## **The Joint Degree Program**

◆ The Joint Degree program can provide distinctive intellectual training for students, through developing a curriculum shared by Hiroshima University (HU) and the partner university, by means of academic supervision involving close collaboration with faculty members from both HU and thepartner university.

In addition, from following the two-year curriculum, including study abroad for one year, students can develop a broad perspective, multi-view thinking and skills, to cope with various issues, through joint collaboration with other students who have different cultures and various backgrounds.

Our program offers a two-year master's course in collaboration with the University of Graz (UG) and students study at both HU and UG for one year each. Graduates are awarded a Master's degree (Master of Science), which is jointly awarded by both universities.

## **Mobility Schedule Image Enrollment October 2024**

◆ Enrolling in Classes at the Entrance (Home) University and Partner University
Students will be admitted in October and study for one year at the partner university abroad during the two-year curriculum. Based on which university that students choose as their entrance (home) university, the students are scheduled to enroll in classes at the location as shown below.

## Students Mobility (If they choose Hiroshima University as their entrance university)

ENTRANCE (HOME) UNIVERSITY	LOCATION OF STUDY				
	1st semester (winter) <i>Basic Module</i>	2nd semester (summer) <b>Specialization</b>	3rd emester (winter) <i>Integration</i>	4th semester (summer) <i>Master Thesis</i>	
HiroshimaUniversity (HU)	Hiroshima	Graz	Graz	Hiroshima	
Length of stay	October 2024	End of Feb. 2025	October 2025	April 2026	
	Mid of Feb. 2025	Early July 2025	February 2026	September 2026	
Academic Calendar	October 2nd 2024	End of Feb. 2025	Early October 2025	April 1st 2026	
(Period of classes)	February 6th 2025	Early July 2025	End of January 2026	*End of September 2026	

<sup>\*</sup>Degree will be awarded in only September (or March).

## Students Mobility (If they choose University of Graz as their entrance university)

ENTRANCE (HOME) UNIVERSITY	LOCATION OF STUDY				
	1st semester (winter) <i>Basic Module</i>	2nd semester (summer) <b>Specialization</b>	3rd semester (winter) <i>Integration</i>	4th semester (summer) <i>Master Thesis</i>	
University of Graz (UG)	Graz	Hiroshima	Hiroshima	Graz	
Length of stay	October 2024	April 2025	October 2025	March 2026	
	Mid of Feb. 2025	September 2026	Mid of Feb 2026	September 2026	
Academic Calendar (Period of classes)	October 1st 2024	April 8th 2025	October 2nd 2025	Beginning of March 2026	
	February 1st 2025	August 4th 2025	February 9th 2026	End of June 2026	

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Please note that the graduation process of the JDP is different from the other regular courses. Students need to write their theses (one thesis) and submit it to the both entrance and partner university, before presenting the defense at the entrance university. Graduation period is set twice a year (20 September or 23 March) and the deadline for submitting thesis to HU is the end of July or the end of January respectively.