

Description of the Master's Program
Animal Science and Agriculture
Graduate School of Animal and Veterinary Sciences and Agriculture
Obihiro University of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine

The mission of the Graduate School is to make a contribution to the local and the global communities through the development of practical science through intellectual creation and practice, and by fostering the professionals who will support food production and people's lives. Under such philosophy and purpose, we provide the following education policies:

1. Education Policy of the Master's Program of Animal Science and Agriculture

Admission Policy

The Master's Program of Animal Science and Agriculture at the Graduate School of Animal and Veterinary Science and Agriculture aims to train persons who have strong issue-resolving skills and a wide range of knowledge on animal science and agriculture, specifically in food safety. We implement written examinations on specialized areas and languages, and interviews to evaluate examinees' research plans and abilities in order to recruit students:

1. Who can act with an international perspective and aim to be professionals with highly advanced skills in animal science and agriculture,
2. Who have acquired basic knowledge and skills at the level of undergraduate studies related to the specific topics of the respective Specialties,
3. Who have acquired basic knowledge and skills that enable them to create research plans for the respective Specialties, and
4. Who are extremely interested in issues of food safety, productivity improvement and environmental conservation, and tackle these issues from a perspective of fusing agriculture, animal science, and veterinary science.

Basic policy for admission

1. General Admission

In the proficiency test in English, we will evaluate the applicant's ability to read and understand English related to veterinary science and animal and agricultural science. In the proficiency test in specialized subjects, we will evaluate the applicant's ability in the specialized field. In the interview, we will evaluate the applicant's communication skills, knowledge of his/her specialized field and motivation, taking into consideration the results of the screening of application documents.

2. Special Selection for Mature Applicants

In the interview, we will evaluate the applicant's communication skills, knowledge of his/her specialized field and motivation, taking into consideration the results of the screening of application documents.

3. Admission for International Students

In the proficiency test in English, we will evaluate the applicant's ability to read and understand English based on the grade of TOEIC, TOELF or IELTS. In the interview, we will evaluate the applicant's communication skills, knowledge of his/her specialized field and motivation, taking into consideration the results of the screening of application documents.

4. Special Selection for International Cooperation

In the interview, we will evaluate the applicant's communication skills, knowledge of his/her specialized field and motivation, taking into consideration the results of the screening of application documents.

Diploma Policy

In the Master's Program of Animal Science and Agriculture, the degree shall be conferred on persons who have taken the courses set up in the curriculum and obtained the required credits to complete the program, who have obtained advanced research skills and wide perspectives that enable them to resolve issues of food safety and other issues in agricultural and livestock science using their up-to-date knowledge and skills in animal science and agriculture such as veterinary life science, animal production, ecology and environmental science, food science, agricultural economics, engineering for agriculture, plant production science, and interdisciplinary fields including these, and who have acquired the following skills:

1. Ethics: Ethics and morals correspondent to social standards and commensurate with a specialist
2. Abilities to identify and resolve issues on their own in life, food, and environmental science while keeping globalization

in mind, and resolve them.

3. Communication skills: Presentation skills necessary to explain their process of thinking and making judgments with a global viewpoint.
4. Technical knowledge and skills: knowledge and skills on respective Specialties in this master's program commensurate with advanced professionals, or basic skills commensurate with researchers on issues in respective Specialties, from the perspective of fusing agriculture, animal science, and veterinary medicine.

Curriculum Policy

In order to have the students acquire the knowledge and skills specified in the diploma policy of the Master's Program of Animal Science and Agriculture, we organize curriculum in accordance with the following policies:

I. Contents of Education

* Common curriculum policy of laboratories

1. Developing ethics: Students will develop ethics for researchers,
2. Developing problem-solving skills: Students will brush up logical thinking through research supervision and develop problem-solving skills on securing food safety, improving productivity, and conserving the environment,
3. Developing practical skills with a global viewpoint: Students will acquire English language skills to be globally active, and develop the ability to make presentations and write papers in English,
4. Forming a rich culture and a broad academic foundation: Students will acquire a rich culture through common practice courses, and acquire advanced expertise through courses in their laboratory. In addition, students can acquire highly specialized interdisciplinary knowledge by taking courses in other laboratories as electives,

II. Methods of Education

1. We offer active learning for students to improve problem-finding and problem-solving skills by refining logical thinking skills.
2. Students will practice the expressive and communication skills acquired through presentations and thesis writing in English at internships, overseas seminars, research presentations, etc.
3. E-learning will be introduced in some courses to enable students to learn the latest information anytime, anywhere.

III. Evaluation of Learning Outcomes

1. The evaluation methods and criteria for each course are clearly stated in the syllabus of each course and the Evaluation Criteria for Course.
2. The policies for evaluation on credit, promotion and graduation are established and announced separately in the Assessment Policy and the Evaluation Criteria for Thesis.

Assessment policy

The accomplishments of study required in 'Diploma Policy' and the progresses of study defined in 'Curriculum Policy' are examined as follows:

1. Course Credit

The accomplishment of study concerned with credits of a course is examined as follows:

- Examine whether the requirements for course credits such as attendance, submission of a report or an assignment have been met
- Examine whether the goals of a course have been met

2. Promotion

The accomplishment of study concerned with promotion is examined as follows:

- Examine whether the studies of a student have been progressed according to Curriculum Policy with the test of promotion
- Examine whether the accomplishment of study has been met the goal for each grade with the 'Screening of progress with research' or 'Mid-term screening'

3. Completion

The accomplishment of study concerned with completion is examined as follows:

- Examine whether the Diploma Policy of OUAVM has been met with the final test
- Examine whether the thesis (include the products of research work) / dissertation is worthy to award the master's / doctoral degree of OUAVM

2. Educational Policies of Respective Specialties

Veterinary Life Science

Persons We Train

We accept students who have completed an undergraduate program other than veterinary medicine, and provide them with knowledge on basic veterinary life science, animal pathobiology, studies of animal infectious diseases, studies of etiology and control of animal diseases, and animal clinical science. We train advanced professionals who can offer a variety of knowledge about animals to society.

Admission Policy

We want students:

1. Who have acquired advanced knowledge, skills, and research abilities on basic veterinary life science, animal pathology, studies of animal infectious diseases, studies of etiology control, and animal clinical science, and who aim to contribute to society from a viewpoint of veterinary life science,
2. Who have acquired undergraduate-level basic knowledge and skills on basic biology and agriculture and animal science,
3. Who can set up research plans on their own in the field of veterinary life science based on basic knowledge and skills in basic biology, and
4. Who can use knowledge and information to logically work through issues in basic biology and agriculture and animal science, and explain the results.

Diploma Policy

The degree shall be conferred on persons who have the following traits and abilities:

1. Ethics: ethics and morals based on knowledge of veterinary life science and deep understanding about social activities
2. Issue-resolving skills: abilities to identify issues on their own in veterinary life science, and resolve them.
3. Good communication skills: presentation and communication skills necessary to precisely express their thoughts and opinions, and exchange opinions in veterinary life science fields while respecting others' thoughts and opinions.
4. Technical knowledge and skills: a wide range of technical knowledge of veterinary life science including basic veterinary life science, animal pathobiology, studies of animal infectious diseases, studies of etiology and control of animal diseases, and animal clinical science, and ability to apply and develop these skills and knowledge in society, based on their knowledge of basic biology, and agriculture and animal science.

Curriculum Policy

Students will acquire a variety of specialties related to veterinary life science such as basic studies, pathobiology, infectious diseases, etiology and control of animal diseases, and animal clinical science of companion, industrial, experimental, and wild animals..

Animal Production

Persons We Train

We train advanced professionals who have acquired broad and systematic knowledge and skills in biological functions, breeding, reproduction, nutrition, and management of domestic and other animals, and who can flexibly deal with various issues in livestock and life sciences. We also train researchers who have acquired basic skills that enable them to study issues in the fields of livestock and life sciences.

Admission Policy

We want students:

1. Who have acquired advanced knowledge, skills and research abilities on domestic animals and their production management, and who intend to contribute to society using their knowledge and skills of life science and livestock science,
2. Who have acquired undergraduate-level basic knowledge and skills in animal production,
3. Who have acquired advanced knowledge, skills and research abilities in livestock and its production management, and who can set up research plans on their own in the field of animal production, and
4. Who can use knowledge and information to think logically about issues on domestic animals and their production management and explain the results.

Diploma Policy

The degree shall be conferred on persons who have the following traits and abilities:

1. Ethics: ethics and morals based on knowledge of animal production and deep understanding of social activities
2. Issue-resolving skills: abilities to identify issues on their own in livestock and life sciences, and resolve them.
3. Communication skills: presentation and communication skills necessary to precisely express their thoughts and opinions, and exchange opinions in the field of animal production while respecting others' thoughts and opinions
4. Technical knowledge and skills: understanding of the physiology and behavior of domestic animals, and possession of systematic technical knowledge and skills from the basics to applications that lead to genetic improvement and improvement in productivity.

Curriculum Policy

Students will acquire an understanding of the physiology and behavior of domestic animals not only from a conventional viewpoint of livestock production but also with considerations of animal welfare and ecosystem, and in which students can acquire up-to-date knowledge and skills from basics to application that lead to genetic improvement and improvement in productivity.

Ecology and Environmental Science

Persons We Train

We train advanced professionals who have acquired broad and systematic knowledge and skills in agricultural and livestock environment and the natural environment surrounding it, and who can flexibly deal with various issues about conservation and management and utilization of the environment. We also train researchers who have acquired basic skills that enable them to study issues in the field of environmental science.

Admission Policy

We want students:

1. Who have acquired broad knowledge, skills and research abilities in conservation and management of agricultural and livestock environments, and natural environments, and who intend to contribute to society using their knowledge and skills in ecological and environmental science,
2. Who have acquired undergraduate-level basic knowledge and skills in ecology and environmental science,
3. Who have acquired knowledge, skills and research abilities in conservation and management of agricultural and livestock environments, and natural environments, and who can set up research plans on their own in the field of ecology and environmental science, and
4. Who can use knowledge and information to think logically about issues on conservation and management of agricultural and livestock environments, and natural environments, and explain the results.

Diploma Policy

The degree shall be conferred on persons who have the following traits and abilities:

1. Ethics: ethics and morals based on knowledge on ecology and environmental science and deep understanding about social activities
2. Issue-resolving skills: abilities to identify issues on their own on ecology and environmental science, and resolve them.
3. Communication skills: presentation and communication skills necessary to precisely express their thoughts and opinions, and exchange opinions in the field of ecology and environmental science while respecting others' thoughts and opinions
4. Technical knowledge and skills: comprehensive and systematic knowledge and skills in roles, functions, and interactions of various organisms that constitute environment, and in conservation, management, and utilization of ecosystems.

Curriculum Policy

From the perspective of conservation to that of utilization of agricultural and livestock environments, and of the natural environments surrounding them, students will acquire up-to-date knowledge of the roles, functions, interactions, and relations with agriculture and livestock industry, gain up-to-date knowledge of the animals, plants, insects and microorganisms that constitute the environment, and attain up-to-date knowledge of conservation of ecosystems.

Food Science

Persons We Train

By providing broad and up-to-date knowledge and techniques for production and processing of foods made from agricultural and livestock ingredients, and about the functionality and safety of such foods, and by conducting professional education through practice and research, we train advanced professionals who can play an active role in food industry and bio industry, and also train researchers who have acquired basic skills that enable them to study issues in the field of food science.

Admission Policy

We want students:

1. Who have acquired advanced knowledge, skills, and research abilities in production and processing of foods made from agricultural and livestock ingredients, and in the functionality and safety of such foods, and who intend to contribute to society from a viewpoint of food science,
2. Who have acquired undergraduate-level basic knowledge and skills in food science,
3. Who can set up research plans on their own in the field of food science based on advanced techniques for processing and utilizing agricultural and livestock products, and on knowledge about various functions that foods have, and

4. Who can use knowledge and information to think logically about issues in food production and processing, and in their functionality and safety, and explain the results.

Diploma Policy

The degree shall be conferred on persons who have the following traits and abilities:

1. Ethics: ethics and morals based on knowledge on food science and deep understanding about social activities
2. Issue-resolving skills: abilities to identify issues on their own in food science, and resolve them
3. Communication skills: presentation and communication skills necessary to precisely express their thoughts and opinions, and exchange opinions in food science while respecting others' thoughts and opinions
4. Technical knowledge and skills: advanced knowledge, skills and application for production and processing of foods made from agricultural and livestock ingredients, and about the functionality and safety of such foods

Curriculum Policy

Students will acquire broad and up-to-date knowledge and skills for production and processing of foods made from agricultural and livestock ingredients, and about the functionality and safety of such foods, from the molecular level to the level of industrial production.

Agricultural Economics

Persons We Train

By conducting professional education that enables a broad perspective to be taken from a social scientific viewpoint centered on agricultural economy, we train advanced professionals who can offer practical measures to resolve specific issues in food systems, and also train researchers who have acquired basic skills that enable them to study issues in the field of agricultural economics.

Admission Policy

We want students:

1. Who have acquired broad and advanced knowledge and skills in agricultural economics and business related to food production, distribution and consumption, and who intend to contribute to society from a viewpoint of agricultural economics,
2. Who have acquired undergraduate-level basic knowledge and skills in agricultural economics,
3. Who can set up research plans on their own in the field of agricultural economics based on basic knowledge and skills in agricultural economics and business related to food production, distribution and consumption, and
4. Who can use knowledge and information to think logically about issues on agricultural economics and business, and explain the results.

Diploma Policy

The degree shall be conferred on persons who have the following traits and abilities:

1. Ethics: ethics and morals based on knowledge on agricultural economics and deep understanding about social activities
2. Issue-resolving skills: abilities to identify issues on their own in agricultural economics, and resolve them.
3. Communication skills: presentation and communication skills necessary to precisely express their thoughts and opinions, and exchange opinions in the field of agricultural economics while respecting others' thoughts and opinions
4. Technical knowledge and skills: advanced knowledge and skills in agricultural economy in order to utilize local resources and support the improvement of food productivity and food safety

Curriculum Policy

Students will acquire knowledge and skills in the field of economics and business related to food production, distribution and consumption based on sustainable material cycles and local resources, utilizing the resources of the Tokachi region of Hokkaido, which is positioned as Japan's food base.

Engineering for Agriculture

Persons We Train

By conducting professional education on systematized techniques that make advanced agricultural production techniques compatible with environmental conservation based on theories and practices of engineering for agriculture, we train advanced professionals who can play an active role in the fields of engineering for agriculture and rural communities, and also train researchers who have acquired basic skills that enable them to study issues in the fields of engineering for agriculture and rural communities.

Admission Policy

We want students:

1. Who have acquired knowledge of regional environmental conservation and of production technique improvement

that goes together with the environment, based on the background of engineering for agriculture, and who intend to contribute to society from a viewpoint of engineering for agriculture,

2. Who have acquired undergraduate-level basic knowledge and skills in engineering for agriculture,
3. Who can set up research plans on their own in the field of engineering for agriculture based on basic knowledge and skills in production technique improvement and regional environmental conservation, and
4. Who can use their background of engineering for agriculture to think logically about issues in production techniques and regional environment, and explain the results.

Diploma Policy

The degree shall be conferred on persons who have the following traits and abilities:

1. Ethics: ethics and morals based on knowledge of engineering for agriculture and deep understanding about social activities
2. Issue-resolving skills: abilities to identify issues on their own in engineering for agriculture and resolve them.
3. Communication skills: presentation and communication skills necessary to precisely express their thoughts and opinions, and exchange opinions in the field of engineering for agriculture while respecting others' thoughts and opinions.
4. Technical knowledge and skills: advanced knowledge and skills in production techniques and environmental control in order to support the improvement of food productivity utilizing local resources.

Curriculum Policy

From the perspective of conservation and management of the rural environment and sustainable food production, students will acquire knowledge and skills in the latest agricultural engineering to support agricultural production by understanding the role of water and soil environment development and harmony with nature in rural areas, advanced technologies of agricultural machinery and advanced management technologies of bioresources.

Plant Production Science

Persons We Train

By conducting professional education from the basics of laboratory work to fieldwork demonstration on soil management, which supports crop production, breeding and cultivation of field crops and feed crops, pest control, and utilization of grassland, we train advanced professionals who engage in making the foundation for agricultural and livestock industries, and also train researchers who have acquired basic skills that enable them to study issues in the fields of plant production science.

Admission Policy

We want students:

1. Who have acquired advanced knowledge, skills, and research abilities in quantitative and qualitative improvement of plant production based on advanced knowledge of plant physiology, biology and heredity as well as soil, and who intend to contribute to society from a viewpoint of plant production science,
2. Who have acquired undergraduate-level basic knowledge and skills in plant production science,
3. Who can set up research plans on their own in the field of plant production science based on knowledge and skills for improving and producing crop plants, and knowledge and skills in soils and pests, and
4. Who can use knowledge and information to think logically about issues on quantitative and qualitative improvement of plant production, and explain the results.

Diploma Policy

The degree shall be conferred on persons who have the following traits and abilities:

1. Ethics: ethics and morals based on knowledge of plant production science and deep understanding about social activities
2. Issue resolving skills: abilities to identify issues on their own on plant production science, and resolve them
3. Communication skills: presentation and communication skills necessary to precisely express their thoughts and opinions, and exchange opinions in the field of plant production science while respecting others' thoughts and opinions
4. Technical knowledge and skills: advanced knowledge and skills in food production principles and production techniques in order to support the improvement of food productivity utilizing local resources.

Curriculum Policy

Students will acquire advanced knowledge and skills in plant physiology and ecology, genetics and breeding, crop protection and soil necessary to achieve quantitative and qualitative improvements in plant production.

3. Graduate Degree Program of Animal and Food Hygiene

The Graduate Degree Program of Animal and Food Hygiene has been established to train persons who can deal with acquisition

and maintenance of the international safety and hygienic standards, which businesses are demanded to meet, as distribution of agricultural products and food beyond nation boundaries is expanding. The program has been developed by making the highly professional education on securing food safety into a graduate degree program that students of any Specialty can take.

The program trains animal and food hygiene specialists with abilities for practice and application, by conducting professional education on management systems for safety and hygiene of agricultural products and other foods in a practical environment that meets international standards.

Students who take this program must take the required and elective courses of this specific program, and the *Studies on Issues of Animal and Food Hygiene* (internship) or the *Special Studies II* of the Specialty they belong to, in addition to the required courses and elective courses common in the master's program.

Note 1: In *Studies on Issues of Animal and Food Hygiene* (4 credits), students study issues through internship at a company for six weeks or longer. Students in this program who write a master's thesis have to take the *Special Studies II* (4 credits) of the Specialty they belong to.

Note 2: Students in this program are to choose the Master's Degree in Agriculture or the Master's Degree in Animal and Food Hygiene after they have completed their first year.

Graduate Degree Program of Animal and Food Hygiene

Persons We Train

By conducting practical and systematic education for HACCP system specialists, and for developing new processing technology and products aiming to create sixth industry businesses, we help students to acquire knowledge and skills in food safety management systems, and by cooperating with companies, we train persons who can apply their knowledge and skills to actual workplaces.

Diploma Policy

The degree shall be conferred on persons who have acquired advanced and comprehensive knowledge and skills in hygienic management and quality assurance of livestock products and other foods under international safety and hygienic standards, and superior abilities in their practice and application.

Curriculum Policy

Students will acquire the globally most advanced knowledge and skills on animal and food hygiene focusing on hygiene all the way from livestock production sites to dining tables.

4. Completion of programs and awarding degrees

Students are awarded a degree according to their Specialties after they completed the program, i.e., those who have been enrolled in the Master's Program of Animal Science and Agriculture, Graduate School of Animal and Veterinary Science and Agriculture of our university for two years or longer, and have earned the required credits (30 credits for regular Specialties, 32 credits for the Graduate Degree Program of Animal and Food Hygiene), who received the necessary research instruction, and passed the examination of their master's thesis or result report in addition to the final examinations of the relevant courses. However, for those who achieved excellent results, the period enrolled in the graduate school could be shortened to one year.

Program	Specialty	Degree
Animal Science and Agriculture	Veterinary Life Science	Master of Veterinary Life Science, or Master of Animal and Food Hygiene*
	Animal Production	Master of Agriculture, or Master of Animal and Food Hygiene*
	Ecology and Environmental Science	
	Food Science	
	Agricultural Economics	
	Engineering for Agriculture	
	Plant Production Science	

*Those who completed the Graduate Degree Program of Animal and Food Hygiene can choose Master of Animal and Food Hygiene.

5. Admission of Mature Students

The Master's Program of Animal Science and Agriculture, Graduate School of Animal and Veterinary Science and Agriculture of our university has a special selection for mature applicants to admit students who have completed undergraduate studies, have worked at a company, public office or educational institute, and want to study in a graduate school to acquire more advanced academic knowledge and skills. In the special selection for mature applicants, instead of the examination of academic ability implemented in the general admission, the applicants' experiences and achievements in society, and enthusiasm for research will be examined by the interview and document screening.

Before application, the applicants have to consult with their prospective supervisors on the contents of their research and what courses they will take.

6. Special long term limit

This system allows students who have a job or other special considerations to complete their degree within an agreed-upon time (maximum of 4 years) beyond the standard term limit and still pay the same fee as those students who complete their degrees in the standard amount of time.

In principle, those who want to use this system have to apply for it at the time they enroll after consulting with their prospective supervisors.

7. Supervisors

Veterinary Life Science

Name	Position	Field of Research	Contents
△Igarashi Makoto	Professor	Diseases Control	Parasitism of protozoan parasites
△Ishii Toshiaki	Professor	Neuropharmacology	Molecular basis of physiological and pathological manifestations in the central nervous system
△Ishikawa Toru	Professor	Cell Physiology	Cellular regulatory mechanisms and structure-function relationships of ion channels and transporters involved in epithelial transport
Itoh Megumi	Professor	Farm Animal Clinical Medicine	Prevention, early diagnosis, and treatment of diseases in cows, calves and other ruminants
Inoue Noboru	Professor	Veterinary Parasitic Protozoology	1) Development of diagnostic, therapeutic, and preventive methods for animal trypanosomoses. 2) Epidemiological studies for animal trypanosomoses. 3) Research on the mechanisms of cell differentiation in African trypanosome in progress of its life cycle.
Uemura Akiko	Professor	Small Animal Surgery Cardiology	1) Soft tissue surgery for dogs and cats 2) Cardiology for dogs and cats 3) Research on artificial organs and biomaterials
Ohtsuka Hiromichi	Professor	Large Animal Internal Medicine	Studies on immune function of cattle and calves
Okamura Masashi	Professor	Veterinary Bacteriology	1) Control of bacterial infections through farm-to-table technology 2) Mechanisms of host specificity and tissue tropism in bacterial pathogens
△Kawazu Shinichiro	Professor	Preventive Medicine for Parasitic Diseases	Development of novel vaccines, therapeutic and diagnostic approaches based on functional analysis of the parasitic genome and proteins
Kubota Akira	Professor	Environmental Toxicology	Study on biological effects and mode of action of anthropogenic chemicals
Kobayashi Yoshiyasu	Professor	Diagnostic Pathology	Pathogenesis and diagnosis of animal diseases
Sasaki Motoki	Professor	Veterinary Anatomy	Functional morphology in vertebrates
Sasaki Yoshimasa	Professor	Food safety	1) Microbiological risk management from farm to table 2) Antimicrobial resistance in livestock
Nambo Yasuo	Professor	Equine Reproduction	Studies on equine reproduction, reproductive physiology and assisted reproductive technology in horses
Nishikawa Yoshifumi	Professor	Infection Immunity	Study on onset mechanism of pathogenic protozoan diseases
Matsui Motozumi	Professor	Diagnosis and Therapeutics for Reproductive Diseases	Pathophysiology of ovarian and uterine disorder in cow reproduction
Matsumoto Kotaro	Professor	Large Animal Internal Medicine	Diagnosis and treatment of infectious diseases of large animals
Muroi Yoshikage	Professor	Neuropharmacology	Studies on behavioral neuroscience
Yamada Manabu	Professor	Veterinary Pathology	Diagnosis and pathogenesis of livestock diseases by pathological approach
Yokoyama Naoaki	Professor	Diagnosis for Protozoan Diseases	Epidemiological survey of protozoan disease in domestic animals and development of its control strategy

Aikawa Chihiro	Associate Professor	Veterinary Bacteriology	Study on the intracellular dynamics of cell-invasive bacteria in host cells
Aoki Takahiro	Associate Professor	Preventive Veterinary Medicine	Development of methods for prevention and early detection of diseases associated with livestock production
Asada Masahito	Associate Professor	Infection Control	1) Study on the mechanism of parasitism 2) Epidemiological survey of protozoan disease
Iwasaki Ryota	Associate Professor	Veterinary Oncology	Early diagnosis and prevention of cancer metastasis for companion animals
Kamikawa Akihiro	Associate Professor	Physiology	Study on mechanisms of mammary gland function
Kayano Mitsunori	Associate Professor	Biostatistics	Statistics in medicine and agriculture and its applications
Kondoh Daisuke	Associate Professor	Veterinary Anatomy	Morphological and histological studies of vertebrate olfactory organ and brain
Sasaki Mizuki	Associate Professor	Public health	Studies on infectious diseases of wild vertebrates.
Suganuma Keisuke	Associate Professor	Protozoan disease	1) Study on the biology of livestock pests 2) Control of livestock pests and infectious disease
Takeda Yohei	Associate Professor	Infectious Disease	Study on control of viral infectious diseases
Haneda Shingo	Associate Professor	Diagnosis and Therapeutics for Reproductive Diseases	Diagnosis and therapeutics of reproductive disorder in cows. Physiology of pregnancy in mares.
Watanabe Kenichi	Associate Professor	Diagnostic Pathology	Veterinary pathology diagnostic services. Molecular mechanisms of protein-misfolding diseases.

The Professor marked with  will retire on March 31, 2027. If you would like to be supervised by him/her, please consult in advance about research instruction.

Animal Production

Name	Position	Field of Research	Contents
Kawashima Chiho	Professor	Animal Nutrition and Reproduction	1) Study on metabolic status and reproductive function during the peripartum period. 2) Study on nutritional and metabolic status of dam and fetus.
Kusaba Nobuyuki	Professor	Animal Hygiene Dairy Production Medicine	1) Animal Hygiene: Disease control of calves 2) Mastitis Control: Prevention and therapy
Kuchida Keigo	Professor	Animal Breeding	Statistical genetics for beef cattle based on objective measurements
 Tetsuka Masafumi	Professor	Reproductive Physiology	Studies on ovarian physiology, oocyte maturation, fertilization and embryo development in domestic animals
Nade Toshihiro	Professor	Animal Feeding	Nutritional physiology and meat production
Nishida Takehiro	Professor	Animal Feeding	Nutritional physiology and feed evaluation in ruminants
Hagiya Koichi	Professor	Animal Breeding	Genetic improvement of dairy cattle based on quantitative genetics
Acosta Ayala Tomas Javier	Associate Professor	Animal Production Animal Disease Control	Improving efficiency in dairy and beef cattle production. Herd health management.

Goto Tatsuhiko	Associate Professor	Animal Breeding and Genetics	1) Genetic analyses of phenotypes using a variety of chicken breeds 2) Genetic and environmental factors in egg composition traits
Seo Tetsuya	Associate Professor	Animal Behavior Animal Welfare	Studies on animal behavior and animal welfare
Fukuma Naoki	Associate Professor	Gut Microbiology Animal Nutrition	Study on gut microbes related to animal health and productivity
Magata Fumie	Associate Professor	Domestic Animal Reproduction	1) Mechanisms of infertility caused by postpartum diseases in dairy cows 2) Ovum pick up and in vitro production of bovine embryos
Matsunaga Nobuyoshi	Associate Professor	Animal Physiology	1) Study on metabolic hormones related to growth 2) Study on intermediate blood metabolites
Muranishi Yuki	Associate Professor	Animal Development	Development and cell fate regulation of domestic animals
Watanabe Hiroyuki	Associate Professor	Reproductive Engineering	Studies on embryo production using assisted reproductive technology

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Ecology and Environmental Science

Name	Position	Field of Research	Contents
 Oshida Tatsuo	Professor	Mammalogy	Ecological and phylogeographical studies of wild mammals
Kumano Norikuni	Professor	Insect Ecology	Behavioral Ecology, Population Ecology
Akasaka Takumi	Associate Professor	Conservation Science	1) Biodiversity Conservation and Ecosystem Service 2) Systematic Conservation Planning 3) Land-use Strategies
Asari Yushin	Associate Professor	Wildlife Ecology	1) Ecological study of arboreal mammals 2) Human-wildlife conflict 3) Road ecology
Kawamura Kensuke	Associate Professor	Grassland Ecology	Grassland ecology, grazing management, animal behavior, and remote sensing
Hashimoto Yasushi	Associate Professor	Fungal Ecology	Ecological studies of plants and associated fungi in natural and agricultural ecosystems.
Yamauchi Takeo	Associate Professor	Systematic Entomology	1) Taxonomic study using insect specimens 2) Evaluation of environment using insects as bioindicators

The Professor marked with  will retire on March 31, 2028. If you would like to be supervised by him/her, please consult in advance about research instruction.

Food Science

Name	Position	Field of Research	Contents
Kinoshita Mikio	Professor	Food Chemistry	Food biochemistry of functional lipids
Shimada Kenichiro	Professor	Meat Science	Applied studies on meat science / meat processing
Takata Kanenori	Professor	Food Science	Cereal science and food processing
Fukuda Kenji	Professor	Dairy Chemistry	Studies on functionalities of milk components and lactic acid bacteria
Watanabe Jun	Professor	Food Functional Chemistry	Mechanistical studies on functionalities of food resources

Sugawara Masayuki	Associate Professor	Applied Microbiology	Studies on brewing microorganisms and plant symbiotic bacteria
Hashimoto Naoto	Associate Professor	Nutritional Physiology	Functionality of phytochemicals on energy metabolism
Han Kyu-Ho	Associate Professor	Functional Nutrition	Research for bioresources on health function
Mikami Nana	Associate Professor	Food Science	Meat science, food nutrition
Yamashita Shinji	Associate Professor	Food Chemistry	Food function of lipids
Nagata Ryuji	Assistant Professor	Nutritional Functional Science	Studies on health function of food components
Pelpolage Samanthi Wathsala	Assistant Professor	Food Science	Starch Chemistry and Biochemistry

Agricultural Economics

Name	Position	Field of Research	Contents
Iwamoto Hiroyuki	Professor	Agricultural Economics	1) Economic Valuation of the Agricultural Environment 2) Research on internalization of external diseconomies in the livestock industry 3) Research on local resource evaluation
Kono Hiroichi	Professor	Agricultural Economics	1) Economics and Epidemiology 2) Development Economics 3) Livestock Development and Poverty Reduction
Sembokuya Yasushi	Professor	Agricultural Economics	1) Risk management on agricultural production 2) Comparative analysis on food system
Kawano Youichi	Associate Professor	Agricultural management	1) Management Capabilities 2) Decision Information Analysis 3) Management Strategy in Traditional Industries
Kubota Satoko	Associate Professor	Agricultural Economics	1) Economic analysis on food safety 2) Risk communication
Miyake Shunsuke	Associate Professor	Agricultural management	1) Changes in farm structure and farm management and their impact on farm 2) Economic evaluation by introducing agricultural technology
Morioka Masako	Assistant Professor	Agricultural Economics	1) Agricultural Economics 2) Development Economics

Engineering for Agriculture

Name	Position	Field of Research	Contents
Miyatake Fumihito	Professor	Bioresource Engineering	Research and development of composting technology and compost utilization
Muneoka Toshimi	Professor	Irrigation, Drainage and Rural Engineering	1) River water quality and land use in agricultural and forest watersheds 2) Slope conservation and revegetation technology
Gando Yoshihito	Associate Professor	Elementary-particle environmental studies, Water-vapor disaster studies	1) Environmental studies based on the elementary-particles 2) Research & development of water vapor measurement methods and prediction of water vapor disasters

Kimura Masato	Associate Professor	Agricultural Meteorology	Use of cold energy from natural ice
Nakashima Naohisa	Associate Professor	Ecology and Civil Engineering	Observational technologies and species distribution traits in landscape ecology
Yoshikawa Takuya	Associate Professor	Bioresource Engineering	Studies on fractionation and utilization of biomass, and development of its process
Fujimoto Atsuru	Assistant Professor	Agricultural mechanics	Agricultural machinery, Tractor, Implement, Large-scale farming, Automation/smart system

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Name	Position	Field of Research	Contents
Onishi Kazumitsu	Professor	Plant Breeding	Genetic studies on quantitative traits in crop species
Kato Kiyoaki	Professor	Plant Molecular Breeding	Molecular basis and applied studies on plant breeding
Tani Masayuki	Professor	Soil Science	Evaluation and improvement on soil fertility in arable land
Nakabayashi Kazumi	Professor	Plant Molecular Physiology	Molecular mechanisms of seed dormancy and germination
Hirata Masahiro	Professor	Rangeland Ecology Culture Anthropology	1) Study on rangeland ecology and environmental conservation in dry areas 2) Study on subsistence and milk culture of pastoralists in dry areas
Aiuchi Daigo	Associate Professor	Applied Entomology	Studies on pest control of pathogen vector insects
Akimoto Masahiro	Associate Professor	Crop Science	Improvement of cultivation methods of common food crops and fodder crops.
Kasuga Jun	Associate Professor	Plant Physiology	Abiotic stress adaptation mechanisms in plants
Sanetomo Rena	Associate Professor	Plant Genetics and Breeding	Potato genetics and germplasm enhancement
Mori Masahiko	Associate Professor	Plant Production Science	Study on physio-morphological characteristics in crop plants
Romero Isami	Associate Professor	International Relations Political Science	Japan's Food Diplomacy
Ekino Taisuke	Assistant Professor	Nematology	Physiology and ecology of nematodes