

Nagoya University (National) Graduate School of Law

◆ Program name

Department of Combined Graduate Program in Law and Political Science, Comparative Law and Politics (LL.M.) Program, titled “A Program to Enhance a Collaborative Human Resources and Network for Sustainable Socio-Economic Development in the Post-COVID-19 Asia”

◆ Degrees:

Master of Laws (Comparative Law)

◆ Credit and years needed for graduation:

30 credits, 2 years

◆ Address:

Furo-cho, Chikusa-ku, Nagoya-shi, Aichi
464-8601, Japan

◆ Note:

30 credits for completion which includes 10 credits from the compulsory subjects of “Special Research I”, “Special Research II”, and “Academic Writing I”, submit a master’s thesis and pass a thesis examination.



Features of University <http://en.nagoya-u.ac.jp/>

About Nagoya University

Nagoya University (NU) was first founded in 1871 as a temporary hospital and medical school on the site of a local feudal council building in Nagoya. After undergoing several transitions, NU received its charter as a Japan’s seventh Imperial University. After 1949, in the comprehensive post-war reform of the nation’s educational system, Nagoya University was given a leadership role in the Chubu region. It has since grown into one of the leading national universities in Japan. In April 2004, Nagoya University was reformed as a “National University Corporation”. This transition to National University Corporation status has made it possible to manage the University under the strong leadership of the President founded upon university-wide consensus while still continuing to respect the independence and unique features of each school and department.

Throughout its history, NU has maintained a free and vibrant academic culture. Conducting research and education on all aspects of human beings, society, and nature, the university pursues its goal of contributing to the well-being and happiness of humankind. As an educational institution, NU aims at cultivating leaders with genuine courage and intellect. We call such leaders “*Yuuki-aru chishiki-jin*”, social contributors endowed with the powers of rational thought and creative imagination who have the ability to open up a new age.

The large and lush green campus of the University, only a short subway ride from the lively city center of Nagoya, provides a comfortable setting for students to focus on fulfilling ambitious goals and satisfying their thirst for knowledge. Today, NU is taking new steps to become a globalized university where students are able to acquire comprehensive knowledge, develop personal ethics and aspire to international careers.

Facts and Figures

- Six alumni and faculty members of NU have won Nobel Prizes.
- NU consists of 13 graduate schools, nine undergraduate schools, three research institutes and 18 inter-departmental education and research centers.
- Student population consists of approximately 15,800 students including 2,386 international students -15% of the student body.
- Total population of academic staff, administrative and technical staff and school teachers at affiliated junior and high schools is around 3,100.

- NU has more than 470 academic exchange partners worldwide.

Introduction to Nagoya

Located in the center of Japan, Nagoya is the heart of the country's business and industrial network. Its rich natural and human resources draw numerous companies to house their headquarters or R&D centers in the region. Known as a technology powerhouse, Nagoya has a highly developed infrastructure. At the same time, the city is filled with cultural and modern design which creates a uniquely attractive and convenient environment. This vibrant metropolitan city is surrounded by mountains and seashores, which provide outdoor and cultural activities all year round. The blend of energetic city and refreshing nature allows students to enjoy a versatile lifestyle in Nagoya.

Features of Graduate School <https://gsl.law.nagoya-u.ac.jp/>

The Graduate School of Law (GSL) has promoted an international cooperation project on “Asian Technical Legal Assistance” for more than twenty years since 1998. It aims to assist the development of legal systems in various Asian countries which have been undertaking the transition to a market economy and into constitutional and democratic nation-states.

As part of the project and to fulfill our educational and research mission as a leading institution of legal and political study in Japan, the GSL established an educational and training program known as the “LL.M. (Comparative Law) Program in Law and Political Science” all taught in English in 1999. It aims to train the next generation of top Asian legalists who can contribute to nation-building through the construction of legal systems by providing education in law and expanding networking among legal professionals in Asian countries. We expect that the Program will contribute to the human resource developments in these countries and create a structure for new networking potential among former students who can provide feedback to the GSL.

In this way, over the last 20 years, the GSL has built a wide-range of Asian legal networks. In 2021, following the establishment of the above programs and after assuring the sustainability of the networks, we have renamed the Comparative Law Program to “A Program to Enhance a Collaborative Human Resources and Network for Sustainable Socio-Economic Development in the Post-COVID-19 Asia”. Under this concept, the Program continues to train human resources in the legal arena who can develop and expand the Asian Legal Exchange Network.

We have accepted JDS participants from the targeted countries of Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam, Uzbekistan, Mongolia, Myanmar and China. The total number of JDS participants in our school is 231 (as of April 2023).

We are proud to count among our graduates, the officials of core ministries, judges, public prosecutors, counsel in significant corporations, active lawyers, and progressive academics as independent legal professionals responding to the needs of their time, continuing to be engaged in the building of their nations, fulfilling their essential role in this new period. A network has emerged among these graduates which has created a structure for finding new talent, and for offering ongoing feedback to the faculty of our Graduate School. This has allowed us to develop a diverse and varied academic environment.

Our Program emphasizes a curriculum with offerings ranging from fundamental grounding to specific areas in law and politics. Classes are conducted in English and students proceed under the individual guidance of academic supervisors, along with a wealth of support both from within the faculty and from the University. Each student can immerse themselves in the joys of learning while building strong bonds with fellow students from various nations and regions. In this way, we seek to provide the conditions for our students to reach their full potential. Each year, overseas students who join our programs enrich us further by bringing their experiences and the latest information about their home countries.

Features of the Program

◆Objectives

The Comparative Law and Politics (LL.M.) Program at our graduate school aims to foster human resources with advanced comprehensive skills and balanced abilities. It is especially focusing on the improvement of the capacity to operate a legal system for building a new post-COVID-19 society. The curriculum of the Program is structured to

encompass the following elements:

- (1) Basic and broad training in law and political science
- (2) Highly specialized research analyzing the situation in the student's own country with a view to exploring solutions
- (3) Studies in the principles of the rule of law, human rights, and democracy which conducive to a market economy system
- (4) Acquisition of the abilities and techniques needed for theoretical and practical thinking
- (5) Group and flexible individual guidance that enables independent academic writing with appropriate research methods
- (6) The promotion of comparative research in group discussions with Japanese students.

◆ Overview of the program

JDS students enter Nagoya University in October of each year. Matched with a faculty supervisor, the students begin their legal studies in the Master's Program to deepen their comparative understanding of laws and political systems in Japan and that of their home countries.

In addition to the course obligations, students are required to set a practical research theme based on a systemic topic related to market economic development and to write a thesis from a comparative perspective. To progress with their research topic, students receive individual and specialized tutorials from a supervisor and get a group and staged guidance through an initial mandatory academic writing semester course followed by two semester-length courses. Thesis writing guidance is a significant component of our Program enhancing the abilities for self-initiated research, data collection skills, and methods of thinking and analysis.

Along with the courses in legal and political domain, students can also take Japanese language courses at the Nagoya University International Language Center (ILC). The Japanese language is the most common medium of expression both on campus and in daily life. We therefore stress the importance of attendance for the first six months in the elementary Japanese language study course at ILC.

Apart from regular courses, legal practitioners and scholars from home and abroad are invited to give JDS special lectures. Under the JDS Special Program, study-away trips to various regions of Japan are offered, which aims at having JDS Fellows understand the actual conditions of Japanese society and culture which has supported the legal and political system of Japan.

Necessary Curriculum to Obtain the Degrees

Completion of thirty credits of study and writing a Master's thesis in English under the supervision of academic staff are requisites to obtain a Master's degree. Students must attend the compulsory subjects which are in total ten credits; Special Research I (four credits), Special Research II (four credits), and Academic Writing I (two credits).

Each course is categorized in a lecture, seminar, or practice. In seminars, students are expected to prepare a research topic and present their findings to colleagues and faculty. Grades are assessed mainly from presentations and in class discussions. In addition to the courses listed below, the faculty recognizes certain subjects taught in the Comparative Study of Legal and Political Systems at the Graduate School of International Development (GSID) of Nagoya University as counting toward the degree. Recognition may be extended to other courses, if they are relevant to the candidate's research. Such recognition requires specific faculty approval.

Courses taught in English for the 2023 academic year (Reference)

Subject	Course title	Credit	Instructor (professors)	Lecture/Seminar	Targeted students/Term offered
Academic Writing I [Compulsory]	Legal research and writing I	2	Sean McGinty / Kuhn Michelle Louise	Lecture	M1 / Autumn Term
Academic Writing II	Legal research and writing II	2	Sean McGinty / Paul Lege	Lecture	M1 / Spring Term
Academic Writing III	Legal research and writing III	2	Sean McGinty / Paul Lege	Lecture	M2(M1) / Autumn Term
Professional Studies in Contemporary Legal Disciplines	Comparative Property Law	2	-	Lecture	Not open for 2023
Comparative Studies in Jurisprudence I	The Law and its Personnel	2	-	Seminar	Not open for 2023
Comparative Studies in Jurisprudence II	Uses of the Public Sphere: good practice vs. corruption	2	-	Seminar	Not open for 2023
Comparative Studies in Constitutional Law	Outline of Modern Constitution	2	Minori Okochi	Seminar	M1&M2 / Spring Term

Comparative Studies in Administrative Law	Introduction to Administrative Law	2	Kazumasa Inaba	Lecture	M1&M2 / Autumn Term
Professional Studies in International Law	Introduction to International Law	2	Hideo Yamagata (GSID)	Lecture	M1&M2 / Spring Term
Professional Studies in International Human Rights Law I	Development and Issues on Law on International Human Rights	2	Tomonori Mizushima	Lecture	M1&M2 / Autumn Term
Professional Studies in International Human Rights Law II	Seminar on Human Rights and Refugee Law	2	-	Seminar	Not open for 2023
Professional Studies in International Economic Law I	Studies in Law on WTO	2	Tomoko Ishikawa(GSID)	Lecture	M1&M2 / Spring Term
Professional Studies in International Economic Law II	Problems of International Economic Law	2	Tomoko Yamashita (Aichi Prefectural University)	Seminar	M1&M2 / Autumn Term
Special Lecture and Seminar (Studies in Comparative Private Law I)	Introduction to International Commercial Arbitration	2	Giorgio Fabio Colombo	Seminar	M1&M2 / Spring Term
Special Lecture and Seminar (Studies in Comparative Private Law II)	Case Study of International Commercial Arbitration	2	Giorgio Fabio Colombo	Seminar	M1&M2 / Autumn Term
Special Lecture and Seminar (Fundamental Studies in Comparative Private Law A)	Recent issues in International Commercial Law	2	Giorgio Fabio Colombo	Seminar	M1&M2 / Spring Term
Special Lecture and Seminar (Fundamental Studies in Comparative Private Law B)	International Commercial Contracts	2	Giorgio Fabio Colombo	Seminar	M1&M2 / Autumn Term
Special Lecture and Seminar (Case Study of International Commercial Arbitration)	Case Study of International Commercial Arbitration	2	Dai Yokomizo / Giorgio Fabio Colombo	Seminar	M1&M2 / Autumn Term
Comparative Studies in Civil Law I	Contract Law	2	Karaiskos Antonios	Lecture	M1&M2 / Spring Term
Comparative Studies in Civil Law II	Family Law in Japan and Asian Countries	2	-	Lecture	Not open for 2023
Comparative Studies in Criminal Law	Development of national criminal law under the influence of foreign and international law	2	Kanako Takayama (Kyoto University)	Lecture	M1 / Intensive Course
Comparative Studies in Judicial System	Introduction to the Civil Justice System	2	Yoshitaka Nakamura	Lecture	M1&M2 / Intensive Course
Comparative Studies in Business Law I	Corporate Law I	2	-	Lecture	Not open for 2023 (Every Other Year)
Comparative Studies in Business Law II	Corporate Law II	2	Junko Ueda (Aichi University)	Lecture	M1&M2 / Intensive Course(Every Other Year)
Comparative Studies in Politics I	Comparative European Politics	2	Yasushi Kondo	Lecture	M1&M2 / Spring Term
Comparative Studies in Politics II	International Politics	2	Satoshi Miura	Lecture	M1&M2 / Spring Term
Comparative Studies in Public Administration	Public Administration and Public Policy in Japan	2	Masao Kikuchi (Meiji University)	Lecture	M1&M2 / Autumn Term

Comparative Studies in Political Thought	History of political theories	2	Tetsuri Kato	Lecture	M1&M2 / Autumn Term
Special Research I [Compulsory]	Tutorials	4	Each supervisor (main advisor)	Tutorial	M1 / One-year
Special Research II [Compulsory]	Tutorials	4	Each supervisor (main advisor)	Tutorial	M2 / One-year
Special Lecture and Seminar (Business Law and Practices)	Corporate Legal Practices	1	-	Lecture/Seminar/Practice	Not open for 2023
Special Lecture and Seminar (Workshop on International Negotiation)	Workshop on International Negotiation	2	-	Lecture/Seminar/Practice	Not open for 2023
Special Lecture and Seminar (Japanese Judicial Institutions)	Japanese Judicial Institutions	2	Undecided	Lecture	M1 / Autumn Term
Special Lecture and Seminar (Jurisprudence: Japanese Context)	Justice Theory and Legal Theory	2	You Matsuo	Lecture	M1&M2 / Spring Term
Special Lecture and Seminar (Japanese Law and Society)	Japanese law and society	2	Ayako Harada	Seminar	M1&M2 / Autumn Term
Special Lecture and Seminar (International Environmental Law)		2	-	Seminar	Not open for 2023
Special Lecture and Seminar (Introduction to the Japanese Litigation)		2	Yasunori Honma (Waseda University)	Lecture	M1&M2 / Intensive course
Special Lecture and Seminar (Comparative Law and Politics seminars I)		2	Fumito Sato	Seminar	M1&M2 / Autumn Term
Special Lecture and Seminar (Comparative Law and Politics seminars II)		2	Fumito Sato	Seminar	M1&M2 / Spring Term
Special Lecture and Seminar (Intellectual Property Law)		2	Shiori Nishii	Seminar	M1&M2 / Autumn Term
Special Lecture and Seminar (Foreign Law Special Seminar I)	Global Tort (K.H.A.N Summer School)	2	-	Seminar	Not open for 2023
Special Lecture and Seminar (Foreign Law Special Seminar II)	International Negotiation (K.H.A.N Summer School)	1	-	Seminar	Not open for 2023
Special Lecture and Seminar (Labor Law)	Comparative Labor Law	2	-	Seminar	Not open for 2023
Research of East Asian Law IA	East Asian Comparative Law	2	Yukinori Udagawa	Seminar	M1&M2 / Spring Term
Research of East Asian Law I B	East Asian Comparative Law	2	Dai Yokomizo/ Sean McGinty	Seminar	M1&M2 / Autumn Term
Research of East Asian Law II A	East Asian "jus commune"	2	Dai Yokomizo	Seminar	M1&M2 / Spring Term
Research of East Asian Law II B	East Asian "jus commune"	2	Masako Murakami/ You Matsuo	Seminar	M1&M2 / Autumn Term

Note:

The academic year of 2023 begins on October 1, 2023 and ends on September 30, 2024.

* Autumn Term (autumn term): October 1-March 31/ Spring Term (spring term): April 1-September 30.

* One course for two credits holds 15 classes (90 minutes per class).

* One intensive course holds 15 classes (90 minutes per class) for 3-4 days.

* GSID is the abbreviation of 'Graduate School of International Development' of Nagoya University

* Visit the following website for the outline of the lectures and seminars of our courses taught in English: (<https://gsl.law.nagoya-u.ac.jp>).

Courses Offered for the Completion of the Program for Leading Graduate Schools

[The Graduate School of Law implemented the "Cross-Border Legal Institution Design" program under the MEXT Program for Leading Graduate Schools (2011-2017) and has continued to offer the following courses for further development. Those who earn more than eight credits from the following courses including the required courses can obtain "the Official Recognition on Completion of the Program for Leading Graduate Schools".]

Subject	Course title	Credit	Instructor	Lecture/ Seminar	Targeted students/ Term offered
Project Management I		2	-	Lecture	Not open for 2023
Comparative Law Workshop [Elective Compulsory]		2	Dai Yokomizo / Sean McGinty	Lecture	M1 / Autumn Term
Comparative Politics Workshop [Elective Compulsory]		2	Hiroko Takeda / Green David James	Lecture	M1 / Autumn Term
Legal Transplantation		2	-	Lecture	Not open for 2023
Joint Research Workshop I [Compulsory]		2	Giorgio Fabio Colombo / Dai Yokomizo / Sean McGinty	Seminar	M1 / Spring Term
Joint Research Workshop II		2	Giorgio Fabio Colombo / Dai Yokomizo / Sean McGinty	Seminar	M2 / Autumn Term Compulsory
Seminar in International Law and Politics I		4	Each supervisor (main advisor)	Seminar	M1 / Intensive course /Summer internship
Special Lecture and Seminar (Jurisprudence: Japanese Context)	Jurisprudence: Japanese Context	2	You Matsuo	Lecture	M1&M2 / Spring Term
Special Lecture and Seminar (Asian Family Law)	Family Law in Japan and Asian Countries	2	-	Lecture	Not open for 2023
Project Management II		2	-	Lecture	Not open for 2023
Leading Program Academic Writing		2	-	Lecture	Not open for 2023
Joint Research Workshop III	Organizing a workshop	2	Giorgio Fabio Colombo / Dai Yokomizo / Sean McGinty	Seminar	D1 / Intensive course
Seminar in International Law and Politics II		4	Each supervisor (main advisor)	Seminar	D1 / Intensive course

List of faculty members capable of guiding JDS Fellows

<https://gsl.law.nagoya-u.ac.jp/about-us/faculty-members.php>

(Graduated schools and awarded degrees, field of specialty and research interest)

<Department of Combined Graduate Program>	
Prof. ARAMI Reiko Ph.D.,MPP., B.A.in Liberal Arts from the University of Tokyo.	*Public Administration, Public Policy, Local government. 1. Social policy and policy implementation 2. Bureaucratic politics and organizational theory 3. Public management in local government
Lecturer CARAPETO Roberto Glower J.D., Rio de Janeiro State University LL.D., Waseda University	*Comparative Law 1. Comparative Intellectual Property Law 2. Trademark Law and Unfair Competition 3. Data Protection and Data Privacy

Prof. COLOMBO Giorgio Fabio J.D., University "Luigi Bocconi", Milan Ph.D., University of Macerata	*Comparative Private Law 1. International Commercial Arbitration 2. Legal Cultures
Prof. FURUKAWA Nobuhiko LL.B., the University of Tokyo	*Criminal Law 1. The Theory of Criminal Negligence
Assoc. Prof. GREEN David James Ph.D., Northeastern University	* Political Science 1. Immigration Studies 2. Comparative Politics
Prof. HARADA Ayako LL.D., Kyoto University	*Sociology of Law 1. Socio-legal analysis on the current system dealing with children and family issues 2. Comparative study of a such system working in Japan and in the United States
Prof. HATANO Satoshi LL.D., Kyoto University	*European Legal History 1. French Legal History 2. Formation of the Modern European Legal System
Prof. HAYASHI Shuya Completed Dr. course work in Kyoto University Graduate School of Law, LL.D., Kyoto University	*Competition Law 1. Competition law and policy 2. Trade regulation law (electricity and telecommunication)
Prof. INABA Kazumasa LL.D., Nagoya University	*Administrative Law 1. Reformation of administrative law in the age of Deregulation 2. Legal limitation on privatization 3. Broadcast law in the US and Japan
Prof. KANG Dongkook Doctor of Laws with the Honor of Highest from the University of Tokyo (Dr.), Graduate School of Seoul National University (M.A.), Seoul National University (B.A.)	*History of East Asian Political Thought 1. Nationalism and Colonialism in East Asia 2. Conceptual History in East Asia
Prof. KATO Tetsuri LL.M., Kyoto University	*History of Political Thought (Western) 1. Philosophical Hermeneutics as a Way to Dialogue between Civilizations 2. Tradition of Western Mysticism 3. Politics and Religion
Prof. KONDO Yasushi LL.D., Nagoya University	*Political History (Europe) 1. Comparative European Politics 2. Party Politics
Assoc. Prof. MATSUDA Takafumi LL.D., Kobe University	*Civil Law 1. Contract Law
Prof. MATSUNAKA Manabu LL.M., Osaka University	*Corporate Law, Economic Analysis of Law 1. Rulemaking of takeover regulation 2. Law on equity finance 3. Regulation of control shareholders' private benefit
Prof. MATSUO You LL.D., Kyoto University	*Jurisprudence 1. Philosophical Inquiry into the Rule of Law and its Conditions 2. Modern Theories of Justice developed by John Rawls, Robert Nozick, Michael Sandel and so on. 3. Methods of Legal Interpretation and Institutional Capacity 4. Ethics for Lawyers 5. Philosophical inquiry into Multiple Regulations and Governance over Them
Assoc. Prof. MCGINTY Sean LL.D., Kyushu University	* Corporate Law and Governance 1. Executive Compensation 2. Canadian Law 3. Shareholder and Stakeholder litigation

Prof. MIURA Satoshi M.A., the University of Tokyo	*International Relations 1. Global governance 2. International political economy
Prof. MIYAKI Yasuhiro LL.M., Doshisya University	*Criminal Procedure 1. Undercover operations
Prof. MIZUSHIMA Tomonori LL.D., Kyoto University	*International Public Law 1. Jurisdictional Immunity of Foreign States 2. WTO law 3. International investment law
Prof. MOTO Hidenori LL.D., Nagoya University	*Constitutional Law 1. Constitutional law in Japan and Germany 2. Law on political parties and constitution 3. Constitutional theory about democracy 4. Constitutional analysis of 'public sphere'
Prof. NAKAHIGASHI Masafumi LL.D., Nagoya University	*Corporate Law 1. Mergers and Acquisitions 2. History of Corporate Law 3. Corporate Law and Securities Regulation in Canada
Prof. NAKANO Taeko LL.B., the University of Tokyo	*Social Services Law 1. Sick insurance 2. Social welfare 3. Social Security in Sweden
Prof. NISHII Shiori Ph.D., LL.M. & LL.B., the University of Tokyo	*Intellectual Law 1. Patent Law
Prof. OBATA Kaoru LL.M., Kyoto University	*International Public Law, International Law of Human Rights 1. Diplomatic protection, state responsibility, the status of foreigners 2. European convention of human rights 3. United Nations and human rights
Prof. OKA Katsuhiko LL.D., Hokkaido University	*Comparative Law (Korea) 1. Public law in Korea 2. Justice system in Korea
Assoc. Prof. OKUBO Akira S.J.D., Keio University	*History of International Politics 1. International History of Europe 2. Diplomatic History of Britain
Prof. SAITO Akiko LL.M., Kyoto University	*Criminal law 1. Criminal Law 2. Omission 3. Complicity
Prof. SATO Fumito LL.M., Waseda University	*Russian Law 1. Representation System in Russia 2. Russian Judicial System
Assoc. Prof. SATO Yasunori J.D., the University of Tokyo	*Civil law 1. Communio
Prof. TAKEDA Hiroko BA. MA., Rikkyo University Ph.D., University of Sheffield	*Political Process, Political Sociology 1. Gender and Politics 2. Political and Social Theories 3. Political Discourse Analysis
Prof. TAMURA Tetsuki LL.D., Nagoya University	*Political Science 1. Contemporary democratic theory 2. Welfare regime and basic income 3. Gender in policies and political science
Prof. UDAGAWA Yukinori LL.M., Hokkaido University	*Comparative Law (China) 1. Private law in China 2. Judicial reform in China

Prof. WATANABE Miyuki LL.B., Tohoku University	*Civil Procedure Law 1. Effects of judgment 2. Arbitration 3. Fundamental theory of civil procedure
Lecturer YAJIMA Seiya LL.M., Osaka University	* Administrative Law 1. Administrative Organization Law 2. Privatization and Remunicipalization of Public Services 3. Public Private Partnerships
Prof. YANO Masahiro LL.M., Waseda University	*Labor Law 1. Employment & Enterprise paradigm in the labor law
Prof. YOKOMIZO Dai LL.M., the University of Tokyo	*Conflict of Laws 1. Structure of conflict of laws 2. International aspects of intellectual property 3. International judicial jurisdiction
<Department of Program for Legal Practice>	
Prof. FUJIMOTO Akira LL.M., Osaka City University M.S. in Sociology, University of Wisconsin-Madison	*Practical Legal Education / Legal Informatics Comparative and Empirical study of; 1. Legal Education, Lawyers, and the Judicial System 2. Legal informatics 3. Legal Consciousness
Prof. FUKASAWA Ryuichiro LL.D., Kyushu University	*Administrative Law 1. Socio-Legal Approach to Administrative Justice 2. Legal Control of Administrative Discretion 3. Public Law in the UK and Australia
Prof. HASHIDA Hisashi LL.M., Kyoto University	*Criminal Law 1. Self-defense and necessity 2. Subjective elements of illegality
Prof. IMAI Katsunori LL.D., Nagoya University	*Commercial Law 1. Payment Law 2. Banking Law
Prof. KANEKO Yoshiaki LL.B., the University of Tokyo	*Civil Law
Prof. KOJIMA Jun LL.M., Waseda University	*Criminal Procedure 1. Double jeopardy
Prof. KURITA Masahiro LL.D., Kyoto University	*Civil Law
Prof. MURAKAMI Masako LL.D., Hitotsubashi University	*Civil Procedure 1. International Civil Litigation 2. International Family Disputes Resolution 3. Civil Aspects of Child Abduction
Assoc. Prof. MURATA Kensuke J.D., Kyoto University	*Civil Law
Prof. OKOCHI Minori LL.D., Nagoya University	*Constitutional Law 1. Constitutional interpretive methodology 2. Constitutional theory in U.S. 3. Judicial review system
Prof. TAKAHASHI Yusuke LL.M., Kyoto University, LL.B., Kyoto University	*Tax Law 1. Taxation on business organizations 2. Partnership taxation in Japan and U.S.
<International Students Advisor>	
Lecturer TOMIOKA Ryoko LL.M., Kwansei Gakuin University	*Advising and Assisting International Students and Coordinating Students Exchange

Academic Schedule

Graduate School of Law 2023 - 2024 GSL Calendar for October entrants

Month	Date Day	Targeted students	Events
September	6	M1	Main supervisor decided
September		M1	Registration at the ward office
September		M1	Academic guidance / IT guidance/ Insurance, bicycle, and immigration guidance/ University-wide-guidance/ Japanese language course registration
September	Two weeks	M1	Two-week English language training
September	The end of the month	M1	Moving into university residence
October	1	M1	Entrance ceremony
October	2		Classes start for Autumn term
October	3	M1	Course registration (to October 11)
October		M1	Student ID card issued
October		M1	Medical check-up
October		M1	GSL (Graduate School of Law) Welcome Party for new international students
November	30	M1	Submission of Study plan and Registration form
December	28		Winter holidays (to January 7)
January 2023	10		Classes restart and end on January 26
January	Not decided		Field trip (not confirmed)
April			Classes start for Spring term
April		M1	Course registration
April		M1	Sub supervisors decided
April		M1	Medical check-up
May	31	M1	Submission of Master's thesis writing plan
August			Summer holidays (to September 30)
August	31	M1	Submission of Mid-term thesis progress report

Facilities

Accommodation: Nagoya University Dormitories for International Students

Our university accommodates newly enrolled students from abroad in one of the four university international residences: International Residence *Yamate*, International *Ohmeikan* House, Ishida Memorial International Residence *Myoken*, and International Residence *Daiko*.

The period of residency in each residence is basically limited to six months since the number of international students greatly exceeds the capacity.

For further information on housing for international students at Nagoya University, visit the following webpage: http://en.nagoya-u.ac.jp/academics/campus_life/housing/index.html

Law Library:

The Law Library placed in GSL contains approximately 269,104 volumes of books in the field of law and political science, including nearly 112,715 volumes in foreign languages. An additional amount of Japanese issued periodicals, and foreign journals in the field of law and political science are available in the University Central Library. The Law School Library, along with other satellite collections within the University, is covered by the OPAC system and, for older books, the comprehensive card catalog is housed in the University Library.

The University Library:

The University Library, which possesses all library materials and maintains the union catalog of all books and journals in the university, offers circulation and book retrieval through an ID card system and reference services, including inter-library loan, photocopying, and computer-based information retrieval. For language

education and other educational and research purposes, the University Library has access to satellite TV channels, including CNN News, CCTV, and KBS. The Central Library contains 1,000 reading desks in the open-stack area. Group study rooms, seminar rooms, an information corner, and an audio-visual room are also available. For further information, please visit this webpage:

http://en.nagoya-u.ac.jp/about_nu/admin/sch/deta/nul.html

Internet Service:

Wireless Internet access is available for all students on campus. When registered and enrolled in our university, the University provides the Nagoya University ID. It gives them a key to connect to the Nagoya University Wireless Network.

Message for Applicants

Within your application, the Research Proposal is of critical importance to the admission decision. The application is the basis of the initial document screening. Still, beyond that, it plays an essential role in shaping the interview for applicants who reach the final stage. It can have a determinative effect on the selection.

Accordingly, you are well-advised to take particular care in the drafting of the Research Proposal within the framework of the issues of the JDS project in your country. Describe your interests, research objectives and originality clearly and in a well-reasoned manner. When reviewing your Research Proposal or conducting interviews, the following factors will be at the forefront of our thinking:

- 1) Is there evidence of enough foundation knowledge and research skills to begin work on substantive research immediately upon entering into the study in the Graduate School? The reviewers are concerned with both general knowledge and experience in the field of law and specialized skills and knowledge necessary to the proposed topic. Are you familiar with the prominent scholars in the area? Are you aware of recent trends? Do you have a sense of the critical issues in the area, and are you able to relate them to a broader context?
- 2) Is there a clear, concise, and meaningful research topic? Setting the purpose and objective of a project is one of the most challenging tasks in research.
- 3) Is the topic you propose a good fit for research in Japan? While your proposed issue of a point may concern international matters or the laws of third countries, the reviewers are looking for its connections with Japan, and if it fits the research environment in Japan.
- 4) Do you know the basic outlines of Japanese law, politics, and public administration? What is Japan's position or experience within your topic area?
- 5) Suitability for supervision
Have you investigated our faculty members? Information on our Program and our staff are available on the Website of our school. Members of our faculty publish their articles and books in English, Japanese and other languages. Try to be aware of our work and familiarize yourself with the work of members of our faculty who specialize in your chosen area.

Please refer to the profile of our professors' page of the Website of our school.

* <https://gsl.law.nagoya-u.ac.jp/about-us/faculty-members.php>

In closing, we would stress that whatever the result, your choice to apply to our Program presents an opportunity for learning and personal growth. We encourage you to do your best in preparation and to challenge your application with your skill and effort.