

# NIHON UNIVERSITY

BRIEF GUIDE 2025



The spirit of  
independent creativity

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# ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Nihon University was established as Nihon Law School on October 4, **1889** by its founder, Count Akiyoshi Yamada and other advocates. Count Yamada played an instrumental role in compiling Japan's modern law system as Minister of Justice under the Meiji government.

Count Yamada firmly believed that Japan's modernization required education and research of legal principles on the basis of Japanese history, culture and tradition. It was this conviction that inspired him to establish Nihon Law School.

In **1903**, Nihon Law School changed its name to Nihon University. Today, Nihon University, which consists of 21 graduate schools, 12 colleges and 4 schools, a distance learning division, a junior college with 5 departments, numerous research institutes, special training schools, affiliated schools and hospitals, is one of the most distinguished private universities in Japan.



Founder  
Count **Akiyoshi Yamada**

## At a Glance

Type of University	Private
Founded	1889
Founder	Akiyoshi Yamada, Count
President	Shinichiro Ohnuki, Ph.D. in electrical engineering (16th President, 2024-present)
Location (Headquarters)	Tokyo, Japan

*1920-1923*

*The Old Misaki-cho Campus*



## RESEARCH

### Globally Recognized Research at Nihon University

Nihon University, as a multi-disciplinary educational institution, encourages cooperation among different fields, and promotes research in a wide range of disciplines.

Nihon University also promotes the transfer of new technologies and knowledge (resulting from research) to the industrial sector, and was a superior class in the ranking, among all private universities in Japan, with their total number of income-generating patents in the academic year of 2022.

In addition, Nihon University is highly regarded in Japan as it was ranked as the fifth among all Japanese private universities in terms of the number of researches that are granted "Grand-in-Aid for Scientific Research" (the largest research grant in Japan).

\* Patents were from the 2023 fiscal year, and grants-in-aid for scientific research were from the 2024 fiscal year.



### Recent Large-Scale Research Projects

*Elucidating the mystery of tetrodotoxin, the biotoxin whose biosynthesis mechanism is unclear*

*Development of Decarbonized Smart Agriculture Technology by Integrating Plant Phenotyping and Root-zone Environmental Control*

*Development of a Cyber-Physical System Aimed at Establishing a Resilient and Resident-Friendly Regional Collaboration Hub for Disaster Preparedness*

*Interdisciplinary research for clinical trials and expanded indications for cell therapy using dedifferentiated fat cells*



1928-2000

College of Science and Technology  
(The old building)

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College of Risk Management /  
College of Sports Sciences



# THE PURPOSE AND MISSION

The purpose of Nihon University is to contribute to world peace and the welfare of humanity grounded on the Japanese spirit, valuing Japanese tradition based on its history and culture, abiding by the constitution, cultivating the spirit of independent creativity, and working for the development of culture.

The mission of Nihon University is to develop cultured people who are of sound mind and body and conduct in-depth academic research by gathering a broad range of knowledge from around the world.



## STUDENT LIFE

Nihon University has 18 individual campuses in Tokyo and its surrounding areas. The fine facilities that each campus offers, such as libraries and sports facilities, enable students to effectively work on their current objectives and inspire them to attain the future goals. During their time here, students also have many opportunities to nurture good friendships and enjoy the precious time of campus life.

Nihon University has 34 sports bodies and actively promotes and supports students' sporting activities. Under such circumstances, some of our students have participated in world-class competitions including the Olympics, and as a result, we have produced a number of medalists. Such great athletes enhance a high reputation of Nihon University.

Graduates are active in the forefront of various fields both in Japan and abroad with diverse capabilities and skills earned at Nihon University. They also take advantage of the broad network of alumni that have numbered about 1.27 million.

## INTERNATIONAL

Nihon University is continuously developing dynamic collaborations with numerous overseas universities and also promoting students' mobility through various international exchange programs.

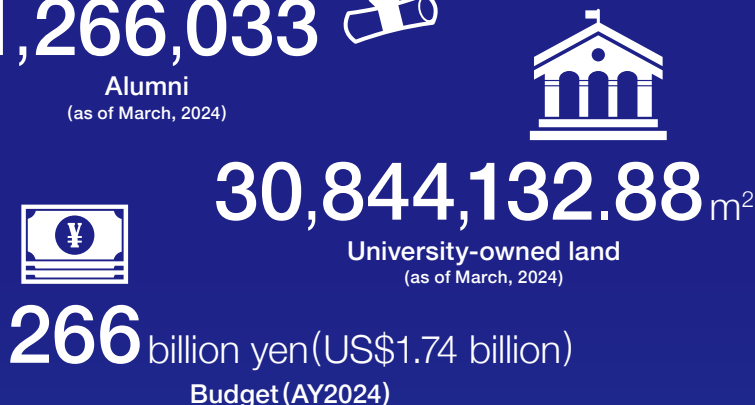
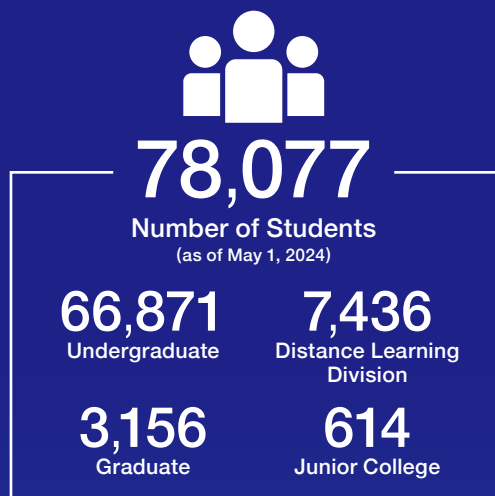
In February, 2024, Nihon University Newcastle Campus, Australia, was launched. This campus, which is filled with an international and diverse atmosphere, provides global opportunities for study abroad and training, aiming to nurture students who can be active players in the world.





# NU BY THE NUMBERS

## Facts



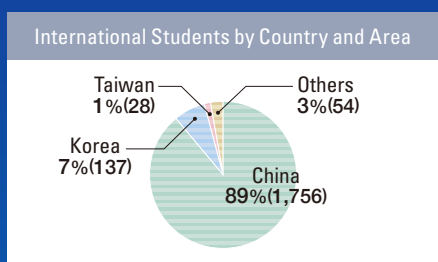
## International

Number of International Students by Program	
Graduate School	431
Undergraduate and Junior College	1,504
Non-Matriculated	40
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,975</b>

as of May 1, 2024

Number of International Students on Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship	
Graduate School	5
Undergraduate	0
Non-Matriculated	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>

as of May 1, 2024



**Scholarships for Privately-Financed International Students**

There are scholarship programs offered by public and private organizations, in addition to Japanese Government Scholarships and Nihon University Scholarship of 100th Anniversary of Foundation.

Partner Universities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>University of Cambridge (GBR)</li> <li>SOAS University of London (GBR)</li> <li>The University of Newcastle (AUS)</li> <li>Peking University (CHN)</li> <li>National Taiwan University (TWN)</li> <li>Nanyang Technological University (SGP)</li> <li>Yonsei University (KOR)</li> <li>Korea University (KOR)</li> <li>University of Toronto (CAN)</li> <li>Avignon University (FRA)</li> <li>Free University of Berlin (DEU)</li> <li>Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz (DEU)</li> <li>LUT University (FIN)</li> <li>Stockholm University (SWE)</li> <li>University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland (CHE)</li> <li>Washington State University (USA)</li> <li>Western Michigan University (USA)</li> </ul>
and many others

## Patent Activity

**1,492** million yen  
(US\$9.78 million)  
Total Patent Royalty Income  
(AY1998-AY2024)

Invention Submitted	Patent Applications			Registered Patents			
	Domestic	Overseas	Total	Patent Right		Utility Model Right (Active)	Design Right (Active)
				Domestic (Active)	Overseas (Active)		
2,486	2,301	1,050	3,351	868 (195)	360 (69)	8 (0)	27 (5)

as of December 31, 2024

## Colleges (12 Colleges and 4 Schools)

### College of Law

Law/Political Science and Economics/Journalism/  
Business Law/Public Policy and Affairs

### College of Humanities and Sciences

Philosophy/History/Japanese Language and Literature/  
Chinese Language and Culture/English Language and Literature/  
German Literature/Sociology/Social Welfare/Education/  
Physical Education/Psychology/Geography/Earth and Environmental Sciences/  
Mathematics/Information Science/Physics/Biosciences/Chemistry

### College of Economics

Economics/Industrial Management/Finance and Public Economics

### College of Commerce

Commerce/Business Administration/Accounting

### College of Art

Photography/Cinema/Fine Arts/Music/Literary Arts/Theatre/Broadcasting/Design

### College of International Relations

International Studies/International Liberal Arts

### College of Risk Management

Risk Management

### College of Sports Sciences

Competitive Sports

### College of Science and Technology

Civil Engineering/Transportation Systems Engineering/Architecture/  
Oceanic Architecture and Engineering/Town Planning and Design/  
Mechanical Engineering/Precision Machinery Engineering/Aerospace Engineering/  
Electrical Engineering/Electronic Engineering/Computer Engineering/  
Materials and Applied Chemistry/Physics/Mathematics

### College of Industrial Technology

Mechanical Engineering/Electrical and Electronic Engineering/Civil Engineering/  
Architecture and Architectural Engineering/Applied Molecular Chemistry/  
Industrial Engineering and Management/Mathematical Information Engineering/  
Sustainable Engineering/Conceptual Design

### College of Engineering

Civil Engineering/Architecture/Mechanical Engineering/  
Electrical and Electronic Engineering/Chemical Biology and Applied Chemistry/  
Computer Science

### School of Medicine

Medicine

### School of Dentistry

Dentistry

### School of Dentistry at Matsudo

Dentistry

### College of Bioresource Sciences

Bioscience/Zoological Science/Marine Science/Forest Science/Environmental Science/  
Agri-Science/Food Science and Technology/Food Business/Global Coexistence Studies/  
Veterinary Nursing/Veterinary Medicine/Agricultural Biosciences/  
Chemistry and Life Science/Animal Science and Resources/  
Forest Science and Resources/Marine Science and Resources/  
Bioenvironmental and Agricultural Engineering/Food Bioscience and Biotechnology/  
International Development Studies/Applied Biological Science/Bioscience in Daily Life

### School of Pharmacy

Pharmacy

## Distance Learning Division

### College of Law

Law/Political Science and Economics

### College of Humanities and Sciences

Literature(Japanese, English)/Philosophy/History

### College of Economics

Economics

### College of Commerce

Commerce

## Graduate Schools (21 Schools)

### Graduate School of Law

Public Law/Private Law/Political Science

### Graduate School of Journalism and Media

Journalism and Media

### Graduate School of Literature and Social Sciences

Philosophy/History(Master's Program Only)/Japanese History(Doctoral program only)/  
Foreign History(Doctoral program only)/Japanese Language and Literature/Chinese Studies/  
English Language and Literature/German Language and Literature/Sociology/Education/Psychology

### Graduate School of Integrated Basic Sciences

Earth Information Mathematical Sciences/Correlative Study of Physics and Chemistry

### Graduate School of Economics

Economics

### Graduate School of Business Administration

Commerce/Business Administration/Accounting

### Graduate School of Art

Master's program only : Literary Arts/Image Arts/Fine Art and Design/Musical Arts/Performing Arts  
Doctoral program only : The Arts

### Graduate School of International Relations

International Relations

### Graduate School of Risk Management

Risk Management

### Graduate School of Sports Sciences

Sports Sciences

### Graduate School of Science and Technology

Civil Engineering/Transportation Systems Engineering/Architecture/Oceanic Architecture and Engineering/  
Town Planning and Design/Mechanical Engineering/Precision Machinery Engineering/  
Aerospace Engineering/Electrical Engineering/Electronic Engineering/Computer Science/  
Materials and Applied Chemistry/Physics/Mathematics/Geography/Quantum Science and Technology

### Graduate School of Industrial Technology

Mechanical Engineering/Electrical and Electronic Engineering/Civil Engineering/  
Architecture and Architectural Engineering/Applied Molecular Chemistry/  
Industrial Engineering and Management/Mathematical Information Engineering

### Graduate School of Engineering

Civil Engineering/Architecture/Mechanical Engineering/Electrical and Electronic Engineering/  
Chemical Biology and Applied Chemistry/Computer Science

### Graduate School of Medicine (Doctoral Program Only)

Physiology/Pathology/Social Medicine/Internal Medicine/Surgery

### Graduate School of Dentistry (Doctoral Program Only)

Dentistry

### Graduate School of Dentistry at Matsudo (Doctoral Program Only)

Dentistry

### Graduate School of Bioresource Sciences

Bioresource Production Sciences/Bioresource Utilization Sciences/Applied Life Sciences/  
Natural Environment Studies/Bioresource Economics

### Graduate School of Veterinary Medicine (Doctoral Program Only)

Veterinary Medicine

### Graduate School of Pharmacy (Doctoral Program Only)

Pharmacy

### Graduate School of Social and Cultural Studies (Graduate Program in Distance Learning)

Master's Program Only : International Political Science and Economics/  
Culture and Communication Studies/Human Science  
Doctoral Program Only : Social and Cultural Studies

### Law School (Professional Course)

Advanced Legal Studies

## Junior College

Business and Management Studies/Food and Nutrition/Architecture and Living Design/  
Science and Manufacturing Technology

### Advanced Course for Junior College

Food and Nutrition

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	
		ENTRANCE CEREMONY		SUMMER VACATION				NU FOUNDATION DAY		GRADUATION CEREMONY		
1st Semester						2nd Semester						



# CAMPUSES

## NIHON DAIGAKU KAIKAN

### Central Administration Office

4-8-24, Kudan-Minami, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-8275  
<http://www.nihon-u.ac.jp>

## Graduate School of Law

### Graduate School of Journalism and Media

#### College of Law

2-3-1, Kanda-Misaki-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101-8375  
<http://www.law.nihon-u.ac.jp/>

## Law School

2-3-1, Kanda-Misaki-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101-8375  
<http://www.law.nihon-u.ac.jp/lawschool/>

## Graduate School of Literature and Social Sciences

### Graduate School of Integrated Basic Sciences

#### College of Humanities and Sciences

3-25-40, Sakurajosui, Setagaya-ku, Tokyo 156-8550  
<http://www.chs.nihon-u.ac.jp/english/>

## Graduate School of Economics

### College of Economics

1-3-2, Kanda-Misaki-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101-8360  
<http://www.eco.nihon-u.ac.jp/english/>

## Graduate School of Business Administration

### College of Commerce

5-2-1, Kinuta, Setagaya-ku, Tokyo 157-8570  
<http://www.bus.nihon-u.ac.jp/english/>

## Graduate School of Art

### College of Art

2-42-1, Asahigaoka, Nerima-ku, Tokyo 176-8525  
<http://www.art.nihon-u.ac.jp/english/>

## Graduate School of International Relations

### College of International Relations

#### Junior College, Mishima Campus

2-31-145, Bunkyo-cho, Mishima-shi, Shizuoka 411-8555  
<https://www.ir.nihon-u.ac.jp/index.html>

## Graduate School of Risk Management

### College of Risk Management

3-34-1, Shimouma, Setagaya-ku, Tokyo 154-8513  
[http://www.nihon-u.ac.jp/risk\\_management/](http://www.nihon-u.ac.jp/risk_management/)

## Graduate School of Sports Sciences

### College of Sports Sciences

3-34-1, Shimouma, Setagaya-ku, Tokyo 154-8513  
[http://www.nihon-u.ac.jp/sports\\_sciences/](http://www.nihon-u.ac.jp/sports_sciences/)

## Graduate School of Science and Technology

### College of Science and Technology

1-8-14, Kanda-Surugadai, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101-8308  
<http://www.cst.nihon-u.ac.jp/en/index.html>

## College of Science and Technology, Funabashi Campus

### Junior College, Funabashi Campus

7-24-1, Narashinodai, Funabashi-shi, Chiba 274-8501  
<http://www.cst.nihon-u.ac.jp/en/index.html>

## Graduate School of Industrial Technology

### College of Industrial Technology

1-2-1, Izumi-cho, Narashino-shi, Chiba 275-8575  
<http://www.cit.nihon-u.ac.jp/en>

## College of Industrial Technology, Mimomi Campus

2-11-1, Shinei, Narashino-shi, Chiba 275-8576  
<http://www.cit.nihon-u.ac.jp/en>

## Graduate School of Engineering

### College of Engineering

1, Aza-Nakagawara, Tokusada, Tamura-machi  
 Koriyama-shi, Fukushima 963-8642  
<http://www.ce.nihon-u.ac.jp/english/>

## Graduate School of Medicine

### School of Medicine

30-1, Oyaguchi Kami-cho, Itabashi-ku, Tokyo 173-8610  
<http://www.med.nihon-u.ac.jp/en/>

## Graduate School of Dentistry

### School of Dentistry

1-8-13, Kanda-Surugadai, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101-8310  
<https://www.dent.nihon-u.ac.jp/>

## Graduate School of Dentistry at Matsudo

### School of Dentistry at Matsudo

2-870-1, Sakaecho-nishi, Matsudo-shi, Chiba 271-8587  
<http://www.mascat.nihon-u.ac.jp/>

## Graduate School of Bioresource Sciences

### Graduate School of Veterinary Medicine

#### College of Bioresource Sciences

1866, Kameino Fujisawa-shi, Kanagawa 252-0880  
<https://www.brs.nihon-u.ac.jp/>

## Graduate School of Pharmacy

### School of Pharmacy

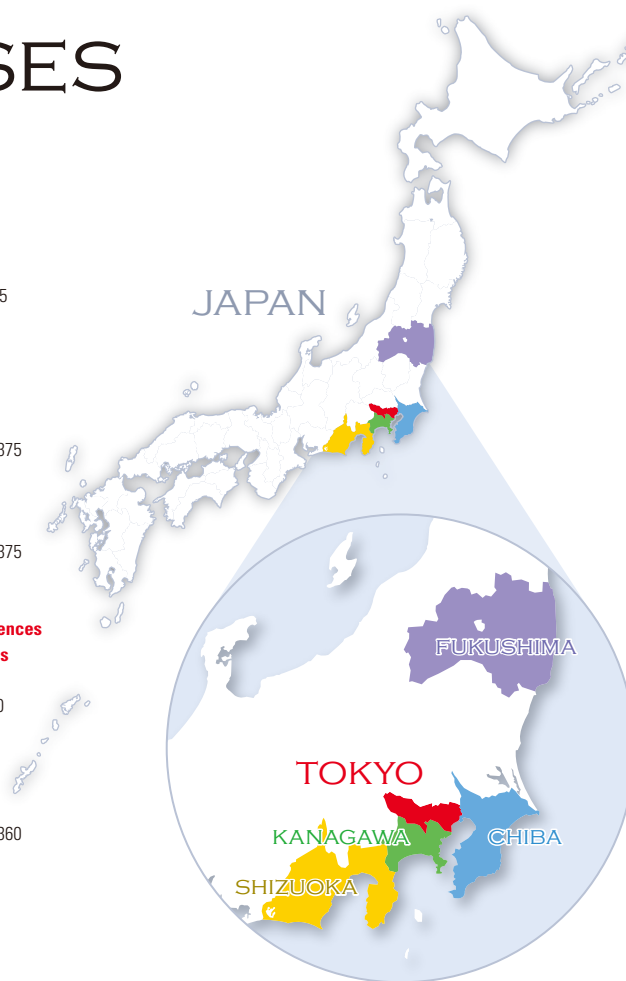
7-7-1, Narashinodai, Funabashi-shi, Chiba 274-8555  
<http://www.pha.nihon-u.ac.jp/english/>

## Graduate School of Social and Cultural Studies

### (Graduate Program in Distance Learning)

#### Distance Learning Division

4-8-28, Kudan-Minami, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-8005  
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