



SAGA UNIVERSITY

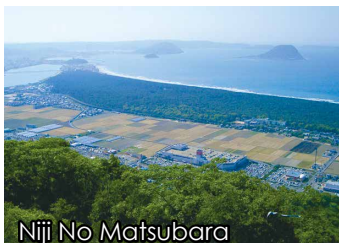


Welcome to Saga

Rich sea developed by the largest tidal difference in Japan.

Ariake Sea

● Landscape



Niji No Matsubara



Kouno Park



Nanatsugama



Saga Plain



Egret in the countryside



Kawakami gorge



Beach of Karaitsu



Furuyu Onsen

Welcome to Saga



● Ceramics



Main firing



Arita ware plate



Arita ware jar



Overglaze painting

● Food



Champon



Sashimi of Sea Urchin



Sashimi of Squid



Saga Beef

● Traditional buildings



Karatsu Castle



Yufoku Inari Shrine



Matsubara Shrine



Saga Shrine

● Festivals



Karatsu Kunchi



Matsubara Shrine Festival

Introduction

● Saga University Charter

Saga University and its Members hereby declare that the University, based on the educational and professional achievements it has produced in every field of study, shall act in accordance with the following principles, aiming to develop with the community for the future, in the resourceful natural environment with cultural and historical backgrounds which have long been cultivated by the exchange with other regions.

Attractive University

The University shall create an attractive campus where students can study and act positively with their own purposes.

Creation and Inheritance

The University shall commit itself to the creation and inheritance of human wisdom so that humans can live together with nature.

Education-Oriented University

The University shall provide a high quality of education in the belief that higher education will lead the society.

Promotion of Research

The University shall continue to raise its academic level to convey its original achievements to the world.

Contribution to Society

The University shall deal with problems of the community from educational and professional viewpoints.

Contribution to the International Society

The University, as a major intellectual organization in Asia, shall contribute to the development of the international society.

Evaluation and Improvement

The University shall accomplish its mission as a national university located in Saga through constant evaluation and improvement of its achievements.



Introduction

● The Future of Saga University – SADAI VISION 2040

Guided by the “Saga University Charter”—which embodies the university’s philosophy—Saga University, as a higher education institution in Saga, has formulated “Wisdom in Action for a Shared Future —Saga University Vision 2040” to serve as a compass for its goal of becoming a “University for Co-Creating the Regional Future”. A university that is rooted in the local community yet open to the world and proactively envisions the region’s future and that leads its realization together with society.

Education

Cultivating human resources for future co-creation through mutual growth in teaching and learning, and the development of potential



Research

Creating academic frontiers through the integration of wisdom



Social Contribution

Transforming toward a sustainable future society through the collaboration of wisdom



International Contribution

Cultivating global citizens and fostering international mutual benefit through the circulation of wisdom



Corporate Management

Corporate management that maximizes the value of human capital



Faculties

Faculty of Education



The faculty has the two courses of Course in Educational Support Studies and Course in Elementary and Junior High School Education. The former has two majors: Human Development and Education and Special Needs Education. The latter also has two majors: Elementary School Education and Junior High School Education.

Faculty of Economics



The faculty comprises of three Departments. The Department of Economics offers a handpicked range of subjects including Finance, Economic Policy, Inter-national Economics and Regional Economics. Students at the Department of Business Management have the opportunity to study various subjects pertaining to Accounts and Business Management. The Department of Economics and Law offers a number of subjects related to Law.

Faculty of Art and Regional Design



The faculty is comprised of two courses: Fine Arts and Regional Design. The faculty aims to empower students with artistic methodologies and sensitivity so that they may connect people and products through art and contribute to regional and international development.

Faculty of Medicine



The Department of Medicine aims at educating and training physicians who, in their creative practice of medicine, will be capable of grasping problems they encounter from a bioethical and sociocultural point of view as well as from a science-based medical point of view. The Department of Nursing aims at educating and training nursing professionals with a high regard for nursing ethics, capable of grasping health-related problems in a holistic manner and of solving such problems with expertise and flexibility.

Faculties

Faculty of Science and Engineering



The Faculty of Science and Engineering has one department with an educational program consisting of 9 courses that cover a wide range of subjects from science to engineering. The program has introduced a system that allows students to select courses based on their aptitude and interest with an awareness of their future while being exposed to university education in a wide range of fields.

Faculty of Agriculture



The Faculty of Agriculture has one department including four courses. We offer students opportunities to learn Integrated Science, which focuses on Sustainable Food Production and Conservation of the Natural Environment, and Advanced Science, which focuses on the Elucidation and Application of Bioscience. Currently, we are faced with many serious issues, such as food supply and safety, environmental preservation, information society, bioenergy, and local community, and our faculty has a variety of research fields that address these issues.

School of Cosmetic Science



The School of Cosmetic Science is the first educational and research program at a national university in Japan dedicated to scientifically exploring how chemical substances contained in cosmetics and cosmetic-related products interact with the human body.

By integrating multiple academic disciplines, including chemistry, biology, dermatology, and engineering, the program provides students with the specialized knowledge and technical skills necessary for cosmetic development. In addition, through interdisciplinary studies covering areas such as cosmetic culture, regulations, and marketing, the School aims to cultivate professionals capable of contributing to a wide range of fields centered on the cosmetics industry.

Center for General Education



The Center for General Education offers various general education subjects as follows: University Admission subjects, Common Basic subjects (English and Information Literacy), Basic Liberal Arts subjects, and Interface subjects.

Graduate Schools

Graduate School of Teacher Education



The graduate school was newly established in April 2016. Setting the development of practical instructional skills as a goal, you learn through active methods such as case studies and mock class-room instructions. The Master of Teacher Education Program provides you with opportunities to acquire a high level of teaching abilities through curriculum bridging theory and practice.

Graduate School of Regional Design in Art and Economics



The graduate school was jointly established with the Faculty of Art and Regional Design and the Faculty of Economics. There are two educational courses: the Art and Design Course and the Regional Management Course. Within this structure, three areas of specialization are offered, including Art, Field Design and Economics & Management.

Graduate School of Medical Science



The graduate school aims at educating and training researchers and professionals in the field of medicine and health care who can play an effective role in education, research and medical treatment with high-grade knowledge and expertise in education, research and medical practice.

Graduate School of Advanced Health Sciences



In this graduate school, the Faculties of Science and Engineering, Agriculture, and Medicine/Nursing are organically cooperating with one another in a community-based style to achieve the following two aims: (1) technological innovation suitable for each new-epoch industrial demand (2) synthetic application of state-of-the-art technology to every medical/nursing/clinical field.

Graduate Schools

Graduate School of Science and Engineering



The graduate school consists of one department of Science and Engineering, and by adopting a course system for each specialized field, it is possible to flexibly construct an education implementation framework and further facilitate collaboration among specialized fields in education and research.

Graduate School of Agriculture



The mission of the Graduate School is to educate personnel who will become highly creative scientists and specialists in agricultural and life sciences with advanced specialized knowledge and skills to meet social and international needs in the recent era of advanced science and technology, information technology, and internationalization.

The United Graduate School of Agricultural Sciences, Kagoshima University



The graduate school was established as a joint institute that integrates the teaching staff and research facilities of the Master's Courses in Agriculture at Saga University, Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries at Kagoshima University, and Agriculture at the University of the Ryukyus.

Institutions

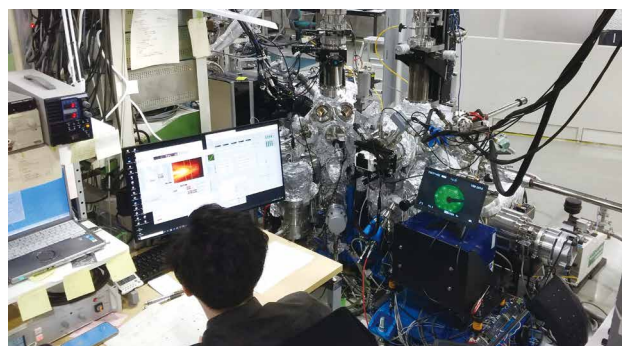
Institute of Ocean Energy

The institute is operated as a joint-use/research center where international researchers collaborate on energy conversion using ocean thermal energy, offshore wind, tidal currents, and waves. Other research projects include seawater desalination, control of large-scale industrial plants, hydrogen and its storage, development of new cosmetics and medicines from deep seawater, and the search for microorganisms in seawater.



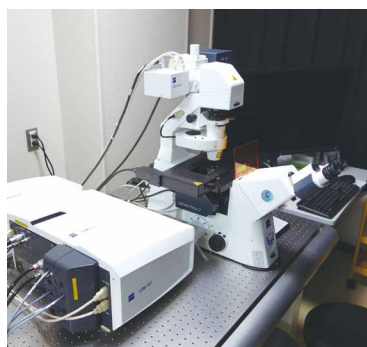
Synchrotron Light Application Center

The center was established not only to support and cooperate with the Saga Prefecture Synchrotron Light Application Project from an academic standpoint, but also to aim to be the core of the region related to synchrotron light application research and to have the most academic advanced research.



Analytical Research Center for Experimental Sciences

The center is a joint use facility which was established for Education Research Support and has four sections each on Honjo and Nabeshima Campuses: Biological Resource Development Section, Instrumental Analysis Section, Radioisotope Use Section, and Environmental Safety Section.



Institutions

Ceramic Research Center of Saga University

The center aims to contribute to the revitalization of “Hizen”, in the north-west area of Kyushu, by becoming an international academic research base of ceramics where art, science and management fields merge.

This center is located on the Arita Campus where students study ceramics and ceramic engineering.



Center for Regional Culture and History

Since ancient times and through the Middle Ages, Saga has built up a unique exchange relationship with each country in Asia, made active cultural contact with Europe in the early modern times, and innovated using modern Western European civilization and academic systems in the latter half of the 19th century. This Center explores the identity and universality of the Saga region and creates Regional Study as a new academic system.



Institutions

Saga University Art Museum

The Saga University Art Museum established on the Honjo Campus in the Main Gate area in October 2013, commemorating the 10th anniversary of the merger of the former Saga University and Saga Medical School, celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2023.

The museum's purpose is to promote art and culture by exhibiting, collecting, and storing works of art and engineering for the benefit of education and research, as well as to contribute to the local community and society, and to make them available to the general public for viewing.

The glass walls and pure white space symbolize the university, aiming to connect the inside with the outside, people with people, and to expand their horizons. The large exhibition room with its large movable walls allows for multiple uses, and various exhibitions, open classes, workshops, etc. can be planned by making the most of the special exhibition space.



University Library

The main library has more than 500 reading seats, several group study rooms, a multimedia corner, the multipurpose study space, private reading rooms and learning commons where Wireless LAN are provided for information retrieval through the network.

The medical library has more than 200 reading seats in addition to discussion rooms and personal computers for information access and study space. Valuable information concerning medicine and science is provided for independent study.

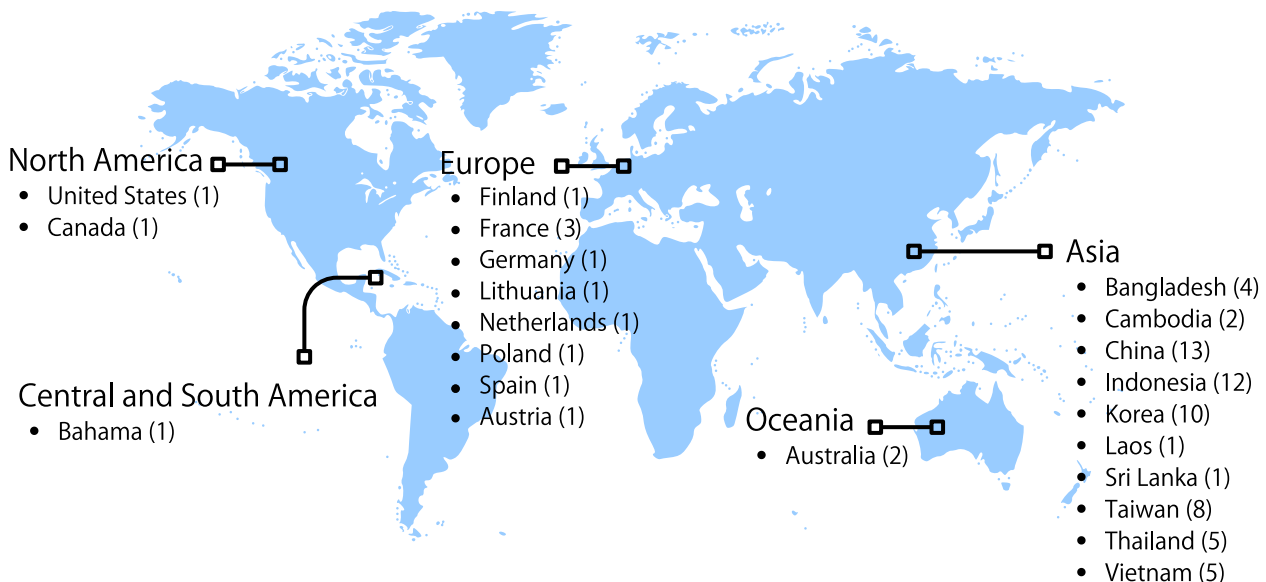


Center for Promotion of International Exchange

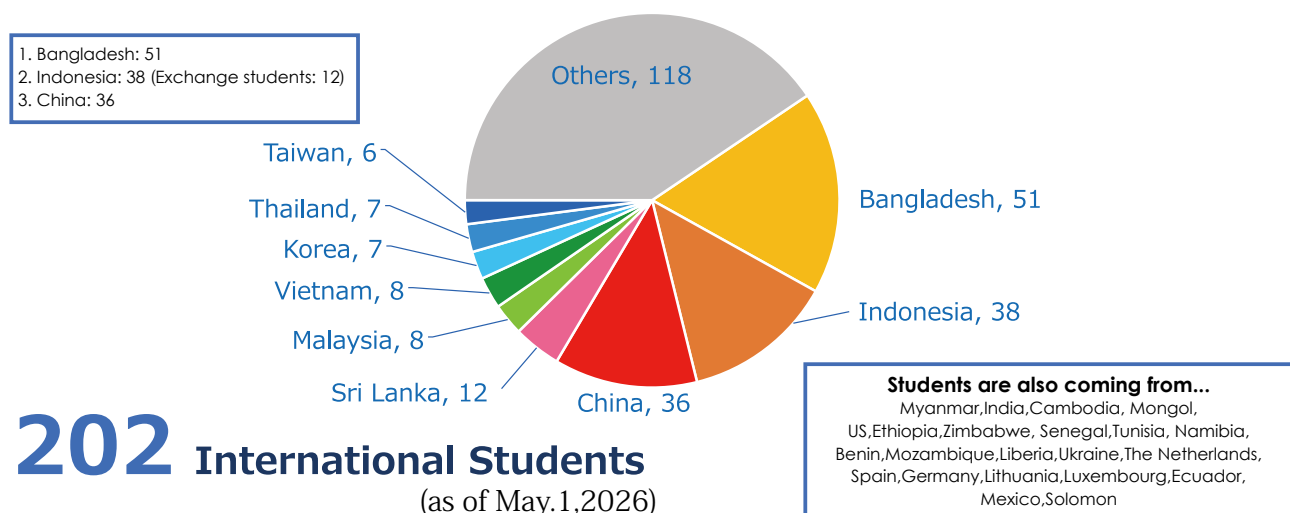
Since 2011, the Center for Promotion of International Exchange (CPIE) of Saga University has been supporting the formation of international exchange networks, student exchange, researcher exchange, and international regional collaboration. This is based on the memorandum of understanding for academic exchange with our partner universities to promote the acceptance of international students, Japanese students studying abroad and international collaborative research. Furthermore, we aim for the worldwide recognised research while making the most of the regional characteristics of Saga to develop a variety of students' talents and abilities. We play a role in connecting students, researchers, and the community internationally in order to achieve such results at both regional and international levels.



Partners in the world (University level as of May 1st 2026)



Number of International Students



Research Exchange

Saga University has been implementing the following programs to promote international exchange of researchers.

- Saga University International Exchange Support Program (since 2021)
- Saga University Strategic Partnership Project (since 2022)

Saga University International Exchange Support Program for Researchers

We conduct this project to support researchers of Saga University to have international academic exchanges. This project aims to strengthen partner-ships with overseas partner universities and research institutions and to establish an international exchange system for our researchers.



Strategic Partnership Projects

The Strategic Partnership Project is based on the "Saga University Vision 2030" and provides support of up to 1.5 million yen per year to a selected candidate partner university for strategic partnership (PS candidate Universities) from among the universities that Saga University has an inter-university exchange agreement with, to design projects in either the international joint research or international joint education type, and to implement projects that take advantage of both.



International Students

Saga University provides students with various opportunities to study at our university depending on what they search for in their study.

Degree Seeking Program in English (MA/ Ph.D)

Science and Engineering Field

- SIPOP (Strategic International Postgraduate Program) for Doctoral students
- IEPAD (The Interdisciplinary Education Program for AI and Data Science Specialists) for Master and Doctoral students
- AEPAT (The Advanced Education Program of Applied Transdisciplinary Talent for Co-development Across Japan, ASEAN & South West Asia) for Master and Doctoral students

Agriculture Field

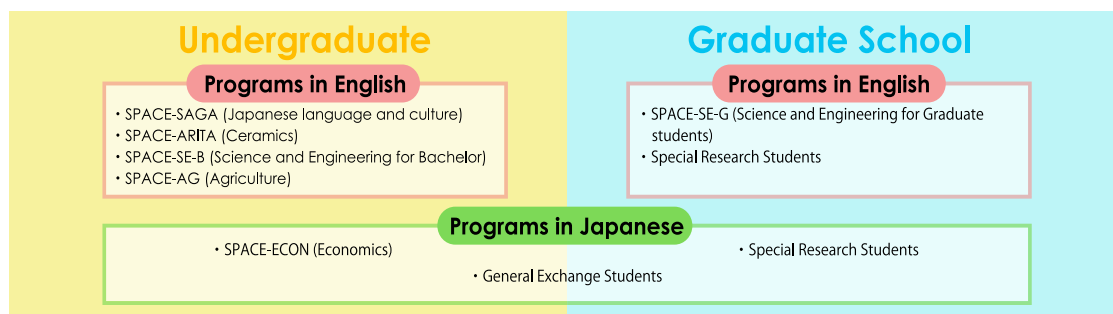
- PPAGHD (The Post-graduate Program for Agribusiness Global Human-resources Development) for Master and Doctoral students

Exchange Program

Programs : General exchange, SPACE programs (Saga university Program for ACademic Exchange), Special Research
Beginning of program : October/April

Period : 1 semester (6 months)/2 semesters (1 year)

Benefits : Tuition & fee waiver, based on MoU, Scholarship



Japanese Language Courses

- Available for all international students
- Classes offered in 6 levels (Beginning I-II, Intermediate I, Practical Japanese A-F)
- Credits granted for exchange students
- Japanese classes as a general education subject offered to undergraduate international students



Peer Support & Events

Tutor system

- Newly arrived international students are helped by a Japanese student as a tutor for up to one year to settle down and adjust to life in Japan.
- A tutor will kindly help them with starting up their life, language barriers and other daily matters.



Events

- We provide various events for students, such as language exchange events, culture experiencing events, sports events and seasonal events.
- Through events on campus, students have opportunities to make friends, get used to the community and learn about culture and language.

International House



- 3 buildings; single room, couple room and family room.
- All buildings are located on campus.
- Mattress, shelf, refrigerator, desk & chair, gas stove, wi-fi equipped.
- Laundry rooms are set for each floor in the single-room building.
- Application is open in January and July for each semester.
- Monthly rent : 11,000 yen ~ 18,000 yen



Access to Saga University

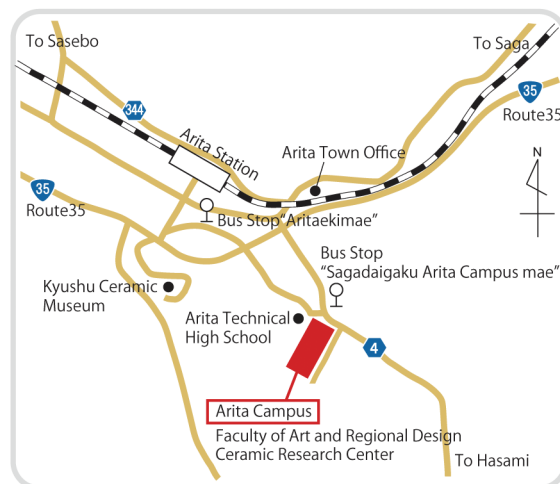
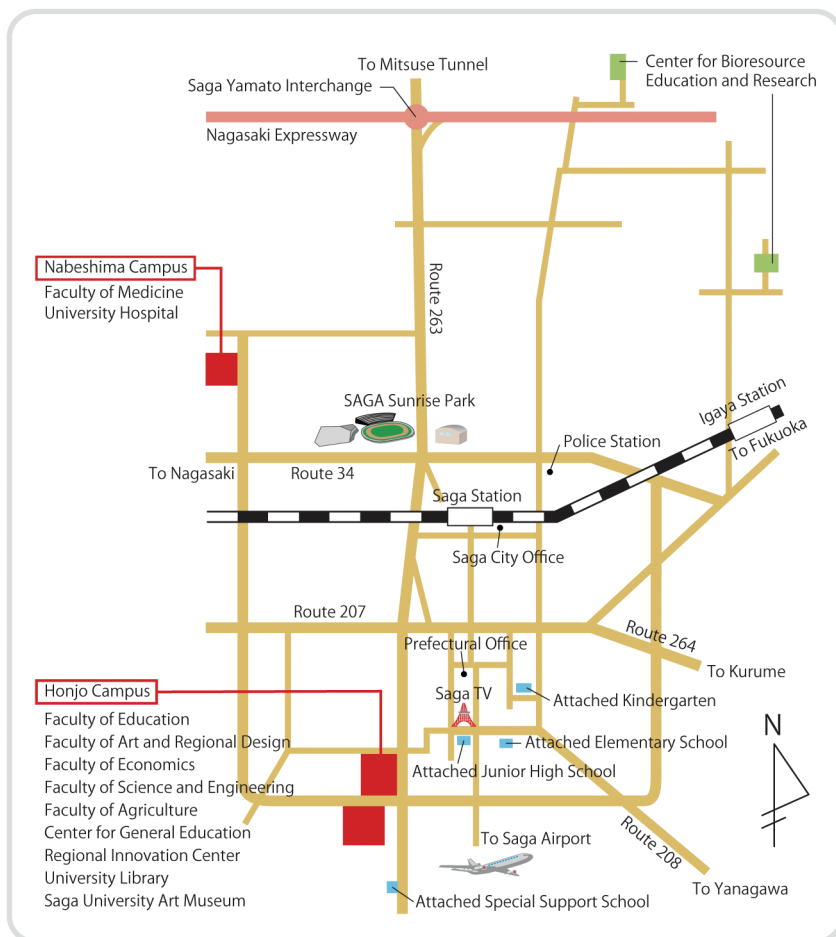
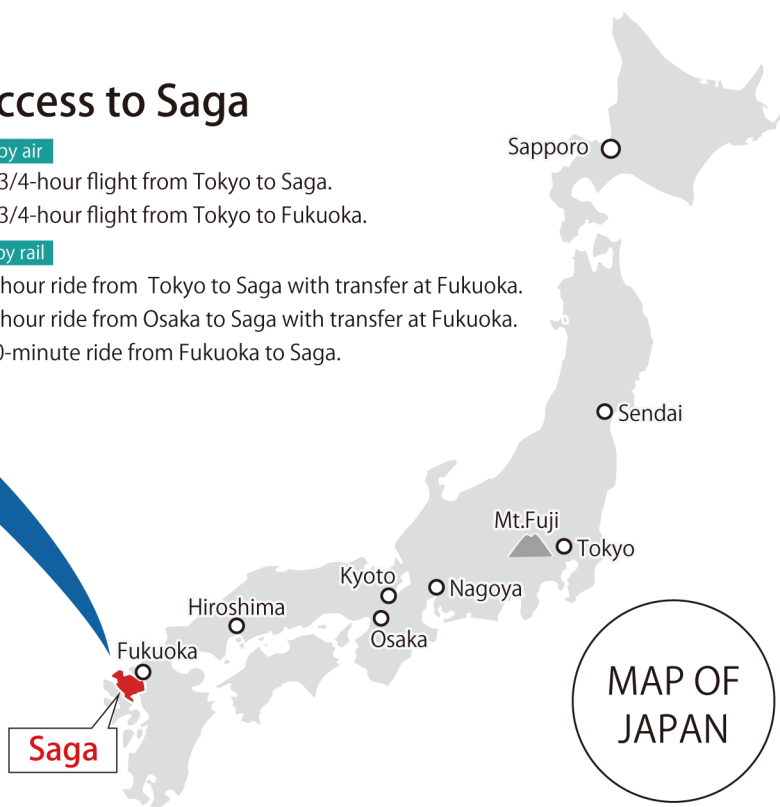
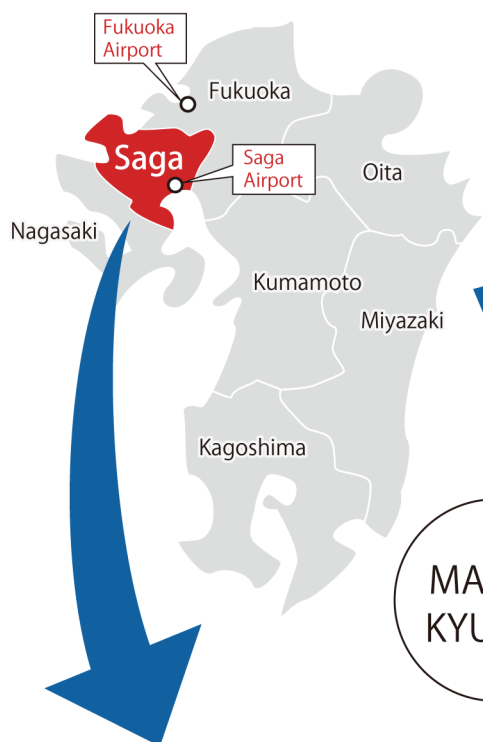
Access to Saga

by air

- 1 3/4-hour flight from Tokyo to Saga.
- 1 3/4-hour flight from Tokyo to Fukuoka.

by rail

- 7-hour ride from Tokyo to Saga with transfer at Fukuoka.
- 5-hour ride from Osaka to Saga with transfer at Fukuoka.
- 40-minute ride from Fukuoka to Saga.



- To Nabeshima Campus from Honjo Campus
about 6.5Km
- To JR Saga Station from Honjo Campus
about 4.0Km
- To JR Saga Station from Nabeshima Campus
about 5.0Km
- To Arita Station from Arita Campus
about 1.2Km
- To Honjo Campus from Arita Campus
about 50Km