

# Rikuzentakata Project

## <Overview>

- Understand the current situation of the area impacted by the Great East Japan Earthquake and face the challenges of reconstruction with local citizens and overseas university students
  - : Stanford University and other American universities, University of Hong Kong and National University of Singapore etc.
- Field work for 4 nights and 5 days to understand the current situation of Rikuzentakata city.

## <Objectives>

- Understand the current situation and challenges from different perspectives through collaborative learning process with students from overseas universities
- Share the challenges for recovery of the areas and people affected by the disaster
- Address the issues from diverse range of perspectives through discussion with students from overseas universities.

【Application Website】 Details of application information is on following recruitment website for this course on the campus portal site “SPIRIT”.

<https://spirit.rikkyo.ac.jp/ghrd/rikutaka/SitePages/index.aspx>

\*URL is subject to change in September 2025.

## <Schedule for Selection / Implementation>

Late April to Early May	Release of recruitment information
May 28 (Wed) 5:00 p.m.	Application deadline
Early June	Screening * Screening of application materials to be conducted. * Interviews to be conducted.
Mid June	Notice of screening results
July 12 (Sat)	Preparation session (Rikkyo students only)
August 23 (Sat)	[Ikebukuro campus] Pre-departure session *students from other universities will join
August 24-28 (Sun - Thu)	[Rikuzentakata City] Field work *4 nights 5 days
August 29 (Fri)	[Ikebukuro campus] Post training / wrap-up session

## <Course Qualifications>

- Must be enrolled in the Spring Semester AY2025 (Students on leave of absence during the semester are not eligible to participate). However, students who are not eligible to take spring semester subjects due to reasons such as studying abroad while enrolled, are not allowed to apply for this course.
- All participants must participate in the preparation session, field work, post field work and wrap-up session.

### <Course Registration>

- Students who have been selected will be registered by the university as a summer session course. As such, there is no need to go through the registration process themselves, however, be sure to check that the course registration status screen that will be updated after course registration.
- This course is open to all grades.
- Students in a Master's Program may also apply, however, priority will be given to undergraduate students in the selection of participants. The credits from taking this program will not be counted in the credit requirement for the degree.
- Students in their 8th semester of enrollment or later may not register.
- Course registration will not be accepted if the course date and time overlap with another course (intensive courses, courses with no timetable set, etc.) for which students have already registered.

### <Credit calculation for maximum number of registered courses>

- This course is a "Summer Session", and the credits taken for it will be counted towards the **maximum number of registered credits per year (12 credits)** for university-wide liberal arts subjects (it will not be included in the maximum number of credits per semester).

e.g.) Even if you have already reached the maximum number of registered courses (6 credits) for comprehensive courses in the spring semester, if you have not reached the maximum number of credits (12 credits) for comprehensive courses for the year with summer session courses, and if you have not reached the maximum number of registered courses for the spring semester as determined by your college, you will be able to register for this course after being accepted.

### <Grade Evaluation>

- Students will receive either a "pass" or "fail" as an evaluation for this course.

### <Points to Note>

- The language used in this program will be English. There are no standards set for English qualification test scores; however, all participants are required to have the capacity and will to communicate in English as the classes are taught entirely in English.
- Participants shall apply with the full understanding of the objectives of the course.

### <Remarks>

- Participation fee: Approx. 60,000 yen (includes transportation / accommodation costs, cost of some meals, etc.)  
\*Participants are able to apply for the "Grant for Transportation / Accommodation Costs Related to Use of Rikuzentakata Satellite" (Actual amount of subsidy in AY2024 was 38,000 yen, and participation fee was approximately 25,000 yen. \*It may vary by academic year)
- For details on this course, applicants must be sure to completely verify all recruitment materials released in the relevant term, such as the application guidelines and training descriptions, as well as the recruitment website.

