

APPLICATION GUIDELINE FOR THE GRADUATE SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES IN 2022

(Special Selection for International Students)

Purpose of Research and Education

Our graduate school awards degrees to students who have advanced expertise in plant production science, animal science, local business, food distribution, aquaculture, production activities relating to food innovation, food and health as well as those fields that are underlying them, such as local environmental characteristics, sub-tropicalization, forestry management, disaster prevention, fishery resources and local ecology; the ability to propose solutions to challenges; and the practical skills to execute these solutions. We also nurture in our graduates the practical skills to identify problems in the farming, livestock, forestry and fishery industries and the food industry and to present solutions as leaders in the local community.

Organization

Major	Course
Agriculture, Natural Resources and Forestry	Plant Production Science
	Animal Science
	Forest Management
	Food and Agricultural Economics
Food Innovation Science	Food Science
	Advanced Life Science
	Microbiology and Fermentation Technology
Field Environment Science	Aquatic Biological Science
	Environmental System Science
Fisheries Resource Science	Aquatic Bioresource Science and Technology
	Aquaculture
	Environmental and Conservation Sciences
	Marketing and Management in Fisheries

Admission policy

To develop talents as described in the educational goal, the graduate school welcomes students who meet the following conditions:

Graduate School of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

We welcome applicants with sufficient academic skills in the science of agriculture, animal husbandry, forestry science, fisheries science and related subjects who grapple with unknown things spontaneously and enthusiastically; and those who are greatly interested in the promotion of agriculture, livestock, forestry, fishery and food industries as well as regional revitalization.

○ **Agriculture, Natural Resources and Forestry**

We welcome applicants with sophisticated knowledge and skills in agriculture, forestry and livestock industries, the production environment around them and their relationships with human society; and those who are willing to grapple with the problems relating to regional revitalization through the production, processing and distribution of agricultural, forestry and livestock products.

○ **Food Innovation Science**

We welcome applicants with sufficient academic skills in sophisticated life sciences and materials science who are capable of grappling with the unknown spontaneously and enthusiastically; and those who are greatly interested in the life phenomena of terrestrial and aquatic life and microorganisms, food safety, food function and fermentation.

○ **Field Environment Science**

We welcome applicants interested in understanding the environment, life and the relationship between them for both terrestrial and aquatic fields; and those who are willing to utilize such knowledge to grapple with the problems relating to agriculture, fishery, environmental conservation and disaster prevention/mitigation of the Kuroshio Current affected area. This sea-land area includes the Nansei Islands and southern Kyushu, which is one of the most important food producing regions in Japan.

○ **Fisheries Resource Science**

We welcome applicants with sufficient academic skills in fishing technology, bioresources and environmental chemistry who are also interested in understanding the relationship between the environment/life and human society scientifically; and those who are willing to establish sustainable fisheries and grapple with the problems of fishing technology, aquaculture technology, fishery resources management technology and fishing ground conservation technology.

Important dates of the Graduate School Enrolment Examination

○ Early application (Special Selection for International Students)

Procedure	Schedule
Application Eligibility Screening	May 24 (Mon.) ~ 27 (Thu.), 2021
Application submission	June 21 (Mon.) ~ 24 (Thu.), 2021
Enrolment examination	August 26 (Thu.), 2021
Announcement of the selection results	September 22 (Wed.), 2021
Enrolment procedure	September 29 (Wed.) ~ 30 (Thu.), 2021

○ Late application (Special Selection for International Students)

Procedure	Schedule
Application Eligibility Screening	November 1 (Mon.) ~ 5 (Fri.), 2021
Application submission	November 29 (Mon.) ~ December 2 (Thu.), 2021
Enrolment examination	January 19 (Wed.), 2022
Announcement of the selection results	February 14 (Mon.), 2022
Enrolment procedure	February 28 (Mon.) ~ March 1 (Tue.), 2022

[Special Selection for International Students]

I Number of students to be admitted

The number of students to be admitted for both early and late applications will be a non-determined number amounting to several in each respective course.

II Eligibility requirements for application

Applicants eligible for the Special Selection for International Students are foreign nationals (who already have or are expected to have the status of residence necessary for enrolment) and have one of the following qualifications:

- 1) have graduated or are expected to graduate from a university by March 2022.
- 2) have received or expected to receive a bachelor's degree by March 2022 in accordance with the stipulation in Paragraph 7, Article 104 of the School Education Law.
- 3) have completed or are expected to complete by March 2022 a sixteen-year school education program abroad.
- 4) have completed or are expected to complete a sixteen-year school education program in a country other than Japan by completing a correspondence course conducted by a school in the said country while residing in Japan.
- 5) have completed or are expected to complete in Japan by March 2022 a foreign university curriculum which certifies that graduates have completed a sixteen-year school education program of the foreign country provided by an educational facility whose curriculum has been accredited separately by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology.
- 6) have completed on or after the date designated by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology or are expected to complete by March 2022 an advanced professional course designated separately by the Ministry at a higher vocational school (only those that provide courses 4 years long or longer and meet other qualifications designated by the Ministry).
- 7) have been designated by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (Notification No.5 of the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture of 1953).
- 8) have been recognized by the Graduate School through the Special Application Eligibility Screening as having scholastic ability equal or higher than that of university graduates and will be 22 years old at the end of March 2022 (See the 'Note' below).
- 9) have completed a curriculum of 3 years or longer (including one in which graduation credits are attainable by completing a correspondence course provided by an overseas school while residing in Japan and one provided by an overseas educational institution given the status of an educational institution in the education system of the foreign government and designated by the foregoing qualification (5)) at an overseas university or other educational institution (but only those whose educational and research activities and overall status have been recognized by the government of the foreign country or personnel certified by related government agencies or designated separately as such by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) and been accorded a degree equal to bachelor's degree.

(Note) The Special Application Eligibility Screening mentioned in the foregoing qualification (8) assesses if applicants who have graduated from a junior college, technical college, specialized training college, schools of miscellaneous category or from other types of educational institutions, but not graduated from a university, have academic abilities equal or higher than those of university graduates. If this method is chosen, a special pre-screening is necessary.

III Application Eligibility Screening

1. Special Application Eligibility Screening mentioned above (8)

Category	Submission period (<u>deadline</u>)	Results dispatched
Early app.	May 24 (Mon.) ~ <u>27 (Thu.) , 2021 17:00</u>	June 7 (Mon.) , 2021
Late app.	November 1 (Mon.) ~ <u>5 (Fri.) , 2021 17:00</u>	November 22 (Mon.) , 2021

1) Inquiry into application eligibility

Applicants who apply under (8) must undergo the pre-screening of application eligibility. Obtain an Application Form for Application Eligibility Screening at the Admission Office, Graduate School of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries before the submission deadline for the application eligibility screening.

In case you request the form by postal mail, choose a registered express letter, write in red "Request for an Application Form for Application Eligibility Screening of the Graduate School of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries" on the front of the envelope, enclose a self-addressed envelope (240×332mm with stamps worth 410 yen (any changes in this amount will be applicable.)) and dispatch it in a timely fashion so that it arrives by the deadline for the application eligibility screening.

2) Submission of documents

Submit all the documents together required by the Graduate School and listed in section (4) below to the Admission Office, Graduate School of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries before the submission deadline of the application for the application eligibility screening (9:00~17:00).

If you decide to submit the documents by postal mail, choose a registered express letter, write in red "Application Form for Application Eligibility Screening of the Graduate School of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries enclosed" on the front of the envelope and dispatch it in a timely fashion so that it arrives by the deadline for the application eligibility screening.

3) Notification of pre-screening results

The screening results will be mailed to the applicant.

4) Documents to be submitted for the application eligibility screening

	Documents	Note
①	Application Form for Enrolment Examination Application Eligibility Screening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the form prescribed by the Graduate School
②	Resume	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the form prescribed by the Graduate School
③	Statement of purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the form prescribed by the Graduate School (in about 500 words)
④	Academic transcript and certificate of graduation from the school the applicant graduated most recently	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • must be sealed by the issuer (sealing unnecessary if written on antitamper paper)
⑤	Activity report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed description of activities in education and research and operational experience including achievements (e.g. research paper, technical report, patent, utility model, and others as well as reference materials)
⑥	Return envelope	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enclose a self-addressed (with zip code) 120×235mm envelope with 374-yen (any changes in this amount will be applicable.)worth of stamps pasted on it.

IV Documents to be submitted

Type of document	Remarks
① Application form, resume, admission ID card for the examination, photograph	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fill in the form prescribed by the Graduate School. • Paste in the specified area on the application form a (shoulder-up, no-hat, no head coverings) photograph (4cm×3cm) taken within 3 months before the application in which the applicant faces squarely to the front.
② Payment record of application fee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The application fee is 30,000 yen. (Please note that you are responsible for the bank transfer charge.) • Use the transfer form prescribed by Kagoshima University and pay the application fee at a post office. Paste the Certificate of Payment (for customers) on the form and submit. Ensure a date stamp is stamped. • Once paid, the application fee will not be refunded for any reason, except for the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A) The applicant has paid the application fee but not applied. B) The applicant has mistakenly paid the application fee twice. • Unnecessary if you are granted a scholarship by the Japanese Government (MEXT). In such a case, enclose the certificate of Government-financed Scholarship.
③ Statement of purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the form prescribed by the Graduate School and summarize in about 500 words.
④ Certificate of graduation/prospective graduation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • issued by the Dean of the faculty or the Chancellor of the university from which the applicant graduated or is expected to graduate.
⑤ Academic transcript	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • must be sealed by the issuer (sealing unnecessary if written on antitamper paper)
⑥ Photocopy of the applicant's Residence Card or passport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you are a foreigner living in Japan, submit a copy of your Residence Card with the status of residence certified on it by the head of the municipality. • If you are foreigner living abroad, submit a copy of your passport.
⑦ Letter of acceptance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prepared by your expected supervisor on the form prescribed by the Graduate School.
⑧ Statement of research plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summarize the research you will conduct at the Graduate School in about 1,000 words (format unspecified).
⑨ Mailing label	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fill in the form prescribed by the Graduate School.
⑩ Return envelope	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enclose a self-addressed (with zip code) 120×235mm envelope with 374-yen (any changes in this amount will be applicable.)worth of stamps pasted on it.

(Note 1) If the documents to be submitted are written in a language other than Japanese or English, official translations must be also submitted along with the original.

(Note 2) Obtain the application forms prescribed by the Graduate School for the documents #①, ②, ③ and ⑦ from your expected supervisor by email. If you have difficulty obtaining these documents, contact the Admission Office, Graduate School of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

V Application procedure

1. Application period

Application	Submission period (<u>deadline</u>)	Dispatch schedule (Note 1)
Early	June 21 (Mon.) ~ <u>24 (Thu.) 17:00</u> , 2021	August 3 (Tue.)
Late	November 29 (Mon.) ~ <u>December 2 (Thu.) 17:00</u> , 2021 (Note 2)	December 16 (Thu.)

(Note 1) Upon the reception of the application documents, an admission ID card will be scheduled to be dispatched during this period.

(Note 2) If you apply for the late application but have difficulty submitting the documents within the application period for any reason, inquire and consult in advance with your supervisor and contact the Admission Office, Graduate School of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

2. Place of submission

Submit the above documents together in person or by mail to by the specified date. In case of postal mail, choose registered express letter and write in red "Graduate School of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Enrolment Application Form enclosed" on the front of the envelope.

Address for postal mail: Korimoto 1-21-24, Kagoshima, 890-0065, Japan

The Admission Office, Graduate School of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

TEL : +81-99-285-3553 FAX : +81-99-285-3533

3. Special notice regarding the application

- 1) Before submitting your application, contact the instructor who you hope will be your supervisor (expected research supervisor).
- 2) Application and documents will not be accepted if they are deficient.
- 3) Once the application is accepted, any changes to the content or documents will not be allowed for any reason. The application fee will not be refunded.
- 4) If there is ambiguity, inquire at the place of submission stated above.

4. How to pay the application fee by remittance from an overseas bank

If you are applying from abroad, you must take the following steps to pay the application fee of 30,000 yen by overseas remittance. You must pay the overseas remittance charge. After you complete the remittance, enclose a copy of the remittance request in your application documents.

- ① Choose "telegraphic transfer" as the method of remittance.
- ② Choose "advice and pay" as the method of payment.
- ③ State "application fee" as the purpose of payment.
- ④ Write your name in the Remitter Column.
- ⑤ Pay the exact amount in Yen basis. Remittance charge and Yen exchange charge at

a Japanese bank are necessary for overseas remittance. The remittance charge and Yen exchange charge must be paid by the remitter. State "PAY IN FULL" in the "Message to payee" on the remittance request.

Amount of remittance: Application fee 30,000 yen + Remittance charge
+ Yen exchange charge

If the application fee is not paid appropriately, your application will not be accepted.

⑥ E-mail to the place of submission at nkgaku@kuas.kagoshima-u.ac.jp immediately after completing the remittance.

⑦ Information on recipient of payment

Paying bank	KAGOSHIMA BANK
Swift code	KAGOJPJT
Bank address	Shimoarata 4-46-20, Kagoshima, 890-0056, Japan
Account number	1262068, KAMOIKE BRANCH
Account name	President, Dr. Akira Sano Kagoshima University
Address	Korimoto 1-21-24, Kagoshima, 890-8580, Japan
Telephone number	TEL 099-285-3355

VI Selection Method

1. Admission selection

The admission selection will assess and judge applicants comprehensively through an interview. However, in case the applicant is a recipient of a government-sponsored scholarship who is unable to be in Japan on the selection day and the Graduate School accepts his/her absence, he/she may be evaluated and judged comprehensively through an interview via the Internet, or other such method.

Submitted application documents will be used as the basic reference material for the selection.

2. Time and place of examination

1) Early application

Type of examination	Date & time of examination	Place of examination
Interview	August 26 (Thu.) , 2021 14 : 00~	Faculty of Agriculture Kagoshima University (Note)

(Note) Details will be provided when the admission ID card is sent.

2) Late application

Type of examination	Date & time of examination	Place of examination
Interview	January 19 (Wed.) , 2022 14 : 00~	Faculty of Agriculture Kagoshima University (Note)

(Note) Details will be provided when the admission ID card is sent.

3. Scoring

The interview will evaluate applicants into grades. If you fare extremely badly at this stage, you will not be admitted.

4. Interview

The 20-minute personal interview includes an oral examination.

5. Acceptance and rejection criterion

The content of the interview will be evaluated and judged comprehensively.

【 Common Items 】

I Announcement of selection results

Only the ID numbers of the examinees who passed the examination will be posted on the front entrance of the main building of the Faculty of Agriculture and Joint Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and the front entrance of building No.4 of the Faculty of Fisheries. The acceptance notice will be sent to individuals who are accepted.

Category	Announcement date & time
Early app	September 22 (Wed.) , 2021 10:00 (schedule)
Late app	February 14 (Mon.) , 2022 10:00 (schedule)

The announcement will also be uploaded on the web site of the Graduate School of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries , Kagoshima University (<http://ace1.agri.kagoshima-u.ac.jp/agrifish>). Inquiry by telephone, e-mail, etc. will not be answered.

II Enrolment procedure

The enrolment procedure must be completed during the enrolment procedure period. The details of the enrolment procedure will be sent with the acceptance notice.

1. Enrolment procedure period

The enrolment procedure period is shown below. If you do not complete the enrolment by the end of this period, you will be regarded as having declined the acceptance.

Category	Enrolment procedure period
Early app	September 29 (Wed.) ~ 30 (Thu.) , 2021 17:00
Late app	February 28 (Mon.) ~ March 1 (Tue.) , 2022 17:00

2. Enrolment fee

The enrolment fee is 282,000 yen (Any changes in this amount will be applicable.)

Tuition 1st semester 267,900 yen (535,800 yen/year) (any changes in this amount will be applicable.)

- 1) There is financial aid for applicants to exempt them from their application fee and/or tuition.

If an applicant withdraws from the university after applying for enrolment fee exemption/deferment, the applicant must immediately pay the enrolment fee.

- 2) Any changes in the tuition will be applicable.

【 List of Major Advisory Professors 】

Agriculture, Natural Resources and Forestry

Major	Course	Name of Professors
Agriculture, Natural Resources and Forestry	Plant Production Science	AKAGI Isao (agri) IKENAGA Makoto (agri) ICHITANI Katsuyuki (agri) ONJO Michio (agri) KOZAI Naoko (agri) SAKAI Masao (agri) SAKAGAMI Jun-Ichi (agri) SAKAMAKI Yositaka (agri) SHIMIZU Katsuyoshi (agri) SHIMIZU Keiichi (agri) SHIMOTASHIRO Tomohide (agri) TAURA Satoru CHISHAKI Naoya (agri) TSUDA Katsuo (agri) HASHIMOTO Fumio (agri) PAKU Byoung-Jae (agri) YAMAMOTO Masashi (agri) YOSHIDA Riichiro (agri)
	Animal Science	IJIRI Daichi (agri) OOKUTSU Shoji (agri) OSHIMA Ichiro (agri) OHTSUKA Akira (agri) OKAMOTO Shin (agri) KAWABE Kotaro GOTOH Takafumi (agri) SHIMOGIRI Takeshi (agri) TAKAYAMA Koji (agri) MIYOSHI Kazuchika (agri)
	Forest Management	INOKURA Youji (agri) UGAWA Shin (agri) EIMURA Naoko (agri) OKUYAMA Yoichiro (agri) KAJISA Tsuyoshi (agri) JITOUSONO Takashi (agri) TERAOKA Yukio (agri) TERAMOTO Yuki-yoshi (agri) NISHINO Yoshihiko (agri) HATA Kunihiko (agri) HIRATA Kunihiko (agri)
	Food and Agricultural Economics	LEE Jaehyeon (agri) SAKAI Norio (agri) YUTAKA Tomoyuki (agri)

Food Innovation Science

Major	Course	Name of Professors
Food Innovation Science	Food Science	KATO Sanae (fish) KAMITANI Yoshinori (agri) KAMINISHI Yoshio (fish) KUMAGAI Momochika (fish) HOU De-Xing (agri) SAKAO Kozue (agri) SHINDO Jo (fish) HAMANAKA Daisuke (agri) MIYATA Takeshi (agri) WATANABE Yuka (agri)
	Advanced Life Science	OKAMOTO Shigehisa (agri) KAJIYA Katsuko (agri) KITAHARA Kanefumi (agri) KOMATSU Masaharu (fish) SHIOZAKI Kazuhiro (fish) TAKUMI Shota (fish) HANASHIRO Isao (agri) Mun'delanji C.M. VESTERGAARD (Mun'de) (agri) FUJITA Kiyotaka (agri) MINAMI Yuji (agri)
	Microbiology and Fermentation Technology	ISHIBASHI Matsujiro (agri) IWAI Hisashi (agri) OKUTSU Kayu (agri) TAKAMINE Kazunori (agri) TAMAKI Hisanori (agri) TSURUMARU Hirohito (agri) NAKAMURA Masayuki (agri) FUTAGAMI Taiki (agri) Yoshizaki Yumiko (agri)

Field Environment Science

Major	Course	Name of Professors
Field Environment Science	Aquatic Biological Science	ENDO Hikaru (fish) KUME Gen (fish) KOBARI Toru (fish) TERADA Ryuta MOTOMURA Hiroyuki YAMAMOTO Tomoko (fish)
	Environmental System Science	ITO Yuji (agri) KANDA Eiji (agri) SUEYOSHI Takeshi (agri) SUMOTO Hirofumi (fish) NAKAMURA Hirohiko (fish) NISHI Ryuichiro (fish) NISHINA Ayako (fish) HIYAMA Hiroki (agri) HIRA Mizuki (agri)

Fisheries Resource Science

Major	Course	Name of Professors
Fisheries Resource Science	Aquatic Bioresource Science and Technology	ANRAKU Kazuhiko (fish) ISHIZAKI Munechika (fish) EBATA Keigo (fish) OHTOMI Jun (fish) DOI Wataru (fish) NISHI Takaaki (fish) VAZQUEZ ARCHDALE Miguel Federico (fish) YAMANAKA Yuichi (fish)
	Aquaculture	ISHIKAWA Manabu (fish) KOTANI Tomonari (fish) TASUMI Satoshi (fish) YOKOYAMA Saichiro (fish)
	Environmental and Conservation Sciences	UNO Seiichi (fish) OKUNISHI Suguru (fish) KOKUSHI Emiko (fish) YOSHIKAWA Takeshi (fish)
	Marketing and Management in Fisheries	KUGA Mizuho (fish) SAKUMA Yoshiaki (fish) SANO Masaaki (fish) TORII Takashi (fish)

(Note) The affiliation of each professor is attached by (Fish): Faculty of Fisheries, or (Agri): Faculty of Agriculture.