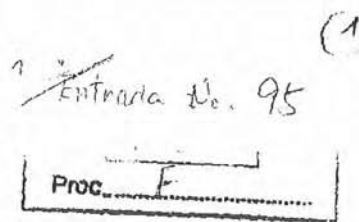


His Excellency Mr. Jose de Freitas FERRAZ
Embassy of Portugal in Japan



February 14, 2014

Your Excellency,

Announcement of a New Ph.D. Program at GRIPS (G-cube)

We are proud to announce that the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS) will be starting a new 5-year Ph.D. program called "GRIPS Global Governance Program (G-cube)" next October, 2014.

G-cube is 5-year program, Master's and Ph.D., that aims to create leader of leaders who have a broad perspective based on firm knowledge in history and liberal arts, and can deal with various issues that are arising due to the emerging new world order and changing power dynamics, whether they are in government, private sector or international organizations.

The program was developed out of a sense of crisis that the world is faced with new and serious problems, such as financial crises, terrorism, energy challenges, and environmental issues, behind which lie conflicting interests, large value gaps, dysfunctional global governance systems, escalating globalization, the rise of emerging states, and drastic changes in the distribution of wealth and power in the world; and a new type of leader is needed to address these problems and forge a path to a new age. GRIPS has taken on as part of its mission to respond to this call and produce such leader of leaders needed in these changing times.

Curriculum

The curriculum is designed to equip students with (1) a broad historical perspective, which will help them understand the true nature of policy issues and predict their overall impact, (2) strong analytical ability needed to develop insightful and effective policies, and (3) effective communication skills to convey ideas and opinions across languages, cultures, religions, and nationalities.



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Schedule

The program will commence in October 2014, and will accept up to 12 students, half from overseas and half from Japan. Deadline for application submission is May 13, for this year. The standard enrollment period is 5 years, but the curriculum is designed so that hard-working students will be able to complete in 3 years.

Financial Support

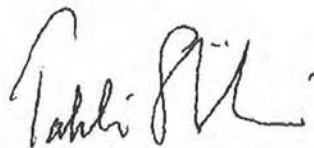
Generous financial support is offered: students will receive full scholarship during their stay in Japan for the amount of 148,500yen (or up to 243,000yen for academically distinguished students); entrance and tuition fees will be waived; and students from overseas will be provided a round-trip economy-class air ticket. Further, once they complete the Master's course and enter the Doctoral course, students will be entitled to a research fund of up to 450,000yen per year.

In the meantime, we will organize a briefing session about the new program for any interested public on February, 22 at our campus. Unfortunately the session will be in Japanese, but if any of your Japanese-speaking staff is interested, they will be most welcome. Another session will be held in March. Please contact: gcube_info@grips.ac.jp.

It would be highly appreciated if you could encourage those who may be interested to apply.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Yours respectfully,
Takashi Shiraishi



President, GRIPS



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Attached (3): leaflets of GRIPS Global Governance Program (G-cube)

For further information:

- On GRIPS: <http://www.grips.ac.jp/en>
- On the program: <http://www.grips.ac.jp/g-cube>
- On application procedures: admissions@grips.ac.jp
- Inquiry on the program: leading-ml@grips.ac.jp



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