

Department of Food Environment Economics



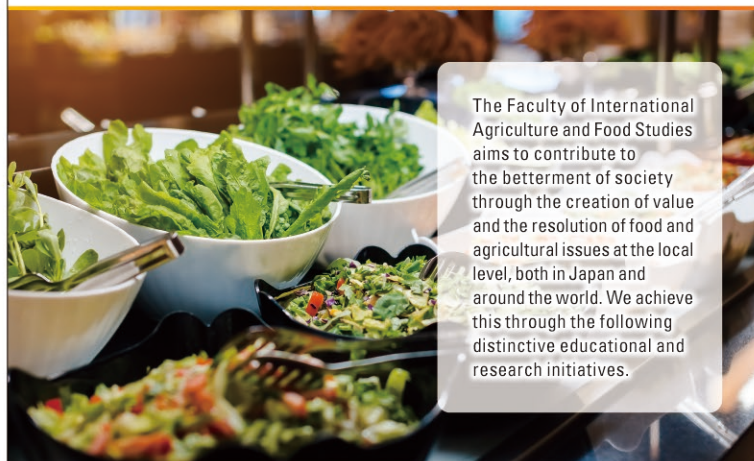
We nurture students to pursue a career as a food director who addresses challenges related to food, leverages diverse social sciences to discover optimal solutions, and strives for a better society.

Food is essential for human survival. Many people, businesses, and organizations are involved in the process of bringing food to our tables. This process presents various challenges and creates diverse needs for the food industry, including food safety, environmental concerns, food loss, and policies supporting primary industries. Our department equips students with specialized knowledge, critical thinking skills, and the ability to take a holistic view, which is essential in this increasingly complex era.

Department Features

- Point 1** Students study the food system, from production to marketing and policy, then choose specialized courses: Branding and Sustainability. The Branding Course focuses on developing the skills and knowledge necessary to create and implement effective food marketing strategies. The Sustainability Course explores the challenges and opportunities related to creating a sustainable food system.
- Point 2** The department consists of six laboratories: Consumption Behavior, Food Economics, Agri-food Systems, Agricultural Economics, Community Economics, and Environmental Economics. In the laboratory, students from freshman to senior can actively engage in collaborative research under the guidance of professors. This provides a valuable opportunity for students to develop specialized skills through cross-grade collaboration.
- Point 3** Our distinctive feature is robust hands-on training program. Mountain Village Regeneration Project aims to revitalize mountainous areas through various initiatives such as community development, tourism promotion, and agricultural innovation. Bridge Project connects students with farmers, businesses, and other organizations to address real-world challenges in the food and agriculture sectors.
- Point 4** Students gain a deep understanding of real-world practices through a three-stage training program. Foundation Seminar Training (Year 1) involves visits and practical experiences in food, agriculture, and environmental settings. In Field Training (Year 2), Students stay overnight at a farm and participate in intensive hands-on training with experienced farmers. Field Research (Year 3) focuses on learning research and data collection methods through on-site investigations in both domestic and international settings.

Faculty of International Agriculture and Food Studies



The Faculty of International Agriculture and Food Studies aims to contribute to the betterment of society through the creation of value and the resolution of food and agricultural issues at the local level, both in Japan and around the world. We achieve this through the following distinctive educational and research initiatives.

1 Offer unique learning applicable in the real world

We offer hands-on learnings that go beyond classroom instruction. Students gain practical experience through extensive internships in the food and agriculture industries. We also leverage real-world data, such as crops collected in the field and insights gathered from company interviews, to further enrich the learning experience.

2 Develop individuals capable of making sophisticated decisions

We foster individuals capable of making sophisticated decisions to address global challenges and achieve a sustainable society. To this end, our program goes beyond natural sciences, offering courses in economics and business administration. Through in-depth learnings in social sciences, students gain the necessary knowledge and skills for critical thinking and problem-solving. Active learning through seminars, research projects, and collaborative dialogue with other students and stakeholders further enhances their ability to propose optimal solutions and approaches.

3 Nurture individuals with global competencies

In response to the evolving globalization, we are committed to nurturing internationally-minded individuals with a broad global perspective. In our faculty, we aim to cultivate individuals who can comprehend phenomena and challenges from a global standpoint. We also encourage students to learn about the diverse values and systems of the world, breaking free from preconceived notions and fostering innovative thinking. We emphasize the importance of effective communication to enable students to collaborate and contribute to the realization of a society that embraces diversity and promotes coexistence.



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Challenging the international society over issues concerning food, the environment, and business

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Department of International Agricultural Development



The department's program, which explores international agriculture from interdisciplinary perspectives encompassing both natural and social sciences, is designed to equip students with the expertise necessary for engaging in international agricultural development.

Economic inequality among nations poses a persistent challenge in today's world. Our department is dedicated to offering students an international outlook and the capacity to actively contribute to agricultural advancement globally. Students are required to delve into both the social and natural sciences, enabling them to address the complexities of environmentally sustainable agriculture and rural development comprehensively. By studying the social sciences, students gain insights into local communities and diverse cultures, honing essential communication skills vital for collaborating with individuals from varied backgrounds and nations. On the other hand, through the natural sciences, students acquire knowledge of theories and technologies pivotal for enhancing agricultural production and fostering environmentally sustainable practices in developing countries.

Department Features

- Point 1** Our academic programs provide hands-on agricultural experience both in Japan and overseas, allowing students to grasp agricultural techniques firsthand and appreciate the significance of collaboration.
- Point 2** We offer diverse learning opportunities, including exchange programs with partner universities and study programs leveraging our extensive research network with international institutions.

Our department seeks students who harbor a passion for agriculture and rural development, possess a drive to engage in international cooperation, demonstrate a commitment to contributing to the global community, exhibit adaptability in understanding diverse cultures, and wield strong communication skills to effectively interact with individuals from various backgrounds.

Department of Agribusiness Management



We equip students with a broad professional knowledge, logical thinking skills and problem-solving skills to explore the possibilities of the agricultural and food businesses from a managerial perspective.

The global market size of the food industry is approximately 700 trillion yen, which surpasses IT industry (around 500 trillion yen), automobile industry (around 300 trillion yen) and steel industry (around 100 trillion yen). From a global perspective, students will learn about the current condition and potential of various agribusinesses in the agricultural, forestry and fishery industries as well as food-related industries, which have a huge market and continue to be important industries even in the post-COVID-19 era. Agribusiness is a business that deals with food and various biological resources that are essential for humans.

Department Features

- Point 1** In the diverse agricultural fields of Tokyo NODAI, this department offers a unique curriculum that focuses on "Food" and "Agriculture", including marketing, strategy, organization, management and information. This department also offers practical subjects such as field practice, focusing on practical learning.
- Point 2** In this department, students will learn about the entire agricultural and food business, from production to consumption, including support services. This department aims to nurture human resources with an international sense to be the core of management and executive of agricultural and food companies. Students will also acquire knowledge of strategic management, marketing, financial management and information processing related to food production, processing, distribution and sales.
- Point 3** This department offers diverse field practices from first year to fourth year, including the Agribusiness Field Practices in Japan, Indonesia and the Philippines. The Agribusiness Study Tour in Asia, Europe, and North America organized by laboratory are also available for third year and fourth year students.

This department aims to nurture students to possess wide-range of specialized knowledge, backed by logical thinking and problem-solving skills, and become leading agribusiness experts and entrepreneurs with a global perspective. Agribusiness is a dynamic and systematic endeavor encompassing everything from making farm supplies to farming, processing, distributing, and selling farm products. It serves consumers globally and locally by managing various chains to provide valued goods and services. Join us in exploring the World of Agribusiness.

Department of International Food and Agricultural Science



We cultivate individuals who comprehensively understand the traditions and potential of food and agriculture across natural, social, and humanities disciplines, and empowering them to develop and disseminate knowledge to the world.

In recent years, Japanese culture related to food and agriculture, and its supporting diversified cultivation practices and processing technologies have been gaining significant global attention. To understand traditional food and agriculture, and to determine various possibilities for its further development, this department aims to provide comprehensive learning environment based on the main pillars of agricultural science namely production science, food science, food culture, and food and agricultural policy and education.

Department Features

- Point 1** Our curriculum covers the entire process of agricultural production, from processing and distribution to consumption. We also explore the history and culture of food and agriculture in the region, from both natural and social science perspectives. We emphasize hands-on learning through experiments, internships, and exercises.
- Point 2** Students gain a comprehensive understanding of the technical aspects through training in plant production and food processing. They also learn about the characteristics and functionality of food through science experiments. In addition, social science exercises provide insights into farm management, food distribution, and consumption. Our highly practical education program includes on-site training and fieldwork.
- Point 3** Students can earn qualifications such as Food Specialist and Food 6th Industrialization Producer, which are highly valued for professionals with broad knowledge of food and agriculture.

This department aims to cultivate individuals who can understand food and agriculture from technological, social, and cultural perspectives. These individuals will manage local resources, people, and culture while preserving Japan's diverse regional food and agricultural heritage. Through food and agriculture education, the department seeks to pass down traditional practices and create new food and agricultural cultures based on high-value agricultural products. Additionally, we aim to develop professionals who can promote these cultures globally from local communities to the world.