



Tokyo Gakugei University (Tokyo)

Providing instructions focused on a broad field of education

◇ University overview

○ Characteristics and History

(1) Tokyo Gakugei University (TGU) is located in Koganei City, which is about thirty minutes away from Shinjuku by train. Although located in Tokyo, the university is situated in a serene environment and is surrounded by greenery.

TGU was founded in 1949, integrating four “normal” schools, and has produced many talented individuals who now serve in the field of education across Japan.

In 1988, in addition to the teacher training courses, liberal arts courses were established in an attempt to train a wider range of students able to contribute to society, including in fields other than education. In 1996, the United Graduate School of Education (doctoral courses) was inaugurated with the aim of producing researchers in education, focusing on school education.

TGU is affiliated with 12 schools, including those for children with disabilities. It also boasts of an impressive list of institutions specializing in teacher training, such as Organization of Support Centers for School Teachers, Organization for Innovative Development of Educational Human Resources and so on.

(2) Faculty, Number of Teaching Staff, Enrolled Students (as of May 1, 2023)

Faculty: Education

Number of full-time teaching staff : 281

Number of enrolled students : 5223

○ International Exchange

- Number of Academic Exchange Agreements 67 (as of May 1, 2023)

- Number of international students:
 - 187 (as of May 1, 2023)
 - 152 (as of May 1, 2022)
 - 145 (as of May 1, 2021)
- Number of students in the Teacher Training Program:
 - 2023: 4 , 2022: 5 , 2021: 9



<Interaction during school visit >

◇ Outline and characteristics of the Teacher Training Program

① Characteristics of the program

Under the guidance of an academic advisor in the education division, students receive instruction that focuses on the broad field of education. The program also provides students with opportunities to visit affiliated schools for interactive classes with students.

An intensive Japanese language course for beginners (about 9 classes per week) is available during the first semester for students whose Japanese language proficiency is inadequate.

② Number of students to be accepted: 20

③ Period of scholarship: From October 2024 to March 2026

④ Requirement for program completion

Those who have completed the courses listed below and submitted a research report that is approved by the academic advisor will receive a certificate of completion issued by the President of Tokyo Gakugei University.

- 1) Compulsory course...Special seminar for the students in the first semester of the teacher training program
- 2) Elective required courses...Students must take at least two courses from the three groups of courses: “Japanese Studies,” “Multicultural Co-learning,” and “International Student Education Program (ISEP)” courses.

⑤ Outline of the Program

(1) Japanese Language and Culture Education
Five levels of Japanese language courses are offered, from the beginning level up to advanced level. Students can choose the appropriate courses depending on the Japanese language proficiency level. Japanese studies courses, conducted in both English and Japanese, as well as multi-cultural courses with Japanese students are also available.

(2) Special seminar

Students take a special seminar in the first semester of the program to learn Japanese education and culture. It includes lectures, discussion, school visits, and off-campus cultural activities. Students make a presentation about their learning experiences at the end of the semester.

(3) Specialized Education

Students receive various forms of training under the guidance of the academic advisor. The training includes courses related to their specialties, individual research, school visits, and seminars.

(4) Field Trips and Workshops

There are various field trips and workshops scheduled in the program. For example, workshops on regional performing arts, visits to traditional Japanese arts and cultures such as Kabuki and Sumo, and excursions to local museums and facilities. There are some more cultural exchange and interactions with students from affiliated schools.

◇ Follow-up for graduates

- Student research reports are published as the results of their training, and they are sent to the students as well as the relevant institutes of higher education.
- Related information is posted on the websites of the Teacher Training Program, international alumni, as well as the Facebook page of the Alumni Network of International Students.

<Gakugei International Student Centre>
<https://www.u-akugei.ac.jp/~gisec/program03/index.html>

<Facebook Page for the alumni>
<https://www.facebook.com/GisecTokyoGakugeiUniversity>

◇ Accommodations

- Number of Rooms
International House: 48 single rooms
- Monthly Rent (No prepayment)
International House: ¥5,900
·Excluding utility costs
- Facilities
A bed, desk, chair, etc.
- Travel Time to Related Facilities
International House: about ten-minutes' walk

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