

Introduction

The Department of Applied Foreign Languages was founded in 2001. Students in our program major in English and minor in Japanese or Korean. Along with linguistic proficiency, graduates will demonstrate knowledge in applying theory and practice in the field of international business and tourism, and teaching English to children. There are presently 7 classes of students from the first year to the fifth year, together with 10 full-time and 3 adjunct faculty members in the department. All of the faculty members have extensive experience in English/Japanese/Korean teaching and are from diverse educational background in related fields.

Educational Goals

To meet the needs of current social development, we aim to assist our students in cultivating an intermediate to high-intermediate level of language abilities and professional knowledge which they will need for their further studies and the future job market. We also intend to promote business or academic collaboration with appropriate companies or institutes in order to give our students adequate real-life experience. Students will also benefit from resources from other programs in the school, such as Business Administration, Early Childhood Care and Education, and Information Management.

Curriculum Features

1. An extensive internship in international hotels such as Marriott International, Din Tai Fung, and Hess International Educational Group is offered.
2. Summer internship program in hot spring hotels in Tateyama, Japan such as Hanashibuki Hotel is offered.
3. Students have study abroad opportunities at the University of Arizona and San Diego State University in America, Mejiro University and Morioka Chuo High School in Japan.
4. Students have free courses for obtaining professional certificates in English, Japanese, and Korean.
5. English speaking and writing courses are conducted in small classes of about 20 students each.
6. English/Japanese/Korean related competitions such as presentation, singing, Japanese comics, and K-pop are held each academic year.
7. Scholars and experts in different fields are invited to deliver speech, present lectures, and provide professional advice for students.

Facilities and Development

1. We have one experimental theater for our students to use their creativity to put on shows for children, which can facilitate their competence in teaching children English. In addition, the theater has always been the venue where our department hosts a variety of activities such as play contests, English/Japanese/Korean related competitions, keynote speech sessions, and welcoming parties for visitors around the country and around the world.
2. We have one multimedia lab for e-learning courses and a self-learning center for our students to take various foreign language proficiency practice tests on-line. We keep adding to our facilities more language learning software and other resources to carry out our teaching goals.

Further Study and Careers

Graduates in our program can further their studies in a wide range of fields, from foreign languages to business, from media arts to health care. The job and career opportunities include administrative assistants, event planners, food and beverage managers, flight attendants, English teachers, and health care professionals.