



Niigata University (Niigata Prefecture)



Niigata University offers three Programs for foreign students and researchers who have various interests in the practices and system of education in Japan. Within these programs, students can not only have personal guidance from advisors and attend to related seminars but also have chances to visit actual sites of educational practices according to their research themes.

◇ University overview

Niigata University was established in 1949 in Niigata City as the center for higher education and research in the areas along the Sea of Japan. The university has ten Faculties, five Graduate Schools and Medical and Dental Hospital, where about 12,200 students receive undergraduate and graduate education and about 3,300 academic staff and officers work. There are two campuses in the City: Asahimachi Campus, located in the center of the City, has Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Dentistry, and Attached Schools: Niigata Elementary School, Niigata Junior High School, and School for Special Education. Ikarashi Campus, located in the west of the City, has eight Faculties including Faculty of Education. Niigata City commands the Sea of Japan, and in its behind, there spreads Echigo Plain, the biggest plain in Japan. You can go to Niigata City by bullet train from Tokyo in two hours. Everyone who visits Niigata for the first time is surprised to know that there exists the intellectual community surrounded by beautiful nature within two hours reach from Tokyo. All the people who have ever lived in Niigata are impressed with the high amenity of the City and the traditional Japanese food still firmly rooted in the daily life. The Faculty of Education providing the Program for Teacher Training Students has about 1,000 students and over 70 faculty members. The majors of the faculty members cover such wide area such as sociology, Japanese, English, Home economics, Industrial arts, etc.

○ International exchange

Agreement on University Level:

98 institutions (29 countries/regions)

Agreements on Faculty/Graduate School Level:

261 cases (33 countries/regions)

Number of International students

Y2021: 366 (0 student from this program)

Y2020: 468 (0 student from this program)

Y2019: 545 (0 student from this program)

◇ Outline and characteristics of the course for Teacher Training Students

1 Characteristics of the program

We provide three Programs, which will satisfy the various interests of foreigners on Japanese educational practice and system. Each Program is organized and run by academic staff at Faculty of Education, who have profound knowledge and wide experiences on the theme covered by the Program. If necessary, the programs will arrange study visits to schools attached or in local districts.

2 Number of students to be accepted: 6

3 Outline of the course

(1) Japanese language education

During the first six months, international teachers are to receive Intensive Course on Japanese provided by the Center for International Education, Niigata University.

(2) Specialized training

After the six-month intensive training on Japanese, international teachers will start one-year training in the Programs. At the beginning, each Program provides the introductory lectures. Upon the discussion with the Program staff, international teachers decide the course(s) and seminar(s) they will take part in. If necessary, the staff will arrange a practical study of teaching methods and a class teaching in elementary, junior and junior high schools of the Niigata school district.

① Program on Peace Education

-History of peace education in Japan and its current issues
-Development of educational materials on peace education for students' countries

② Program on Sport Education

-Understanding the value of international exchanges through sports

③ Program on Technical Education

-Development of educational practice using information network

-Fundamentals of mechanical engineering, electronic engineering, and information engineering for basic technical training in general education

◇ Follow-up for graduates

Students can consult with their supervisors through email even after completion of their training course.

◇ Accommodations

·Niigata University International House

- The number of single rooms: 43

- Monthly rent: 22,000 yen (single room)

- Facilities: Bath and toilet unit, kitchen unit, hot water facilities, air-conditioning and heating equipment

- Equipment: Bed, desk, chair, bookshelf, wardrobe, cupboard with table, gas cooking unit, refrigerator, microwave oven, and fire extinguisher

- It is for researchers and students from abroad, located on the campus. Also, Niigata University offers Co-op Leased Apartments Supported by Niigata University to international students near the campus.

◇ 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.
17001	AIBA Kazuhiko (Professor)	kaiba@ed.niigata-u.ac.jp	International Education	Program on Peace Education	Japanese	2	International teachers are required the ability to command English in daily conversation. 1 student
17002	KAMAMOTO Takeshi (Associate Professor)	kamamoto@ed.niigata-u.ac.jp	Social Studies				
17003	MAEDA Yosuke (Associate Professor)	y.maeda@ed.niigata-u.ac.jp	Social Studies				
17004	KOBAYASHI Shigeko (Associate Professor)	s-kobayashi@ed.niigata-u.ac.jp	Social Studies				
17005	USHIYAMA Yukihiko (Professor)	ushiyama@ed.niigata-u.ac.jp	Health and Physical Education	Program on Sport Education	Japanese	2	International teachers are required the ability to command English in daily conversation. 1 student
17006	YASAKA Takeshi (Professor)	yasaka@ed.niigata-u.ac.jp	Health and Physical Education				
17007	SUZUKI Kenji (Professor)	suzuki@ed.niigata-u.ac.jp	Technical Education	Program on Technical Education	Japanese	2	International teachers are required the ability to command English in daily conversation.
17008	SATO Ryoichi (Professor)	sator@ed.niigata-u.ac.jp	Technical Education				