

FAQ

Requirements

Q1	I am not sure of my applicant type.
A1	Please refer to the section 2. (1) of the Application Guidelines. We do not provide the application documents to those who cannot determine the applicant type by themselves.
Q2	I am a graduate of XXX University, am I eligible to apply?
A2	Applicants who are not affiliated with a university, research institute, etc. at the time of application are not eligible to apply for types 1, 2, 3 and 4.
Q3	I am a foreigner currently enrolled in a Japanese university. Am I eligible to apply?
A3	Applications can only be submitted from "foreign" universities. Students currently enrolled in a Japanese university are not eligible to apply.
Q4	I am currently enrolled in a master's program. Am I eligible to apply to the type 1?
A4	Undergraduate and graduate students do not qualify as persons conducting independent research.
Q5	I would like to apply as a privately financed research student while enrolled at my current university.
A5	The Privately Financed Research Student Program requires the student to have graduated from a university (undergraduate) at the time of admission.

Proposed supervisor

Q1	Is it necessary to obtain informal consent from my preferred supervisor in advance?
A1	You do not need to obtain informal consent for applicant type 4. (You can make your own informal consent if you would like.) In the case of applicant types 2, 6 and 7, prior informal consent is required. Please contact your preferred supervisor by yourself.
Q2	I would like to obtain an informal consent from the supervisor of my choice, so please provide me with his/her contact information.
A2	Please check the information yourself from our University's website. Educational Affairs Division cannot give you contact information for faculty members even when you could not find in our website.

Application Documents

Q1	I need my application documents as soon as possible.
A1	Application documents will only be given to those who inquire during the application period and whose applicant type has been confirmed. No documents will be given to those who have not confirmed their type outside of the application period. We do not answer any questions regarding the documents outside of the application period.
Q2	How do I fill out the application form?
A2	Educational Affairs Division and the Graduate School do not provide guidance on how to fill out application documents. In addition, we do not conduct any individual prior confirmation of the contents of your documents.

Q3	I would like to submit my documents by e-mail.
A3	All application documents must be submitted in original. Email submissions will not be accepted.
Q4	Is it acceptable for the study program to be written in English?
A4	Acceptance or rejection will be determined by each graduate school.
Q5	When are the documents sent?
A5	Application documents will be accepted only during the application period specified in the application guidelines. All applications must reach the Educational Affairs Division no later than the due date.
Q6	How do I mail the documents?
A6	No vendor is specified as long as the original documents arrive at the Educational Affairs Division within the time frame. (Please check the means of delivery from your country/region.)
Q7	Since I learned Japanese through self-study, I do not have a Japanese teacher assigned to me. (Evaluation by Japanese teacher)
A7	Please ask someone who can judge your Japanese language ability. It does not have to be the teacher who taught you Japanese.
Q8	I do not have a score of official language test within the last two years.
A8	Submission of language exam scores is optional. If you do not have one, you do not have to submit it.

Examination Fees

Q1	Am I eligible for an examination fee waiver?
A1	Please refer to the section 3.(3) Application Fees in the Application Guidelines and make your own decision.
Q2	I am an examination fee waiver student, but I paid the exam fee by mistake.
A2	Due to the system, the examination fee is non-refundable.