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**Commencing a Study Program for Building  
Trilingual Language Skills**

Hiroshima University starts providing a program called “Study Program for Building Trilingual Language Skills” in the academic year of 2018 (H30).

Trilingual means someone who is fluent in three languages. In this program, the students learn one language from the set language group (Chinese, Korean, German, French or Spanish), and are expected to acquire his/her target language to a practical level, in addition to Japanese and English.

The enrollment capacity of this program is 25 students per target language. The attainment goal is that at the time of the completion of the course, each student is expected to sit for and pass any of the public proficiency test (conducted by Japanese or international organization) for his/her target language.

Although HU is already committing itself to cultivate individuals with high English proficiency as one of the Top Global Universities, it also aims “to cultivate peace-pursuing, cultured individuals with an international mindset and a challenging spirit” and to be active on the global stage with the target language as well as English.

※N.B. The Special Program has been set up with a view to let course takers learn the subjects (such as classes related to information literacy education and acquiring advanced foreign language skills) not available in their degree programs, and to provide the contents geared up for obtaining a qualification (for example, curators and school librarian teachers).

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