

More information about Okayama University

Okayama University Website

The official homepage of Okayama University. It provides a wide range of information, including basic information about Okayama University and the latest news.



Okayama University SDGs Portal

Okayama University's special website focused on the SDGs. It showcases more than 300 examples of the university's commitment to the SDGs.



Okayama University Prospectus

A comprehensive book about Okayama University.



Okayama University Official SNS



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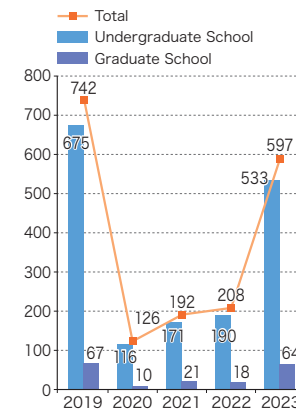
INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE

966 international students currently enrolled
597 students have studied abroad
Enhancing the development of global talent

DISTRIBUTION OF INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS Total 52 Countries/Regions 404 Universities/Institutions



Japanese Students Studying Abroad



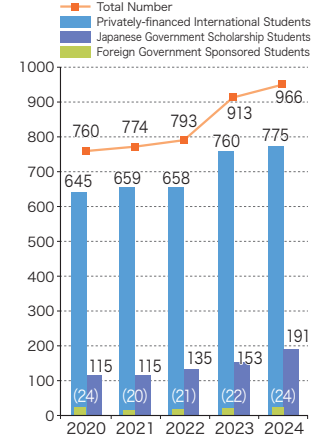
Note: Includes online program participants counted as the Top Global University Project Data from Fiscal Year 2020 onward.

Breakdown of the Above by Country and Duration

Classification	within 6 months		Total
	more than 6 months	more than 6 months	
Asia	341	8	349
Oceania	61	4	65
North America	46	16	62
Europe	102	17	119
Middle East	1	1	2
Total	551	46	597

※Fiscal Year 2023

International Students



Note1: "Privately-financed International Students" includes Foreign Government Sponsored Students whose acceptance has been informed via MEXT.
Note2: "International Students" includes students of the Joint Graduate School in Science of School Education, Hyogo University of Teacher Education.

Enrollment Numbers Country and Region

Classification	Graduate Students		Undergraduate Students	Research Students, etc.	Total
	Doctor	Master			
Asia	332	241	140	116	829
Middle East	5	2	0	1	8
Africa	25	5	5	4	39
Oceania	0	0	0	1	1
North America	3	0	0	18	21
Latin America and the Caribbean	3	1	3	3	10
Europe	7	0	4	47	58
Total	375	249	152	190	966

※As of May 1, 2024

HOSPITAL AND LIBRARY

OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL offers state-of-the-art medical care, research and education systems.
OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES boast large collections with a total of approximately **1.96 million volumes**

OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

- Among the best university hospitals in western Japan, with 853 beds and 50 departments (38 medical and 12 dental departments)
- Average daily number of patients: 2,679 (553 inpatients and 2,126 outpatients)
- Annual number of surgeries: 9,557
- Okayama University Hospital provides state-of-the-art medical care such as organ transplantation, pediatric heart surgery, minimally invasive endoscopic surgery and robot assisted surgery. The hospital is the only one in the Chugoku and Shikoku regions with authorization as a Core Clinical Research Hospital, Translational Research Center (TRC) and a Cancer Genome Medicine Core Hospital, and is the clinical research base in Western Japan.
- The hospital maintains a high matching rate in the employment of residents, and also carries out the mission as an educational institution, providing clinical training to many foreign physicians.



OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES

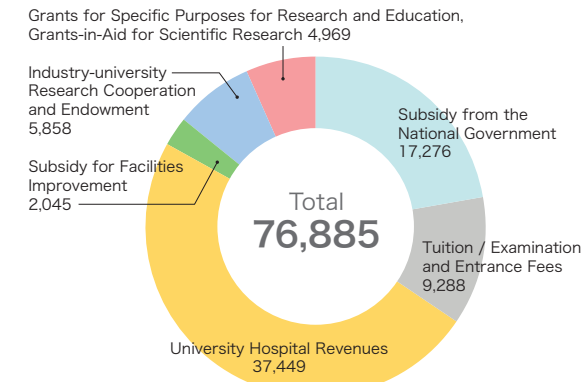
- The University Libraries consist of the Central Library, the Shikata Branch Library, and the Institute of Plant Science and Resources Branch Library. They provide approximately 1,960,000 books and boast the **largest collection of books in Okayama Prefecture**.
- Their wide range of services extend to local communities and other educational institutions. They provide publications of approximately **88,000 e-journals**, **31 databases**, and publish the academic research achievements of OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY. They work to promote functional enhancement of online services, and to support research and learning activities.
- The Central Library houses the Ikeda Family Collection "**Ikedake Bunko**" which contains records and documents of the Ikeda clan, the feudal lords of Okayama from 1632 to 1871. The collection consists of an archive of about 100,000 legislative documents, Japanese classics, and Chinese classics. The collection is well known as a source of primary materials for research on the Shogunate government and clan governments during the Edo period.

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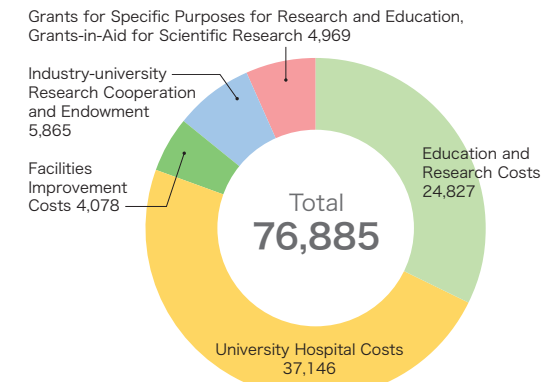
FINANCE

Total budget of about **76.9 billion JPY**
Since becoming an incorporated national university in 2004, there has been an increase of about **23.7 billion JPY**. An increase of self-income and external funds promote the diversification of financial resources.

Income



Expenditure



※2024 Fiscal Year Budget (unit : million JPY)

Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research "KAKENHI" (Fiscal Year 2024)

Number of Projects 982
Amount 2,673million JPY

Note : The grants above include all overhead expenses.

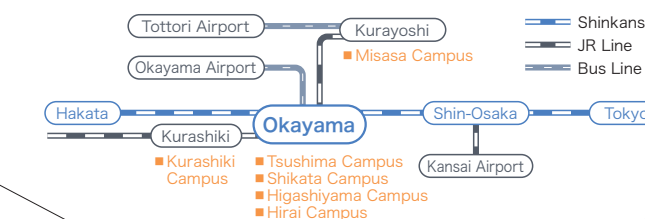
Grants from Outside the University (Fiscal Year 2023)

Joint Research 617
Trust Research 1,669
Endowment 2,180

Note : "Endowment" includes foundations and endowed chairs. (unit million JPY)

ACCESS

Okayama, "**the Land of Sunshine**",
Eco-friendly, High quality of life
Located in the heart of Western Japan with easy access to many major destinations



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GLOBAL GATE FOR LEARNING

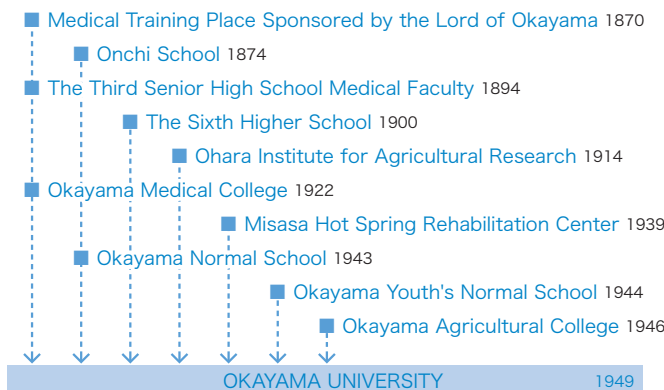
2024-2025
OUTLINE

A Research University
that Together
Creates and Nurtures
a Bright Future



HISTORY AND ORGANIZATION

OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY has approximately **150 years** of history



National University Corporation OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY 1949

National University Corporation OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY 2004

- Undergraduate Schools**
 - School of Letters
 - School of Education
 - Faculty of Law
 - School of Economics
 - School of Science
 - Medical School
 - Dental School
 - School of Pharmaceutical Sciences
 - School of Engineering
 - School of Agriculture
 - Discovery Program for Global Learners
- Graduate Schools**
 - Graduate School of Education
 - Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences
 - Graduate School of Natural Science and Technology *
 - Graduate School of Environmental, Life, Natural Science and Technology
 - Graduate School of Health Sciences
 - Graduate School of Environmental and Life Science *
 - Graduate School of Medicine, Dentistry and Pharmaceutical Sciences
 - Graduate School of Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering in Health Systems
 - School of Law

- Postgraduate Special Education Credential Program
- Special Course for *Yogo* Teachers (School Nurse Teachers)
 - Institute of Plant Science and Resources
 - Institute for Planetary Materials
 - Research Institute for Interdisciplinary Science
 - Research Institute for the Dynamics of Civilizations
- School of Education
 - Kindergarten
 - Primary School
 - Junior High School
 - School of Special Needs Education
- OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL (50 clinical divisions)

Research Institute

Attached Schools

University Hospital

STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF

Students **13,383** Faculty and Staff **4,189**

Undergraduate Students Total 10,140

Classification	Total
School of Letters	758
School of Education	1,140
Faculty of Law	949
School of Economics	1,058
School of Science	670
Medical School	1,332
Dental School	314
School of Pharmaceutical Sciences	433
School of Engineering	2,716
School of Environmental Science and Technology *	25
School of Agriculture	517
Discovery Program for Global Learners	228
Total	10,140

Graduate Students Total 3,243

Classification	Total
Graduate School of Education	143
Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences	281
Graduate School of Natural Science and Technology *	110
Graduate School of Environmental, Life, Natural Science and Technology	1,297
Graduate School of Health Sciences	127
Graduate School of Environmental and Life Science *	113
Graduate School of Medicine, Dentistry and Pharmaceutical Sciences	875
Graduate School of Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering in Health Systems	236
School of Law	61
Total	3,243

Faculty and Staff Total 4,189

Classification	Total
Executives	10
Professors	415 [18]
Associate Professors	357 [33]
Senior Assistant Professors	96 [30]
Assistant Professors	300 [179]
Research Associates	6 [1]
Teachers	98 [4]
Clerical Employees	1,312 [1,281] (49)
Technical Employees	
Total	2,594 [1,546] (49)

※[] indicate numbers of Contract Personnel, () indicate numbers of Rehired staff. Both are excluded of each category.

※As of May 1, 2024

ENTRANTS

Student Population
Male-to-Female Ratio **54:46**
Tuition Fee

Undergraduate Schools Classification	Annual Capacity	Applicants	Entrants
School of Letters	175	511	176
School of Education	280	529	282
Faculty of Law	225	590	233
School of Economics	245	604	255
School of Science	140	391	146
Medical School	269	824	266
Dental School	48	127	48
School of Pharmaceutical Sciences	80	221	86
School of Engineering	640	1,299	653
School of Agriculture	120	287	127
Discovery Program for Global Learners		179	59
Total	2,222	5,562 (2,680)	2,331 (1,068)

※April 2024 Entrants (Discovery Program for Global Learners includes October 2023 Entrants)
※Brackets () indicates female students.

Graduate Schools Classification	Annual Capacity	Applicants	Entrants
Graduate School of Education	37	29	25
Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences	100	195	94
Graduate School of Environmental, Life, Natural Science and Technology	597	805	719
Graduate School of Health Sciences	36	52	47
Graduate School of Medicine, Dentistry and Pharmaceutical Sciences	191	234	210
Graduate School of Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering in Health Systems	96	117	98
Total	1,126	1,584 (470)	1,250 (366)

Professional Degree Courses (April 2024 Entrants)

Graduate School of Education	45	40	35
School of Law	24	112	22
Total	69	152	57

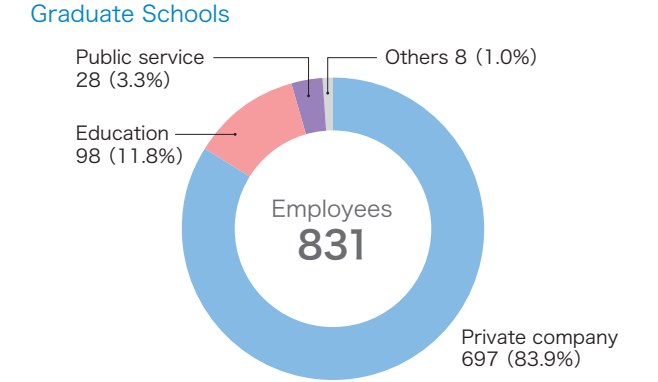
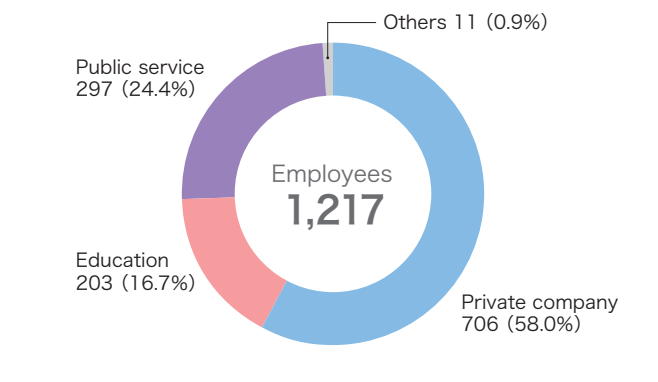
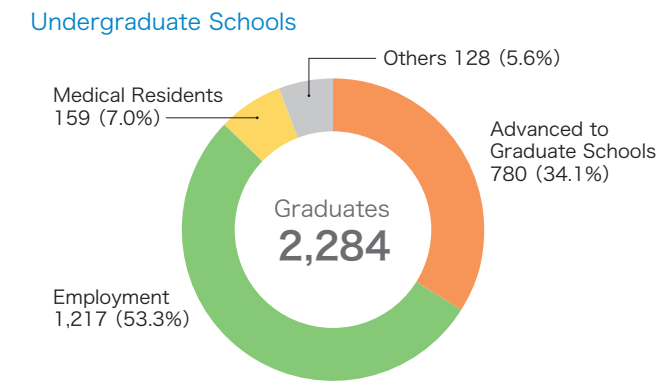
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Tuition Fee for 2024 Academic Year

- Undergraduate Students: 535,800 JPY
- Graduate Students (excluding the School of Law): 535,800 JPY
- School of Law: 804,000 JPY

DESTINATIONS

Employment rate for OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY graduates is
95.9% for undergraduates and
95.3% for graduate students

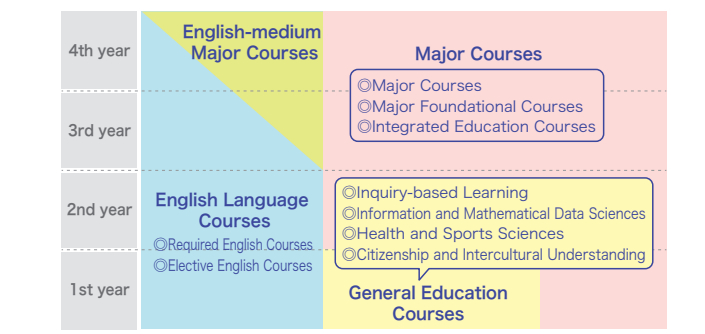


※Fiscal Year 2023

EDUCATION

We aim to educate lifelong proactive learners
Restructuring of Undergraduate Programs

A new undergraduate curriculum beginning in 2025
To nurture individuals capable of collaborating with diverse groups in a rapidly changing and unpredictable society, Okayama University will launch a new integrated undergraduate program in 2025. The existing General Education and Major Courses will be reorganized into General Education Courses, English Language Courses, and Major Courses to create a four-year (or six-year) integrated undergraduate program.



Art of Collaboration in Research
Interdisciplinary Learning Across Schools and Departments
Starting in AY2025, a new course titled "Art of Collaboration in Research" will be introduced as a General Education Courses for all first year students. This course bridges the concepts of "inquiry" from high school and "research" at the university level. Taught by active researchers, it provides first year students with opportunities to collaborate on group projects, developing essential skills like teamwork, project management, and effective communication.



RESEARCH

Transforming Society with Research
The Challenge of Okayama University

Okayama University has been selected for the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology's J-PEAKS project (5.5 billion yen), which aims to develop research universities driving nationwide research development. The goal of Okayama University is to build on its world-class research, which is recognized in Japan, to contribute to global-scale innovation. Centered around the Institute for Advanced Cutting-edge Research and the Organization for Research and Innovation Strategy, Okayama University will promote:

- the elucidation of the mechanism of natural photosynthesis and the creation of clean energy through implementation of artificial photosynthesis;
- a society that supports the well-being of all generations, particularly in the face of a declining birthrate and an aging population, through expertise drawn from national strategic special zones and academic research; and,
- the development of the human resources, research infrastructure, and financial strategy to empower a research university that will revitalize Japan.



Research Areas in the Top 1% Worldwide

Clinical Medicine	78,382
Physics	48,726
Chemistry	24,216
Plant and Animal Science	22,471
Biology and Biochemistry	16,400
Neuroscience and Behavior	11,327
Microbiology	6,998
Geosciences	6,961
Immunology	5,769
Pharmacology and Toxicology	3,945
Engineering	3,648

※Values represent citation counts of papers
※Source: Clarivate Analytics Essential Science Indicators (January 1, 2014- February 29, 2024)

Number of Patents Held (As of March 31, 2024)
563 Patents (420 domestic, 143 international)
Ranking of Japanese Research Institutions Based on the Analysis of the Number of High Impact Papers (Clarivate Analytics 2024 Announcement)
4th Place (among domestic universities)

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