Skills to be Attained

GRIPS

National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies Graduate School of Policy Studies	
(One Year Program)	(Two Year Program)
Master in Public Policy/Master in Public Economics	Master of Arts in Public Economics
Scholars are expected to acquire a solid theoretical un macroeconomics, microeconomics, and econometrics issues and conducting research.	derstanding of core economic subjects such as , which serves as foundations for analyzing practical policy
	wide range of economic policy issues of their interest, which y, economic development, climate change, and political
	y design in developed countries, particularly Japan, and in ies and benefitting from the instructors' actual experience in
	s in data sciences, which includes using relevant softwares sing data, and applying modern techniques such as machine
thesis/policy paper, the issue of plagiarism, and rules f	papers, which includes understanding the basic structure of for citation, and how to orally present their results, which sages effectively, and handling questions in a professional

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HIT

Hitotsubashi University	
School of International and Public Policy	
Macroeconomic Policy Program	
Master of Public Policy (Public Economics)	
Scholars are expected to acquire expertise in economics to understand and analyze complex policy issues.	
Scholars are trained to apply their economic knowledge to address real-world policy challenges effectively.	
Scholars gain proficiency in data science and learn to use analytical tools for practical policy applications.	
Scholars develop the practical skills needed to design, implement, and evaluate effective public policies.	

IUJ

International University of Japan

Graduate School of International Relations

Macroeconomic Policy Program

Master of Arts in International Development or Master of Arts in Economics

Analytical Skills

Our curriculum is designed to enable JISPA scholars to become well-trained macroeconomists—individuals equipped with the analytical thinking skills required for this field. The ultimate objective of studying a branch of social science is to acquire and internalize its logic to the extent that it becomes second nature. Our curriculum is tailored to develop and strengthen scholars' abilities to conceptualize, design, and carry out impactful research projects using the logic and models of macroeconomics.

Research Skills

Through rigorous coursework and advanced seminars, JISPA scholars will gain the skills necessary to conduct research and write theses under the supervision of IDP/MPP faculty. This hands-on experience, combined with a solid theoretical foundation, prepares scholars to tackle significant economic questions and contribute to advancing the field of macroeconomics.

Computational Skills

The program places a strong emphasis on computational proficiency, equipping scholars with the tools to analyze large datasets using advanced methodologies. Scholars will gain practical experience with industry-standard software tools such as Stata, Python, and R, which are integral to modern economic analysis. Applications include econometric modeling, data mining, and the use of machine learning techniques in policy evaluation. This computational focus ensures that scholars are adept at data manipulation and analysis—skills that are increasingly vital in today's digitized economy.

Communication Skills and Leadership

IUJ recognizes the importance of soft skills, particularly communication and leadership. The university offers courses specifically designed to enhance these skills. Additionally, IUJ collaborates with its student body to organize events where students have opportunities to present their research. These activities are designed to refine scholars' ability to effectively convey complex economic concepts, enabling them to engage with diverse stakeholders in both policymaking and academic contexts.

Language Skills

IUJ's Center for Language Education and Research (CLEAR) provides comprehensive language training through the English Language Program (ELP) and the Japanese Language Program (JLP). These programs equip IUJ students with essential communication skills for their academic and professional careers.

The ELP focuses on improving students' English proficiency to ensure they can follow courses effectively while also enhancing their research paper writing, oral presentation, and group discussion skills. IUJ offers a variety of English language courses throughout the year to help students develop the English skills necessary for academic success and post-graduation career development.

Among these, IUJ's Intensive English Program (IEP) offers intermediate- to advanced-level English training for students preparing to enter IUJ's graduate programs or for professionals needing immersive English training for international work assignments. Additionally, English courses offered as part of IUJ's graduate programs provide further language support.

First-year students can take Academic English courses to build a strong foundation for success in graduate studies. Second-year students can take specialized courses, such as English for Research Writing and English for Thesis Writing, to prepare for writing their MA thesis or Research Report. Additionally, both first- and second-year students can take the Academic English Literacy course to enhance their debate and written argumentation skills.

Skills to be Attained

UTokyo

University of Tokyo Graduate School of Public Policy Macroeconomic Policy Program Master of Public Policy

Policy analysis and evidence-based policymaking: Scholars are expected to acquire current academic knowledge and analytical skills to identify and address macroeconomic policy challenges in their countries. The knowledge and skills they gain will enable them to engage in evidence-based policymaking.

Macroeconomic management and policy implementation: Scholars are expected to attain practical knowledge about monetary and fiscal policy, international finance, financial regulations, trade policy, and development strategy and to be able to apply this knowledge within the context of their own countries.

Governance and institutional building: Scholars are expected to familiarize themselves with public governance issues, legal systems, and institutional frameworks. This understanding will help them shape effective economic policymaking and implementation processes.

Communication, negotiation, and leadership skills: Scholars should develop the ability to communicate and negotiate effectively with domestic and international stakeholders involved in policymaking and implementation. They are also expected to cultivate leadership skills to take on significant roles in their respective organizations.

Cross-cultural and global perspectives: Scholars are expected to gain a global perspective by interacting with peers from diverse national, cultural, academic, and professional backgrounds.