



A NEW CONCEPT OF CRAFTSMANSHIP

"Craftsmanship" traditionally only means skilled workmanship. At ICCA, we add new meaning to the word, emphasizing the artistic aspect inherent in creating things of beauty. We hope our graduates can pass their knowledge onto succeeding generations and create better living environments well into the next millennium.



Toyama International College of Crafts & Arts

職藝学院

OUTLINE OF ICCA

Founded in April 1996

TECHNICAL COURSES :

The Course in Building (2 years) - capacity: 40 students
The Course in Gardening (2 years) - capacity: 40 students

POST-GRADUATE COURSES :

Post-Graduate Architecture Course (1 year)
Post-Graduate Gardening Course (1 year)*
*to be launched in October 1998

COURSE REQUIREMENTS :

Technical Courses: High school certificate or equivalent
Post-Graduate Courses: Technical Course certificate or equivalent

SCHOOLMASTER: Toshio Ojima

(Professor at Waseda University, Member of the Japan Architect Association)

CHIEF INSTRUCTOR:

Fumio Tanaka (Master Carpenter)

CAMPUS SIZE: 26,882 square meters

BUILDING SPACE: 3,670 square meters

FOUNDER: Minoru Inaba (Chairman, ICCA)

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TRANSPORTATION

TO TOYAMA

BY AIRPLANE: From Tokyo (Haneda) - about 1 hour

BY TRAIN: From Tokyo - 3 hours and 10 minutes

From Osaka - 3 hours and 30 minutes

From Nagoya - 3 hours and 20 minutes

TO ICCA

BY CAR: From Toyama Airport - 20 minutes, From JR Train Station - 30 minutes,

From Toyama Interchange - 20 minutes

BY BUS: From Toyama JR Train Station Bus Terminal - 40 minutes

THE TOYAMA CRAFTSMANSHIP INFORMATION CENTER


The Center, which is open to the general public, plays an important role as a place for academic and industrial research.



The library features books on many arts and crafts.

The Tool Museum exhibits tools and materials used in architecture and gardening.

The Center also organizes seminars, workshops and field trips for the benefit of the public as well as ICCA students.



INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF CRAFTS AND ARTS, TOYAMA KEEPING ALIVE TRADITIONAL JAPANESE CRAFTS

THE FEATURE OF ICCA

A UNIQUE CURRICULUM

At ICCA, students learn the crafts of traditional Japanese architecture, furniture-making and gardening. They develop the techniques necessary to create a living space ideally matched to the natural environment.

ICCA also provides opportunities for on-the-job training at the workshops of specialists, where students can learn from the practical knowledge of master craftsmen. No other institute in Japan employs such a unique curriculum.

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE

To foster the global exchange of traditional technologies, ICCA has built relationships with schools and workshops in France, Spain, Italy, Germany, China, South Korea and the U.S.A. By learning from craftsmen in other cultures, Japanese students can hone their skills and better appreciate their own traditions.

STUDY MEETINGS

ICCA regularly invites well-known specialists in various fields to speak to students about their work. In a friendly atmosphere, these professionals not only discuss their craft but also their lifestyles and philosophies.

AFTER GRADUATION...

By maintaining relations with the workshops and companies employing ICCA graduates, the school shares architectural and environmental knowledge while benefiting from new technologies and problem-solving techniques.



AN IDEAL CAMPUS

From ICCA's hillside location, students enjoy a grand view of the Toyama Plain on one side and the Tateyama mountain range on the other. The school's unique wooden buildings create a relaxing atmosphere, while the well-equipped workshops and Craftsmanship Information Center make it an ideal study environment.

THE LOCAL EDUCATION NETWORK

ICCA has joined with the Toyama College of International Studies, the INTEC Ohya Study Center and the Hokuriku Electric Study Center to form a local education network - through which students and company employees from all the institutions can interact.

LICENSING

With the help of dedicated instructors every student at ICCA works toward the attainment of an authorized license (granted only after they pass an examination and obtain the necessary amount of practical experience).



THE GOALS OF ICCA

By Minoru Inaba, Chairman

Firstly, we stress moral discipline, not only in our relations with others but also in how we care for the natural environment.

Secondly, we do not evaluate students solely upon their academic achievements. In modern Japan, only those students who succeed academically are highly valued. I believe this is wrong; every person is different and has his or her own talents.

At ICCA, we see each student as an individual with unique abilities. Bearing this in mind, we talk with them seriously about what they want to do in the future and their reasons why. Based on such discussions, our instructors can tailor their training and advice to help all our students achieve their dreams.

We endeavor to produce highly skilled, knowledgeable and well-mannered professionals.

THE COURSE IN BUILDING

(Architecture, Furniture & Joinery)

[GENERAL SUBJECTS]

Humans & Nature, Sociocultural Studies, History of Architecture, Craftsmanship, English & Japanese, International Understanding, Business Administration, Physical Education

[BASIC SUBJECTS]

General Architecture, Environmental Studies, Plants & Wood, Basics of Interior Decoration, Basic Mathematics, Basics of Design, Cultural Assets Studies, Basics of CAD/DG

[TECHNICAL SUBJECTS]

Architectural Planning, Architecture & the Law, Structure Mechanics, Structure(Methods & Materials), Construction, Specifications & Cost Estimates, Basic Drawing, Advanced Design, Tool & Machine Usage, Machine Operation, Construction Site Training, Safety, Measurement, etc.

[LICENSING]

After finishing the course and a special training-on-the-job, students become qualified to take the following examinations: Architect Class 2, Wooden Building Architect, Construction Engineer Class 2, Carpenter Class 2

THE COURSE IN GARDENING

(Gardening & Environmental Studies)

[GENERAL SUBJECTS]

Same as the course in building

[BASIC SUBJECTS]

Same as the course in building

[TECHNICAL SUBJECTS]

Basic Garden Design, The Environment & the Law, Environmental Engineering, Soil & Fertilizer Studies, Gardening, Materials & Cost Estimates, Basic Drawing, Planting, Measurements, etc.

* Every student must complete a special graduate task.

[LICENSING]

After finishing the course and a special training-on-the-job, students become qualified to take the following examinations: Gardening Engineer Class 2, Gardener Class 2, Civil Engineer Class 2