

2026 Fall Enrollees

Graduation Requirements Guidance

College of Asia Pacific Studies (APS)
2023 Curriculum / English-basis

Student Office



These materials are available on the New Student Orientation website. Please feel free to scan the QR code and look at the materials while listening.



Please check the [website](#) regularly if there is anything you don't understand about course registration.



There will be a Q&A section at the end of the guidance session.



1. Understand university studies/structure
2. Understand your graduation requirements
3. Learn about how to prepare for course registration



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October	Fall Semester	1 st Quarter
November		
December		2 nd Quarter
January		
February		Winter Session
March		
April	Spring Semester	1 st Quarter
May		
June		2 nd Quarter
July		
August		Summer Session
September		

What is the Academic Calendar?

- A calendar that shows the annual university schedule. Each year is divided into 2 semesters, and each semester is further split into 2 quarters and a session.
- The Spring Semester starts in April, and the Fall Semester starts in October.
- A session is a weeklong class period at the beginning of each of the long vacations.



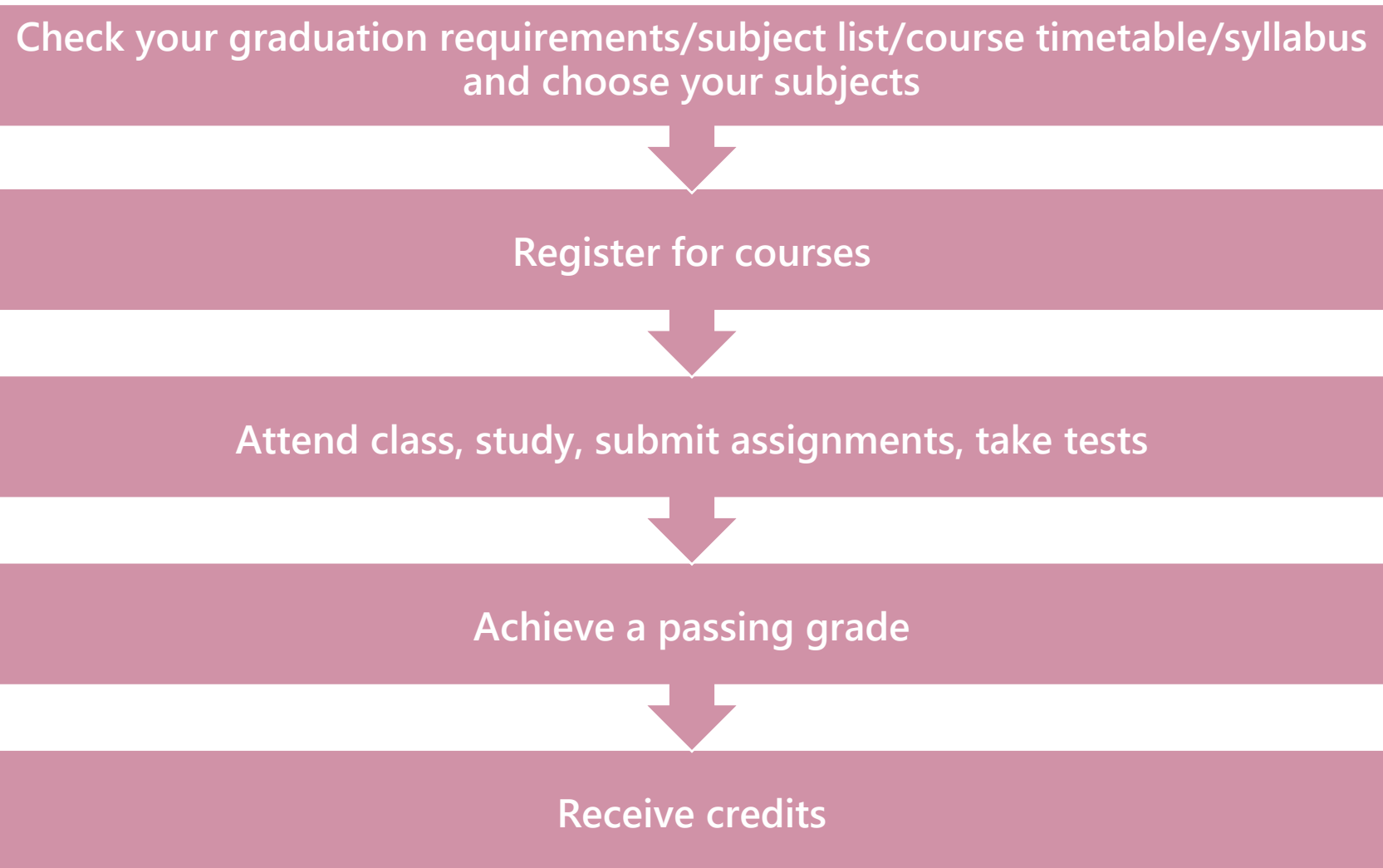
Explaining Academic Year and Semester Levels

- ▶ Students who Enroll in Spring: The Spring Semester is their first semester

1 st Year		2 nd Year		3 rd Year		4 th Year	
Spring Semester	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Fall Semester
1st Semester	2nd Semester	3rd Semester	4th Semester	5th Semester	6th Semester	7th Semester	8th Semester

- ▶ Students who Enroll in Fall: The Fall Semester is their first semester

1 st Year		2 nd Year		3 rd Year		4 th Year	
Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
1st Semester	2nd Semester	3rd Semester	4th Semester	5th Semester	6th Semester	7th Semester	8th Semester



Types of Courses

Spring Semester: Classes are taught over 2 months, either from April to May (1st Quarter) or from June to July (2nd Quarter)

Fall Semester: Classes are taught over 2 months, either from October to November (1st Quarter) or from December to January (2nd Quarter)

Course Type	Credits	Offered	Classes Per Week	Total No. of Classes
Lecture Subjects	2	Quarter-basis (2 months)	2	14
		Semester-basis (4 months)	1	
Seminar Subjects	2	Semester-basis (4 months)	1	14
Language Subjects	4	Semester-basis (4 months)	4	56
	2		2	28

Spring Semester: Classes are taught over 4 months from April to July

Fall Semester: Classes are taught over 4 months from October to January

Course Formats

Courses are offered in one of two formats: “In-person” or “Distance Learning (Online/On Demand)”.

Please check both the syllabus and course timetable for information about the class format for each course.

Course Format		How to Attend Classes
In-person Courses		Classes are taught in person (in the classroom). However, some class sessions may be held online (via Zoom). In that case, students need to attend online (via Zoom) for those classes.
Distance Learning Courses	Online	Classes are held in real-time. Classes will be taught via Zoom on the day and period indicated on the course timetable.
	On Demand	Course materials and recorded lectures are uploaded to Moodle or another platform, and students must watch them and submit any assignments within the set time period. In principle, the materials will be made available on the day and period listed on the course timetable.

(Warning about Credit Requirements) –Please be careful about the following when registering for courses by yourself from your 2nd semester onwards–

Under the Standards for the Establishment of Universities and APU’s University Regulations, the maximum number of credits from Distance Learning Courses that can be counted towards graduation is 60 credits. If a student earns more than 60 credits from applicable courses, the additional credits will not count towards the number of credits needed for graduation. For more information, please see [Course Formats](#) (website).

Sample Timetable (1st & 2nd Quarter)

- Please remember that your timetable will be different in the 1st and 2nd quarter if you register for quarter-basis courses!
- You cannot register for semester-basis courses during the days and class periods where you have registered for quarter-basis courses.

Period	Class Time	Term	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	8:45-10:25	1Q	Japanese Foundation Course I	Japanese Foundation Course I	Student Success Workshop	Japanese Foundation Course I	Japanese Foundation Course I
		2Q					
2	10:35-12:15	1Q			Multicultural Cooperative Workshop	1 st Quarter Subjects	
		2Q					
3	12:30-14:10	1Q	Japanese Foundation Course II	Japanese Foundation Course II		Japanese Foundation Course II	Japanese Foundation Course II
		2Q					
4	14:20-16:00	1Q				Semester Subjects	
		2Q					
5	16:10-17:50	1Q	Bioethics				
		2Q					
6	18:00-19:40	1Q				2 nd Quarter Subjects	
		2Q					

► Regular Grades

Grade	Mark	Pass/Fail
A+	90% or above	Pass (Receive Credits)
A	80-89%	
B	70-79%	
C	60-69%	
F	59% or below	Fail

► Other Grades

Code	Meaning	Notes
P	Pass	Used for some courses
T	Transfer	Maximum of 60 credits*
E	Exempt	Not included in credit calculations

* For 2nd and 3rd year transfer students, credits transferred to APU at the time of enrollment are not included in this limit.

► What is GPA?

GPA is a value that represents a student's overall grade evaluation, calculated from the individual grades of their classes based on APU's specific calculation method.

- **Cumulative GPA:**

Calculated using all grades **from enrollment to current semester**

Used for: Academic Transcripts, Student Exchange, Accelerated Graduation Program, etc.

- **Semester GPA:**

Calculated using all grades **from that semester only**

Used for: Scholarship Screenings, etc.

1-2. College of Asia Pacific Studies (APS)

Graduation Requirements & Subject Fields

► **What is a Curriculum?**

Your curriculum sets out your graduation requirements and the courses you can take. It is determined by the year you enroll at APU.

Your curriculum will stay the same until graduation. (Excluding cases where there is a change in student status, such as withdrawal, etc.)

September 2026 Enrollees

2011 Curriculum (AY 2011 – AY 2016 Enrollees)	2017 Curriculum (AY 2017 – AY 2022 Enrollees)	2023 Curriculum (Students who Enroll from April 2023 Onwards)
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- APS's graduation requirements change greatly depending on your enrollment language.
- **For English-basis students, your starting level for Japanese Language Subjects will be determined by the results of the Placement Test.**
- Depending on your starting level for Japanese, the number of Japanese Language credits required for graduation changes.
- Your curriculum will stay the same until graduation. (Excluding cases where there is a change in student status, such as withdrawal, etc.)

College	College of Asia Pacific Studies (APS)						
Enrollment Language	Japanese-Basis (J)						
English Starting Level (English Language Credits Required for Graduation)	Elementary (24)	Pre-Intermediate (18)	Intermediate (12)	Upper Intermediate (6)	Advanced 1 (12)	Advanced 2 (6)	Exempt (0)
English Course Track	Standard Track (ST)				Advanced Track (AT)		
Curriculum	APS 23 JST				APS 23 JAT		
Meaning	2023 APS Curriculum Japanese-Basis Standard Track				2023 APS Curriculum Japanese-Basis Advanced Track		

English-Basis (E)

APS 23 E

**2023 APS Curriculum
English-Basis**

▶ Excerpt from the APS 2023 Curriculum Outline

		1st Year		2nd Year		3rd Year		4th Year
APS Major Education Subjects	Core Subjects	Introduction to Area Studies	2					
	Culture, Society, & Media (CSM)			Sociology 2 Transnational Sociology 2 Social Stratification 2 Religion and Society 2 Education and Society 2 Language and Society 2 Environment and Society 2 Food System and Society 2 Global Poverty 2 Globalization and Regionalism 2 Multiculturalism and Society 2 Gender Studies 2 Cultural Anthropology 2	Cultural Studies 2 Media and Culture 2 Media and Law 2 Media and History 2 Digital Technology and Society 2 Global History 2 Political Theory 2 Human Rights 2 Peace Studies 2 The Humanities and Modernity 2 Social Psychology 2 Big Data Analysis 2	Advanced Sociology 2 Social Theory 2 Ethnicity and the Nation State 2 Identity and Politics 2 Media and Politics 2 Media and Conflict 2 New Media and Society 2 A World History of Interaction 2		
	Global Economy (GE)			Social Stratification 2 Transnational Sociology 2 Cultural Anthropology 2 Microeconomics 2 Macroeconomics 2 Agriculture and Resources 2 Food System and Society 2 Environment and Society 2 Analysis of Global Economy 2 Global Poverty 2	Econometrics 2 Game Theory 2 International Cooperation 2 Politics of Development 2 Comparative Political Economy of the Asia Pacific 2 Conflict and Development 2 Project Management 2 Energy Management 2 Big Data Analysis 2	Behavioral Economics and Experimental Economics 2 Japanese Economy 2 International Economics 2 Asian Economy 2 Development Economics 2 Industrial Ecology 2 Environmental Communication 2 Global Health Economics 2	American Economy 2 European Economy 2 International Organizations 2 Public Policy 2 International Political Economy 2 Special Lecture (Economic Issues in Asia, Middle East & Africa) 2 International Finance 2 Environmental Economics 2	
	International Relations (IR)			International Relations Theory 2 International Cooperation 2 Human Rights 2 Political Theory 2 Politics of Development 2 Comparative Political Economy of the Asia Pacific 2	History of International Politics 2 International Law 2 Global Issues and Policies 2 Conflict and Development 2 Peace Studies 2 Globalization and Regionalism 2	Ethnicity and the Nation State 2 Media and Politics 2 Media and Conflict 2 International Relations in the Asia Pacific 2 International Organizations 2 Public Policy 2 International Political Economy 2	Identity and Politics 2 Geo-Politics and Post Cold War Conflicts 2 Violence and Terrorism 2 Globalization and Law 2 International Conflict Resolution 2 Foreign Policy of Japan 2 Strategic Decision Making 2	
	APS Common A			Special Lecture(Asia Pacific Studies) 2 APS Field Study 2				
	APS Common B			Area Studies 2 Advanced Area Studies 8			Field Research Project 4	
	Seminar Subjects			Introduction to Research in Asia Pacific Studies 2 Research Method 2		Major Seminar 2	Graduation Research I 2 Graduation Research II 2 Graduation Thesis 2	

- The curriculum outline shows all the subjects you can take until graduation. (This image only shows some of the subjects) (Subjects from other colleges are not included)
- Among the subjects available to APS students, there are some **subjects that students must earn credits for in order to graduate.**



Graduation Requirements

Educational Objectives

The College of Asia Pacific Studies, drawing on the paradigm shift of the 21st century turbulent global society, aims to promote a comprehensive understanding of the diverse societies, political conditions, economies, cultures and their uniqueness, in the Asia Pacific region; will provide the educational environment that enables the acquisition of problem-solving and practical skill based on foundational and specialized knowledge in the social sciences to solve the diverse problems the Asia-Pacific region faces. At the same time, we aim to nurture students trained with expertise, empathy, communication skills, and integrity (noble-minded and strength of core) to contribute to the sustainable development and coexistence in the region.

Diploma Policy

To accomplish the educational and research objectives set forth in APU's regulations, the College of Asia Pacific Studies has established graduation requirements and a diploma policy as follows.

(Diploma Policy)

The College of Asia Pacific Studies has established the following six educational goals to ensure students acquire in-depth knowledge of the Asia Pacific region and the ability to be active in the international community, including the Asia Pacific region, which will drive the paradigm shift in global society in the turbulent 21st century.

1. Gain the ability to comprehensively and deeply understand the diverse and unique societies, politics, economies, and cultures of the Asia Pacific region.
2. Master the basic knowledge, theories, and methodologies of the social sciences, especially sociology, political science, and economics during the first and second years of study.
3. Understand the specialized knowledge, theories, and methodologies in one of the three areas of specialized studies: "Culture, Society, and Media," "International Relations," and "Global Economy."
4. Acquire problem-solving and practical skills by facing the reality of the Asia Pacific region.
5. Become able to study a topic (sub-discipline) from a specialized perspective in a small group seminar and write a graduation thesis or report that reflects the results of the student's four years of study.
6. Gain empathy, communication skills, and personal integrity needed for leadership in the Asia Pacific region through 4 years of experiences in a multicultural environment both on and off campus with the goal of contributing to sustainable development and coexistence in the Asia Pacific region.

APS: Graduation Requirements

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- English-basis students do not need to fulfill requirement no. 5.

No.	Graduation Requirement
1	Enroll for at least four years
2	Complete at least 124 credits in total
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7	Complete at least one of the required Common Liberal Arts Subjects for each of the three Areas of Study, earning a total of at least 6 credits for these subjects
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Graduation Requirement 2: Complete at least 124 credits in total

- Students must complete at least 124 credits to graduate
- There are also some specific rules about how to earn those 124 credits.

Total	Subject Field	Sub total	Subject Field	Required Credits
At least 124 credits	Common Education Subjects	40	Language Education Subjects_Required Japanese	16
			Common Liberal Arts Subjects	10
			Elective Required [CSM] Introduction to Major	2
			Elective Required [GE] Introduction to Major	2
			Elective Required [IR] Introduction to Major	2
			Language Education Subjects and/or Common Liberal Arts Subjects	8
	APS Major Education Subjects	62	Registered Area of Study's Major Education Subjects *Including 2 credits of Required_Graduation Research II	36
	Other College Major Education Subjects	0		
	Subjects Not Counted Towards Graduation	0		

Starting from
"Foundation Japanese I"

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Specific rules about how to earn
124 credits

Graduation Requirement 3: Complete all required language subjects (or be exempted from required language subjects)

► **English-basis students are required to take Japanese Language Subjects!**

- Your **starting level for Japanese Language Subjects is decided** by the results of the placement test you took at enrollment.
- The university will automatically assign you to classes until you earn all the required credits.

Starting Level	No. of Credits Required for Graduation	Required Japanese Subjects			
		Foundation I (4 Credits)	Foundation II (4 Credits)	Foundation III (4 Credits)	Intermediate (4 Credits)
Foundation I	16	Both Registered in 1 st Semester		After Completing Foundation I – II	After Completing Foundation I – III
Foundation II	12	Exempt	1 st Semester	After Completing Foundation II	After Completing Foundation II – III
Foundation III	8	Exempt	Exempt	1 st Semester	After Completing Foundation III
Intermediate	4	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	1 st Semester
Higher than Intermediate	0	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt

Graduation Requirement 3: Complete all required language subjects (or be exempted from required language subjects)

- Depending on your starting level for Japanese, the number of required credits for **Japanese Language Subjects** and **Language Education Subjects and/or Common Liberal Arts Subjects** will differ.

Total	Subject Field	Sub total	Starting from "Foundation Japanese I"	Subject Field	Required Credits
At least 124 credits	Common Education Subjects	40	Language Education Subjects_Required Japanese		16
			Common Liberal Arts Subjects		10
			Elective Required [CSM] Introduction to Major		2
			Elective Required [GE] Introduction to Major		2
			Elective Required [IR] Introduction to Major		2
			Language Education Subjects and/or Common Liberal Arts Subjects		8
	APS Major Education Subjects	62	Registered Area of Study's Major Education Subjects *Including 2 credits of Required_Graduation Research II		36
	Other College Major Education Subjects	0			
	Subjects Not Counted Towards Graduation	0			

Total	Subject Field	Sub total	Starting from "Intermediate Japanese"	Subject Field	Required Credits
At least 124 credits	Common Education Subjects	40	Language Education Subjects_Required Japanese		4
			Common Liberal Arts Subjects		10
			Elective Required [CSM] Introduction to Major		2
			Elective Required [GE] Introduction to Major		2
			Elective Required [IR] Introduction to Major		2
			Language Education Subjects and/or Common Liberal Arts Subjects		20
	APS Major Education Subjects	62	Registered Area of Study's Major Education Subjects *Including 2 credits of Required_Graduation Research II		36
	Other College Major Education Subjects	0			
	Subjects Not Counted Towards Graduation	0			

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Graduation Requirement 4: Fulfill the credit requirements for each subject field

Starting from
"Foundation
Japanese I"

Total	Subject Field	Sub total	Subject Field	102 Credits	Required Credits
At least 124 credits	Common Education Subjects	40	Language Education Subjects_Required Japanese		16
			Common Liberal Arts Subjects		10
			Elective Required [CSM] Introduction to Major		2
			Elective Required [GE] Introduction to Major		2
			Elective Required [IR] Introduction to Major		2
			Language Education Subjects and/or Common Liberal Arts Subjects		8
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	Other College Major Education Subjects	0			
	Subjects Not Counted Towards Graduation	0			

- Of the 124 credits required for graduation, students need to earn 102 credits in specific subject fields.

- The remaining 22 credits do not need to be taken in a specific subject field. Please earn these credits in the fields you are interested in.

124 Credits – 102 Credits = **22 Credits**
Remaining 22 credits can be from any subject field



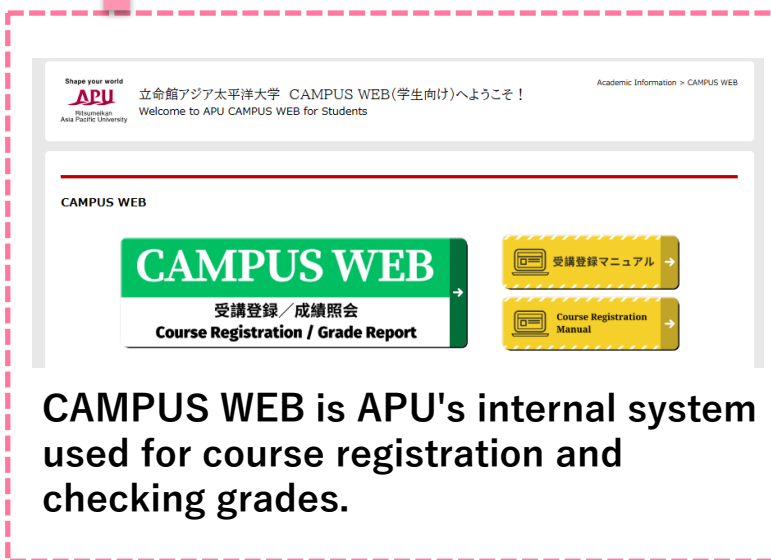
- Depending on your starting level for Japanese, the number of required credits for "**Japanese Language Subjects**" and "**Language Education and/or Common Liberal Arts Subjects**" will change slightly, but all students are still required to earn a total of 102 credits within these specified subject fields.

APS: How to Check Credits Required for Graduation

- You can check your required credits for graduation as follows:

CAMPUS WEB » Click on "Registered Courses and Grade Report"

In order to graduate, the number of "Completed" credits must match (or exceed) the number under "Required".
(see image below)



The number of credits you need to take in specific subject fields is set for 102 of the 124 credits required for graduation.

Student Information

Student ID Number	:	Name	:
Year	:	Semester	:
College	:	Learning Pattern	:
Area of Study(Major) / Specialization	:	Area of Study(Minor)	:
Required Credits for Graduation	:	Curriculum	:

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[CAMPUS WEB] > [Registered Courses and Grade Report]

Credit Completion Status (Main Curriculum)

You can confirm your credit completion status on this screen. If many people are accessing the system at the same time, pages may take time to load. Please be patient.
Please click each button below to check [Subject List], [Sub-Curriculum], [Error Message], and [GPA Record].
(Note) During the registration period for lottery courses, the number shown in () indicates the number of credits which will be registered if you are accepted to the course. These lottery-registered credits are not yet final.

*OL:Opposite Language

Refresh Subject List GPA Record

Subject Field	Required	Completed	Com(*OL)	Registered	Reg(*OL)
[Total (Credit Applied to Graduation)]	124	76		8	
■ Common Education Subjects	40	42			
<Language Education Subjects>		6			
• Japanese Subjects		4			
• English Subjects		2			
—English Advanced Track (Advanced 2. LSP)		2			
• AP Language Subjects					
• Specific Subjects					

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► **Registering for an Area of Study**

APS students must register for one of the following APS Areas of Study.

Culture, Society, and Media (CSM)	Global Economy (GE)	International Relations (IR)
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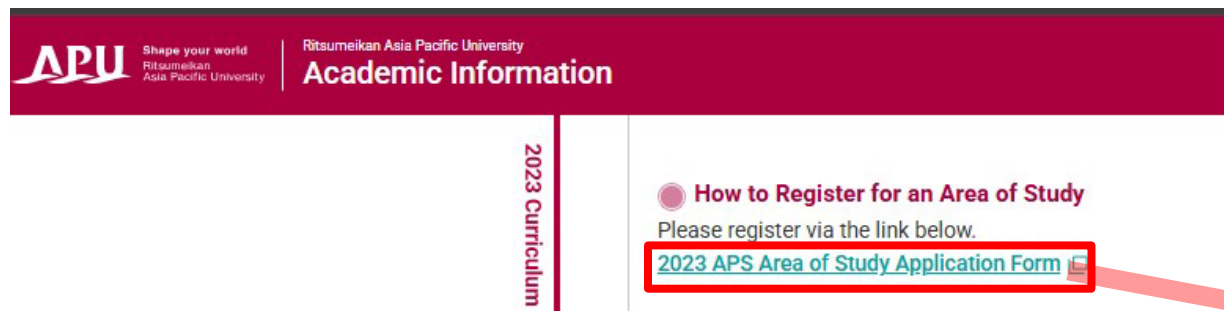
► **Registering / Changing an Area of Study**

Eligible Semesters	2 nd Semester – Final Semester
Registration Period	Priority Registration Period A, B, & C, Course Drop Period 1 & 2
Registration Method	Application form linked on the Academic Information Website

- After registering for an Area of Study, students can change their registration an unlimited number of times within the registration periods above.
- Students are not permitted to register or change their Area of Study outside of the periods listed above.

Graduation Requirement 6: Register for one of the APS Areas of Study

► How to Register / Change your Area of Study (Application Form)



< Method >

- 1) Click on "2023 APS Area of Study Application Form" on the Academic Information Website(Chapter 8: College of Asia Pacific Studies-3. Graduation Requirements & Areas of Study).
 - 2) Choose one Area of Study.
 - 3) Press the "Proceed to entry confirmation screen" button on the bottom left.
 - 4) Confirm your application details and press the "Submit" button at the bottom right.
- ※ The same steps apply for registration and changes.

APS2023Curriculum_Area of Study Registration

2023 Curriculum APS Students

Areas of Study Registration/Changes

2023 Curriculum APS students can use this form to register/change their Area of Study (one of the three).

- The name of that Area of Study will be noted on their diploma.
- Please check the Academic Information website for more information about Areas of Study.

Please select the Areas of Study you want to register for.

Required item

	Culture, Society, and Media(CSM)	Global Economy (GE)	International Relations (IR)
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Abort

Proceed to entry confirmation screen >

Save

APS2023Curriculum_Area of Study Registration

The following content will be submitted.
If the content you entered is correct, please select [Submit].

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APS23curriculum_Area of Study	☐	☐	☒

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What are Common Liberal Arts Subjects?

Common Liberal Arts Subjects

► What are Common Liberal Arts Subjects?

- These subjects aim to provide students with the knowledge, skills, qualities, and abilities that form the basis of university study, thereby cultivating well-educated students.
- Many of these subjects are available from your first year.

		1 st Year	2 nd Year	3 rd Year	4 th Year
Common Liberal Arts	APU Literacy	Student Success Workshop 2	Languages of the Asia Pacific 2	Applied Intercultural Communication 2	
		Multicultural Cooperative Workshop 2	Religions of the Asia Pacific 2	Skills and Practices for Global Leadership 2	
		Peace, Humanity and Democracy 2	Geography of the Asia Pacific 2	Global Leadership for Social Impact 2	
		Introduction to Intercultural Communication 2	Culture and Society of the Asia Pacific 2	Japanese Art of Tea Ceremony 2	
		Intercultural Fieldwork I 2	History of the Asia Pacific 2	Japanese Art of Flower Arrangement 2	
		Intercultural Fieldwork II 2	Japanese Politics and Society 2	Traditional Japanese Arts 2	
		Studies of Multicultural Comparison 2	Japanese Popular Culture 2		
		Foundation for Global Leadership 2	Japanese History 2		
		Overseas Learning Design 2	Constitution of Japan 2		
		Bridge Program 2	Special Lecture (Japanese Studies) 2		
	Introduction to Major Studies	Introduction to Sustainable Development 2		Advanced Mathematics 2	
		Introduction to Tourism and Hospitality 2		Fundamental Mathematics 2	
		Introduction to Policy Studies 2			
		Introduction to Political Science 2			
		Statistics for Social Sciences 2			
		Introduction to Culture and Society 2			
		Introduction to Media Studies 2			
		World Economy and Global Issues 2			
		Introduction to Economics 2			
		Introduction to International Relations 2			
		Introduction to Comparative Politics 2			
	Global Citizens Foundation	Legal Studies 2	Negotiation Skills 2	Health Science 2	Internship 4
		Psychology 2	Logic and Critical Thinking 2	Media Production Lab 2	Internship 8
		Bioethics 2	Self-analysis for Career Design 2	Internship 2	
		AI and Society 2	Diverse Perspectives on Understanding Careers 2	Career Field Analysis for Career Development 2	
		Western Philosophy 2	Special Lecture (Liberal Arts Subject) 2	AI and Data Science 2	
		Chinese Philosophy 2	Web Design 2	Introduction to GIS 2	
		Western Visual Arts 2	Information Processing Essentials 2	Database Systems 2	
		Modern Science and Technology 2	Programming Essentials 2	Special Lecture (ICT) 2	
			Information Literacy 2	Information Systems Programming 2	

Graduation Requirement 7: Complete at least one of the required Common Liberal Arts Subjects for each of the three Areas of Study, earning a total of at least 6 credits for these subjects

Total	Subject Field	Sub total	Subject Field	Required Credits
At least 124 credits	Common Education Subjects	40	Language Education Subjects_Required Japanese	16
			Common Liberal Arts Subjects	10
			Elective Required [CSM] Introduction to Major	2
			Elective Required [GE] Introduction to Major	2
			Elective Required [IR] Introduction to Maior	2
			Language Education Subjects and/or Common Liberal Arts Subjects	8
	APS Major Education Subjects	62	Registered Area of Study's Major Education Subjects *Including 2 credits of Required_Graduation Research II	36
	Other College Major Education Subjects	0		
	Subjects Not Counted Towards Graduation	0		

- Please register and earn credits for at least one of the set subjects for each Area of Study

Area of Study	Required Common Liberal Arts Subjects (Also called Introduction to Major Studies Subjects)	Credits	Semester Available From	Registration Method
Culture, Society, and Media (CSM)	Introduction to Culture and Society	2	1 st Semester	Registered by Student
	Introduction to Media Studies	2	1 st Semester	Registered by Student
Global Economy (GE)	Introduction to Economics	2	1 st Semester	Registered by Student
	World Economy and Global Issues	2	1 st Semester	Registered by Student
International Relations (IR)	Introduction to International Relations	2	1 st Semester	Registered by Student
	Introduction to Comparative Politics	2	1 st Semester	Registered by Student

*You can register for a subject if you are in the semester listed under "Semester Available From" or above

- You can also take both of the subjects for one Area of Study if you want. In that case, 2 of the 4 credits will count towards "Common Liberal Arts Subjects".

- APS students must complete all of the following requirements to graduate.
- English-basis students do not need to fulfill requirement no. 5.

No.	Graduation Requirement
1	Enroll for at least four years
2	Complete at least 124 credits in total
3	Complete all required language subjects (or be exempted from required language subjects)
4	Fulfill the credit requirement for the Area of Study
5	Complete at least 20 credits in the Area of Study (English-basis students only)
6	Register for one of the three Areas of Study
7	Complete at least one of the required Common Liberal Arts Subjects for each of the three Areas of Study, earning a total of at least 6 credits for these subjects
8	Complete at least 36 credits from the Major Education Subjects for your registered Area of Study (including the credits from No. 9)
9	Earn credits for "Graduation Research II"

What are APS Major Education Subjects?

APS Major Education Subjects

► **What are APS Major Education Subjects?**

- These subjects help students understand the goals and philosophy of APS, acquire specialized knowledge and skills, and pursue their interests.
- Most subjects can be taken from your 2nd year(3rd semester) onwards.
- APS’s Major Education Subjects are further divided into the following categories.

Core Subjects		These subjects help students understand the goals and philosophy of APS.
Area of Study Subjects	Culture, Society, and Media (CSM)	Students study the culture, society, and media of the Asia Pacific region to deepen their understanding of the various problems facing the region.
	Global Economy (GE)	These subjects help students obtain the knowledge and analytical skills needed to understand the global economy. In addition to economics, students also learn about various issues related to coexistence, regional economies around the world, and more.
	International Relations (IR)	In these subjects, students focus on international politics and political science as well as related fields, such as economics, sociology, and media studies.
APS Common A		Students acquire valuable knowledge and experience unrelated to their Area of Study through Field Study, special lectures, and other activities.
APS Common B		
Seminar Subjects		Students conduct research in specialized fields in small classes based on their respective research topics, individually optimized to meet their interests.

APS: Graduation Requirements

- APS students must complete all of the following requirements to graduate.
- English-basis students do not need to fulfill requirement no. 5.

No.	Graduation Requirement
1	Enroll for at least four years
2	Complete at least 124 credits in total
3	Complete all required language subjects (or be exempted from required language subjects)
4	Fulfill the credit requirements for each subject field
5	Complete at least 20 credits of subjects held in English (Japanese-basis domestic students only)
6	Register for one of the APS Areas of Study
7	Complete at least one of the required Common Liberal Arts Subjects for each of the three Areas of Study, earning a total of at least 6 credits for these subjects
8	Complete at least 36 credits from the Major Education Subjects for your registered Area of Study (including the credits from No. 9)
9	Earn credits for "Graduation Research II"

Graduation Requirement 8:

Complete at least 36 credits from the Major Education Subjects for your registered Area of Study

Total	Subject Field	Sub total	Subject Field	Required Credits
At least 124 credits	Common Education Subjects	40	Language Education Subjects_Required Japanese	16
			Common Liberal Arts Subjects	10
			Elective Required [CSM] Introduction to Major	2
			Elective Required [GE] Introduction to Major	2
			Elective Required [IR] Introduction to Major	2
			Language Education Subjects and/or Common Liberal Arts Subjects	8
	APS Major Education Subjects	62	Registered Area of Study's Major Education Subjects *Including 2 credits of Required_Graduation Research II	36 or more
			Major Education Subjects	—
	Other College Major Education Subjects	0		
	Subjects Not Counted Towards Graduation	0		

- APS students must earn at least 36 credits from their registered Area of Study's subjects to graduate.

These 36 credits comprise of:

- Registered Area of Study's Major Education Subjects (34 credits) +
- Graduation Research II (2 credits)

- You can check which subjects belong to which Area of Study using the following:
 - ① [2023 Curriculum Outline](#)
 - ② [2023 Curriculum Subject List](#)
 - ③ [Course Timetable](#)

EXCERPT FROM APS 2023 CURRICULUM OUTLINE

		1st Year		2nd Year		3rd Year		4th Year	
Core Subjects	地域研究入門			Sociology	2	Cultural Studies	2	Advanced Sociology	2
				Transnational Sociology	2	Media and Culture	2	Social Theory	2
				Social Stratification	2	Media and Law	2	Ethnicity and the Nation State	2
				Religion and Society	2	Media and History	2	Identity and Politics	2
				Education and Society	2	Digital Technology and Society	2	Media and Politics	2
				Language and Society	2	Global History	2	Media and Conflict	2
				Environment and Society	2	Political Theory	2	New Media and Society	2
				Food System and Society	2	Human Rights	2	A World History of Interaction	2
				Global Poverty	2	Peace Studies	2		
				Globalization and Regionalism	2	The Humanities and Modernity	2		
Culture, Society, & Media (CSM)				Multiculturalism and Society	2	Social Psychology	2		
				Gender Studies	2	Big Data Analysis	2		
				Cultural Anthropology	2				
				Social Stratification	2	Econometrics	2	Behavioral Economics and Experimental Economics	2
							American Economy	2	
Global Economy (GE)									

If you register “Culture, Society, and Media” (CSM) as your Area of Study, you need to earn at least 34 credits from the Major Education Subjects in this field

36 credits – 34 credits =
What about the remaining 2 credits...?

Graduation Requirement 8: Complete at least 36 credits from the Major Education Subjects for your registered Area of Study

Excerpt from APS 2023 Curriculum Outline

Global Economy (GE)			Social Stratification	2	Econometrics	2	Behavioral Economics and Experimental Economics	2	American Economy	2	
			Transnational Sociology	2	Game Theory	2	Japanese Economy	2	European Economy	2	
			Cultural Anthropology	2	International Cooperation	2	International Economics	2	International Organizations	2	
			Microeconomics	2	Politics of Development	2	Asian Economy	2	Public Policy	2	
			Macroeconomics	2	Comparative Political Economy of the Asia Pacific	2	Development Economics	2	International Political Economy	2	
			Agriculture and Resources	2	Conflict and Development	2	Industrial Ecology	2	Special Lecture (Economic Issues in Asia, Middle East & Africa)	2	
			Food System and Society	2	Project Management	2	Environmental Communication	2	International Finance	2	
			Environment and Society	2	Energy Management	2	Global Health Economics	2	Environmental Economics	2	
			Analysis of Global Economy								
			Global Poverty								
International Relations (IR)			International Relations Theory						Politics	2	
			International Cooperation						Post Cold War Conflicts	2	
			Human Rights						Terrorism	2	
			Political Theory								
			Politics of Development								
			Comparative Politics								
APS Common A			Special Lecture								
			APS Field Study								
APS Common B ALL (APS)			Area Studies	2			Field Research Project	2			
Seminar Subjects			Introduction to Research in Asia Pacific Studies	2			Major Seminar ♦	2			Graduation Research I ♦ 2
											Graduation Research II ★ 2
											Graduation Thesis ♦ 2

36 credits – 34 credits =
What about the remaining 2 credits...?

The 36 credits should comprise of:

- Registered Area of Study's Major Education Subjects (34 credits) +
- Graduation Research II (2 credits)

APS: Graduation Requirements

- APS students must complete all of the following requirements to graduate.
- English-basis students do not need to fulfill requirement no. 5.

No.	Graduation Requirement
1	Enroll for at least four years
2	Complete at least 124 credits in total
3	Complete all required language subjects (or be exempted from required language subjects)
4	Fulfill the credit requirements for each subject field
5	Complete at least 20 credits of subjects held in English (Japanese-basis domestic students only)
6	Register for one of the APS Areas of Study
7	Complete at least one of the required Common Liberal Arts Subjects for each of the three Areas of Study, earning a total of at least 6 credits for these subjects
8	Complete at least 36 credits from the Major Education Subjects for your registered Area of Study (including the credits from No. 9)
9	Earn credits for "Graduation Research II"

Graduation Requirement 9: Earn Credits for “Graduation Research II”

- All APS students must take Seminar Subjects every semester from their 5th semester onwards.
- **Students must earn credits for “Graduation Research II” to graduate.**

Semester	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	
Subject	Students apply for their preferred Major Seminar and their supervisor is decided.	Major Seminar	Major Seminar	Graduation Research I	Graduation Research II (Required)	Graduation Thesis
Overview		Students consolidate what they have learnt so far and deepen their studies.	Students consolidate what they have learnt so far and deepen their studies.	Start writing graduation thesis or graduation report.	Write and submit graduation thesis or graduation report.	
Credits		2 Credits	2 Credits	2 Credits	2 Credits	2 Credits
Registration		Registered by the University	Registered by the University	Registered by the University	Registered by the University	Registered by the University
Course Deletion		Cannot Drop	Cannot Drop	Cannot Drop	Cannot Drop	Can Drop
Required Credits for Graduation		–	–	–	Required	–

Break



2-1. What is Course Registration?

► **Course Registration is:**

- Expressing yourself and choosing which classes you want to take.
- The most important part of your academic planning.
- Something you must do to attend class, earn credits, and graduate.

DO NOT register for courses you do not plan to take, as this may block other students who want to take the course from registering.

► **Courses are arranged in order by year level, starting from the basics**

Courses are arranged in order, starting with the basics, with subjects aimed at 1st-year students, then 2nd-year students, and so on.

Please check each subject's "**Semester**", "**Subject Field**", "**Prerequisite Subjects**", and "**Course Registration Restrictions**" and think carefully about what area you want to focus on before systemically registering for your courses.

► Maximum Credit Registration Limit

School Year	1		2		3		4 and above	
Semester	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 and above
Regular Students	18	18	20	20	20	20	24	24

(credits)

All new students can register for a maximum of 18 credits in the 2026 Fall Semester

- There is a maximum limit on the number of credits you can register for each semester.
- Credits for courses automatically registered by the university are also included in this limit.
- There is no minimum number of credits you must register for each semester.
- You may be required to earn a set number of credits to apply for scholarships and certain programs. Please consult the Student Office.

▼APS – E (Starting from Japanese Foundation I)

(Credits)																	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Japanese Foundation I				Japanese Foundation II				SSW		MCW		Information Literacy		1	2	3	4

Students can delete
Info. Lit. on their own

Number of credits you can register yourself

▼APS – E (Exempted from All Required Japanese Subjects)

(Credits)																	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
SSW		MCW		Information Literacy		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

Students can delete
on their own

*Subjects highlighted in red are required subjects that you must earn credits for in order to graduate.
If you fail any of these subjects, the university will register the subject for you again in the following semester.

► Common Liberal Arts Subjects Registered by the University

	Student Success Workshop (SSW)	Multicultural Cooperative Workshop (MCW)	Information Literacy
Registration Method	Registered by University *Cannot be dropped	Registered by University *Cannot be dropped	Registered by University *Can be dropped
Semester Registered *Fall Enrollees	1 st Semester	1 st Semester	1 st Semester

Information Literacy

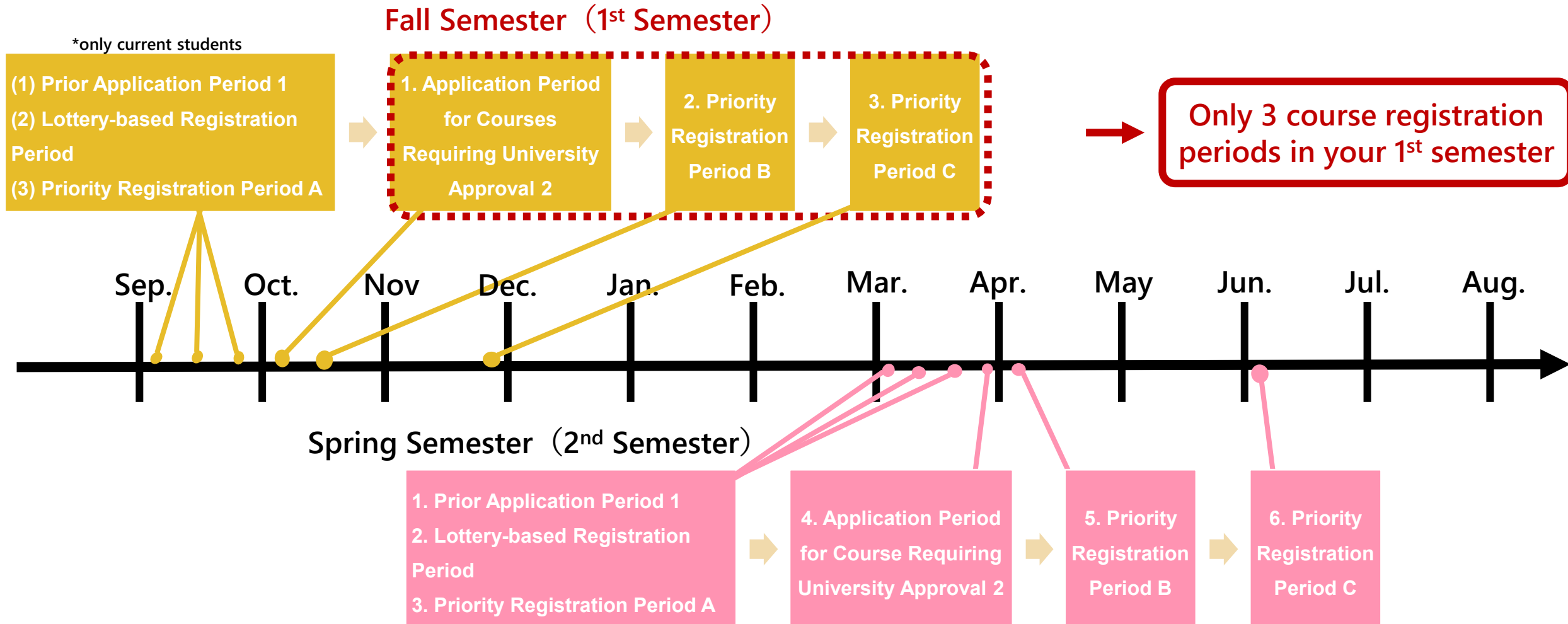
- Can only be registered in 1st semester
- On-demand course (Students study by watching recorded lessons at their own pace)
- You can drop this course if you decide you do not need to take it after checking your achievement level on the syllabus (can only be dropped in Priority Registration Period B or Course Drop Period 1)



2-2. Course Registration Periods

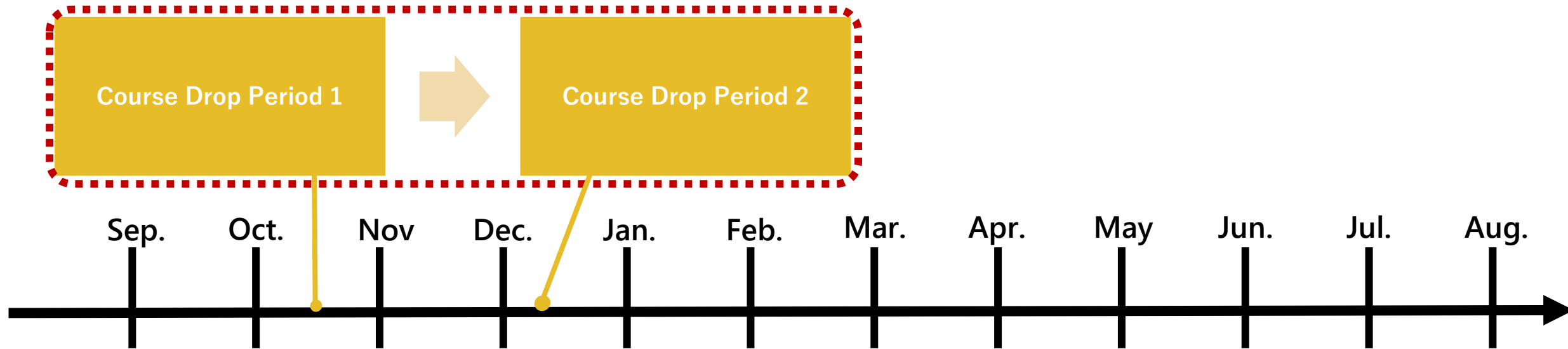
Course Registration Periods

- During your 1st semester only, there are just 3 course registration periods: Application Period for Courses Requiring University Approval 2, Priority Registration Period B, and Priority Registration Period C.



Course Drop Periods

- Course Drop:
 - Course Drop Period 1
 - Course Drop Period 2





Application Period for Courses Requiring University Approval 2	Eligible Students	Time
	New, Re-enrolling Students or new Exchange Students , etc.	September 25 th (Fri.) 12:00pm - September 27 th (Sun.) 12:00pm

Course Type	Register / Drop
Semester Subjects	Application Available
1 st Quarter Subjects	
2 nd Quarter Subjects	
Session Subjects	

- Can apply for courses requiring university approval.
- If your application is approved and you are registered to for the course, you cannot drop the course.
- Please check [\[Chapter 4: Course Registration 8. Application for Courses Requiring University Approval \(Prior Application\)\]](#) for details.



Priority Registration Period B October 2nd (Fri.)	Eligible Students	Start Time	End Time
	New or Reenrolling Students or Exchange Students, etc.	9:00am	4:00pm
	ALL Students	12:00am	4:00pm

Course Type	Register / Drop
Semester Subjects	Register / Drop
1 st Quarter Subjects	
2 nd Quarter Subjects	
Session Subjects	

- Courses with remaining seats after Priority Registration Period B, can be registered by students from any college in Priority Registration Period C. (Only 2nd Quarter and Session courses).
- As a rule, 'other college courses' can only be registered by 2nd Year students (3rd semester onwards).



Priority Registration Period C November 26th (Thurs.)	Eligible Students	Start Time	End Time
	ALL Students	9:00am	4:00pm

Course Type	Register / Drop
Semester Subjects	Cannot Change
1 st Quarter Subjects	
2 nd Quarter Subjects	Register / Drop
Session Subjects	

- Only 2nd Quarter and Session courses with remaining seats available can be registered. (Registration to Semester and 1st Quarter courses cannot be changed).
- After Priority Registration Period C, you can only drop 2nd Quarter and Session courses during Course Drop Period 2.



Course Drop Period 1 October 13th (Tue.)	Eligible Students	Start Time	End Time
	ALL	9:00am	4:00pm

Course Type	Register / Drop
Semester Subjects	Drop only *Courses registered by the university, Prior Application or Lottery-based registration <u>cannot</u> be dropped
1 st Quarter Subjects	
2 nd Quarter Subjects	
Session Subjects	

- Please note that you are only allowed to delete registered courses during Course Drop Periods. If you make a mistake and delete a registered course by accident, you will be unable to re-register it again.
Please be extra careful when deleting courses.



Course Drop Period 2 December 7 th (Mon.)	Eligible Students	Start Time	End Time
	ALL	9:00am	4:00pm

Course Type	Register / Drop
Semester Subjects	Cannot Change
1 st Quarter Subjects	
2 nd Quarter Subjects	Drop Only *Courses registered by the university or Prior Application or Lottery-based registration <u>cannot</u> be dropped
Session Subjects	

- 2nd quarter courses and Session courses can only be dropped. (Registration for semester courses and 1st quarter courses cannot be modified.)
- Please note that you are only allowed to delete registered courses during Course Drop Periods.
If you make a mistake and delete a registered course by accident, you will be unable to re-register it again.
Please be extra careful when deleting courses.
- You cannot change your registered courses after Course Drop Period 2 ends no matter the reason.

Period	Semester Courses	1 st Quarter Courses	2 nd Quarter Courses	Session Courses
Priority Registration Period A *only current students	Register / Drop	Register / Drop	Register / Drop	Register / Drop
Application Period for Course Requiring University Approval 2	Application Available	Application Available	Application Available	Application Available
Priority Registration Period B	Register / Drop	Register / Drop	Register / Drop	Register / Drop
Course Drop Period 1	<u>Drop Only</u>	<u>Drop Only</u>	<u>Drop Only</u>	<u>Drop Only</u>
Priority Registration Period C	<u>Cannot Change</u>	<u>Cannot Change</u>	Register / Drop	Register / Drop
Course Drop Period 2	<u>Cannot Change</u>	<u>Cannot Change</u>	<u>Drop Only</u>	<u>Drop Only</u>

POINT: How to Think About Registration



- ▶ Courses that haven't started yet
Can register or delete course
- ▶ Courses that have already started
Can only delete course
- ▶ Courses that are already halfway through/
courses that have already ended
Cannot register or delete course

[Course Registration Schedule](#) ▶

AY 2026 Fall Semester Course Registration Schedule (Application Period for Course Requiring University Approval 2 – Course Drop Period 2)

Course Registration Period	Date & Time
Application Period for Course Requiring University Approval 2	Fri., September 25 th , 12:00pm – Sun., September 27 th , 12:00pm
Priority Registration Period B	Fri., October 2 nd , 9:00am – 4:00pm
Course Drop Period 1	Tue., October 13 th , 9:00am – 4:00pm
Priority Registration Period C	Thu., November 26 th , 9:00 – 4:00pm
Course Drop Period 2	Mon., December 7 th , 9:00am – 4:00pm

- You can register for courses at home, in AP House, or anywhere else either on or off campus with an internet connection.
- ONLY for Priority Registration Period B, new students who do not have their own device, can use the PC rooms open on campus to complete course registration.
- Please note the number of PC rooms is limited, so there is a possibility that you will be unable to use them. We ask for your understanding.
- The university will announce the open PC classrooms on Student Portal.



2-3. Preparation Work for the Course Registration Guidance (Homework)

Important

Course Registration Guidance

Thursday, October 1st

Please fill out the “Study Plan Worksheet” before the Course Registration Guidance. You will use this worksheet to create your timetable during the guidance session.

【Purpose】

- Understand how to plan your course registration over 4 years of study.
- Learn about the steps and reference materials needed for course registration.
- Understand how to use the Excel resources and Campusmate.
- Learn how to register for courses by yourself from your 2nd semester onwards.

STEP 1: Think about your 4-year study plan

What do you want to study at APU? What interests you at the moment? What kind of career to do you want in the future? It doesn't matter if it's just a vague idea. Write down anything that comes to mind.

E.g. I want to find a job that uses Japanese / I'm interested in media / I'm curious about international relations / I mainly want to focus on studying marketing / I'm interested in SDGs / I want to teach English...

2023 Curriculum Students

Preparation for Course Registration Guidance (Study Plan Worksheet)

Course registration is the process of choosing and registering for the classes you want to take. It is the most important process for deciding your study plan, and something you must do to attend classes, earn credits, and graduate. Students need to register for courses each semester.

In the Course Registration Guidance Session, you will have the opportunity to create your ideal timetable while checking the Subject List and each subject's syllabus. It is important to have an understanding of what you need to consider when making your timetable, so please complete STEP 1 to STEP 3 on this worksheet before attending the Course Registration Guidance Session.

Please make sure to fill out this worksheet before coming to the Course Registration Guidance Session.

STEP 1: Think about your 4-year study plan

What do you want to study at APU? What interests you at the moment? What kind of career do you want in the future? It doesn't matter if it's something you are just considering or a vague idea. Write down what comes to mind.

E.g.: I want to find a job that uses Japanese / I want to work in the tourism industry / I'm curious about international relations / I mainly want to focus on studying marketing / I want to teach English, etc.

STEP 2: Find subjects you want to study and subjects that interest you

While considering which subjects may link to what you wrote for STEP 1, look through the Curriculum Outline and Subject List and make note of any subject names that pique your interest on Worksheet (2). The Curriculum Outline and Subject List include all the subjects you can study during your 4 years at APU.

- Curriculum Outline:
The Curriculum Outline only shows the Major Education Subjects for your own college. Choose subjects from the section for 1st-year students.
- Subject List:
The Subject List also includes Major Education Subjects from other colleges (Other College Subjects). Choose subjects that have "1" written under "Semester".

E.g.: Students interested in media: Introduction to Media Studies, Japanese Popular Culture...
Students interested in international relations: Introduction to International Relations, Introduction to Comparative Politics, Introduction to Area Studies...

STEP 3: Check the course content using the syllabus

Look up what you will study for each of the subjects you listed in STEP 2. It is impossible to know what you will study and the format of classes from the subject name alone. Carefully read through the syllabus to check what content you want to study. If you make a note of the course content and evaluation method, it will be easy for you to check back afterwards.

=====End of Preparations=====

STEP 4: Attend the Course Registration Guidance Session

Please complete this worksheet before attending the Course Registration Guidance Session. During the session, we will go over STEP 1 to 3, check if the subjects you want to take are available this semester, and create your timetable together.

STEP 2: Find subjects you want to study and subjects that interest you

While considering which subjects may link to what you wrote for STEP 1, look through the Curriculum Outline and Subject List and write down any subject names that pique your interest. The Curriculum Outline and Subject List include all the subjects you can study during your 4 years at APU.

APS 2023 Curriculum Outline



APS 2023 Subject List



STEP 3: Check the course content for the subjects you wrote down in STEP 2

It is impossible to know what you will study from the subject name alone. Check the syllabus, which has information about the course content, plan, and evaluation method.

Syllabus



● Worksheet for APS 2023 Curriculum Students

		Subjects You Want to Take & Subjects that Interest You	
Common Education Subjects	Language	ST	*English-based students are not eligible to take these subjects.
		Chinese (Mandarin)	
		AT (Advanced)	*English-based students are also eligible to take these subjects, but there are some conditions.
		Japanese	*The university will automatically register you for Foundation I/II and Intermediate based on the results of the Placement Test. Please write down any other Japanese subjects you are interested in. *Japanese-based students are not eligible to take these subjects.
		AP Language	*You cannot register for subjects teaching your native language. *Japanese-based students must have completed or been exempted from "Elementary English A and B", and English-based students must have completed or been exempted from "Japanese Foundation I, II, III".
	Common Liberal Arts	Common	
		APU Literacy	
		Introduction to Major Studies Group	
		CSM	*APS students are required to earn credits for at least one of the subjects in this section.
		GE	*APS students are required to earn credits for at least one of the subjects in this section.
APS Major Education Subjects	IR	*APS students are required to earn credits for at least one of the subjects in this section.	
	Global Citizens Foundation		
	Core Subjects		
	Culture, Society & Media (CSM)	*No subjects are available to 1st-year students. You can register for these subjects from your 2nd year (3rd semester) onwards. Please write down any subjects you want to take in your 2nd year or above.	
	Global Economy (GE)	*No subjects are available to 1st-year students. You can register for these subjects from your 2nd year (3rd semester) onwards. Please write down any subjects you want to take in your 2nd year or above.	
	International Relations (IR)	*No subjects are available to 1st-year students. You can register for these subjects from your 2nd year (3rd semester) onwards. Please write down any subjects you want to take in your 2nd year or above.	
	APS Common A	*No subjects are available to 1st-year students. You can register for these subjects from your 2nd year (3rd semester) onwards. Please write down any subjects you want to take in your 2nd year or above.	
Seminar Subjects	APS Common B	*No subjects are available to 1st-year students. You can register for these subjects from your 2nd year (3rd semester) onwards. Please write down any subjects you want to take in your 2nd year or above.	
	Seminar Subjects	*No subjects are available to 1st-year students. You can register for these subjects from your 2nd year (3rd semester) onwards. Please write down any subjects you want to take in your 2nd year or above. **Graduation Research (I) is a required subject.	
	Other Colleges (APM / ST)	*1st-year students cannot register for other colleges' major subjects. You can register for these subjects from Period B of your 2nd year (3rd semester) onwards. Please write down any subjects you want to take in your 2nd year or above.	

1. Read and review the following materials

Check the following materials to further your understanding of the graduation requirements.

Website
(Academic Information)



Today's
Guidance Materials



FAQs
(Academic Information)



Supplementary
Information (Next Slides)

First check the "How to Use this Website" page!

2. Fill out the worksheet

Fill out the "Study Plan Worksheet" before attending the Course Registration Guidance.

3. Attend the Course Registration Guidance

Join the Course Registration Guidance after completing steps 1 and 2 above.

Date: Thu., October 1st

Items to Bring: PC, completed worksheet, pen or pencils



2-4. Other

Class Cancellations & Make-up Classes

- Classes may be cancelled if the instructor is unwell, due to weather conditions, etc.
- If a class is cancelled, then a make-up class will be held on one of the designated make-up class days. (Make sure to keep your schedule free on days marked as “Make-up Classes” on the Academic Calendar.)
- Information about class cancellations and make-up classes is posted to [Student Portal](#).

Contacting Instructors

- At university, in principle students communicate with their instructors directly. (Questions, class absences, etc.)
- Please use the following methods to consult your instructors if you have any questions or doubts about your classes.
 - **Consult your instructor in the classroom either before or after class**
 - **Send questions by email** (Check their contact information from the syllabus, on the office hours page, or in class)
 - **Use office hours** (The hours when professors are available for consultation in their office. Check the time on [the office hours webpage](#).)
- Part-time professors do not have their own office. Please ask any questions by email or in class.

Important Notes

- **Always include 1) your student ID number, 2) full name, and 3) the details of your consultation or question** when sending emails.
- **Always use your APU email address (@apu.ac.jp)** when contacting your professors or university staff.



Supplementary Information



Website [Academic Information]

Graduation requirements for each college, subjects available to all students (Language Subjects, etc.), and other important academic information.



Syllabus

Professors provide information about the course plan to students, including course content, grading method, and other important information.



Subject List

This contains important information you need when registering for courses, including course registration restrictions and which semester subjects are available from.

*Includes subjects that aren't offered every semester.



Course Timetable

A list of all the courses offered that semester with information about the day, period, classroom, etc. Subjects not included on the list are not available that semester.

1. Check the timetable for your automatically-registered subjects

- Access CAMPUS WEB, go to the section [Registered Courses and Grade Report] and click on [Subject List]. Check the course codes of the subjects registered by the University and cross-reference with the timetable in the Academic Information website in [Chapter 2] → [2. Course Timetable] to confirm the days and periods of those courses registered by the University. (You cannot change the day or period of courses registered by the University).

The Japanese placement results will also be announced on CAMPUSWEB at the same time.

2. Check the syllabus, subject list, and course timetable~Website [Academic Information]

- Use the syllabus, subject list, and course timetable to research information about the subjects you want to register in your open class periods. (*Make sure to check the information for your curriculum.)
- Syllabus: Check the information about course content, grading method, and recommended qualifications/knowledge, and think about which subjects you want to take.
- Subject List: Check the semester available, prerequisites, and course registration restrictions to see if you can register for the courses you are interested in.
- Course Timetable: Check if the subject you want to take is offered in the current semester. Subjects that are not included on the course timetable are not available that semester.

3. Make a (tentative) timetable

- Make a tentative timetable based on 1 and 2.
- We recommend making several tentative timetables in case you are unable to register for your first-choice subjects during course registration.

4. Register for your courses during course registration

- Register for courses on [CAMPUS WEB](#).

- Detailed information about each college's graduation requirements is available on the Academic Information website. Please check the information for your college.
- The subject lists and information about graduation requirements are separated by curriculum, so please check the information for your curriculum.

Curriculum & Graduation Requirements for Each College

Please refer to the following pages for details about each college's curriculum and graduation requirements.

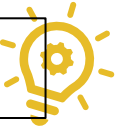
Chapter 8: College of Asia Pacific Studies APS's human resource development goals and graduation requirements. Please check the information for your curriculum	Chapter 9: College of International Management APM's human resource development goals and graduation requirements. Please check the information for your curriculum	Chapter 10: College of Sustainability and Tourism ST's human resource development goals and graduation requirements.
1. What is a Curriculum? > 2. About the College of Asia Pacific Studies > 3. Graduation Requirements & Areas of Study > 4. Curriculum Outline & Subject List > 5. Common Education Subjects (Language Education Subjects) + 6. Common Education Subjects (Common Liberal Arts Subjects) + 7. APS Major Education Subjects + 8. Honors Program >	1. What is a Curriculum? > 2. About the College of International Management > 3. Graduation Requirements & Areas of Study > 4. Curriculum Outline & Subject List > 5. Common Education Subjects (Language Education Subjects) + 6. Common Education Subjects (Common Liberal Arts Subjects) + 7. APM Major Education Subjects + 8. Application to take APM Required Subjects in Opposite Language >	1. What is a Curriculum? > 2. About the College of Sustainability and Tourism > 3. Graduation Requirements > 4. Curriculum Outline & Subject List > 5. Common Education Subjects (Language Education Subjects) + 6. Common Education Subjects (Common Liberal Arts Subjects) + 7. ST Major Education Subjects +

► What is a Syllabus?

- Professors use the syllabus to tell students their plan for the course.
- The syllabus contains important basic information about the course, including Course Overview, Course Objectives, Method of Grade Evaluation, Requirements for Students etc..
- You can check each subject's syllabus on the Academic Information website.
- Please check the syllabus when choosing your courses.

Check the Syllabus 

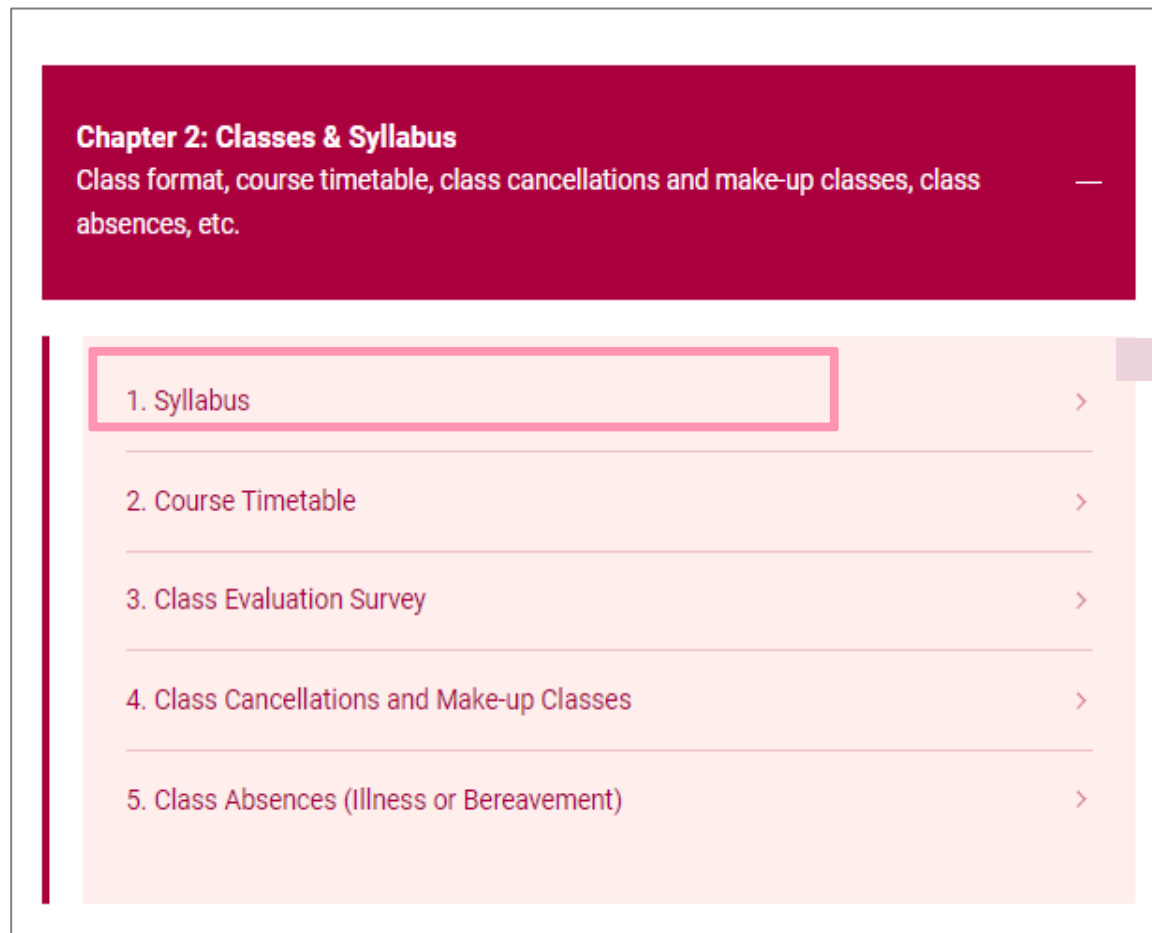
Items on the Syllabus



- Course Name/Class
- Semester/Period
- Subject Attribute
- Instructors
- Recommended Qualifications / Knowledge
- Overview of Each Class
- Course Objectives
- Method of Grade Evaluation
- Textbooks/Further Reading Notes
- How to Communicate with the Instructor In and Out of Class etc.

【Access Method】

Academic Information website >> Chapter 2: Classes & Syllabus >> 1. Syllabus >> APU Syllabus



Chapter 2: Classes & Syllabus

1. Syllabus

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APU Syllabus

[APU Syllabus](#)

*The timetable and syllabus are subject to change after they are released during the Spring semester. Please be sure to check the timetable and syllabus before registering for the courses.

【Syllabus Search Method】

- ①After accessing the syllabus, select your language, if necessary.
 - ②Please select the search method that best suits your purpose from the "Syllabus Search" menu.
- *When you need to have the teacher's contact information, please log in from the top right.

Search Page



Log in

Home

言語/Language

英語 (US)/English(US)



Syllabus Search

You can search for syllabi using multiple keywords such as course title, instructor, etc. When you search by the instructor's name, please enter a space between the first name and the surname.

For syllabi prior to AY2025, search using keywords without specifying a college or graduate school.

Results per page

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Search for *Note: These characters may cause an error: ?, *, (,), \, , "

Course code, course title, instructor, etc.

College Offering the Course

All

Year

2025

Semester

All

Period

☐

Sunday

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Monday

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Tuesday

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Wednesday

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Thursday

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Friday

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Saturday

- You can select the relevant course period and specify the subject, instructor, day, and class period when searching for courses.
- If you search by course name or instructor, please do not change a single letter or word.
- We recommend copy and pasting the instructor's name or course name directly from the course timetable (Excel).

Syllabus Page

Course Name	Course Number	Subject Attribute	Year	Semester	Period	College Offering Course
12062:Introduction to International Relations(EA)	[23]-[LIB]-[MSG]-1, [17]-[LIB]-[GCF]-1		2023			

Important Notes Regarding Course Registration
不正行為（カンニング、剽窃等）は自ら学習する権利を放棄し、APUで学ぶ資格を失う行為です。不正行為 Academic misconduct (cheating, plagiarism, etc.) during an examination amounts to an abandonment of one's own disqualification from study at APU. Academic misconduct is subject to severe punishment.

必修科目など一部の科目を除き、履修する科目を選択するにあたり、当該科目における学びの内容、授業手法や設計方法などを踏まえ、参考とする情報の一つとして活用することを目的に授業評価アンケートの公表を行っています。
With the exception of some courses, such as required subjects, we publish the class Evaluation Survey Results to give students information about course content, teaching methods, course design, and other items on reference when choosing their courses.
URL https://en.apu.ac.jp/academic/class_info/class_evaluation_survey/

Subject Field(Keywords related to lecture content)
International Relations, politics, nation state, conflict, cooperation,

Recommended Qualifications / Knowledge
Interest in international politics

Course Overview
This course provides a broad overview of major theories and frameworks to understand IR, including example cases on the particular IR issues of several countries in the three regions of North America, East Asia, and Europe. Then the course looks at national IR issues of all countries. The goals are to gain an understanding of international relations theories, and understand how they are applied to real-world issues.

Course Objectives
In this course, students will be able to understand the basic concepts of IR, and develop the ability to analyze and evaluate international relations issues. The course will give them a grounding in the theories and frameworks of IR, and help students develop the ability to apply these to real-world issues.

Teaching Methods
Classes usually consist of a lecture and a discussion. The lecture covers the basic concepts and theories of IR, and the discussion allows students to apply these to real-world issues. The lecture is an integral part of the teaching, and videos, and other data sources are used to illustrate important points.

◆ Course Number

If your own curriculum is listed here, you are eligible to take the subject.

[23] : 2023 Curriculum Subject

[17] : 2017 Curriculum Subject

*Even if the subject belongs to your curriculum, please check the Subject List to see if you meet the requirements to take the subject.

*This section is blank for 2011 curriculum subjects.

◆ Method of Grade Evaluation

Besides the evaluation method, this section also has information about attendance, assignments, reports, and exams.

Method of Grade Evaluation		
Kind	Percentage	Grading Criteria etc.
Method of Grade Evaluation Notes		
	30% mid-term exam	
	35% final exam	
	35% participation (comments, quizzes, worksheets, etc.)	
AI Policies		
Method of Implementing Multicultural Collaborative Learning		
Class discussions about a variety of countries and their international relations issues. Students think about various international perspectives on the topics, and can use their experience and ideas to contribute to discussions in the class and on Moodle forums provided.		

◆ Recommended Qualifications / Knowledge

This section outlines what knowledge you need to take this subject, as well as the courses the professor prefers students to have completed already.

More information about
Course Numbers



► **Course Number**

The course number indicates the position of the subject within the curriculum and the curriculum’s overall organization.
Please refer to this number on the syllabus when planning your course registration.

Course Name	Course Number	Subject Attribute	Year	Semester	Period	College Offering the Course	Course Offered by Another College	All Instructors	Credits
10006:Introduction to International Relations(EA)	[23]-[LIB]-[MSG]-1, [17]-[LIB]-[GCF]-1	In-Person	2026	FA	Fri6	College of Asia Pacific Studies, College of International Management, College of Sustainability and Tourism		VYAS Utpal	2

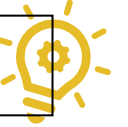


E.g.	AY Curriculum	Subject Field	Area of Study	Grade Level
Course Number	23	LIB	MSG	1
Meaning	2023 Curriculum	Common Liberal Arts	Introduction to Major Studies Group	1 st Year Students

► What is the Subject List?

- The subject list has information about the registration requirements for each subject. If you do not fulfill the requirements, you cannot register for the subject.
- The subjects listed are not necessarily offered every semester.
- Please refer to the syllabi and course timetable published each semester for more details about the subjects that will be offered that semester.

Items on the Subject List



- Subject Name
- Credits
- Semester Available
- Prerequisite Subjects
- Course Re-registration
- Course Registration Restrictions
- Area of Study
- Credit Requirement Area etc.

Check the Subject List



【Access Method】 Academic Information website

>> Chapter 8: College of Asia Pacific Studies

>> 4. Curriculum Outline & Subject List >> APS 2023 Curriculum Subject List

Chapter 8: College of Asia Pacific Studies
APS's human resource development goals and graduation requirements.
Please check the information for your curriculum

1. What is a Curriculum? >

2. About the College of Asia Pacific Studies >

3. Graduation Requirements & Areas of Study >

4. Curriculum Outline & Subject List >

5. Common Education Subjects (Language Education Subjects) +

6. Common Education Subjects (Common Liberal Arts Subjects) +

7. APS Major Education Subjects +

8. Honors Program >



Chapter 8: College of Asia Pacific Studies |

4. Curriculum Outline & Subject List

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Courses that can be taken differ depending on the curriculum.

Please select your own curriculum and confirm which courses you can take and the conditions for taking them.

23 2023 Curriculum

1. Students who enrolled as new (1st-semester) students from AY 2023 onwards.
2. Students who enrolled as 2nd-year transfer students from AY 2024 onwards.
3. Students who enrolled as 3rd-year transfer students from AY 2025 onwards.

2023 Curriculum

Changes to the Curriculum Outline and Subject List

Some changes have been made to the Curriculum Outline and Subject List.
Please check the following Excel file to see the subjects that have been changed.

[Details of Changes](#)

APS 2023 Curriculum Subject List (Excel)

Curriculum Outline

[APS 2023 Curriculum Outline](#)

Subject List & Course Outline

The subject list contains information about the subject codes for each subject, what subject field the credits will count towards, and more.
The course outlines provide an overview of the learning content and approaches in each course.
The subjects listed are not necessarily offered every semester.
For more details about which subjects will be offered, please refer to the syllabi and course timetable published each semester.

[APS 2023 Curriculum Subject List & Course Outline](#)

[APS 2023 Curriculum Credit Transfer Subject List](#)

Sample

科目名 Subject Name	配当セメ スター Sem	前提科目JST Prerequisite Subjects for JST	前提科目JAT Prerequisite Subjects for JAT	前提科目E Prerequisite Subjects for E	履修制限 Course Registration
中国語Ⅱ Chinese II	1	・010180 中国語Ⅰ Chinese I ・011100 英語初級 A Elementary English A ・011101 英語初級B Elementary English B	・010180 中国語Ⅰ Chinese I	・010081 日本語初 級Ⅰ Japanese Foundation Course I ・010091 日本語初 級Ⅱ Japanese Foundation Course II ・010092 日本語初 級Ⅲ Japanese Foundation Course III ・010180 中国語Ⅰ Chinese I	
日本語プロジェクトF Japanese Project F	1	・010103 日本語上 級 Advanced Japanese	・010103 日本語上 級 Advanced Japanese	・010103 日本語上 級 Advanced Japanese	
日本語・日本社会 Language and Social Topics in Japan	1	・010103 日本語上 級 Advanced Japanese	・010103 日本語上 級 Advanced Japanese	・010103 日本語上 級 Advanced Japanese	
会計学Ⅱ Accounting II	3	・030571 会計学Ⅰ Accounting I	・030571 会計学Ⅰ Accounting I	・030571 会計学Ⅰ Accounting I	B期間から Available from Period B

* The image is a sample. Please check the APS 2023 Curriculum Subject List for the official list.

POINTS of Note



【Semester】

The semester from which the subject is available to students. You can register for this subject if you are in the semester listed or higher.

【Prerequisite Subjects】

You cannot register for this subject unless you have already earned credits for the subjects listed here. If you have not earned credits for the set prerequisite subjects, then you cannot register for the subject even if you meet the semester requirements. Prerequisite subjects differ for JST/JAT/E students.

【Course Registration Restrictions】

Lists any restrictions on registering for that subject.

This column notes which subjects are automatically registered by APU, when students can register for the subject, and if there any restrictions related to language basis.

► What is the Course Timetable?

- The Course Timetable lists all the courses offered for the current semester, including information about the day, class period, classroom, etc.
- Subjects not listed on the current course timetable are not offered that semester.
*The timetable for Session Subjects is announced separately
- The timetable also contains the information listed on the right, so make sure to check it before registering for courses.

Items on the Course Timetable



- Term / Day of Week / Period
- Course Format(Classroom or Zoom ID)
- Subject Name / Course Code
- Instructor
- Language
- Semester Available From
- Subject Field etc.

Check the Course Timetable



【Access Method】

Academic Information website >> Chapter 2: Classes & Syllabus >> 2. Course Timetable >> College of Asia Pacific Studies (APS) >> For 2023 APS Curriculum Students 2026 Fall

Chapter 2: Classes & Syllabus

Class format, course timetable, class cancellations and make-up classes, class absences, etc.

1. Syllabus

2. Course Timetable

3. Class Evaluation Survey

4. Class Cancellations and Make-up Classes

5. Class Absences (Illness or Bereavement)

Course Timetable

The timetable varies depending on the college and enrollment year. Please check carefully the follow
Usually, the course timetable for the corresponding academic year (Spring Semester • Fall Semester)

【Important Notes】

- The timetable and syllabus may be updated during the academic year. Please be sure to check the
- The schedule for the Summer Session is planned to be released around June, and for Winter Sessi
- The timetable for registered courses by the University and those registered courses through the pr
students, and on April 1, 2026 at 12:00PM for new, reinstated, and re-enrolling students.
As of both dates, you can view the information via "Registered Courses and Grade Report" on Cam
- All information will be released in the [General Information] section in Student Portal.
- [AY2026 Summer Session Course Timetable](#) (xlsx, updated 2026/6/29)

College of Asia Pacific Studies (APS)

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1. Students who enrolled as new (1st-semester)
2. Students who enrolled as 2nd-year transfer students
3. Students who enrolled as 3rd-year transfer students from AY 2025 onwards.

Spring Semester Timetable for AY 2026

- [For 2023 APS Curriculum Students 26Spring](#) (xlsx, updated 2026/5/25)

AY2026 Fall Semester Course Timetable

- [For 2023 APS Curriculum Students 26Fall](#) (xlsx, updated 2026/5/1)

2023 APS Curriculum Students
2026 Fall

Materials 4: How to Read the Course Timetable

Term

Length of the course period

1

Zoom MTG ID
/Classroom

Distance Learning Courses: Zoom ID
In-Person Courses: Classroom

2

In-Person or
Online

Class Format:
In-Person/On-Demand/Online

3

1	2	3					
期間/ Term	曜日/ Day of Week	時限/ Period	Zoom MTG ID	教室/ Classroom	In-Person or Online	授業コード/ Course code	講義名 Course Name
1Q	火/Tue.	1		Hut of Peace Spirit		02702	Tea Ceremony
2Q	木/Thu.	1	333-333-333			02803	Western Philosophy
Semester	月/Mon.	3		F204		03035	Sociology of Tourism
Session1	セッション /Session	T.B.A.		T.B.A.		02703	Traditional Japanese Arts

*Sample Timetable

Materials 4: How to Read the Course Timetable

Language

Language of instruction
J: Japanese E: English Es: Treated as English
E/J: Both languages used Blank: Language subject

4

Semester

Semester from which you can register for the subject
New students can only register for subjects that say "1" under "Semester".
You can register for the subject if you are in the same semester or higher than the number listed here.

5

Field

Subject Field where credits are tallied.

6

Course Name	担当教員	Instructor	言語/ Lang.	45 配当セメスター / Semester	6 分野/ Field
Bridge Program EA	AAA AA	AAA AA	Es	1	教養/Liberal Arts
Pre-Intermediate English A	BBB BB	BBB BB		1	言語/Language
Pollution Prevention JA	CCC CC	CCC CC	J	3	他学部/ Other College
Introduction to Marketing EA	DDD DD	DDD DD	E	3	他学部/ Other College
Media and History EA	EEE EE	EEE EE	E	3	専門/Major

*Sample Timetable

Thanks for Listening!

Next up is the general Q&A session!



As for individual consultations...

At the APS "Course Registration Guidance"
on Thursday, October 1, starting at 10:00 AM.

