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## Guidebook for Research Student Applications for the 2025 Academic Year

Graduate School of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Kagoshima University

The Research Student System allows research students to research specific topics under the guidance of supervisors at the Graduate School of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

1 Qualifications for application

Individuals who have completed graduate school or are recognized as having equivalent or higher academic ability.

2 Research period and application acceptance period

Application documents (documents marked with  $\bullet$  in **3 Application Documents**) are issued and applications are accepted at the Academic Affairs Section of the Faculty of Agriculture during the application acceptance period. (Reception hours: 9:00 - 12:00, 13:00 - 16:00)

Research period: In principle, within one year		Application acceptance period
		This does not apply to government-sponsored or other international students who are approved by the Dean of the Graduate School.
2025 school year	Within one year from 1 April 2025	For foreigners living outside of Japan: By 2 (Mon) December 2024 Others:12 (Wed) - 18(Tue) February 2025
	Within one year from 1 October 2025	For foreigners living outside of Japan: 7 (Wed) May - 30 (Fri) May 2025 Others:18 (Mon) – 22 (Fri) August 2025

In principle, the enrollment period is the beginning of the school year or semester.

Research Students who wish to extend the research period may do so by submitting a designated application form for the extension of the research period.

3 Application documents [Documents written in languages other than Japanese or English must be accompanied by a Japanese or English translation]

- □ (1) Research Student Application Form \* The seal of the supervisor must be stamped before submission.
- $\square$  (2) Resume  $\bullet$  (Affix a photo (4cm  $\times$  3cm).)
- $\Box$  (3) Certificate of (prospective) completion \* original document
- □ (4) Academic transcript \* original document
- □ (5) Consent for Enrollment as a Research Student (Only individuals who have employment. Must be stamped by the head of the company employing the applicant.)

□ (6) Official Receipt (収納証明書)

- Foreign students must also submit the following.
- $\hfill\square$  (7) A copy of residence card (Only for foreigners living in Japan.)
- $\hfill\square$  (8) A copy of passport (Only for foreigners living outside Japan.)
- $\Box$  (9) Guarantor Declaration ullet

4 About tuition fees

Examination	9,800 yen	Payment completed at the convenience store or by credit card at the time
fee		of application.
Admission fee	84,600 yen	After the application deadline, it takes approximately one month to receive approval for admission. Payment should be completed at the convenience store or by credit card after approval has been officially given. For details, refer to the written notification sent together with the admission notification. * Please note that admission will not be finalized unless payment is made within the designated payment period. * For remittances from abroad, payment must be made by credit card.
Tuition	356,400 yen (178,200 yen for six months)	A notice of payment will be mailed around mid-May or mid-November from the Accounting Division. Please follow the instructions on the payment notice. The deadline for payment is the end of May or November. (End of May for the first semester, end of November for the second semester) * If the tuition fee is revised, the revised amount will be applied. * For remittances from abroad, payment must be made by credit card.

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5. Payment Method for Examination Fee

Payment should be made by either of the following methods (1) or (2) in the application acceptance period.

## 1) Payment at a convenience store (Please use this option only if you have access to a computer, smartphone, etc.)

- (1) Please refer to "How to pay the examination fee at Kagoshima University" and make the payment. Note that the payer is responsible for paying the administrative fee.
- (2) After payment, cut out the 『収納証明書』(official receipt) portion of the 『入学検定料・選考料 取 扱明 細書』(examination fee and the screening fee receipts) received at the cashier.

## 2) Payment by credit card (Please use this option only if you have access to a computer, smartphone, or other environment with a printer.)

- (1) Please refer to "How to pay the examination fee at Kagoshima University" and make the payment. Note that the payer is responsible for paying the administrative fee.
- (2) After payment, print out the 『入学検定料・選考料 取扱明細書』(examination fee and the screening fee receipts), cut out the 『収納証明書』(official receipt) portion.

[Remarks] \* Remarks No.4 and No.5 are for international applicants.

(1)Application or enrollment will not be finalized if any of the following applies.

- Examination or admission fee has not been transferred.
- The 『収納証明書』 "official receipt" or 『振替払込受付証明書(お客様用)』"certificate of acceptance of transfer payment" has not been submitted by the deadline.
- (2) Examination or admission fee that has already been paid will not be refunded for any reason, except when any of the following applies:
  - If the applicant has transferred the examination or admission fee but has not filed an application or the admission procedure has not been completed (i.e., if the application or admission procedure period has ended before necessary documents have been submitted, or if the documents have not been accepted due to inadequate documentation.)
  - The examination or admission fee has been transferred twice by mistake.

Please refer to our website (https://www.kagoshima-u.ac.jp/exam/henkan.html) for information on how to apply for a refund. (Deadline for claiming refund: Valid on the last day of the month following each application period, postmarked or received by e-mail.)

- (3) Applicants who wish to apply to more than one graduate school must pay the admission fee to only one graduate school (the examination fee is required for each graduate school).
- (4) An application may be rejected if it arouses proliferation concerns including those over weapons of mass destruction (WMD) and related items, e.g. a case where it is highly possible that the applicant will receive the technology that is controlled pursuant to United Nations Security Council resolutions, or that any WMD-related technologies will be transferred to an applicant who belongs to (an) organization(s) on the End User List - 9 - published by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry of Japan.
- (5) As we have to make a judgement regarding remark (4), please consult us as early as possible if you intend on applying.

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\* Personal information obtained through the application procedure will be used to provide academic services related to Non-Degree Students of Kagoshima University and will not be used for other purposes.