

# OCHANOMIZU UNIVERSITY

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Ochanomizu University  
will celebrate its  
150th anniversary  
in 2025



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Established in 1875 as Japan's first national institution of higher education for women, Ochanomizu University will soon celebrate its 150th anniversary. Throughout these years, the University has forged a path as a leader in women's education in Japan. Many of our graduates have made outstanding achievements in a variety of fields such as academia, research, education, industry, administration, and the media. They are active both in Japan and abroad.

When Ochanomizu University became a national university corporation in 2004, it set a mission of "being a place where all women who are motivated to learn can realize their earnest dreams." Ochanomizu University aims to help all women worldwide realize their dreams, including women in developing countries who want to study but are unable to do so, and has been working to support the growth and capabilities of women regardless of nationality or age.

Universities are always in step with society and are expected to respond to social needs. In recent years, there has been an unprecedented need for women to play an active role in society. Women are expected to possess a wealth of specialized knowledge and to exercise leadership skills from a global perspective. In addition to conducting advanced and cutting-edge research, Ochanomizu University is striving to realize a gender-equal society and to foster female leaders who can play an active role in our globalizing society.

Additionally, in response to the social demand for women to play active roles in science and technology fields, we are focusing on liberal arts education that integrates the humanities and sciences, AI and data science education, and more.

It is my sincere hope that those who study here at Ochanomizu University will acquire a high level of specialized knowledge, the courage to take steps forward, and the ability to collaborate with others in our free academic culture that respects the potential of each individual. I also hope that like many who graduated before them, our students will walk strongly on the path they believe in and grow to be people who can lead society.

Ochanomizu University will continue to fulfill its role as a distinctive institution of higher education by improving and reforming its education and research so that all who study at the University can realize their dreams, create a prosperous future, and continuously work to inspire hope and courage for the future in the people around them and society.



SASAKI Yasuko  
President, Ochanomizu University





# Ochanomizu University's Mission and Vision

**Ochanomizu University aims to exist as a place where all women who are motivated to learn can realize their earnest dreams.**

Ochanomizu University supports all women, regardless of age or nationality, in protecting their individual dignity and rights, freely developing their unique qualities and capabilities, and pursuing learning so as to satisfy their intellectual appetites.

## 1 | The achievement of a society in which women can play active roles

- Contributing to society for the achievement of diversity and inclusion
- Contributing to create a peaceful society and to the development of culture

### 2025

Ochanomizu University's 150th Anniversary



## 2 | The cultivation of human resources who possess comprehensive knowledge and who will transform society

- Developing human resources who possess comprehensive knowledge that ties practical knowledge to general knowledge and specialized knowledge
- Raising female leaders with engineering knowledge

### 2004

Ochanomizu University becomes a national university corporation



Since its incorporation in 2004, Ochanomizu University has operated under medium-term goals and plans set every six years in accordance with the National University Corporation Act. The fourth medium-term target period began in fiscal 2022, spanning the period through fiscal 2027.

The University is working to nurture global female leaders under its vision for the fourth medium-term, which encompasses three goals: ① the achievement of a society in which women can play active roles, ② the cultivation of human resources who possess comprehensive knowledge and who will transform society, and ③ the advancement of research aimed at achieving a sustainable society.

## 3 | The advancement of research aimed at achieving a sustainable society

- Creating revolutionary innovations in healthcare
- Advancing SDGs-related education and research programs

### 1976

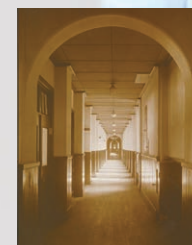
Graduate School of Humanities and Science (doctoral program) is established

### 1963

Graduate School of Home Economics (master's program) is established

### 1875

Tokyo Women's Normal School opens



### 1949

Ochanomizu University is established

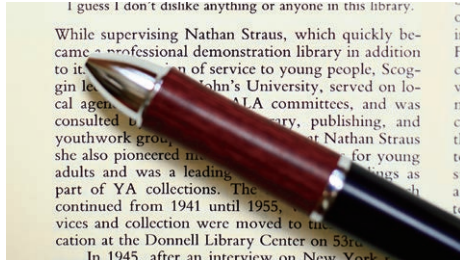




# The Strength of Ochanomizu University

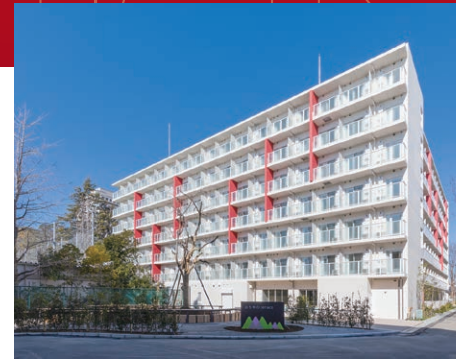


**High employability rates and alumnae success**



Ratio of students studying abroad:  
**Second highest among national universities**

\*Source: "Times Higher Education Japan University Rankings 2022"



Located in the heart of Tokyo with well-equipped residence halls



Advanced education to raise future leaders



**First Higher Education Institution for women** to accept transgender students



**Collaboration** with organizations for women's education overseas



A nationally renowned institution formed by history and tradition



Abundant support systems from the perspective of women



**Promoting SDGs**

Creating sustainable value based on the SDGs and in partnership with corporations, local governments, and others.

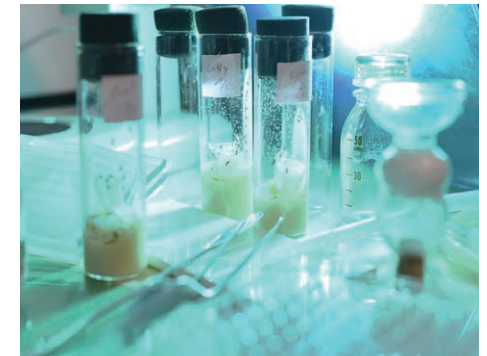


Highest ratio of female researchers selected for Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research among national universities

\*Source: FY2023 Allocation of Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology)



An ideal environment for a fulfilling learning experience



Innovative research for pioneering the future

# Undergraduate Faculties

A unique undergraduate education that equips women with knowledge, insight, and open-mindedness

Faculty of Letters and Education	Liberal Arts and Humanities	Faculty of Human Life and Environmental Science	Nutrition and Food Science
	Languages and Culture		Human-Environmental Science
	Human and Social Sciences		Human Life Studies
	Performing Arts		Psychology
Faculty of Science	Mathematics	Faculty of Transdisciplinary Engineering	Human-Centered Engineering
	Physics		Humanities Data Engineering
	Chemistry	* The new Faculty of Transdisciplinary Engineering has been established in April 2024.	
	Biology	* The Department of Human-Environmental Science in the Faculty of Human Life and Environmental Science has stopped accepting students for the 2024 academic year and beyond.	
	Information Sciences		

## Introducing the New Faculty of Transdisciplinary Engineering

The Faculty of Transdisciplinary Engineering offers practical training on how to co-create new societies for the future by harnessing data science and incorporating the humanities and social sciences into engineering. It consists of two departments: the Department of Human-Centered Engineering and the Department of Humanities Data Engineering. The Department of Human-Centered Engineering provides students with a foundation in engineering and teaches them about emerging technologies such as human-centered environments and smart materials, and develops their ability to think outside the box and exercise creativity to solve societal problems and co-create a new society. The Department of Humanities Data Engineering digitizes materials in diverse fields such as history, geography, thought, language, literature, and art, applies data science methods to analyze them, and invents and creates culture and value using engineering thinking and technology.

# Graduate School

Graduate education for the attainment of a high level of specialization and a panoramic perspective

## Graduate School of Humanities and Sciences

Master's Program	Comparative Studies of Societies and Cultures	Doctoral Program	Comparative Studies of Societies and Cultures
	Human Developmental Sciences		Human Developmental Sciences
	Gender and Social Sciences		Interdisciplinary Gender Studies
	Life Sciences		Life Sciences
	Advanced Sciences		Advanced Sciences
	Cooperative Major in Human Centered Engineering		Cooperative Major in Human Centered Engineering



■ Details of the Graduate School of Humanities and Sciences:



■ Researcher Information Database:





## A place for research that transcends conventional academic disciplines

Ochanomizu University has 10 research institutes. The Institute for Gendered Innovations, the Institute for Competency Development, and the Institute for SDGs Promotion were established in the academic year 2022. Ochanomizu University actively communicates information about the value that our research creates on behalf of society.



### Institute for Gendered Innovations (IGI)

The idea of gendered innovations promotes the in-depth analysis of sex, gender, and the intersectional differences between these and other attributes, and incorporating them into research and production developments. The social implementation of gendered innovations through research outcomes and developed products may lead to the realization of a society that can achieve various forms of well-being.



Exhibit at the MEXT (Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) Information Plaza (January–February, 2023)

The three divisions of IGI – research, innovation, and public relations – interact with each other to promote Gendered Innovations. The research division will examine various issues related to Gendered Innovations. The innovation division will create products and services that apply research results. The public relations division will disseminate information regarding these innovative creations.



### Institute for Competency Development

The traits demonstrated by high achievers within society are called competencies. This institute engages in two broad areas of activity for the advancement of competency-based education and research: activities as an academic management organization to improve the competencies of our students, and activities as a research institute to conduct and communicate research concerning competencies spanning early childhood to university education. Through these efforts, the Institute aims to contribute to educational reform at the University and at other institutions nationwide.



### Institute for SDGs Promotion

This research institute focuses on food loss and food issues, resource recycling, consumer education, and other issues to advance research aimed at achieving a sustainable society that begins with consumers. Going beyond research and education on these themes in the University and graduate schools, the Institute seeks to take advantage of Ochanomizu University's unique nature as a campus that encompasses affiliated schools to develop integrated SDGs education programs that span from early childhood to university education. As a base for integrating the University's activities for putting the SDGs into practice, the Institute is also in charge of coordinating collaboration with other universities, companies, government bodies, and other partners, and will contribute to the promotion of SDGs-related activities through joint research and internships. Unique initiatives of the Institute include food drives held with affiliated schools as well as study sessions and environmental surveys conducted by the Institute's OCHA-SDGs Student Committee.



## Research organizations and research institutes

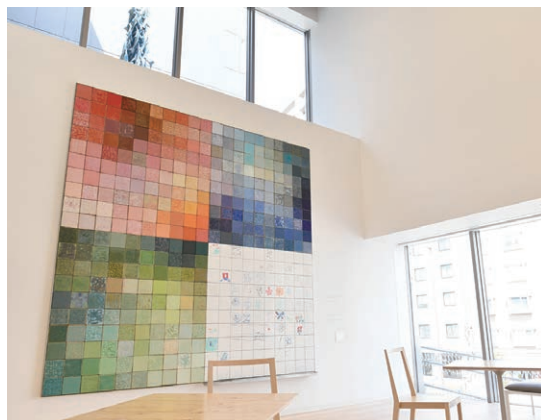
Research organizations	Research institutes
Research Organization for the Promotion of Global Women's Leadership	Institute for Global Leadership (IGL)
	Institute for Gender Studies (IGS)
Research Organization for Human Life Innovation and Development	Institute for Gendered Innovations (IGI)
	Institute for Human Life Science
Research Organization for the Development of Comprehensive Knowledge	Institute for Education and Human Development
	Institute for Competency Development
Organization for Social Implementation of Sustainability	Institute for Women's Education in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM)
	Institute for Science & Education
	Institute for SDGs Promotion
	Institute for Marine and Coastal Research

# International Exchange

## Developing partnerships with universities around the world

Ochanomizu University not only offers student exchange programs for its Japanese students such as the Summer Program, but also provides great support for its international students with Japanese language training classes, tutoring and more.

## Partner universities (33 countries and regions, 94 universities) (as of January 1, 2024)

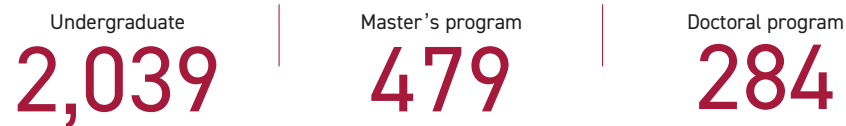


Details of our partner universities for inter-university exchanges :

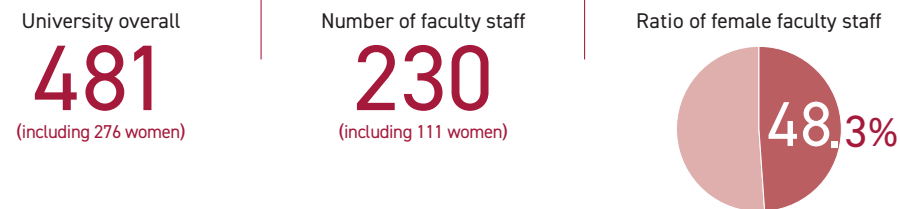


# Ochanomizu University at a Glance

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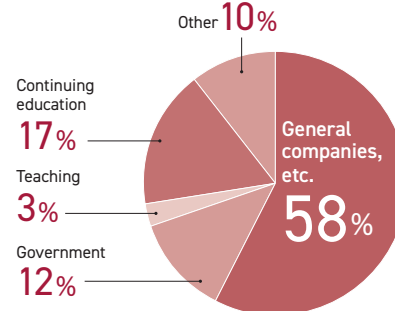


## Number of staff (as of May 1, 2023)

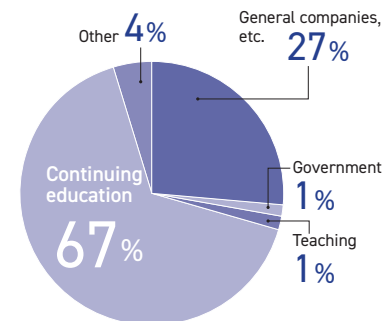


## Employment rate (fiscal year 2022)

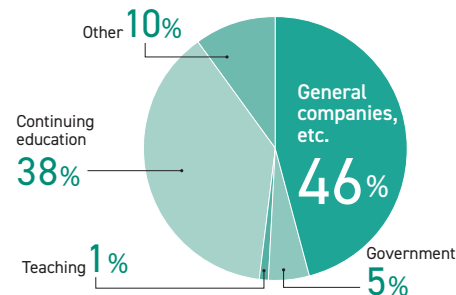
### Faculty of Letters and Education



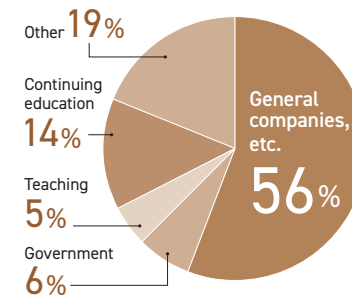
### Faculty of Science



### Faculty of Human Life and Environmental Sciences



### Graduate School



# Affiliated Schools

The Ochanomizu University campus also has an affiliated senior high school, junior high school, elementary school, kindergarten, nursery, and childhood education and care center.



**Ochanomizu University Senior High School**



**Ochanomizu University Junior High School**



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**Ochanomizu University Elementary School**



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**Ochanomizu University Kindergarten**



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**Izumi Nursery**



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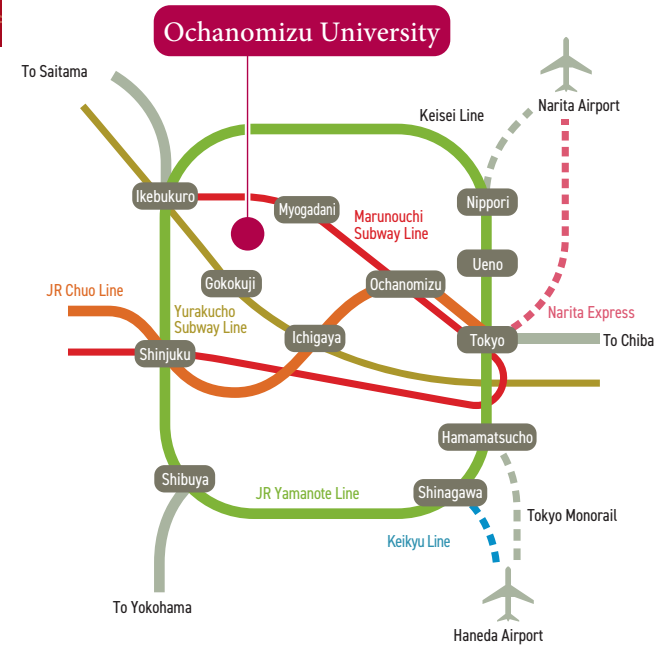
**Center for Early Childhood Education and Care**



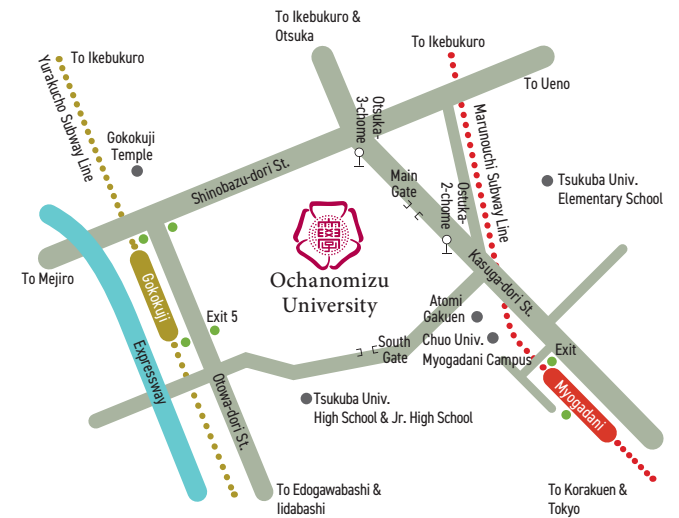
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# Access

## ACCESS MAP



## AREA MAP



- 7 minutes walk from Myogadani Station (Tokyo Metro Marunouchi Subway Line)
- 8 minutes walk from Gokokuji Station (Tokyo Metro Yurakucho Subway Line), Exit 5
- 1 minute walk from Otsuka 2-chome bus stop (Toei Bus)