

## © Requirements for the Certificate in EU Studies (for graduate students)

The following outlines the requirements for the Graduate Certificate in European Union Studies. Please see [the Regulations for the Graduate Certificate in European Union Studies](#).

To complete the Graduate Certificate in European Union Studies, students must:

1. register for the Graduate Certificate programme with the *EUIJ-Kansai* office at their own university.
2. complete credits from at least one course from (a) Core Module and at least 8 credits from other three Modules (b-d).
3. complete a research paper on the European Union. The paper must reach acceptable level.
4. be in the master's program of the graduate school.

### 1. Registration for the Graduate Certificate programme

Students intending to complete the Graduate Certificate in European Union Studies must register for the Graduate Certificate programme with the *EUIJ-Kansai* office at their own university. To be registered, a student "must be registered for at least one EU Studies course in the given semester."

### 2. Completion of credits from the EU Studies courses

Broad curricula on EU studies are offered at the three-member universities of the *EUIJ-Kansai*. The courses are grouped into 4 Modules (a-d).

Students are required to complete at least one course from (a) Core Module and at least 8 credits from other three Modules (b-d).

EU Studies courses are offered at all three-member universities and students may take any course regardless of where it is given. Students must contact the Academic Affairs Section of their university in advance to find out if the credits for each EU Studies course will be included in their graduation requirement credits.

### 3. Research paper on the EU

To cap off their EU studies, students must present a research paper on the EU from a social science approach (law, politics, economics, business management, etc.).

Paper Length: approximately 20,000 - 40,000 characters in Japanese; approximately 7,000 - 14,000 words in English, French or German.

If a student's paper is recognised as outstanding, he/she will be offered the opportunity to participate in the EU Studies Colloquium, where students are invited to present and discuss their research findings in either English, French or German before a jury that comprises EU staff from our institute. Students participating in the EU Studies Colloquium receive a prize. The Colloquium will be held only for those planning to graduate in March.