

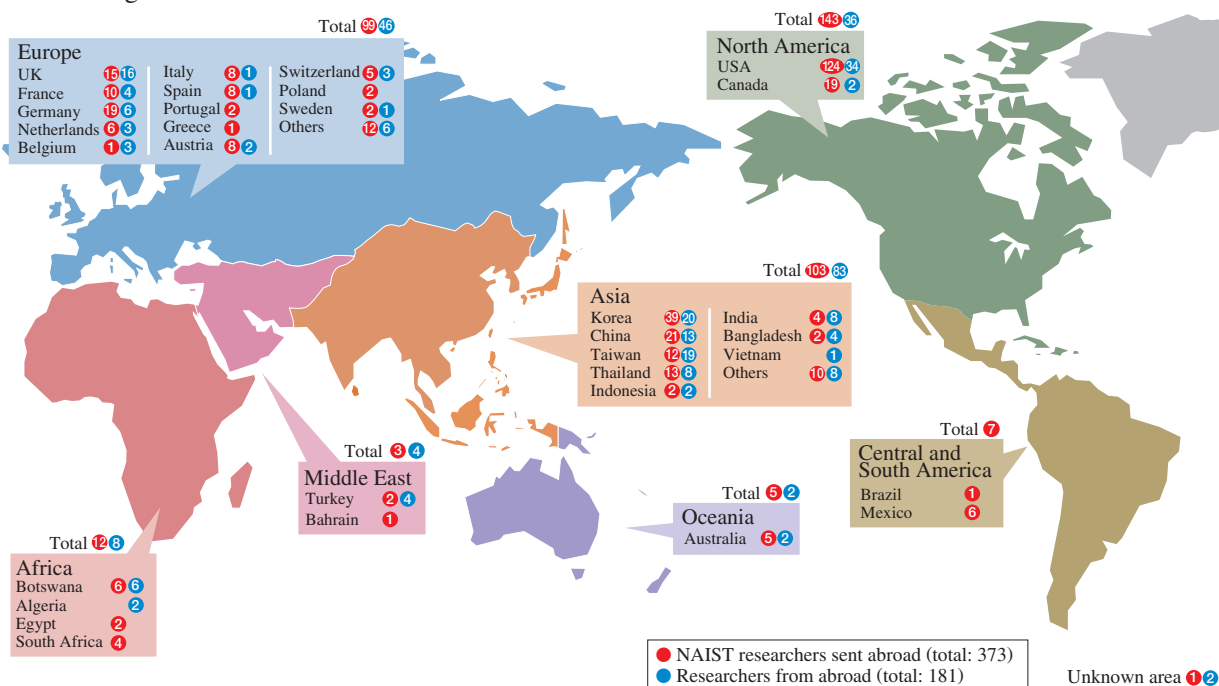


With the aim of further enhancing its global scientific research activities, NAIST is progressively promoting academic international exchange in the field of advanced science and technology, through the exchange of researchers and by hosting international symposia. These activities are funded through government projects provided by MEXT and other quasi-government programs offered by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS).

## Exchange of researchers

We encourage researchers to study abroad, and we accept international researchers, with an increasing number of exchanges every year. To encourage young researchers, we also offer students research opportunities at overseas institutions.

### Exchange of Researchers in 2005



## Diverse researcher exchanges from short- to long-term

As part of our effort to build a network of international researchers, NAIST actively sends our experts to international symposia and invites researchers from overseas. Combined with these short-term exchanges, our long-term commitments, such as dispatching and accepting academics for periods exceeding a month, serve the purpose of promoting deeper-level international research activities.

We accepted 54 long-stay researchers from overseas. This reflects the high standard of our research.

	NAIST researchers sent abroad	Researchers from abroad
Short-term (less than a month)	368	127
Long-term (over a month)	5	54
Total number	373	181





## Academic Exchange Agreements

NAIST has concluded 29 exchange agreements with overseas universities (9 for institution-level agreements and 20 for school/department-level agreements) in a bid to strengthen international relationships and to encourage further academic exchanges. This includes research collaborations, symposia, guest lectures, faculty and student exchange, and sharing of scientific information and materials.

As of July 1, 2007

NAIST / Graduate School	Counterpart
NAIST	9
Information Science	6
Biological Sciences	3
Materials Science	11

## Agreements on Academic Exchange with Overseas Institutes

As of July 1, 2007

Level	Graduate School	Counterpart
Institution-level	All Schools	University of California, Davis, USA University of Maryland, College Park, USA University of Joensuu, Finland Gadjah Mada University, Indonesia Mahidol University, Thailand Ege University, Turkey Abo Akademi University, Finland Bogor Agricultural University, Indonesia Université catholique de Louvain, Belgium
School / Department-level	Information Science	Centre for Advanced Software Engineering Research, University of New South Wales, Australia Computer Science and Management School, Mongolian University of Science and Technology, Mongolia Research School of Information Sciences and Engineering, Australian National University, Australia Department of Information Processing Science, Faculty of Science, University of Oulu, Finland College of Engineering, University of Hawaii, USA College of Engineering, Southern Taiwan University of Technology, Taiwan
	Biological Sciences	Biotechnology Institute, University of Minnesota, USA Korea Research Institute of Bioscience and Biotechnology, Korea Graduate School of Biotechnology, Korea University, Korea
	Materials Science	Department of Materials Science and Engineering, Gwangju Institute Science and Technology, Korea Faculty of Physics and Mathematics, University of Latvia, Latvia Faculty of Science, University of Zurich, Switzerland Department of Physics, M. V. Lomonosov Moscow State University, Russia Ph.D. School in Physics, University of Debrecen, Hungary School of Basic Sciences (FSB), Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Switzerland Faculty of Engineering, University of Porto, Portugal Faculty of Chemistry, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poland Department of Materials Science and Engineering, Pohang University of Science and Technology, Korea Physics and Mechanics Faculty, Saint-Petersburg State Polytechnical University, Russia Department of Materials Science and Engineering, Gebza Institute of Technology, Turkey

## International Symposia and Seminars

We hold international symposia and seminars to demonstrate our research worldwide and to advance research not only within our institute but also throughout Japan and overseas.

In 2005, we held eight international symposia in which nearly 350 people participated. We have active exchange programs with researchers in Europe, USA and Asian countries.



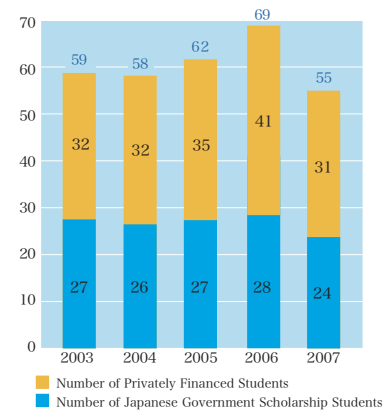


## International Student Profile

As of April 1, 2007

Country	Asia														Middle East	Africa	S.A	N.A	Europe					Total	
	Bangladesh	Thailand	Laos	Malaysia	Philippines	Indonesia	Vietnam	Nepal	Korea	China	Taiwan	Saudi Arabia	Israel	Turkey	Morocco	Dominican Republic	Brazil	U.S.A.	U.K.	Czech Republic	Spain	Norway	Hungary		Bulgaria
Master's Program				1				1	1	3	1				1		1	2							11 (1)
Doctoral Program	2	3 (2)	1	2	2	6 (3)	1 (1)		1	8	1	1	1	2		1 (1)		1	1	1	1		1	37 (14)	
Research Students										4	1											1	1	7 (3)	
Total	2	3 (2)	1	3	2	6 (3)	1 (1)	1	2	15 (5)	3	1	1	2	1	1 (1)	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	55 (18)	

※Parenthesized figures indicate the number of female students



## Support for International Students

### Student Dormitories

The Student dormitories comprise 619 rooms.

To support students' research work on a 24-hour basis, LAN access is provided from the dormitories, allowing access to university networks, including the university's Digital Library, as well as national and international scientific research institutions.

### Admission / Tuition Fees Exemption

Excellent students who are deemed to have difficulty in paying admission or tuition fees may earn exemption from all or part of such fees.

### Teaching Assistant (TA)

We actively support students by providing opportunities for them to assist in teaching and education and receive financial assistance. TAs help in areas such as preparing teaching materials, grading reports, and providing experimental assistance.

Students in the second year of the Master's Program and Doctoral students are eligible for this.

### Research Assistant (RA)

The RA program was introduced by MEXT in 1996 to enable outstanding Doctoral program students to participate as RAs in research projects. NAIST was the first university nationwide to introduce an RA program, in 1995, using independent funding sources. Since 1996, support from the MEXT program has allowed us to strengthen our own RA program.

### 21st Century Center of Excellence (COE) Program

Two NAIST research teams were selected by MEXT in the program for creating international centers for education and research. The program provides salary or research funding for researchers who are students in the second semester of a doctorate program.

## NAIST International Students Supporters' Association

The aims of this Association are to provide support for the academic and daily life of international students, and to assist students studying abroad or those on an exchange program. The Association also helps those who suffer unexpected accidents or illness. Last but not least, the Association encourages further student exchanges.