Guidelines for Application 2027

Faculty of Agriculture Scholarship Application

International Graduate Program

Graduate School of
Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences
Kyushu University

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Online entry period：November 1 to November 30, 2026

Guidelines

1. Study Areas and Number to be Admitted

The **International Graduate Program** of the Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences comprises four departments: (i) Bioresource Sciences, (ii) Agro-environmental Sciences, (iii) Agricultural and Resource Economics, and (iv) Bioscience and Biotechnology.

For details of each department, please refer to

(Bioresource Sciences)

https://ag.kyushu-u.ac.jp/english/graduate_school/course/#01

(Agro-environmental Sciences)

https://ag.kyushu-u.ac.jp/english/graduate_school/course/#02

(Agricultural and Resource Economics)

https://ag.kyushu-u.ac.jp/english/graduate_school/course/#03

(Bioscience and Biotechnology)

https://ag.kyushu-u.ac.jp/english/graduate_school/course/#04

The Faculty of Agriculture Scholarship is a special scholarship for up to **two doctoral course students** supported by the Faculty of Agriculture, Kyushu University.

2. Eligibility

(1) **Nationality**

Applicants have a nationality other than Japanese.

(2) **Age Limit:** Applicants must be under 35 years as of April 1st, 2027 (i.e., born after April 2nd, 1992).

(3) **Academic Requirements**

(i) Applicants who hold a master's degree or expect to receive one from a university outside of Japan by September 30th, 2027. Applicants who hold or expect to receive a master's degree awarded by a postgraduate course (program) in Japan taught in English are also eligible.

(ii) Applicants who do not hold a master's degree but have equal or higher academic attainment than individuals with a master's degree*.

*Individual Evaluation of Academic Ability

Those who wish to apply under the above qualification (ii) are required to undergo an individual evaluation of their academic ability, as specified by the Individual Screening of Requirements for Admission by the Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences, Kyushu University. First, they must notify the Student Affairs Division (agri-igp@jimu.kyushu-u.ac.jp) and then send the required documentation (1), (2), (3), (4), (6) and (7) to the same e-mail address at the time of the online entry.

(4) **Health:** Candidates must be certified as healthy both physically and mentally by a qualified and recognized physician.

(5) **Language:** All applicants, regardless of whether English is their native language, must submit proof of a sufficiently high official English proficiency score from a recognized testing body, such as TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, or Cambridge Certificate.

(6) **Time of Arrival:** Students must arrive in Japan before September 30th, 2027.

(7) **Others:**

Faculty of Agriculture Scholarship Applicants:

1) Military personnel and civilian military employees are ineligible while on active duty or still in employment.
2) Candidates who do not arrive by September 30th, 2027 will be subject to scholarship cancellation.
3) Applicants who are planning to receive scholarship or fellowship from Japanese government, a Japanese government-related organization and others after the start of the scholarship payment period are not eligible.
4) Applicants who fail to receive a master's degree by September 30th, 2027, will be subject to scholarship cancellation.

3. Duration of the Faculty of Agriculture Scholarship

Doctoral course: Three years, from October 2027 to September 2030.

4. Benefits of the Faculty of Agriculture Scholarship

A monthly stipend of 145,000JPY and additional stipend for designated area for the doctoral course. The stipend amount is subject to changes depending on the annual budget. The stipend will be suspended during periods of leave, absence, or when the student remains off-campus for prolonged periods of time without authorization.

Selection Procedure for the Faculty of Agriculture Scholarship Applicants

1) Kyushu University will select applicants based on their application documents and qualifications.
2) The selection will be carried out together with the MEXT scholarship applicants.

Applicants will be notified of the final decision by late-February 2027. Successful applicants will be enrolled as full-time graduate students.

5. Application Method

The application procedure is the same for both the Faculty of Agriculture Scholarship and the MEXT Scholarship.

(1) Submission of the **Online Entry Form** (https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/rGQDf1wYbK)

In the online Entry Form, select “Faculty Scholarship.” You can apply for both the Faculty and MEXT scholarships at the same time. Only one scholarship will be awarded to successful applicants.

The Online Entry Form must arrive between November 1st and November 30th,2026 in order to have your submission processed.

Our secure Online Entry Form is available only between November 1st and November 30th, 2026, 23:59 (Japan time).

*The online entry periods are subject to change.

Applicants must contact the potential supervisor well in advance of filling out the entry form.

More information is available at

https://ag.kyushu-u.ac.jp/english/international_exchange/how_to_apply/index.html

(2) An online interview or oral examination (personal interview, phone call, or video call) by the potential supervisor will be performed. If the interview cannot be conducted in one of the forms described, professors from the educational course will conduct an interview via e-mail.

(3) After the online interview or oral examination, only successful applicants will be contacted by the potential supervisor via e-mail, who will provide the required documentation for the official application. If you do not hear from the potential supervisor by December 16th, 2026, you should assume that your application has been unsuccessful.

(4) Submission of the application documents in full to your potential supervisor:

Applicants who pass the online interview/oral examination must submit all of the documents listed on the **List of Required Documents** to the potential supervisor **by January 14th , 2027**. All of the documents should be delivered to the Student Affairs Division by the potential supervisor no later than January 18th, 2027.

(5) Only successful candidates for the Scholarship will be notified by the Student Affairs Division by late-February 2027.

NOTE

You must send the required documents to your potential supervisor well in advance of this date to give your supervisor ample time to review and forward these documents to the Student Affairs Division. Please ask your potential supervisor about his/her preferred deadline.

List of Required Documents

If you pass the screening by the online entry and the online interview or oral examination, your potential supervisor will provide you with the forms needed to complete the documents listed below.

(1) Completed Application Form (use the form supplied by the potential supervisor)

* Both a paper document and an Excel file are required.
* Please print both sides of the page for the paper document.

(2) Completed Field of Study and Study Program Form (use the form supplied by the potential supervisor).

* Both paper documents and a Word file are required.
* Please print both sides of the page for the paper document.

(3) Diploma or certificate of graduation or completion (*Refer to "NOTES 3")

For doctoral course applicants, a **Bachelor's Degree Certificate and a Master's Degree Certificate** are required. If applicants are currently in school and working toward obtaining the relevant degree(s), a certified letter from the applicant's university stating **the expected graduation date is required**.

(4) Official Academic Transcript (*Refer to "NOTES 3") of all applicable undergraduate and graduate course work from the university/universities to which the applicant belongs/belonged. Submission of academic records with grade point averages (GPA) or quality points (A, B, C, or Excellent, Good, Average, etc.) along with academic rank order and a description of the academic grading system (e.g., A: 90% above) is required. If the academic rank order of the candidate among his/her peers is not mentioned in the transcript, it has to be elaborated in the Recommendation Form 1.

(5) Two Letters of Recommendation (Please download these forms at https://ag.kyushu-u.ac.jp/english/international_exchange/how_to_apply/index.html)

Recommendation Form 1 addressed to the President of Kyushu University must be completed by the Dean (or above) of the university or institution/employing body to which the applicant

belongs/belonged.

Recommendation Form 2 addressed to the Dean of Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences, Kyusyu University must be completed by a supervising professor, another member of the teaching staff, or a workplace supervisor who knows the applicant personally.

Submission method for letters of recommendation: To ensure confidentiality, each letter of recommendation must be sent to both the potential supervisor and our office, the Student Affairs Division, Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences, Kyushu University (agri-igp@jimu.kyushu-u.ac.jp) via email as a PDF file attachment by the recommender or the institution/organization administration office. The email must be sent from **an institutional email account provided by the recommender's affiliated institution/organization**. Please carefully check the recipient's email address before sending the email to avoid delivery errors. The recommender's information should be completed in the **Recommender's Information Sheet** and **submitted along with the application form**. Applicants who are a degree-student in Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences, Kyushu University at the time of the application are exempt from this requirement.

(6) A 2-page Summary of undergraduate/MA thesis in English on A4-size paper. Copies of any academic publications in English can also be included with the thesis summary.
Applicants not required to submit a thesis to complete their bachelor's/master's degree must state this on their application and submit a copy of any academic research papers they have written instead.

(7) List of Academic Publications include the title of each paper, the author(s) (in the case of co-authored works, list all authors and underline your own name), the name of the journal or website, and the date of publication and DOI (Digital Object Identifier). If you do not have any academic publications, please state this in the list.

(8) Certificate of one of the following official English qualifications: Please submit the score from one of the following tests taken within two years prior to the application deadline. Printed copies of online score reports are not accepted.

-TOEFL-iBT: Applicants must submit an official score report issued by ETS.

-TOEIC 4 Skills（Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing Tests）: Applicants must submit an official digital score certificate issued by the testing organization.

-IELTS: Applicants must submit the original official Test Report Form (TRF) issued by the testing organization.

-Cambridge Certificate: Applicants must submit a paper version of the score certificate.

It sometimes takes as long as two months for a score report to reach us after your order, so please make sure to allow sufficient time. Every year some applications are not accepted due to the delayed arrival of their scores.

(9) Certificate of Nationality or Proof of Residence in the applicant's home country (e.g., census register, passport (photocopy), or other positive proof of nationality). If you are currently a resident in Japan, the photocopy of your Residence Card is also required.

(10) A photograph (4.5 × 3.5 cm), front-facing without a hat, and taken within the past six months before the application deadline. The photo must be affixed to the specified area on the application form. The name and nationality of the applicant must be written on the reverse side of the photograph.

(11) Entrance Examination Fee (30,000JPY) Please choose one of the payment methods below to pay the Entrance Examination Fee. Proof of payment should be submitted.

***Applicants who are expected to complete a master's program at Kyushu University in September 2026 are exempt from this requirement.**

(i) Payment by Wire Transfer

Applicants are requested to transfer the Entrance Examination Fee to the following bank account.

Beneficiary

Name	Kyushu University
Address	744 Motooka, Nishi-ku, Fukuoka 819-0395, Japan

Beneficiary's Bank

Bank	Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation	**Branch**	Fukuoka Branch
Account Number	7119240	**SWIFT Code**	SMBC JP JT
Address	1-1-1 Hakataekimae, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka 812-0011, JAPAN		

* If you use a payment slip, please write "Entrance Examination Fee" as well as your name, nationality in the space for Purpose of Remittance, and "3BE" for the doctoral course in the space for Message to Payee.

(ii) Payment by Credit Card

Credit card payment can be made directly at https://e-shiharai.net/english/. Please refer to p. 9 for details.

(iii) Payment at Convenience Stores (available only in Japan)

(1) Payment can be made at 7-Eleven, Lawson, and Family Mart.

(2) Please refer to p. 10 for details and https://e-shiharai.net/ (available only in Japanese).

NOTES

1) All required documents should be typewritten in English and of uniform size (A4 format).
2) Applications will not be accepted if any of the required documents are missing, incorrectly completed, or lacking supporting evidence. Applications will not be considered if the documents arrive after the abovementioned deadlines.
3) In principle, original documentation or transcripts should be submitted. Further, no submitted documents will be returned. However, if your original documentation or transcripts cannot be reissued, you may submit a photocopy of the documentation or transcripts with a statement of "certified true copy" or "attested" by the institution/organization administration office along with the official seal.
4) Documents 1, 2, and 5 must be provided on the forms supplied.
5) In principle, all documents should be in English or Japanese. If some of the necessary documents are unavailable in English or Japanese, contact the Student Affairs Division (agri-igp@jimu.kyushu-u.ac.jp) with the details, and they will send instructions on how to proceed.
6) If any false statements or falsified documents are found in the application, the applicant's acceptance or enrollment may be revoked retroactively, even after admission or enrollment.

6. Announcement of the Final Decision

Successful applicants will be notified of the final decision via e-mail in late-February.

7. Notice

(1) Payment of the Faculty of Agriculture Scholarship to an enrolled student will be terminated if:
   (a) Any of the information supplied with the application is later found to be false. Admission in such a case can be canceled at any time after enrollment.
   (b) Disciplinary action is taken, or the faculty judges the student unable to continue the program.
(2) Applicants must pay the Entrance Examination Fee (30,000JPY), Admission Fee (282,000JPY), and Tuition Fee (535,800JPY per year). Once your application is accepted, the Entrance Examination Fee will not be refunded under any circumstances.

8. Remarks

(1) E-mail/telephone inquiries regarding screening results will not be answered.
(2) All applicants should note that they are required to keep in close contact with their potential supervisor at Kyushu University to formulate a research plan.
(3) Successful applicants are expected to study and gain an understanding of the geography, climate, customs, and habits of Japan, as well as the general features and conditions of Kyushu University.
(4) In principle, a change of department and laboratory is not permitted after your application is received by the university. Therefore, you need to make a careful consideration of research themes for the selection of the department and the laboratory before applying.

9. Correspondence

All application-related correspondence should be sent via registered airmail such as DHL, FedEx, OCS, or EMS, to the following address:

(Write your potential supervisor's name)
Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences
Kyushu University
744 Motooka, Nishi-ku, Fukuoka 819-0395, Japan

Note that the full set of documents should be sent to the potential supervisor by his/her stated deadline.

10. Contact Information

Student Affairs Division
Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences
Kyushu University
744 Motooka, Nishi-ku, Fukuoka 819-0395, Japan
E-mail: agri-igp@jimu.kyushu-u.ac.jp

Requirements for Faculty of Agriculture and MEXT Scholarships:

Comparison between Faculty of Agriculture and MEXT Scholarships		
	Faculty of Agriculture Scholarship	MEXT Scholarship
Scholarship coverage	Doctoral course	Doctoral course
Current residency	No restriction	No restriction
Age limitation	Born after April 2nd, 1992	Born after April 2nd, 1992
A monthly stipend	145,000JPY and additional stipend for designated area	145,000JPY and additional stipend for designated area
Entrance Examination Fee	Required	N/A
Enrollment Fee	Required	N/A
Tuition Fee	Required	N/A
Travel Expense	Not provided	Provided
Final Decision	Late-February, 2027	Early-July, 2027

*Please note that the MEXT Scholarship may not be available depending on the outcome of the program selection process.

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How to make the Payment for the Application Fee by Credit Card, Union Pay.

24 hours a day, 365 days a year, you can pay anytime! Easy, Convenient and Simple!

You can pay the Application Fee by using Credit Card, Union Pay.

VISA · JCB · AMERICAN EXPRESS · UnionPay 银联

Online Transaction

Access

https://e-shiharai.net/ecard/



1. Top Page	Click "Examination Fee".
2. Terms of Use and Personal Information Management	Please read the Terms of use and Personal Information Management. Click "Agree" button located in the lower part of this page if you agree with these terms. Click "Not agree" button located in lower part of this page if you do not agree with these terms.
3. School Selection	Select "Kyushu University (Undergraduate Schools) " or "Kyushu University (Graduate Schools)."
4. School Information	Read the information carefully and click "Next".
5. Category Selection	Choose First to Fourth Selection and add to Basket.
6. Basket Contents	Check the contents and if it is OK, click "Next".
7. Basic Information	Input the applicant's basic information. Choose your credit card and click "Next".

Paying at Credit Card

Input Credit Card Number (15 or 16-digits) , Security Code and Expiration date.

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All of your application information is displayed. Check and Click "Confirm".

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Click "Print this page" button and print out "Result" page.

Paying at Union Pay

Follow the onscreen instructions to complete the card payment.

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Please click the "Application Results" button in the upper part of this site (e-shiharai.net).

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Please write down the "Receipt Number" given when you complete your application, and enter your "Payment Method", "Receipt Number" and "Birth Date". Please make sure your printer is ready.

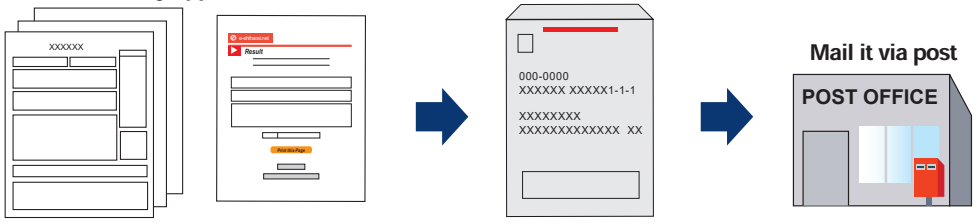
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Please print out the "Payment Inquiry - Inquiry result" page.

Application

Enclose the printed "Result" page in an application envelope with other necessary application documents.

Necessary application documents



[NOTICE/FAQ]

- You can make a payment anytime, during the payment period mentioned in the application instructions. Please refer to the application instructions and complete payment in time.
- Please complete payment by 11:00 pm Japan time, on the last date of the payment period.
- Please note that refund is not possible once you have made a payment of Application fee.
- A fee is added to Examination fee. For further info, please visit our website.
- It is possible to use a card which carries a name different from that of the applicant. However, please make sure that the information on the basic information page is that of the applicant him/he-self.
- If you did not print out "Result" page, you can check it later on Application Result page. Please enter "Receipt Number" and "Birth Date" to redisplay.
- Please directly contact the credit card company if your card is not accepted.

For questions or problems not mentioned here, please contact:

E-Service Support Center Tel : +81-3-5952-9052 (24 hours everyday)

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画面の指示に従って必要事項を入力し、お支払いに必要な番号を取得。

https://e-shiharai.net/

※番号取得後に入力ミスに気づいた場合はその番号では支払いを行なわず、
もう一度入力し直して、新たな番号を取得してお支払いください。
支払い期限内に代金を支払わなかった入力情報は、自動的にキャンセルされます。

※クレジットカード・銀聯ネットは決済完了後の修正・取消はできません。
申込みを確定する前に、内容をよくご確認ください。

※確定画面に表示される番号をメモしてください。➡

2 お支払い

セブン-イレブン
【払込票番号:13ケタ】

●レジにて
「インターネット支払い」と
店員に伝え、印刷した【払込票】
を渡すか、【払込票番号】を
伝えてお支払いください。

マルチコピー機は使用しません

ファミリーマート
【お客様番号:11ケタ】【確認番号:4ケタ】

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レジで代金を支払い、「入学検定料・選考料取扱明細書」を受け取ってください。

ペイジー対応ATM
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「税金・各種料金(ペイジー)」
を選択
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収納機関番号に【58021】と入力
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【お客様番号】【確認番号】を入力
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(現金またはキャッシュカード)し、
検定料をお支払い

ペイジー対応ネットバンク
ゆうちょ、みずほ、三井住友、りそな銀行他

ネットバンキングにログインし、
「税金・各種料金の払込（ペイジー）」
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検定料をお支払い（口座引落扱い）

ネット専業銀行
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お申し込み確定画面から
『ネットバンクでの支払い』
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支払う銀行を選択して、
インターネットバンキングにログイン
※一度、ブラウザを閉じてしまった場合は、E-支払いサイトの「申込内容照会」からログインしてください。
その際には、11ケタのお客様番号が必要です。
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払込内容を確認し、
検定料をお支払い（口座引落扱い）

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※お支払いされるカードの名義人は、受験生本人でなくても構いません。但し、「基本情報入力」画面では、必ず受験生本人の情報を入力してください。

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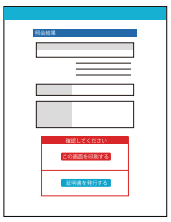
支払い完了後、E-支払いサイトの「申込内容照会」にアクセスし、受付完了時に通知された「受付番号」と「生年月日」を入力して【収納証明書】を印刷してください。
※プリンタのある環境が必要です。

3 出　願

【コンビニエンスストア以外でお支払いの場合】

支払完了後、E-支払いサイトの「申込内容照会」にアクセスし、受付完了時に通知された【受付番号】と【生年月日】を入力し、照会結果を印刷して出願書類に同封して出願。

<注意>
スマートフォンでお申込みされた方は、
プリンタのある環境でご利用ください。



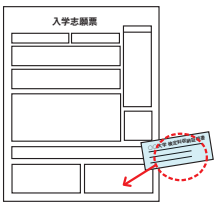
※当サイトにてお支払いされた場合、
「取扱金融機関出納印」は不要です。

【コンビニエンスストアでお支払いの場合】

「入学検定料・選考料 取扱明細書」の「収納証明書」部分を切り取り、
入学検定料収納証明書貼付台紙の所定欄に貼る。



※「収納証明書」を糊付けする際には、糊本体の注意書きに「感熱・感圧紙などを変色させる場合があります」と記載されている糊はご使用にならないでください。
「収納証明書」が黒く変色する恐れがあります。



※コンビニでお支払いされた場合、
「取扱金融機関出納印刷」不要です。

⚠ 注意事項

●出願期間を要項等でご確認のうえ、締切に間に合うよう十分に余裕をもってお支払いください。

●支払最終日の『Webサイトでの申込み』は23:00まで、店頭端末機の操作は23:30までです。クレジットカードの場合、Webサイトでのお申込みと同時にお支払いが完了します。23:00までにお手続きしてください。

●「入学検定料払込」についてのお問い合わせは、コンビニ店頭ではお答えできません。詳しくはWebサイトをご確認ください。

●カード審査が通らなかった場合は、クレジットカード会社へ直接お問い合わせください。

●一度お支払いされた入学検定料は返金できません。

●セブン-イレブン、ローソン、ミニストップ、ファミリーマート以外でお支払いの方は、支払完了後、E-支払いサイトの「申込内容照会」にアクセスし、【収納証明書】を印刷して出願書類に貼付してください。

●「申込内容照会」で収納証明書が印刷できるのは、セブン-イレブン、ローソン、ミニストップ、ファミリーマート以外でお支払いされた場合に限ります。

●入学検定料の他に事務手数料が別途かかります。詳しくはWebサイトをご確認ください。

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