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Citi to Continue Sponsored Course “Financial Markets and Systems” at University of the Ryukyus in 2022

Tokyo – Citi announced today that it is continuing to sponsor a practical economics course, “Financial Markets and Systems,” at the University of the Ryukyus (Nakagami-gun Nishihara-cho, Okinawa) in 2022. The course will start in the second term of the 2022 academic year.

The course is offered to sophomore, junior and senior students and comprises 16 classes, which will be held every Friday from October 7, 2022 until February 3, 2023. Students will be given a short test every three weeks and a final exam at the end of the course. Two credits will be granted upon completion of the course.

All classes will be taught by executives and experienced employees of Citi Japan. These professionals will deliver lectures covering a wide range of content and practical topics, including the structure of financial markets, the role of financial institutions and different financial businesses and products, ESG and finance, and DE&I trends in the financial industry with the objective of raising students’ knowledge of and interest in finance. This year, the course will incorporate an interactive simulation “trading game” by the Securities Services to give students first-hand experience of how real live trades work. While all classes in 2020 and 2021 were held virtually, this year classes will be offered in-person.

Citi is the sole sponsor of the course and will cover all operational costs. Citi first launched its sponsored course at the University of the Ryukyus in 2011 and, after a two-year recess, resumed it in 2016. This is the tenth year in which the course is held.

Citi is one of the world’s leading financial institutions, with more than 200 years of history in providing financial services to clients across the world. Citi started operations in Japan in 1902, when it opened a branch in Yokohama, and is proud of its long history of committed service to corporate and institutional clients in Japan. October 2022 marks Citi’s 120th anniversary operating in Japan. In Okinawa, Citi commenced operations in Naha in 1999 and runs parts of its business, including Operations and Technology, out of Okinawa, making it an important strategic hub.

Citi is dedicated to giving back to the communities it does business in by supporting local social initiatives. In Okinawa, in addition to sponsoring a course at the University of the Ryukyus, Citi works with the Okinawa Single Parents and Children’s Welfare Association to prepare emergency food packages for child-rearing households financially affected by COVID-19 and host “Life Skills and Money Management for Young Parents”, an annual program that provides information young parents need to improve their living environment and solve problems.

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**University of the Ryukyus Sponsored Course
“Financial Markets and Systems”
Curriculum**

Total of 16 classes from October 7, 2022 (including a final exam)
3rd period every Friday (12:50-14:20)

Dates	Details
October 7, 2022	Future of Finance, Overview of Citigroup
October 14	Financial System, Markets Business
October 21	Markets – from Execution to Settlement
October 28	Securities Services – Trading Game
November 4	Trends in Macroeconomics
November 11	Trade Finance Overview and Outlook
November 18	The Corporate Credit Card Business (commercial cards)
November 25	Investment Banking - the Work of Investment Bankers
December 2	Corporate Sales
December 9	ESG and Finance
December 16	The Work of Securities Analysts and Corporate Analysis
December 23	Cyber Security
January 6, 2023	Financial Markets and Regulation
January 20	Technology at Financial Institutions
January 27	Work and Careers, and DE&I in the Workplace
February 3	Final Exam