Information for MEXT scholar applicants, 2021 (as of September 2020)

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Information on my own expertise

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Prospective applicants’ profile
✓ Background in law (bachelor in law).
✓ Academic curiosity.
✓ Broad interests in public international law and international relations, in addition to a specific research area.
✓ Willingness to communicate and discuss in groups (we have many class discussions and group works during the master program)

School life (academic aspects)

School life under Covid-19: All classes in our graduate school went remote/online during the spring semester in 2020, and most of them will do so again in the fall semester.

Course works: Master program in our graduate school offers substantive course works. Courses include “International Security and International Law”, “International Human Rights Law”, “Law of International Organizations”, “International Criminal Law”, and many others. Apart from regular courses above, we have seminars where more research-oriented learning and discussions take place.

Seminars: I usually organize joint seminars with one or two more professors of international law within the same graduate school, so the discussion group in these seminars is larger than the group mentioned in the previous section.

Information on the fellow students, as of summer 2020.

Currently there are two MEXT scholars, one from Azerbaijan in the master program, and one from France in the doctoral course. There is an out-going MEXT scholar from Romania who has successfully completed his master’s program this summer. A dual-degree student from Korea University is also graduating this summer. We will welcome an Asian Development Bank scholar from Indonesia in October 2020, and a post-doctoral researcher from France is joining, too. Normally a few exchange students are also around, but because of Covid-19, not this year.

The research topics of these graduate students and researchers vary: International Criminal Court; cyber-law; the TPNW; due diligence etc. The common denominator for all of us is our interest in public international law as an anchor, and an interest in international security and cooperation in a very broad sense.

There are also Japanese graduate students, who arrive in April every year. They frequently join our seminars and classes held in English, while they also have a few seminars and courses on their own in Japanese.

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