Island wisdom, for the world, for the future.

Located in Okinawa, a part of the Ryukyu Islands, University of the Ryukyus (Ryudai) boasts unique characteristics that no other university in Japan has.

On top of the list of assets that Ryudai enjoys is its subtropical location with a beautiful natural environment both on the land and in the sea.

I personally invite you to come and see for yourself the many things the University of the Ryukyus has to offer.

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What international students are saying

“The University of the Ryukyus has some of the best friendliest teachers, professors, and students to aid my climb to success.”

“I chose to study in Okinawa because I wanted to try the unique food culture and see the clear blue waters for myself.”

“If you go to Okinawa, you will see beautiful landscapes. You will meet a lot of new friends and also you can contrast the difference between Japanese culture and Okinawan culture.”

“I have also discovered my future here, not only have I found my academic calling.”

“Everybody in Okinawa is very friendly. It’s the perfect place to become better at speaking Japanese.”

“My study abroad experience at the University of the Ryukyus will stay with me for the rest of my life.”

“Classes are difficult mainly in Japanese, but if you do your best, it's okay. It is important to go out to the outside world. I highly recommend it.”

Undergraduate student from Micronesia

- Monthly living expenses
  - Dormitory Rent: ¥16,500
  - Water: ¥1,000
  - Electric: ¥1,500
  - Gas: ¥1,500
  - Food: ¥20,000

- Scholarship: ¥100,000

Timetable (Example: Short-Term Exchange Student)

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Number of international students by country/region (as of May 1, 2019)

300 students from 40 countries/regions.
The University of the Ryukyus President's Research Award for Leading Scientists

The University of the Ryukyus is leading an initiative in the “Spearheads of Research” to promote four of the University’s key areas of research: Tropics and Sub-Tropics, Island and Ocean Environments, Ryukyu and Okinawa Culture, and Health, Longevity and Internationally Infectious Diseases.

This is in addition to a model of community-based problem solving, an approach to issue resolution gleaned from results of an institutionally-organized survey of research requirements.

**Coral Reefs**
How will corals in the Ryukyu archipelago respond to climate change?

Prof. SAKAI Kazuhiko

**Invasive Non-Native Organisms**
Advanced research on invasive non-native living organisms in the face of climate change and ever-transforming conditions of the natural environment.

Prof. TSUJI Mizuki

**Cultural Diversity**
Towards the construction of dynamic systems of taxonomy for languages in the Ryukyus.

Prof. KARIMATA Shigehisa

**Regional Development**
Towards Creating a Flexible and Strong Region: Integrated management of land resources development and use in urban and rural settings.

Prof. NAKAMURA Shinya

**Marine Organisms**
Environmental adaptability of coral reef organisms – An overall understanding from biological perspectives.

Prof. TAKEMURA Akihiro

**Renewable Energy**
Approaches for the realization of a sustainable society – Proactive use of renewable sources of energy.

Prof. SENJYU Tomonobu
University of the Ryukyus by the Numbers
(As of May 1, 2019)

• Faculties
  7 faculties  32 programs
• Graduate Schools
  9 graduate schools  23 programs
• Students
  8,079
    7,140 Undergraduate students
    530 Graduate students (Master's and Predoctoral courses)
    330 Graduate students (Doctorate and Doctoral courses)
    79 Professional degree students
• Student-Teacher ratio
  8,079 / 826 = 9.78

• Budget (Unit: Million JPY)

• International Exchanges
  Number of universities/institutions with
  116 schools  40 countries/regions
  Student exchanges with partner universities
  79 students received
  33 students sent
  Faculty exchanges
  Faculty members conducting research abroad
  595
  Researchers from overseas received
  220
  International students
  300

The Times Higher Education Japan University Rankings 2019 (3.27.2019) 89th/the top150 universities