

A photograph of a historic brick building at Rikkyo University, heavily covered in green ivy. A clock face is visible on the upper part of the building. A large, semi-transparent white rectangle is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the text 'MPMA' in blue.

MPMA

Master of Public Management and Administration Course
Graduate School of Business



RIKKYO UNIVERSITY

Ikebukuro, Tokyo, Japan

Dean's Message



Kenji ARIMA
Dean

Graduate School of Business

We are pleased to welcome you to the Master of Public Management and Administration (MPMA) Course at the Graduate School of Business at Rikkyo University.

Founded in 1874, Rikkyo University is one of Japan's most distinguished private institutions. Having celebrated our 150th anniversary in 2024, we are now taking our next steps forward. We remain steadfast in our commitment to fostering a learning environment where individuals from diverse backgrounds can engage in open and constructive dialogue. We believe that such diversity is essential for broadening perspectives, creating new values, and building a more resilient, inclusive society.

The MPMA Course, launched in 2016 as part of the Top Global University Project, is specifically designed for mid-career professionals seeking to enhance their expertise in policy analysis and management within the public and non-governmental sectors. Our faculty members, who possess both academic rigor and extensive practical experience, are dedicated to providing an education that is not only intellectually challenging but also highly relevant to the complex social issues of our time.

We are excited to have you join Rikkyo University and supporting your academic and professional journey alongside our dedicated faculty and vibrant community of fellow students.

MPMA Course

The Master of Public Management and Administration (MPMA) is a two-year, English-language master's program designed to develop students' abilities to analyze, formulate, manage, and evaluate policies and programs in public management and economics. Students also have the opportunity to take business-related courses from the Master of International Business program within the Graduate School of Business. This program is ideal for government and public sector professionals and individuals seeking careers in government, NGOs, international organizations or pursuing Ph.D. programs.

In the first year, students complete core courses to build a strong foundation of knowledge, theoretical frameworks, and essential skills. They also gain hands-on experience with computer software and databases commonly used by economists and international organizations. Beginning in the second semester, students can choose from various electives to develop a comprehensive and balanced skill set.

During the second year, students focus on writing their master's thesis under the close supervision of an academic advisor. To earn the Master of Public Management and Administration degree, students must complete at least 30 credits and produce a high-quality thesis.

Graduates of this program are equipped to assume leadership roles in their chosen fields and to make meaningful contributions to society.



Facilities

Library

In November 2012, the Ikebukuro library opened its doors after unifying four libraries located on the Ikebukuro campus. It can house more than two million books, has a large seating capacity for more than 1,530 people, and is one of the largest university libraries in Japan. The Ikebukuro Library offers strong support for learning, education, and research activities by meeting diverse range of needs, combined with its ease of use.



On-campus Medical Clinic and Counseling Services

Ikebukuro campus has an on-campus clinic for students, faculty and staff members. Students can get general medical treatment free of charge, provided that they have joined the National Health Insurance and Rikkyo Student Mutual-Aid Insurance. Counseling services are also available.

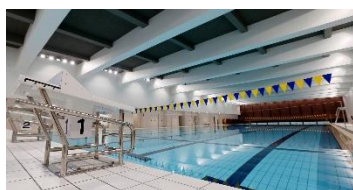
MPMA Student Room

MPMA also provides the Study Rooms to support student's study and research. Such software as GAUSS and STATA are installed in the PCs. Students are provided for an individual locker, so they can keep their own private belongings in it with key.



Paul Rusch Athletic Center

The new athletic center offers a 50-meter heated pool, tennis courts, gymnasiums, a training room and other excellent facilities.



Places of Worship

There are a number of places for worship in Ikebukuro and its vicinity for various religions. The Chapels on the Rikkyo campuses offer daily prayer services and regular mass. Various social activities are organized by the Chapels. There is a prayer room on the Ikebukuro campus. We also provide a prayer room on the Ikebukuro Campus which can be used by anyone, regardless of their religion.



Prayers room



Center for Japanese Language Education

Rikkyo's Center for Japanese Language Education offers a well-designed sequence of Japanese language courses to our students. We offer beginner-level courses, where students who have not studied Japanese before can be enrolled, up to advanced-level courses. There are light-loaded and normal-loaded tracks at the beginner's level. The Center also offers Japanese Language courses as well as Japanese Culture courses, conducted in English, to provide students with opportunities to learn about Japanese language and various cultural aspects of the Japanese language.

International Office

International Office establishes policy regarding activities for international exchange, and oversees the planning and implementation of international exchange programs. The office also gives various supports for international students including visas.

Cafeteria/Restaurants

There are a number of cafeterias and restaurant on the Ikebukuro campus. In June 2022, we newly provided the cafeteria for Muslim in the Ikebukuro campus which has obtained the Halal authentication.



Media Center

The Media Center provides support for educational research use of computers and multimedia equipment.

St. Paul's Plaza (bookstore, travel agent)

Students can purchase textbooks, books and stationery supplies at a discount price. There is also a travel agency to assist domestic as well as overseas travels.



Voices from MPMA Students

ZALDARRIAGA RITZI BUENA GANOT

(Class of 2025,
The Philippines)



Choosing Rikkyo University to pursue my master's degree has given me a rich academic experience beyond the classroom. The program is perfectly tailored for public service, with its focus on economics, public policy and administration; the courses are carefully curated to build and strengthen data analysis skills that will inform policy development and formulation. As Kataoka-sensei, our program head, always reminds us: 'No data, no facts.' Rikkyo University also prides itself for its excellent facilities, which have helped me immensely during my time here in Japan. MPMA students not only enjoyed Rikkyo's impressive library and a dedicated study room equipped with STATA-installed computers, printers, and personal lockers, but also benefited from access to a gym and swimming pool, which encouraged a healthy balance between wellness and academic life. The professors in the program are not only highly qualified graduates of prestigious universities, but also deeply committed to sharing their expertise. What I appreciate most is that MPMA goes beyond theory by organizing international business conferences, which have provided us opportunities to engage with global perspectives. As a foreign student, I truly value the diversity of the program. I have met wonderful people from different parts of the world who have now become my friends. The university also organizes cultural and academic activities for international students. Through these opportunities, I was able to experience a sumo wrestling tournament and a tour of the National Museum. MPMA also organizes educational field trips during both the winter and summer semesters, which enriched my understanding of Japan's culture, particularly in the area of disaster risk management. My time at Rikkyo University has been nothing short of wonderful. I will take home these experiences with me, and I look forward to applying the knowledge and insights I have gained in my capacity as a public servant in the Philippines, particularly in shaping more effective and inclusive public policies.

MUSAH ABDUL SAMAD

(Class of 2025,
Ghana)



As a Government official working within the Local Government Service in Ghana, I was looking for an opportunity to upgrade my career towards a global perspective. After doing my research on potential graduate schools, I chose the MPMA degree program at Rikkyo University due to the rigorous academic offerings as well as its world class faculty and facilities.

My decision turned out to be very true. On my very first day I got to see how dedicated the staff were at making sure we succeeded in the program. Over the course of two years, I made meaningful connections with my professors as well as classmates. I also got to serve as a teaching assistant for two courses – Development Economics and Urban and Regional Economics in addition to engaging in practical research with my supervisor.

My advice to anyone considering the MPMA program is to go for it! You will be supported by world class professors and the administrative staff, who are the most kind and patient people I have met. Thank you very much Rikkyo for giving me this opportunity, I am forever grateful!

MADONNA SIMATUPANG

(Class of 2025,
Indonesia)



I will always be grateful to my senpais who introduced me to Rikkyo University. When I applied for a scholarship for the joint degree program, I immediately chose Rikkyo as my university option in Japan.

The MPMA program has truly met my needs. Its curriculum is closely related to my work as a public servant, which is very important since my studies are supported by government funding. It also serves as a melting pot where students from diverse backgrounds and cultures can share experiences and discuss development challenges that are often similar across countries.

The professors are highly capable and deliver each lecture with passion, creating lively and engaging classes. The staff are very kind and always ready to help, while Rikkyo University as a whole provides holistic support for students. The library offers not only a place to study but also an audio room where I enjoy classical music, and the gym provides a convenient space to refresh between classes.

I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to study at Rikkyo University. It has enriched my knowledge and, just as importantly, allowed me to build valuable friendships across countries that I will always treasure.

About Rikkyo University

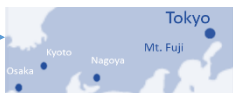
Rikkyo was founded in 1874 by an American Bishop, Channing Moore Williams, and has a long history of excellence in education and research, which, combined with substantial investment in state-of-the-art information technology and teaching facilities, has earned a reputation as an outstanding educational institution and one of the most sought-after universities in Japan. Today, Rikkyo enrolls over 19,000 undergraduate and 1,200 graduate students in its ten colleges and fourteen graduate schools. Rikkyo usually has over 700 overseas students from various parts of the worlds.

Rikkyo University has two campuses: one in Ikebukuro, Tokyo and the other in Niiza, Saitama-prefecture which borders on northwest Tokyo. The main campus is located in Ikebukuro, one of the largest commercial and transportation hubs in the heart of metropolitan Tokyo. And our Ikebukuro campus, where the Master of Public Management and Administration Course students will study, is located only a few minutes-walk from Ikebukuro-Station.

Access



✈ Narita - 東京 Ikebukuro
90 min. (JR Narita Express)
60 min. (Keisei Sky L./Yamanote L.)
✈ Haneda - 東京 Ikebukuro
50 min.



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Maps & Directory

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**Title list of Master's Thesis
(Rikkyo MPMA Course 2023-2025)**

* You can get more information at our website.
(https://mpma.rikkyo.ac.jp/research_n_faculty.html)

May 2026

2023	Province-level convergence analysis in China: New evidence from development stage indicators
	INTERREGIONAL INCOME INEQUALITIES IN KENYA, 2013–2020: A BI-DIMENSIONAL DECOMPOSITION APPROACH
	ASSESSING TRADERS' APPRECIATION OF AN ONLINE ONE-STOP-SHOP GOVERNMENT PORTAL: A CONJOINT EXPERIMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES
	DEMOTIVATING FACTORS AMONG VIETNAMESE PUBLIC HEALTHCARE WORKERS DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC
	Intrinsic motivation and perception on workplace: Generation Z in Vietnam
	THE IMPACT OF TELEWORK, SOCIAL RECOGNITION, AND WORKLOAD ON PUBLIC SERVICE MOTIVATION IN VIETNAM PUBLIC SECTOR DURING THE PANDEMIC – COVID 19
	GENDER AND YOUNG GENERATION'S PERCEPTION ON INTERNATIONAL LABOR MIGRATION: EXPERIMENTAL EVIDENCE FROM NGHE AN PROVINCE, VIETNAM
2024	An Analysis on the Gender Wage Gap in Cambodia's Labor Market: A Blinder-Oaxaca Decomposition
	Agricultural financing and its barriers in Cambodia
	Bank Credit Risk and Income Diversification in the Bangladesh Banking Industry: Any Difference Between Listed and Non-Listed Banks?
	HOW DO CLIMATE CONCERNS AND VALUE ORIENTATION AMONG BANKERS INFLUENCE AGRICULTURAL FINANCING
	DOES SOCIAL MEDIA INCREASE GOVERNMENT RESPONSIVENESS? A CONJOINT EXPERIMENT OF VIETNAMESE CITIZENS
	ENGINEERING WORK-LIFE INTEGRATION PROGRAMS: INSIGHTS FROM SURVEY AND CONJOINT ANALYSIS OF DPWH, PHILIPPINES
	MISSIONARY ROUTES IN THE PHILIPPINE NAUTICAL HIGHWAY BY USING CAPITAL BUDGETING ANALYSIS: BASIS FOR INVESTMENT DECISION
	EFFECTS OF STRATEGIC HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ON ORGANIZATION PERFORMANCE IN PANDEMIC-DRIVEN VUCA ENVIRONMENTS: EVIDENCE FROM TANZANIA PARASTATALS IN MARITIME SECTOR
	Islanders' preferences of future development scenarios: A case study of São Tomé & Príncipe
	Nonlinear Response of Local Output Growth to Typhoon Shock in the Philippines: Does Trade Matter?
2025	Spatial income inequalities in China, 2000-2022: Decomposition approach
	WILLINGNESS OF STREET-LEVEL TAX OFFICIALS TO IMPLEMENT VALUE ADDED TAX POLICY ON E-COMMERCE IN CAMBODIA
	THE IMPACTS OF HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PRACTICES ON JOB SATISFACTION AND ORGANIZATIONAL JUSTICE IN THE JOB CENTERS OF CAMBODIA NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT AGENCY
	Growth under pressure: How does trade diversification shape responses to US trade sanctions in developing countries?
	Credit growth in turmoil: Does international integration mitigate or amplify banking and currency crises in developing countries?
	THE IMPACT OF REGIONALISM ON MANAGEMENT POLICY: A COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS IN KYRGYZ REPUBLIC
	Crop Diversification and its Determinants in the Kyrgyz Republic
	SPATIAL ANALYSIS OF POVERTY AND EXTREME POVERTY INCIDENCE IN THE PHILIPPINES (2018-2023): PROVINCIAL TRENDS BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER COVID-19
	Investors' Willingness to Invest and the Determinants of Private Investment in Philippine Healthcare Infrastructure
	OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY OF VIETNAMESE BANKS BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER THE PANDEMIC: A TWO-STAGE DEA APPROACH WITH DIRECTIONAL DISTANCE FUNCTION
	IMPACT OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE VIOLATIONS ON STOCK PERFORMANCE AMONG COMPANIES AT THE HANOI STOCK EXCHANGE IN VIETNAM
	THE IMPACTS OF FISCAL AUTONOMY, TRANSACTIONAL LEADERSHIP, AND SELF-EFFICACY ON THE JOB PERFORMANCE IN A VIETNAMESE PUBLIC BUSINESS UNIT AGENCY
	FACTORS INFLUENCING VOTING IN GHANA: A SURVEY OF VOTERS
	PROVINCIAL CONVERGENCE ANALYSIS IN CHINA'S EDUCATION: NEW EVIDENCE FROM STUDENT-TEACHER RATIOS
	Spatial Econometric Analysis of Environmental Total Factor Productivity (ETFP) in China: An Empirical Study 2018-2022
	Foreign direct investment, international trade, and CO2 emission by energy source: A provincial-level analysis in China
	EXPLORING AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY ADOPTION AND ITS SPATIAL SPILLOVER: A DISTRICT-LEVEL STUDY IN INDONESIA
	THE IMPACT OF EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE ON CHILD LABOR ISSUES IN INDONESIA
	DOES PARENTAL SMOKING HABIT IMPACT THEIR CHILDREN EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT?
	MUTUALLY REINFORCING EFFECT BETWEEN SOCIAL CAPITAL AND PERCEIVED HEALTH STATUS ON SMOKING PREVENTION IN INDONESIA
	Does Bilateral Trade Agreement Promote Extensive and Intensive Margins of Exports? The case of Indonesia
	Decomposition Analysis in Poverty Change Before, During, and After Covid-19: Evidence from Districts in Indonesia
	Education and Internet Use in Household Expenditure Inequality: A Shapley Decomposition Analysis in Indonesia

Curriculum of MPMA Course 2026

Graduate School of Business Master's Degree Course in Public Management and Administration Course List AY 2025 Fall and AY 2026 Spring

Course Code	Course Name	Instructor	Credits	Semester	Year	Course Number	Notes
Elective Required Courses (4 credits)							
KT001	Master's Thesis Supervision 1	Lim, Seunghoo	2	Fall	1	MIB6011	
KT002		Kataoka, Mitsuhiro					
KT051	Master's Thesis Supervision 2	Lim, Seunghoo	2	Spring	1	MIB6011	
KT052		Kataoka, Mitsuhiro					
KT101	Master's Thesis Supervision 3	Lim, Seunghoo	2	Fall	2	MIB6011	
KT102		Kataoka, Mitsuhiro					
KT151	Master's Thesis Supervision 4	Lim, Seunghoo	2	Spring	2	MIB6011	
KT152		Kataoka, Mitsuhiro					
Elective Courses 1 (10 Credits and over required)							
KT201	Research Methodology	Yamada, Kyohei	2	Spring	1・2	MIB6211	
KT211	Applied Microeconomics	Lin, Ching-Yang	2	Fall 2	1・2	MIB6211	
KT221	Statistics for Economics and Management	Kataoka, Mitsuhiro	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	
KT231	Applied Econometrics	Jinnai, Yusuke	2	Spring	1・2	MIB6211	
KT241	Mathematics for Economics and Management	Kakinaka, Makoto	2	Fall 1	1・2	MIB6211	
KT251	Public Administration	Yamada, Kyohei	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	
KT261	Public Management	Nakajima,Manabu	2	Spring	1・2	MIB6211	
KT271	Public Finance and Budgeting	Lim, Seunghoo	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	
Elective Courses 2 (16 Credits and over required)							
Public Management							
KT311	Project Cycle Management	Matsumoto/Fujita	2	Spring 1	1・2	MIB6211	Intensive course
KT321	Public Private Partnership	Arakawa, Jun	2	Spring 2	1・2	MIB6211	
KT331	Local Government and Public Services	TBA	2	Spring	1・2	MIB6211	
KT341	Public Policy	Lim, Seunghoo	2	Spring	1・2	MIB6211	
KT361	Public Policy Development in Asia	Lim, S.	2	Spring 1	1・2	MIB6211	
KT302	Environmental Policy and Disaster Management	Lim, Seunghoo	2	Spring 2	1・2	MIB6211	
KT411	Development Planning and Policy Evaluation	Kataoka, Mitsuhiro	2	Spring 1	1・2	MIB6211	
KT431	Natural Resource Management and Environmental Policy	Kotani, Koji	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	Intensive course
Business							
KT371	Human Resource Management	Jung, Jiwon	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	
KT381	Investment and Asset Pricing	Suzuki, Makoto	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	
KT391	Financial Accounting and Reporting	TBA	2	TBA	1・2	MIB6211	
Economics							
KT431	Agricultural Economics and Policy Analysis	Kotani, Koji	2	Spring 2	1・2	MIB6211	Intensive course
KT441	International Finance	Kakinaka, Makoto	2	Spring 1	1・2	MIB6211	
KT451	Urban and Regional Economics	Kataoka, Mitsuhiro	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	
KT461	Japanese Economy	Kataoka, Mitsuhiro	2	Spring	1・2	MIB6211	
KT471	Development Economics	Kataoka, Mitsuhiro	2	Spring	1・2	MIB6211	
KT481	Asian Economic Development	Abe,Ryuichiro	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	
KT491	Applied Macroeconomics	TBA	2	TBA	1・2	MIB6211	
KT501	Cross Section and Panel Data Analysis	Wong, Chun Yee	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	
Special topics							
KT511	Special Topics in MPMA	TBA	2	TBA	1・2	MIB6211	
KT512	Special Topics in MPMA	TBA	2	TBA	1・2	MIB6211	
Optional Courses							
KT601	Advanced Seminar1	Kakinaka, Makoto	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	Other Registration
KT611	Advanced Seminar2	Kakinaka, Makoto	2	Spring	1・2	MIB6211	
KT621	Advanced Seminar3	Kotani, Koji	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	
KT631	Advanced Seminar4	Kotani, Koji	2	Spring	1・2	MIB6211	
KT641	Advanced Seminar5	Yamada, Kyohei	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	
KT651	Advanced Seminar6	Yamada, Kyohei	2	Spring	1・2	MIB6211	
KT661	Advanced Seminar7	TBA	2	Fall	1・2	MIB6211	
KT671	Advanced Seminar8	TBA	2	Spring	1・2	MIB6211	



KATAOKA, Mitsuhiro

Professor

Ph.D. in International Development, Graduate School of International Development, Nagoya University, 2004

Courses: Statistics for Economics and Management, Development Economics, Urban and Regional Economics, Japanese Economy, Development Planning

Research Interests: Development Economics, Spatial Data Analysis, Income Inequality, Productivity Analysis, Regional Development

Major publications:

- Kataoka, M., & Darangina A. T. (2023). Imperial Manila syndrome in poverty reduction: a province-level spatial distribution analysis. *Asia-Pacific Journal of Regional Science*. doi.org/10.1007/s41685-023-00275-w
- Kataoka, M. (2022). Cyclical shocks and spatial association of Indonesia's district-level per capita income. *Asian Economic Journal* 36(3): 261-287 doi:10.1111/asej.12277
- Kataoka, M. (2022). Perspiration versus inspiration: sources of national and provincial output growth in Indonesia [1990–2015] using province-level non-parametric frontier analysis. *Asia-Pacific Journal of Regional Science*, 6(1), 113-139. doi:10.1007/s41685-021-00222-7
- Mendez, C., & Kataoka, M. (2021). Disparities in regional productivity, capital accumulation, and efficiency across Indonesia: A club convergence approach. *Review of Development Economics*, 25(2), 790-809 doi:10.1111/rode.12726
- Kataoka, M. (2020). Total factor productivity change in Indonesia's provincial economies for 1990–2015: Malmquist productivity index approach. *Letters in Spatial and Resource Sciences*, 13(3), 233-243. doi:10.1007/s12076-020-00256-z



LIM, Seunghoo

Professor

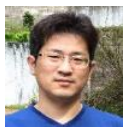
Ph.D. in Public Administration, Florida State University, 2015

Courses: Public Finance and Budgeting, Public Policy, Environment Policy and Disaster Management

Research Interests: Public Policy, Public Management

Major publications:

- Myomin, T., Lim, S. (2022) The emergence of multiplex dynamics between information provision ties and rescue collaboration ties in disaster response settings: A longitudinal network analytic approach to flooding cases in Myanmar. *Natural Hazards*.
- Tinivata, E. V., Lim, S. (2022) Which target group receives more responses from the government through a citizen participation policy?: The Fiji open-door policy based on a social construction framework. *Public Performance & Management Review* 45(2): 352-377.
- Dao, M. T., Lim, S. (2022) Fear of disasters within the risk communication network of foreign students in Japan amid the COVID-19 pandemic crisis: A cohort design. *International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction* 71: 102808.



KAKINAKA, Makoto

Visiting Professor

Ph.D. in Economics, Cornell University, 2006

Courses: Mathematics for Economics and Management, International Finance

Research Interests: International Economics, Financial and Banking Systems, Public Choice and Policy

Major publications:

- Iraman, E., Ono, Y., Kakinaka, M. (2022). Tax compliance and social desirability bias of taxpayers: Experimental evidence from Indonesia. *Journal of Public Policy* 42, 92-109.
- Mustafa, A.A., Lin, C.-Y., Kakinaka, M. (2022). Detecting market pattern changes: A machine learning approach. *Finance Research Letters* 47, 102621.
- Shrestha, S., Kotani, K., Kakinaka, M. (2021). The relationship between trade openness and government resource revenue in resource-dependent countries. *Resources Policy* 74, 102332.
- Hulugalla, N., Yamada, K., Kakinaka, M. (2021). Personal social capital and voluntary participation in the Village Development Programme in rural Sri Lanka. *Journal of International Development* 33, 803-825.
- N'dri, L.M., Kakinaka, M. (2020). Financial inclusion, mobile money, and individual welfare: The case of Burkina Faso. *Telecommunications Policy* 44, 101926.
- Htwe, N.N., Lim, S., Kakinaka, M. (2020). The coevolution of trade agreements and investment treaties: Some evidence from network analysis. *Social Networks* 61, 34-52.
- Hlaing, S.W., Kakinaka, M. (2018). Financial crisis and financial policy reform: Crisis origins and policy dimensions. *European Journal of Political Economy* 55, 224-243.



KOTANI, Koji

Visiting Professor

Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics, Cornell University, 2005

Courses: Agricultural Economics and Policy Analysis, Environmental Economics and Policy Analysis

Research Interests: Environmental and Natural Resource Management and Agricultural Economics

Major publications:

- Raja Timilsina, Koji Kotani, Yoshinori Nakagawa, Tatsuyoshi Saijo (2023). Does being intergenerationally accountable resolve intergenerational sustainability dilemma? *Land Economics*, (Forthcoming)
- Pankaj Koirala, Koji Kotani, Shunsuke Managi (2022). How do farm size and perceptions matter for farmers' adaptation responses to climate change in a developing country? Evidence from Nepal. *Economic Analysis and Policy*, 74 188-204.
- Raja Timilsina, Koji Kotani, Yoshinori Nakagawa, Tatsuyoshi Saijo (2022). Intragenerational deliberation and intergenerational sustainability dilemma. *European Journal of Political Economy*, 73 102131.
- Khatun Asma, Shibly Shahrier, Koji Kotani (2021). Cooperation and cognition gaps for salinity: A field experiment of information provision in urban and rural areas of Bangladesh. *Journal of Cleaner Production*, 311 127562.
- Mostafa Shahan, Koji Kotani, Tatsuyoshi Saijo (2021). Intergenerational sustainability is enhanced by taking the perspective of future generations. *Scientific Reports*, 11 2437.



YAMADA, Kyohei

Visiting Professor

Ph.D. in Political Science, Yale University, 2013

Courses: Research Methodology, Public Administration, Local Government and Public Services, Japanese Politics

Research Interests: Local Government, Intergovernmental Relations, Japanese Politics and Government

Major publications:

- Byambaa, M., Yamada, K. (2023). Descriptive social norms and herders' social insurance participation in Mongolia: A survey experiment. *Journal of International Development*, 35(1), 143–162.
- Yamada, K., Park, G. (2022). Aging and the politics of monetary policy in Japan. *Japanese Journal of Political Science*, 23(4), 333–349.
- Susmerano, E. B., Yamada, K. (2022). Revisiting auxiliary social services for persons with disability: The Philippines case. *International Journal of Social Welfare*, 31(2), 187–202.
- Hulugalla, N., Yamada, K., Kakinaka, M. (2021). Personal social capital and voluntary participation in the Village Development Programme in rural Sri Lanka. *Journal of International Development*, 33(5), 803–825.
- Yamada, K., Arai, K. (2021). Do boundary consolidations alter the relationship between politicians and voters? The case of municipal mergers in Japan. *Local Government Studies*, 47(4), 519–545.

<List of Part-time Lecturers>

ARAKAWA, Jun

Aichi Prefectural Government Office

MA in International Relations, International University of Japan, 1989

Candidate for Ph.D., Keio University

Courses: Public Private Partnership

WONG, Chun Yee

Assistant Professor, International University of Japan

PhD in Economics, the University of New South Wales, 2015

Courses: Cross Section and Panel Data Analysis

JINNAI, Yusuke

Associate Professor, International University of Japan

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Rochester, 2013

Courses: Applied Econometrics

LIN, Ching-Yang

Associate Professor, International University of Japan

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2010

Courses: Applied Microeconomics

MYOE, Maung Aung

Professor, International University of Japan

Ph.D. in Political Science and International Relations,

Australian National University, 2000

Courses: Security Sector Analysis and Management

SUZUKI, Makoto

Associate Professor, Bunkyo University

Ph.D. in Economics, Saitama University, 2012

Courses: Investment and Asset Pricing

ABE, Ryuichiro

Visiting Lecturer, University of Tokyo, Waseda University,

Takusyoku University

M.A. in Advanced Social and International Studies,

University of Tokyo, 2001

Courses: Asian Economic Development

JUNG, Jiwon

Assistant Professor, International University of Japan

Ph.D. in Public Administration and Policy

Arizona State University, 2020

Courses: Human Resource Management

MASTUMOTO, Sachiko

Deputy Director, Foundation for Advanced Studies on International Development

M.A. in Governance and Democracy

Erasmus University Rotterdam, 2007

Courses: Project Cycle Management

KON, Sayuri

Visiting Lecturer, Foundation for Advanced Studies on International Development

M.A. in Health Sciences

Hokkaido University, 2011

Courses: Project Cycle Management

Event & News in 2025~2026



MPMA Graduate 2021: Dr. Pham Van Truong's Visit and Lecture

Oct, 2025

We are proud to share that Dr. Pham Van Truong, a MPMA graduate of 2021, completed his Ph.D. program at Hiroshima University in September 2025.

On his journey back to Vietnam, he graciously visited us to deliver a lecture and share insights from his five-year academic experience in Japan.

His informative presentation deepened our understanding of field-based experimental studies and served as an inspiration to our students as they consider their own academic and professional paths. Dr. Pham now returns to his home country, where he will contribute to its continued development. We sincerely hope our paths will cross again in the future.

Field Trip in 2025 Fall

December, 2025

On November 6, 2025, thirty-five vibrant MPMA students from Cambodia, Bangladesh, Vietnam, the Philippines, the Kyrgyz Republic, Nepal, Laos, Mongolia, Sri Lanka and Indonesia embarked on a one-day journey through Chiba and Kanagawa Prefecture, Japan.

This field trip traveled along the Tokyo Metropolitan Highway network—including the Aqua-Line Highway, the Yokohama Bay Bridge, and the Tokyo-Gaikan Expressway—to observe dynamic manufacturing and service-sector activities, and reached to the Isuzu Plaza as the final destination, which is operated by Isuzu Motors Ltd., one of Japan's leading automobile manufacturers. It provided valuable insights to participants into how inter-regional transport infrastructure affects regional economies in multiple ways, including manufacturing, retail, and tourism. Additionally, the experience outside of the classroom must be an icebreaker especially among 1st year students who enrolled in our program in this September.

We hope that this trip was not only a valuable learning opportunity for the students but also became a memorable and enjoyable part of their time in Japan.



Event & News in 2025~2026



Rikkyo-UNPAD (Indonesia) International Seminar 2026

April, 2026

On July 28–29, 2025, thirty-two spirited MPMA students Rikkyo University's MPMA recently hosted the 14th Joint International Seminar with Padjadjaran University's Master of Management Course (MM-UNPAD) from January 26 to 30, 2026. Welcoming 70 participants, this event continued a partnership established in 2015 to foster academic exchange between Japan and Indonesia. Led by MPMA professors, the program covered Japan's economic performance since the 1990s, government and political functions, public management issues, and contemporary human resource management practices. To bridge classroom theory with practice, students participated in field visits to the Japan Airlines Maintenance Center, the Tokyo Bay Aqua-Line—a core part of the cross-Tokyo Bay highway network—and Isuzu Plaza, gaining insights into how transport infrastructure and manufacturing affect regional economies. The seminar concluded with a celebratory reception at a halal restaurant, strengthening the bonds between both universities and marking a promising start for future joint initiatives.



Field Trip in 2025 Winter

April, 2026

On February 2–3, 2026, over 30 MPMA students from Bangladesh, Cambodia, the Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Laos, Nepal, the Philippines, and Vietnam explored Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost island. The region was first developed in the late 19th century because it had a lot of natural resources. It is a good example of how farming and mining economies changed into service-oriented economies. After arriving at New Chitose Airport, the group visited the Lake Shikotsu Ice Festival, where they saw huge "Ice Museums" made from the lake's clear waters. The students then went to Jozankei, a hot spring resort, where they had traditional dinner in yukatas and explored the beautiful "Night Lantern Street" at a local shrine.

The second day included an exciting hike through the snow, showing how Hokkaido is successful at hosting tourists in the winter, and a trip to Sapporo, the capital of Hokkaido.

This hands-on experience gave the students important insights into the unique challenges and opportunities of regional development in the periphery. It connected the classroom theory to real-world transformation.



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