

# Message from the Graduate

## Replicating Global Governance, Reflecting in Local Governance



Being a central government civil servant of Bangladesh, one of my duties is to provide policy guidance to the government, considering the global shift in policy dynamics. Improving the local governance through policy support is important to deliver the governmental services to the people especially in rural areas of Bangladesh. My research focuses to the citizens and their opinion in local government policy decisions. I started to think off citizen’s perspective, when I started to work with the marginalized people during the beginning of my civil service. Through learning by doing from my civil service career, I acquired some knack on this subject matter, and I was seeking an opportunity of studying on it in some scholarly institutions developed countries. Accordingly, I got a chance to study Master of Public Policy in Governance Study in Meiji University, where I learned the technique of academic research and wrote a thesis as a part of the course and it inspire me to study further and pursue a doctoral program in the same university.

Meiji University’s Graduate School of Global Governance, is an interdisciplinary academic institution having world class academicians and researchers, who are dedicatedly disseminating knowledge across the world. Professors of different disciplines have emerged into one hub and they have been facilitating students of various research fields. In such an international academic environment, I was fortunate to study many interdisciplinary courses including research methodologies, econometrics and statistical analysis, which are basic tools for academic research. Moreover, the school has a special training program and guidance on writing academic research. Courses on different contemporary issues focusing to global governance and public policy framework have given a special valuation to the entire curriculum. As my empirical research was focused to local governance, I utilized the discourse of global governance in financial policy planning of local governance through participation of citizens in Bangladesh perspective. Therefore, pursuing a PhD in Global Governance with the supervision of such competent professors is a matter of heightening the academic position in global research arena.

Although studying PhD is a one-man journey to an unprecedented acquirement, I received extraordinary support from the professors including psychological inspiration to carry on such hard steps of the entire span of the course. I am grateful to my first supervisor Professor Takafumi Kanemura, who has inspired me to do research on the very contemporary issue of global governance, the participatory budgeting in local government policy-making. Then I was supervised by Professor Shunsuke Kimura, who is an expert on local governance, has actively guided me to keep my research on track for performing outstandingly. His thorough review through his extraordinary care has given an extra pace to facilitate my research work and I was able to complete my PhD timely with distinction. I was privileged to get Professor Yuriko Minamoto as my sub-supervisor, who contains knowledge of complete research. She helped me tremendously in generating new thoughts and ideas of empirical research with appropriate statistical analysis.

At the same time, I should recognize the immense support provided by the graduate school staff, who are there to assist students in all the ways. To the prospective students, I would like to recommend that it would be greatly wise to consider the Graduate School of Global Governance for your alma mater of studying PhD and achieving excellence in the academic research.

Dr. Shaikh Jobayed Hossain  
Alumnus of Graduate School of Global Governance in September, 2021

## Admission Policy

The doctoral program at the Graduate School of Global Governance aims at producing researchers who succeed internationally as well as outstanding professionals at government agencies, international organizations, and NGOs at both international and local levels. Toward these goals, the school welcomes applicants with the following backgrounds and potentials:

1. Professional experience and knowledge in one of the following three areas: public policy, international development policy, and community management. Motivation and enthusiasm in developing the knowledge and skills for becoming a pioneering professional or scholar.
2. Readiness to tackle global issues and willingness to contribute to the development of global society through academic research.

We conduct a general entrance examination to screen applicants based on Admission Policy. Furthermore, applicants are required to satisfy the following criteria, including the knowledge in specialized fields:

1. Professional experience and knowledge in one of the following three areas: public policy, international development policy, and community management. The ability of undertaking a research in his/her specializing field.
2. A broad perspective and the ability to apply analytical methods in order to be able to work on advanced academic researches and ever-globalizing societies.
3. Good command of English for undertaking an advanced research project.

## Curriculum Policy

The doctoral program at the Graduate School of Global Governance contributes to the development of academic disciplines on global issues. The school stresses the “governance” perspectives, such as the question about the role of government, business, and civil society in solving public problems. Toward the goal, we provide the following three programs:

1. Public Policy Program: The program is designed to cover the area of public policy by identifying issues in formulating, implementing and evaluating policies.
2. International Development Policy Program: Drawing on the studies on international development and environment, the program is designed for nurturing a better understanding of global issues such as sustainable development and poverty from a variety of perspectives on social systems.
3. Community Management Program: The program examines global issues with a close look at actual local problems and provides courses on processes for policy-making, implementation, and evaluation for resolving them.

In each program, students can develop the knowledge and skills necessary for becoming an internationally competent professional or scholar through academic trainings and international research projects guided by internationally experienced acclaimed supervisors.

## Diploma Policy

At the Graduate School of Global Governance, Meiji University, those who succeed in fulfilling the requirements stipulated by the school and demonstrating the following characteristics and abilities in coursework and their dissertation will be awarded a Doctoral Degree (Ph.D. in Global Governance):

1. Ability of pursuing innovative and creative research and education independently at a university or research institute as a scholar or an educator.
2. Ability of performing highly-professional activities at government agencies, international organizations, and NGOs.
3. Ability of conducting research on strategies for public policy challenges--such as resolving global environmental issues, narrowing the gap between rich and poor, securing human rights, and promoting democracy—with a perspective on global public policy.

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# Graduate School of Global Governance





# Academic Requirements

1. Students must receive necessary supervision from their supervisor.
2. Thesis Writing A ~ F (total of 12 credits) is compulsory.
3. Other than Thesis Writing, at least 4 credits must be taken from elective courses according to supervisor's request.
4. Students are also allowed to register subjects from other graduate schools and subjects from inter-departmental courses. However, these subjects are not included into total credits.

## Ph. D. Program Flowchart

Academic Year	Process
1 <sup>st</sup>	Register required courses
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Register required courses
	Doctoral Candidacy Examination Take-home exam and Oral Exam
	Prepare for doctoral dissertation
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Register required courses
	Mid-term presentation
	Writing the dissertation
	Public Hearing
	Submitting the dissertation
	Oral Examination (Defense)
	Approval of Faculty Committee and Graduate School Committee
	Ph. D. Degree conferred

## Course List

### Public Policy Program

- Governance Studies
- Intergovernmental Relations
- Public Finance and Social Welfare
- Governance and Financial Management
- Public Management Strategy
- Management of Public Institutes
- Urban Spatial Policy
- Governance and Democracy
- Local Governance
- Local Government Functions
- E-government and Public Service
- E-government and Participation

### International Development Policy Program

- Governance of Global Economy
- Economic Development Policy Analysis
- Environmental Policy
- Environment and Development
- Global Governance - Theory
- Global Governance - Institutions

### Community Management Program

- Social Development Policy
- Social Development Theory
- NGO/NPO Policy
- NGO/NPO Management
- National Security and Intelligence
- Terrorism and Counterterrorism

### Research Supervision

- Thesis Writing A
- Thesis Writing B
- Thesis Writing C
- Thesis Writing D
- Thesis Writing E
- Thesis Writing F

# Faculty Members and Research Themes

KATO

Ryuta Ray

Professor



Population Aging,  
Tax Policy,  
Government Deficits

KIMURA

Shunsuke

Professor



The study of the modern and functional operation of local administrative systems, The comparative study of local public administration

MATSUURA

Masahiro

Professor



Sustainability Transition, Urban Planning, Environmental Policy, Negotiation, Deliberative Democracy

MINAMOTO

Yuriko

Professor



Evaluation Research, Social Development, Social Capital

NAGAHATA

Makoto

Professor



Community Development, Community Facilitation , Non-profit/Non-Government Organizations

NISHIDE

Junro

Professor



Empirical Analysis on Effectiveness of Policy Evaluation System

SASAOKA

Yuichi

Professor



Global Governance, Global Development, International Relations, Comparative Regionalism

TANAKA

Hideaki

Professor



Budgeting and Accounting, Social Welfare Policy, Public Sector Reform, Governance, Civil Service System

TSUJI

Masami

Professor

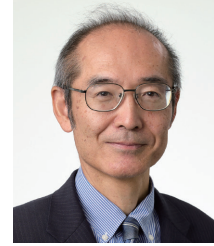


Pollution Control, Solid Waste Management, Ecosystem Management, Climate Change Mitigation/Adaptation

KOBAYASHI

Yoshiki

Professor



Intelligence Studies, Terrorism and Counterterrorism, Public Safety Policy, Police Administration

IZUMO

Akiko

Professor



Civil Service System, Public Personnel Management

YUASA

Harumichi

Professor



E-Government, E-Voting, Protection of Personal Information and Privacy

# Outline

Global challenges—such as poverty reduction, sustainable development, human rights protection, and democratic governance—require highly sophisticated professionals with high-level of academic knowledge. The doctoral course at the Graduate School of Global Governance was established for accommodating such growing demands. They must be able to conduct in-depth analysis and find the right solutions to global issues. The school nurtures students' knowledge and ability for succeeding as professional scholars in the academic sector, high-ranking policy-makers in the government sector, and experts at international and non-governmental organizations.

The school offers “Public Policy,” “International Development Policy,” and “Community Management” programs. By completing the doctoral program, the students will have sufficient skills for conducting research on global environmental issues, poverty reduction, human rights, democratic states, community revitalization and crisis management.

# Curriculum

The Doctoral Course at the Graduate School of Global Governance provides the following three programs.

## 1. Public Policy Program

The program is designed to cover the area of public policy by identifying issues in formulating, implementing and evaluating policies. The program includes such subjects as Governance Studies, Public Finance and Social Welfare, Public Management Strategy, Urban Spatial Policy, Local Governance, E-government and Public Service.

## 2. International Development Policy Program

Drawing on the studies on international development and environment, the program is designed for nurturing a better understanding of global issues such as sustainable development and poverty from a variety of perspectives on social systems. The program includes such subjects as Governance of Global Economy, Environmental Policy, and Global Governance-Theory/Institutions.

## 3. Community Management Program

The program examines global issues with a close look at actual local problems and provides courses on processes for policy-making, implementation, and evaluation for resolving them. The program includes such subjects as Social Development Policy/Theory, NGO/NPO Policy/Management, and National Security and Intelligence.

In each program, students can develop the knowledge and skills necessary for becoming an internationally competent professional or scholar through academic trainings and international research projects guided by internationally experienced acclaimed supervisors.

