

Graduate Programs in English



Graduate Program in Global Studies (GS)

[M.A.] Global Studies, International Business and Development Studies, Japanese Studies
[Ph.D.] Global Studies, Japanese Studies

Graduate Program in Global Environmental Studies (GES) [M.A.][Ph.D.]

Graduate Program in Science and Technology (GPST) [M.S.][Ph.D.] (Green Science & Engineering Division)

> Entry Dates

April 1 and September 21 (For M.S. in Green Science and Engineering, autumn entry only)

> Method of Admission

Document screening and interview

> Application Periods

	Application Period	Notice of Results	Matriculation Deadline
April 2026 entry	Aug. 20 – Sep. 10, 2025	Nov. 12, 2025	Dec. 2, 2025
September 2026 entry	March 11 – April 1, 2026	June 10, 2026	July 1, 2026

> Tuition (approx.)

[GS]

M.A. ¥933,000 / Ph.D. ¥803,000 (first year)
M.A. ¥772,000 / Ph.D. ¥601,000 (second year)

[GES]

M.A. ¥1,047,000 / Ph.D. ¥869,000 (first year)
M.A. ¥886,000 / Ph.D. ¥667,000 (second year)

[GPST]

M.S. ¥1,627,000 / Ph.D. ¥1,024,000 (first year)
M.S. ¥1,466,000 / Ph.D. ¥822,000 (second year)

For details and application forms, visit : <https://adm.sophia.ac.jp/eng/admissions/>
→ Graduate Admissions → English-taught Programs

Master's Program in Linguistics (TESOL)

Master's Program in Education

Master's Program in International Cooperation Studies

Ph.D. Program in Education

> Entry Date

April 1 (spring entry only)

> Method of Admission

Document screening and interview
(written exam for Education, International Cooperation Studies)

> Application Periods

		Application Period	Notice of Results	Matriculation Deadline
April 2026 entry	1st application	June 27 – July 9, 2025	Sep. 26, 2025	Oct. 17, 2025
	2nd application	Nov. 28 – Dec. 10, 2025	Feb. 25, 2026	March 4, 2026

> Tuition(approx.) M.A. ¥933,000 / Ph.D. ¥803,000 (first year)
M.A. ¥772,000 / Ph.D. ¥601,000 (second year)

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Short-term Study Options

Non-Degree Programs (full-time students)

> English Track

For students who wish to study for one or two semesters and earn credits as full-time students. Students take classes from the following fields.

• Comparative Culture • International Business and Economics • Social Studies
• Japanese Studies • Japanese Language Regular Program

> Japanese Intensive Track

For students who wish to take Japanese Intensive Program for one or two semesters and earn credits as full-time students.

For detailed information, visit : <https://adm.sophia.ac.jp/eng/admissions/>
→ Undergraduate Admissions → Non-degree Programs



Short-term Programs

Summer Session in East Asian Studies and Japanese Language

This program (three weeks in July) provides participants with opportunities to take part in East Asian studies courses and intensive Japanese language courses.

Note: Tuition fees for Summer Session 2026 have not yet been finalized. The fee information listed below is for Summer Session 2025.

1) **East Asian Studies courses** are focused on Japan and Japan's relationships with Asia and the rest of the world.

Tuition 2 Courses: ¥227,000
3 Courses: ¥303,000

2) **Japanese Language courses** are tailored for students who want to intensively improve their Japanese Language abilities.

Tuition ¥261,000

January Session in Japanese Studies

This program (three weeks in January of the following year) offers courses focused on Japanese culture, media, and business. The basic Japanese language course is also offered.

Note: Tuition fees for January Session (in January, 2026) have not yet been finalized. The fee information listed below is for January Session 2025.

Tuition 1 Course: ¥129,000 2 Courses: ¥204,000
3 Courses: ¥279,000

The courses offered and fees may vary. An additional examination fee (¥10,000) will apply.
For detailed information, visit : <https://piloti.sophia.ac.jp/eng/studyabroad/short-term/>



Campus Location / Contact

Campus Location

Sophia University is located in Yotsuya, in the heart of Tokyo. The area around the university has long been at the center of Japanese politics, economy and culture. The Imperial Palace, the Parliament, the State Guesthouse, and the National Diet Library, as well as an array of offices of multinational enterprises, are all within easy walking distance from the University. It is a place where you can feel the dynamism of the global city of Tokyo, experience its urban atmosphere and get the most of the opportunities available in Japan.

Contact

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上智大学
SOPHIA UNIVERSITY

Admissions Information 2026

English-taught Programs

Undergraduate

- Faculty of Liberal Arts
- Sophia Program for Sustainable Futures (SPSF)
- Faculty of Science and Technology

Graduate

- Global Studies
- Green Science and Engineering
- Global Environmental Studies
- TESOL: Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
- Education
- International Cooperation Studies



Undergraduate Programs in English

Faculty of Liberal Arts

Pioneer of International University Education



- **Areas of Study**
Comparative Culture, Social Studies, International Business and Economics

- **Entry Dates**
April 1 and September 21
- **Method of Admission**
Document screening

- **Application Materials**
Transcripts, SAT / ACT with Science and Writing / IB Diploma / GCE A levels, TOEFL / IELTS scores, Recommendation letters, Essay in 500 words

➤ **Application Periods**

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April 2026 entry	1st application (First-years/Transfer)	Aug. 20 - Sep. 10, 2025	Oct. 24, 2025	Nov. 28, 2025
	2nd application (First-years only)	Nov. 12 - Dec. 5, 2025	Jan. 30, 2026	March 6, 2026
September 2026 entry	1st application (First-years only)	Nov. 12 - Dec. 5, 2025	Feb. 6, 2026	April 10, 2026
	2nd application (First-years/Transfer)	March 11 - April 1, 2026	June 5, 2026	July 10, 2026

- **Tuition (approx.)** ¥1,639,000 (for the first year)
 ¥1,412,000 (from the second year on)

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Faculty of Science and Technology

International Program for Environmental Science and Technology



- **Areas of Study**
Green Science in the Department of Materials and Life Sciences
Green Engineering in the Department of Engineering and Applied Sciences

- **Entry Date**
September 21 (autumn entry only)
- **Method of Admission**
Document screening

- **Application Materials**
Transcripts, SAT(+AP/IB Certificate) / ACT with Science / EJU / IB Diploma / GCE A levels, TOEFL / IELTS scores, Recommendation letters, Essay in 500 words

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- **Tuition (approx.)** ¥1,919,000 (for the first year)
 ¥1,716,000 (from the second year on)

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*Sophia University is planning to launch a new English-taught program, the Department of Digital Green Technology, in April 2027.
Thus, the last intake for the Green Science and the Green Engineering Programs will be for Academic Year 2026 (Autumn entry). Please see more details at <https://fst.sophia.ac.jp/department/dgtech>.

*For the admissions information of Japanese-taught programs, please refer to the Japanese language brochures.

Sophia Program for Sustainable Futures (SPSF)

Program Focused on Sustainability Issues



- **Areas of Study**
Journalism in the Department of Journalism
Education in the Department of Education
Sociology in the Department of Sociology
Economics / Management in the Department of Economics
International Relations and Area Studies in the Department of Global Studies

- **Entry Date**
September 21 (autumn entry only)
- **Method of Admission**
Document screening

- **Application Materials**
Transcripts, SAT / ACT with Science and Writing / IB Diploma / GCE A Levels, TOEFL / IELTS scores, Recommendation letters, Essay in 500 words

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*Transfer available only for the Departments of Journalism, Education, Sociology, Economics and Global Studies.

- **Tuition (approx.)** ¥1,615,000 (for the first year)
 ¥1,412,000 (from the second year on)

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Scholarships, Housing, and more

Financial Assistance Various types of scholarships and financial aids are available.

➤ **Scholarship applications accepted at the time of admission application**

New Student Scholarship

The grant varies from one-third to the full amount of the first-year tuition.

Adachi Scholarship for students from Southeast Asia and Africa

Equivalent to the full tuition and education enhancement fee for the first year.

➤ **Other financial aid programs (applications accepted after entrance)**

Sophia University Tuition Support Scholarship

Either full, half or one-third tuition support for international students with “Student” status of residence.

Monbukagakusho Honors Scholarship

¥48,000 / month

Sophia University Academic Excellence Awards

Sophia University Benefactors’ Scholarships

Other scholarship programs : more than 70 offered by public or private organizations

For more information, visit : <https://piloti.sophia.ac.jp/eng/> → Scholarships



➤ **MEXT (Monbukagakusho) Scholarship**
- Offered by the Japanese Government to students

For more information, contact the Center for Global Education and Discovery (inbound-co@sophia.ac.jp) or visit : <https://piloti.sophia.ac.jp/eng/studyabroad/mext/>



Housing

*Fees are subject to change without notice.

➤ **Sophia Dormitories**

Sophia Soshigaya International House (Setagaya City)

60 minutes to Sophia Campus
Rent: ¥45,000 / month

Sophia-Arrupe International Residence (Shinjuku City)

10 minutes to Sophia Campus
Rent: ¥95,000 / month

Sophia Edagawa Men's Dormitory (Koto City)

40 minutes to Sophia Campus
Rent: ¥70,000 / month



➤ **Designated Dormitories**

Higashi Nakano Women’s Dormitory (Nakano City)*

25 minutes to Sophia Campus
Rent: ¥85,000~ / month ¥102,600~ with meals / month

Kasai International House Women's Dormitory (Edogawa City)*

40 minutes to Sophia Campus
Rent: ¥49,800~ / month

Student Hall "Luxlass" (Shinjuku City)**

15 minutes to Sophia Campus
Rent: ¥85,500~ / month

➤ **Recommended Dormitories**

Lestonnac Izumi Kan Women's Dormitory (Suginami City)***

45 minutes to Sophia Campus
Rent: ¥93,000 with meals / month

*owned and managed by Kyoritsu Maintenance
**owned and managed by J.S.B. Network
***owned and managed by “Sisters of the Company of Mary, our Lady”

For more information, visit : <https://piloti.sophia.ac.jp/eng/housing/>



Visa and more

➤ **Status of Residence (Visa)**

International students coming from abroad must have a “Student” status of residence or other appropriate status. Sophia will assist the accepted students to obtain a student status of residence.



➤ **Part-time Job**

International students holding “Student” status of residence can work part-time up to 28 hours per week. Students need to have a permission from the Immigration Office in advance.

➤ **Insurance**

International students are required to join the “National Health Insurance,” which covers 70% of medical expenses.

➤ **Extra-curricular Activities**

Hundreds of clubs and circles offer opportunities to join with other students who share a common interest in various things from sports to music, volunteer activities, cultural performances, current social issues, etc.

Where Sophia Graduates Go

Graduates of Sophia are in great demand within both the Japanese and the international job markets because of their language skills, solid academic training, and global competency.



Students widely find employment in Japanese and foreign firms in both Japan and around the world. Students pursuing further education are admitted into top graduate schools and professional training programs worldwide.

Sophia Career Center provides various programs as well as individual counseling to help international students’ job-seeking.