Supportive Campus

ICU also provides support for students with different needs.

- Health Care Office
- Counseling Center
- Vegetarian dishes at the Dining Hall
- Muslim Prayer Room
- Nursing Room
- Special Needs Support Services (SNS), etc.

## ICU at a Glance

<b>Establishment</b>	1953
<b>Accreditation</b>	The Japan University Accreditation Association (JUAA) Chartered by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)
<b>Degrees Offered</b>	BA, MA, Ph.D.
<b>Enrollment</b>	Approx. 2,900 Undergraduate, 210 Graduate
<b>Language of Instruction</b>	Japanese and English
<b>Academic Calendar</b>	Autumn Term: September-November Winter Term: December-March Spring Term: April-June