Chapter 3

Academic Fees

Academic fees in Japan are not as high as those in the United States and the United Kingdom. The admission and tuition fees, etc. for the first year in an undergraduate program in Japan total around ¥820,000 (US\$7,200) at a national university, ¥930,000 (US\$8,200) at a local public university, and ¥1,100,000 (US\$9,700) to ¥1,650,000 (US\$14,500) at a private university (excluding medical, dental and pharmaceutical schools).

In addition, Japan's scholarship programs and tuition exemption/reduction programs are more extensive than those in other countries.

The first academic year's school expenses include the admission fee, tuition fee, facility/equipment usage fee, among other things. Please note that admission fee is payable for the first year only.

Average academic fees for the first academic year Unit: JPY and USD (calculated at the rate of US\$1 = ¥114)

Graduate schools

Graduate schools			First-year	total		Total up to gra	aduation*
		Admission fee (first year only)	Tuition fees, etc.	Total		Total	
		JPY	JPY	JPY	USD	JPY	USD
Nati	onal (Master's program)	282,000	535,800	817,800	7,174	1,353,600	11,874
Loca	l public (Master's program)	363,666	537,937	901,603	7,909	1,439,540	12,628
	Arts	218,171	1,200,295	1,418,466	12,443	2,618,761	22,972
Pri	Engineering	223,766	955,317	1,179,083	10,343	2,134,400	18,723
Private	Health care	248,905	879,148	1,128,053	9,895	2,007,201	17,607
	Science	213,222	856,464	1,069,686	9,383	1,926,150	16,896
(Master's	Agriculture & Veterinary science	220,046	796,582	1,016,628	8,918	1,813,210	15,905
ster	Pharmacy	229,211	797,000	1,026,211	9,002	1,823,211	15,993
	Home economics	238,783	725,304	964,087	8,457	1,689,391	14,819
oro	Liberal arts	207,671	731,496	939,167	8,238	1,670,663	14,655
program)	Social science	221,118	698,280	919,398	8,065	1,617,678	14,190
E	Medicine	195,769	671,914	867,683	7,611	1,539,597	13,505
	Humanities	209,638	642,888	852,526	7,478	1,495,414	13,118
Nati	onal (doctoral program)	282,000	535,800	817,800	7,174	1,889,400	16,574
Loca	I public (doctoral program)	363,666	537,937	901,603	7,909	1,977,477	17,346
	Arts	229,500	1,074,679	1,304,179	11,440	3,453,537	30,294
σ	Health care	258,033	788,637	1,046,670	9,181	2,623,944	23,017
Private	Science	215,051	775,617	990,668	8,690	2,541,902	22,297
	Agriculture & Veterinary science	220,853	796,354	1,017,207	8,923	2,609,915	22,894
(Doctorate	Engineering	214,354	788,154	1,002,508	8,794	2,578,816	22,621
ctc	Home economics	240,309	720,909	961,218	8,432	2,403,036	21,079
orat	Pharmacy	189,246	707,962	897,208	7,870	2,313,132	20,291
	Liberal arts	214,912	686,639	901,551	7,908	2,274,829	19,955
program)	Dentistry	232,075	662,477	894,552	7,847	2,219,506	19,469
Irar	Social science	213,134	608,014	821,148	7,203	2,037,176	17,870
n)	Humanities	216,449	583,339	799,788	7,016	1,966,466	17,250
	Medicine	178,124	521,501	699,625	6,137	1,742,627	15,286

^r Calculations for master's programs include the admission fee plus two years of tuition fees, etc.; for doctoral programs, the total includes the admission fee plus three years of tuition fees, etc.

University undergraduate programs

			First-yea		Total up to graduation*		
	University undergraduate programs	Admission fee (first year only)	Tuition fees, etc.	Total		Total	
		JPY	JPY	JPY	USD	JPY	USD
Nati	onal	282,000	535,800	817,800	7,174	2,425,200	21,274
Loca	al public	394,225	538,294	932,519	8,180	2,547,401	22,346
	Medicine	1,286,995	3,809,310	5,096,305	44,704	24,142,855	211,779
	Dentistry	563,403	3,725,836	4,289,239	37,625	22,918,419	201,039
	Pharmacy	341,880	1,740,140	2,082,020	18,263	10,782,720	94,585
	Arts	258,455	1,392,805	1,651,260	14,485	5,829,675	51,138
	Health care	278,002	1,229,008	1,507,010	13,219	5,194,034	45,562
Р	Science & Engineering	246,519	1,185,875	1,432,394	12,565	4,990,019	43,772
Private	Agriculture & Veterinary science	250,909	1,109,137	1,360,046	11,930	4,687,457	41,118
fe	Physical education	259,550	1,017,009	1,276,559	11,198	4,327,586	37,961
	Home economics	260,784	989,361	1,250,145	10,966	4,218,228	37,002
	Literature & Education	241,007	932,436	1,173,443	10,293	3,970,751	34,831
	Social welfare	218,800	930,200	1,149,000	10,079	3,939,600	34,558
	Law, Commerce & Economics	237,256	884,943	1,122,199	9,844	3,777,028	33,132
	Theology & Buddhism	229,978	869,257	1,099,235	9,642	3,707,006	32,518

* Calculations for private medical, dental and pharmacology programs include the admission fee plus six years of tuition fees; other programs are calculated as the admission fee plus four years of tuition fees.

Junior colleges

			First-yea	r total		Total up to graduation*	
	Junior colleges	Admission fee (first year only)	Tuition fees, etc.	Total		Total	
		JPY	JPY	JPY	USD	JPY	USD
	Arts	256,250	1,092,751	1,349,001	11,833	2,441,752	21,419
	Engineering	212,359	1,032,333	1,244,692	10,918	2,277,025	19,974
	Science & Agriculture	218,148	913,367	1,131,515	9,926	2,044,882	17,938
Pr	Humanities	247,530	846,906	1,094,436	9,600	1,941,342	17,029
Private	Education & Childcare	250,697	850,396	1,101,093	9,659	1,951,489	17,118
ē	Home economics	245,205	853,519	1,098,724	9,638	1,952,243	17,125
	Law, Commerce, Economics & Social science	237,631	843,356	1,080,987	9,482	1,924,343	16,880
	Physical education	238,571	804,858	1,043,429	9,153	1,848,287	16,213

* Calculated as the admission fee plus two years of tuition fees.

Colleges of technology

		First-year total			Total up to graduation*	
College of technology	Admission fee (first year only)	Tuition fees, etc.	Total		Total	
	JPY	JPY	JPY	USD	JPY	USD
National	84,600	234,600	319,200	2,800	788,400	6,916

* Calculated as the admission fee plus three years of tuition fees.

Professional training colleges

			First-year total				Total up to graduation*	
	Professional training colleges	Admission fee (first year only)	Tuition fees, etc.	Total		Tota	Total	
		JPY	JPY	JPY	USD	JPY	USD	
	Hygiene	161,250	1,326,000	1,487,250	13,046	2,813,250	24,678	
	Medical care	249,857	1,122,286	1,372,143	12,036	2,494,429	21,881	
	Technology	190,000	1,072,667	1,262,667	11,076	2,335,333	20,485	
Private	Agriculture	180,000	1,041,000	1,221,000	10,711	2,262,000	19,842	
ate	Education & Social welfare	151,250	1,008,250	1,159,500	10,171	2,167,750	19,015	
	Business	147,222	995,750	1,142,972	10,026	2,138,722	18,761	
	Culture & General education	126,000	1,016,667	1,142,667	10,023	2,159,333	18,942	
	Fashion & Home economics	185,000	857,000	1,042,000	9,140	1,899,000	16,658	

* Calculated as the admission fee plus two years of tuition fees.

Japanese language institutes

Preparatory Japanese language programs offered	Tuition f	ees, etc.
at private universities and junior colleges	JPY	USD
1-year course	400,000 to 850,000	3,509 to 7,456
18-month course	642,000 to 1,075,000	5,632 to 9,430
2-year course	932,000 to 1,280,000	8,175 to 11,228

Source: Japan Student Services Organization research

	Tuition fees	, etc.
Japanese language institutes	JPY	USD
1-year course	415,000 to 997,400	3,640 to 8,749
18-month course	772,000 to 1,530,000	6,772 to 13,421
2-year course	1,006,000 to 2,000,000	8,825 to 17,544

Source: Association for the Promotion of Japanese Language Education research

Reference: Tuition fees and other university expenses in the US and UK

		One	year	Total up to graduation*		
		JPY	USD	JPY	USD	
US	Local public four-year university	2,842,020	24,930	11,368,080	99,720	
05	Private four-year university	3,816,720	33,480	15,266,880	133,920	

 * Calculated as tuition fees and other university expenses for four years.

Source: Guidebook for the students studying in the U.S. 2018 (Amerika Ryugaku Guide 2018)

		One	year	Total up to	graduation*
		JPY	GBP	JPY	GBP
	Liberal arts program	1,500,000 to 2,550,000	10,000 to 17,000	4,500,000 to 7,650,000	30,000 to 51,000
UK	Science program	1,800,000 to 3,900,000	12,000 to 26,000	5,400,000 to 11,700,000	36,000 to 78,000
	Medical course	3,750,000 to 6,000,000	25,000 to 40,000	11,250,000 to 18,000,000	75,000 to 120,000

* Calculated as tuition fees and other university expenses for three years.

Source: Guidebook for the students studying in the U.K. 2016/2017 (*Eikoku Ryugaku Guidebook 2016/17*) (Calculated at 1 GBP = 150 JPY)