

Welcome to the Niigata University of Pharmacy and Applied Life Sciences!

1. University Introduction

“Promoting health through the combined efforts of students, faculty members and the local community”

In 2017 the Niigata University of Pharmacy and Applied Life Sciences celebrated its 40th anniversary since its founding. The University is divided into the Faculty of Pharmacy and the Faculty of Applied Life Sciences, with over 100 faculty members teaching some 1,700 undergraduate and postgraduate students. While compact in size, the University commands considerable attention as a university specializing in life sciences.

The Faculty of Applied Life Sciences is split into two departments, the Department of Applied Life Sciences and the Department of Innovative Life Sciences. The Department of Applied Life Sciences helps develop technicians engaged in food and environmental sciences, agriculture, healthcare and biotechnology, among other fields, as well as specialist science teachers with a foundation in life science.

The Department of Innovative Life Sciences helps develop the business leaders of tomorrow – innovators that will apply social sciences (economics, business management) to create new agriculture, food and other business initiatives. The University is also actively engaged in national-level research and development projects and community development activities through the collaborative efforts of both of these departments.

The Niigata University of Pharmacy and Applied Life Sciences will look to take advantage of its size and its approach towards encouraging exchanges between students and faculty members in working with the local community in “promoting health” – a core issue facing both University faculties.

*The course taught at the Faculty of Pharmacy is dedicated to obtaining a national pharmacist’s license in Japan. Please visit our website for more details.

2. Faculty/Graduate School Introduction

(1) Faculty of Applied Life Sciences

Department of Applied Life Sciences (four-year course) Natural Sciences Course

Department of Innovative Life Sciences (four-year course) Social Sciences Course

(2) Graduate schools

Graduate School of Pharmacy/Graduate School of Applied Life Sciences (Master's and Doctor's programs)

(3) Research students (graduate school) (one-year program)

*Intended for students with a Master's or Doctorate degree

3. Tuition Fees (Yearly Fees/Paid in Two Installments)

(1) Faculty of Applied Life Sciences Department of Applied Life Sciences

1st year ¥1,659,230

2nd year and subsequent years ¥1,559,230

Department of Innovative Life Sciences

1st year ¥1,359,230

2nd year and subsequent years ¥1,259,230

(2) Graduate school Graduate School of Pharmacy/Graduate School of Applied Life Sciences

Entrance fee ¥200,000 (Only at time of enrollment) + Yearly fee ¥400,000

(3) Research students (graduate school) Graduate School of Pharmacy/Graduate School of Applied Life Sciences research fee

Entrance fee ¥100,000 (Only at time of enrollment) + Yearly fee ¥400,000

4. Tuition Fee Exemption Scheme/Scholarships

The Niigata University of Pharmacy and Applied Life Sciences has a partial tuition fee exemption scheme.

Further details will be provided on the website below by the end of September 2018.

Scholarship funding offered by the Japanese government and private companies can be used to pay tuition fees. Please visit the following website for more details.

5. Living Expenses

(Income) Scholarship money ¥50,000 (student example) + part-time work ¥40,000

Total income ¥90,000–

(Expenses) Rent ¥24,000– + Food and living costs, etc. ¥66,000

Total expenses ¥90,000–

*Part-time work: The administration office at the University can introduce part-time work opportunities.

*Apartment: The University does not have dormitory facilities. Information on inexpensive apartments located close to the University will be provided. All apartments introduced are clean and safe, and are available from ¥24,000 a month.

6. Employment and Further Education Opportunities

Almost all graduates of the Faculty of Applied Life Sciences seeking employment find work in private companies, government offices or research institutions. Other graduates opt to pursue a path as a researcher, advancing to a graduate school to obtain a doctorate.

Students can also expect to find work overseas as the University maintains close ties with major companies in the food industry, among others, with a presence in South East Asia, East Asia and elsewhere. Our “Career Support Center” is on hand to provide meticulous support for students’ job-hunting activities.

7. Entrance Examination System

Details on entrance exams will be provided on the website below by the end of September 2018.

Examples of exam subjects: Students select subjects that they specialize in from English, Japanese, math, chemistry, biology and physics + interview

*Transfer admissions are only accepted when credits earned from classes attended at the student’s current university are equivalent to, or more than, the prescribed number of credits set for accepting said transfer admissions at the University. For more information, please send an inquiry to the University providing details such as classes completed, and the syllabus in use at your current university.

8. Inquiries (email address) intl@nupals.ac.jp

9. The Niigata University of Pharmacy and Applied Life Sciences website address

(URL) <http://www.nupals.ac.jp/english/>

10. Access

- Tokyo Station–Niigata Station: Approximately two hours on the JR Shinkansen
- Niigata Airport–Niigata Station: Approximately 25 minutes by airport limousine bus
- Approximately 20 minutes from Niigata Station on the JR Shinetsu Line