

Kanazawa University
Graduate School of Natural Science and Technology
(Master's Level Section)

Application Procedure for Research Students
(Japanese and Self-financed International Students)

1. Eligibility requirements

Applicants for admission to the Kanazawa University Graduate School of Natural Science and Technology (Master's level section) must fulfill one of the eligibility requirements specified in Paragraph 1, Article 9, of the Graduate School Code of Kanazawa University (hereinafter, "Graduate School Code") by the day before admission.

Graduate School Code Article 9

Paragraph 1

- (1) A person who has graduated from a university as defined in Article 83 of the School Education Act (Act No. 26 of 1947);
- (2) A person who has been awarded a bachelor's degree in accordance with the seventh paragraph of Article 104 of the School Education Act;
- (3) A person who has completed a 16-year curriculum in a foreign country;
- (4) A person who has completed a university education level curriculum in Japan from a foreign-affiliated educational institution that is based on that country's school education system and that is approved by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan;
- (5) A person who has completed the 16-year curriculum of a foreign country by taking a correspondence course offered by a school from that foreign country operating in Japan;
- (6) A person who was granted an academic degree equal to a bachelor's degree in foreign university or other institute (limited to the facilities which the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology appoints as a facility which received the evaluation about the general situation such as the education research activities or a facility which follows it by the person who received the certification of the foreign government or the related organization) by completing the course that are 3 years or more in length (including completing the courses in Japan by completing corresponding classes offered by a foreign school and the course specified by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology at an educational institute established by a school education system of foreign country);
- (7) A person who is determined to be eligible for admission by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan;
- (8) A person who completed the four-year or longer *senmon-katei* (advanced course) of a *senshu-gakko* (specialized training school) that meets the standards set by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan, and which is designated

- separately by the said Minister on or after the day specified by him/her;
- (9) A person who has been enrolled in the graduate school of another university according to the second paragraph of Article 102 of the School Education Act and is recognized by Kanazawa University as possessing the academic ability required to be educated in its graduate school;
- (10) A person who has completed a 15-year curriculum in a foreign country; or who has completed the curriculum in Japan from a foreign-affiliated educational institution that is equivalent to a 15-year curriculum based on that country's school education system and that is approved by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan; or who has completed a 15-year curriculum of a foreign country by taking a correspondence course offered by a school from that foreign country operating in Japan that is recognized by the Graduate School of Natural Science and Technology as having completed any of these curriculums with outstanding results;
- or
- (11) A person who is recognized by the Graduate School of Natural Science and Technology as having an academic ability that is equivalent to or higher than that specified in Item (1) above based on the results of an individual qualification examination for admission and who will reach the age of 22 by the day before admission

2. Application period

	April admission	April admission (Phase II)	October admission	October admission (Phase II)
Application period	November 21 to 30 (excluding Saturdays and Sundays and national holidays. When the last day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the last day will be following Monday.)	January 30 to February 8 (excluding Saturdays and Sundays. When the last day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the last day will be following Monday.)	May 21 to 30 (excluding Saturdays and Sundays. When the last day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the last day will be following Monday.)	September 1 to 10 (excluding Saturdays and Sundays. When the last day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the last day will be following Monday.)
Result announcement	Late December	Late February~ Early March	Late June~ Early July	Late September
Date of admission	April 1 (However, if there are special circumstances, it will be the first of the month from May to September.)	April 1 (However, if there are special circumstances, it will be the first of the month from May to September.)	October 1 (However, if there are special circumstances, it will be the first of the month from November to March.)	October 1 (However, if there are special circumstances, it will be the first of the month from November to March.)

【Note: Application for April admission (Phase II) and October admission (Phase II)】

To apply for April admission (Phase II) or October admission (Phase II), applicants need to fulfill either of the following two eligibility requirements, respectively.

<April admission (Phase II)>

- (1) A person who is expected to graduate from Kanazawa University (regardless of the school) at the end of the same fiscal year as the application; or
- (2) A person (either Japanese or an international student) who failed the entrance examination (first or second recruitment) for Kanazawa University Graduate School of Natural Science and Technology in the same fiscal year as the application and reside in Japan at the time of the application for research student.

<October admission (Phase II)>

- (1) A person who is expected to graduate from Kanazawa University (regardless of the school) at the end of September in the same fiscal year as the application; or
- (2) A person (either Japanese or an international student) who failed the entrance examination for October admission to the Kanazawa University Graduate School of Natural Science and Technology in the same fiscal year as the application and reside in Japan at the time of the application for research student.

3. Documents required for application

No.	Document	Japanese students	Self-financed international students
1	Research Student Application Form (Attached Form1)	○	○
2	Graduation (completion) certificate from the last educational institution attended or certificate of expected graduation (completion) from the educational institution currently attending (either in English or Japanese) *1	○	○
3	Official transcript from the last educational institution attended (either in English or Japanese) *1, *2	○	○
4	A photocopy of the passport (only the page with the applicant's name, date of birth and nationality)	×	○
5	A photocopy of both sides of the <i>Zairyu</i> (residence) Card (Applicable only for those residing in Japan)	×	▲
6	(In the case of an applicant who is employed) Consent form the head of his/her workplace	▲	▲
7	Certificate of Exam Fee Remittance or Receipt of Exam Fee Payment	○	○
8	Field of Study and Research Plan (Attached Form2) *3	×	○

9	English version of the Online Verification Report of Higher Education Qualification Certificate (graduated) or the Online Verification Report of Student Record (expected to graduated) *4	×	▲
10	A photocopy of the graduation (completion) certificate from the last educational institution attended, with the certificate number issued by the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China *5	×	▲
11	A photocopy of the bachelor's degree certificate issued by the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China	×	▲

[○ = Required × = Not required ▲ = Only for eligible applicants]

*1: The documents for No. 2 and 3 must in principle be in Japanese or English and be issued by the last educational institution attended by the applicant.

*2: The official transcript to be submitted must state the results of all subjects taken in each year at the last faculty/graduate school attended by the applicant as well as the performance scale adopted for the transcript. (A certificate of degree or a certificate of graduation stating only the applicant's rank among all students, for example, cannot be accepted.)

*3: It is used for examinations related to security export control on campus. International students are subject to screening regardless of whether they have arrived in Japan or not.

Please prepare the document No.8 in English or Japanese, and obtain the consent of your prospective supervisor in advance.

*4: Register on the website of the Ministry of Education of China, obtain the PDF file of the English version of the "Online Verification Report of Higher Education Qualification Certificate" or "Online Verification Report of Student Record" and submit it printed on A4 paper.

*5: Please submit a copy of the certificate at the time of application and be sure to submit it to the counter (Natural Science and Technology Main Hall, G2F) after arriving in Japan so that the original can be checked (the original will be returned after checking).

If you are expected to graduate at the time of application, please submit a copy as soon as it becomes available.

4. How to apply

Applicants need to contact the faculty member whom they wish as their academic advisor before applying and obtain his/her informal consent of acceptance.

Upon obtaining the faculty member's informal consent of acceptance, please **submit all the required documents to the faculty member personally or by post within the prescribed application period. In the case of using postal mail, make sure that the documents will arrive within the application period.**

5. Screening method

The submitted documents will be checked and an oral examination along with other examinations may be conducted in the screening process. Successful applicants will be notified in writing.

6. Research period

The research period for research students will basically be six months or one year. Please follow instructions of your academic advisor. However, if there are special circumstances, it will be less than six months or one year. The end of it is the end of September or March.

7. Necessary expenses for research students

(1) Exam fee: 9,800 yen

(2) Admission fee: 84,600 yen (subject to change)

(3) Tuition: 29,700 yen (subject to change) × the number of months of the research period

Notes:

- The tuition will be divided into two payments each semester (first semester: April to September; second semester: October to March).
- Self-financed international students are also requested to carefully read “9. Important notes for self-financed international students.”

8. Other notes of caution

(1) Most of the divisions of the Graduate School of Natural Science and Technology require the results of an English proficiency test (TOEIC , TOEFL,etc.) to be submitted for their screening process for the Master's level section. It is strongly recommended that applicants who are to take the entrance examination for the graduate school be ready to submit the results of an English proficiency test before applying.

(2) Applicants who are expected to graduate from their current educational institution at the time of applying are required to submit a graduation /completion certificate issued by the institution within three months of graduation/completion. In the case that the applicant fails to do so or that applicant's graduation/completion cannot be confirmed, permission for his/her admission may be revoked retroactively. (Excluding graduates of Kanazawa University.)

9. Important notes for self-financed international students

9-1. Ability to bear the necessary expenses during the stay in Japan

An overseas resident must submit a Balance Statement (over 500,000 yen in the case of half-year studies, over 1,000,000 yen in the case of one-year studies) in order to apply for Certificate of Eligibility after passing.

9-2. Other notes of caution

- (1) Please make sure to finish the admission procedures within the admission procedures period.
- (2) Please arrive in Japan by the admission date. International students currently residing abroad are, even when they are granted admission to Kanazawa University, subject to immigration

inspection by the Immigration Bureau of Japan, and there may be cases in which a Certificate of Eligibility (*Zairyu-shikaku Nintei-shomeisho*) may not be issued as a result of such an inspection. Please also note that the inspection may take a considerably long time to complete. It is therefore advisable to start the immigration procedures well beforehand, otherwise you may not be able to arrive in Japan by the admission date.



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