

## History and Guiding Principles

Wako University was founded in 1966 as a four-year liberal arts institution of higher learning. Wako's founder and first president, Dr. Satoru Umene, was a pioneer in the postwar movement to reform Japanese higher education.

From its inception, Wako University has striven to embody the high ideal of an interdisciplinary learning community open to society and the world at large.

Here, faculty and students interact freely, cherishing the clash of values and ideas and pursuing personal and intellectual growth through independent study and research and extracurricular activities. To broaden their knowledge, students are actively encouraged to take courses in departments and faculties outside their own.

## Departments and Faculties

### ■ Faculty of Human Sciences

The faculty explores people, society, and the world in depth, for acquiring knowledge of living by addressing the issues people face today.

#### •Department of Psychology and Education

The department explores psychology and educational science, including early childhood education. The Certificate Program for Early Childhood Care and Education is also available for nurses and preschool teachers.

#### •Department of Sociological Studies

The department explores contemporary global issues, from social inequality to gender and ethnic relations, while fostering analytical skills, a critical sensibility, and creative approaches to various social problems.

#### •Department of Human and Environmental Well-being

The department explores the interconnections between bodily, environmental, and cultural well-being.

### ■ Faculty of Representational Studies

The faculty is offering courses that enable you to learn "how to express" yourself through various means of media, by words, by images (television, movies, commercials), and by artistic creation.

#### •Department of Transcultural Studies

The department focusing on verbal expression explores cultural phenomena in their totality and strives to produce graduates who are able to think creatively and express themselves with clarity and precision.

#### •Department of Arts

The department develops and refines artistic expression, from the basics to the studio.

### ■ Faculty of Economics and Business

Studying economics and business management means acquiring the skills to anticipate social trends. The faculty examines some of the profound issues in our lives and the times, and provides a foundation for a range of careers in society.

#### •Department of Economics

The department seeks to understand the world through the study of economics as it relates to daily life.

#### •Department of Business Administration

The department studies management basics and computer science, emphasizing hands-on instruction.

## Academic Year

The academic year begins in April and ends in March of the following year. Most courses run for a full academic year, but some are organized on a semester basis.

## University Entrance Exams for Overseas Students

Wako University welcomes foreign students wishing to pursue a four-year course of study leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree. In Japan, the academic year begins in April. In addition to the general entrance examinations held in February, Wako holds a special exam for foreign candidates.

\*For details concerning general and other entrance exams, refer to the university's admission requirements and schedule, which are issued annually in early August. This information is also posted on the university web site at <http://www.wako.ac.jp/nyushi>

## Fees for Regular Full-time Students

University Entrance Fees (one time only upon acceptance)	¥250,000
Facility and Equipment Fees (annual)	¥100,000
Academic Fees (annual)	¥850,000
Practical Training Fees (for students in the Department of Arts only)	¥30,000
<b>Total Fees</b>	
Department of Psychology and Education	
Department of Sociological Studies	
Department of Human and Environmental Well-being	¥1,200,000
Department of Transcultural Studies	
Department of Economics	
Department of Business Administration	
Department of Arts	¥1,230,000
Certificate Program for Early Childhood Care and Education	¥1,270,000

\*Where special circumstances warrant, fees may be paid in installments.

