

Career Guidance for International Students

Ritsumeikan University

Career Center

April, 2025





Request from Career Center

In order to provide appropriate career supports, please tell us your current career plan after graduation.

Compulsory

This is compulsory, regardless of your career plan due to Employment Security Act.



https://forms.office.com/r/1DzkKfVcJG

The survey takes you only a couple of minutes!

Deadline: April 25th, 2025, 11:59PM





Welcome to Ritsumeikan!

What is your career plan after graduation?

Work for a Japanese company in Japan.

Work for a foreign capitalized company in Japan.

Work for a company in another country.

Go to graduate school in Japan.

Go to graduate school in another country.





Today's Agenda

1. About the Career Center

2. Job Hunting in Japan

3. Job Hunting report from International Alumni



1. About the Career Center

We provide career support especially for international students looking for employment in Japan.







Operation Hours:

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:30am~5:00pm
- Wednesday 12:30pm~5:00pm

**Closed between 11:30am and 12:30pm



1. About the Career Center

Come and visit us for:

- Individual career counseling (available in English)
- •Guidance for how to write a resume in Japanese
- Mock interviews
- On-campus career job fairs for international students
- Providing job offer information
- •Guidance for how to find internships, etc.



First-year students are also welcome to visit us!



1. About Career Center

-To receive the latest information from us-

Follow us on LINE and Subscribe to our newsletter!

* The newsletters are mainly in Japanese.

LINE



Newsletters for International Students







Student Life and Career Planning

Lectures

Part-time Jobs





Volunteer

Club Activities

Learning Languages

Build your experience in Japan

Your path afterwards

Grad Schools

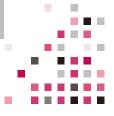
- **♦**Grad Schools Overseas
- **♦**Grad Schools in Japan

Work

- **♦** Work Overseas
- **♦**Work in Japan

Others

Start up a business etc. ...various paths





The number of Ritsumeikan international students employed by Japanese companies:

(International Students, class of 2024)

Students employed by Japanese companies: approx. 220

Students employed in <u>public-listed companies</u>: approx. 80





What they have in common

- 1. Business-Level Japanese Proficiency
- 2. Time they had spent together with Japanese



Business-Level Japanese

is required by the end of 3rd year (Undergraduates) or 1st year(Graduates) if you want to work in Japan.

You should start learning Business Japanese <u>from today</u>.



▼Sources to help you improve Japanese skills

JF Japanese e-Learning "Minato" https://minato-jf.jp
Japanese Language Learning Support App "TOBIRA"

App Store: https://apple.co/32s7tSC
Google Play: https://bit.ly/3Hcx3do





What Business-level Japanese is

(Reading) Able to read business Japanese correctly

(Writing) Able to write Japanese without grammatical mistakes

(Listening) Able to understand spoken Japanese at natural speed

(Speaking) Able to speak Japanese at the same speed as native speakers



Native Japanese level is required.

If you are...

- > able to understand when it's not too fast.
- > still at a conversation level.
 - **⇒** You should improve your Japanese.





Let's make Japanese friends and join Japanese communities!

It enables you to...

- improve your Japanese skill!
- understand Japanese culture furthermore!
- learn about Japanese behavioral traits!
- get used to communication between native speakers!
- build a network!





You need to be well prepared for job hunting in Japan while you are in university!

Come and visit the Career Center!

Understand job-hunting process and schedule.

- **♦** Most Japanese companies start recruiting activities <u>at the</u> same time.
- **◆**Career Center provides career guidance for 3rd year (Undergraduates) and 1st year(Graduates) students.
- ♦International students are required to have a job offer before graduation.





	Japan	China	Korea
When to start job hunting	<u>Undergraduate -></u> Spring of 3 rd -year <u>Graduate -></u> Spring of 1 st -year	About 9 months before graduation	About 3 months before graduation
When to receive job offers (in general)	About 10 months before graduation	About 9 months before graduation	About 3 months before graduation
When to start working	April (After your graduation)	Depends on company	
Occupation	Generalist (総合職 – Sogo shoku)	Recruitment by occupation. Specialist	
What companies look for	Personality, Growth potential, University experience	GPA, Skills, Knowledge, Internship experiences	
Term of Internship	A few days – a few weeks (Generally less than a month)	Long term(3-6 months)	





Job hunting support program for international students seriously willing to work in Japan

Ritsumeikan University is a member of SUCCESS, the Consortium for Supporting Employment of Foreign Students

[Events examples]
Long-term internship
Business Japanese language courses
Courses related to job hunting

▶ Attend the events that interest you!



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Empowerment and
Societal Supports

在学連携を強化し多様な人材が活躍する
次世代の日本社会を目指して

*Most programs are conducted in Japanese.





Other events for International Students(held in 2024)

'Entry Sheet (Resume) Writing Workshop' Japanese

'Written tests (SPI test) Workshop' Japanese

'Company Information Session' Japanese English

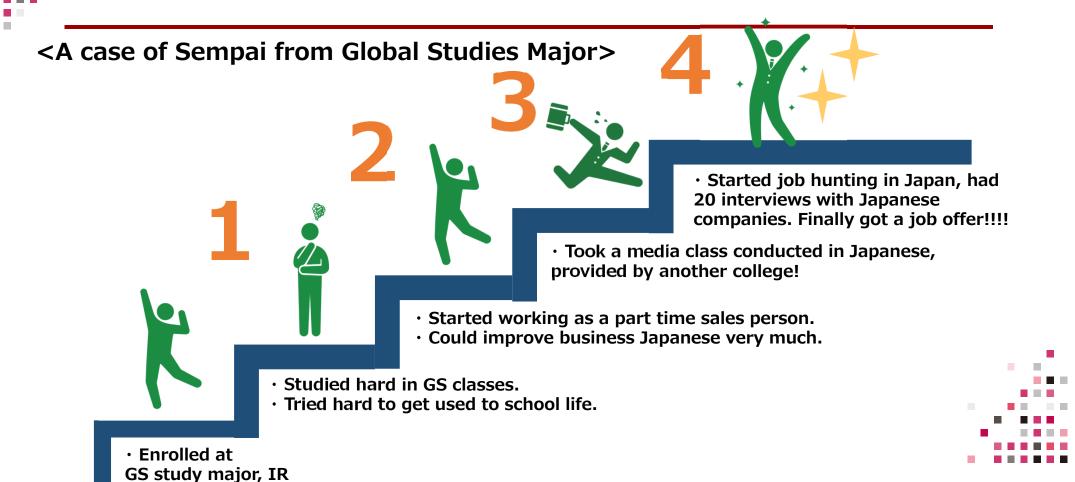
'Work in China' Chinese

'Work in Korea Korean

We will update information on the website.



3. Student life of an international alumni





the Career Center's English website
Check out the information for job hunting tips and more!





http://www.ritsumei.ac.jp/career/en





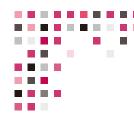
Career Center Website (JPN)

http://www.ritsumei.ac.jp/career/

The latest information about career events held by the Career Center.







Career Center Website for the 1st& 2nd year Undergraduates (JPN)

Japanese

https://secure.ritsumei.ac.jp/students/career/career-design/

The latest information about career events for the 1st and 2nd year Undergraduate students.



Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO)

https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/after_study_j/job/guide.html

You can download 'Job Hunting Guide for International Students' (Language: Japanese, English, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Korean)





Career Support Network for International Students in Japan

Japanese

https://ajinzai-sc.jp/

Provides about 40 informative movies about Job hunting in Japan.



International Foreign Students Association (IFSA)

Japanese

http://ifsa.jp/index.php?FrontPage

Provides Job hunting tips and Job listings for International students.



Kyoto Prefectural International Center

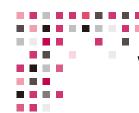
https://www.kpic.or.jp/english

You can consult regarding your daily life in Japan, Job hunting, etc.

*Students in BKC and OIC can also visit the center.







KyoTomorrow Academy

https://www.studykyoto.jp/kyotomorrowacademy/en/

Provides event information for International students held in Kyoto.

*Students in BKC and OIC can also attend events.



STUDY KYOTO

https://www.studykyoto.jp/en/

Provides event information for International students held in Kyoto.

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Kyoto Job Park

Japanese

http://www.pref.kyoto.jp/jobpark/ryuugaku.html

Job posting information for International students.

Consultation about job hunting.

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Osaka Employment Service Center for Foreigners

https://jsite.mhlw.go.jp/osaka-foreigner/

Public Employment Security Office (called 'Hello Work') run by the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare.

*Students in KIC and BKC can also visit the center.



Mynavi Global Career

https://global.mynavi.jp/

Job Information Website for Bilingual Job-seekers.



