

Selection Criteria for Self-funded International Students

1. Qualifications

◆ Applicants who meet criteria (1) to (4) may apply for the Faculty of International Resource Sciences, the Faculty of Education and Human Studies, the School of Health Sciences, Faculty of Medicine or the Faculty of Engineering Science.

◆ Applicants who meet criteria (1) to (5) may apply for the School of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine.

(1) Those who do not have Japanese nationality. (*)

(2) Those who meet one of the following criteria:

i) Those who have completed, or will complete by March 31, 2024, 12 years of formal education overseas; or have been approved by the Japanese Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology as having an equivalent educational qualification.

ii) Those who have an International Baccalaureate degree administered by the Secretariat of the International Baccalaureate, a non-profit organization established in accordance with Swiss civil law.

iii) Those who have an Abitur degree, an admission to university in the states of the Federal Republic of Germany.

iv) Those who have a baccalaureate degree, which is an admission to university in the French Republic.

v) Those who have qualified for GCEA in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

vi) Those who have completed (or are expecting to complete) a 12-year course in an educational facility accredited by WASC or ACSI in the the United States of America, or CIS in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, by March 31, 2024.

vii) Those who have been approved as having an education level equivalent to completing high school, based on results of the individual academic achievement test conducted by Akita University, and will be at least 18 years old by March 31, 2024. (**)

(3) Those who took the 2023 Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU) conducted by the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO). The subjects to be taken shall be designated by Akita University.

(4) Those who obtain or are able to obtain a resident status as "Student" in accordance with the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act. (***)

(5) Those who achieve 90% or more (out of 400 points) in reading comprehension, listening comprehension and listening/reading comprehension in Japanese language as well as achieve 80% or more (out of 400 points) in Mathematics and two subjects from Science (EJU subject) (School of Medicine applicants only.)

* Non-Japanese applicants who graduated high school in Japan (including senior grade course at schools for secondary education), or have any degrees equivalent to this level, or who have a Japanese permanent visa, are required to apply for the general entrance selection and not for self-funded international student selection.

** The application for the individual academic achievement test must be received by November 30 (Thu), 2023.

*** Applicants who do have a resident status except "Student" must change the status to "Student" as soon as they complete enrollment procedure.

2. Selection of applicants

Judgments of acceptance for all applicants shall be determined based on comprehensive evaluation of the individual academic achievement test conducted by Akita University, the 2023 Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students to be taken in June or November. (Also, the score of TOEIC L&R, TOEFL iBT or IELTS taken after January 2022 will be included for the evaluation of the applicants for "Faculty of International resource Sciences".)

3. Subjects to be taken in the individual academic achievement test and other examinations

Faculty	Department/Program/Major/Course		Subjects in Individual Academic Achievement Test	Required Subjects for Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students					Others
				Japanese	Japan and the World	Mathematics	Science	Test Language	
Faculty of International Resource Sciences	Department of International Resource Sciences	Resource Policy and Management	Interview (in Japanese or English, Online)	×	●	(Free choice)	×	Free choice	○ ※
		Earth Resource Science	Interview (in Japanese or English, Online)	×	×	(Course 2)	(Physics, Chemistry)	Free choice	
		Earth Resource Engineering and Environmental Science	Interview (in Japanese or English, Online)	×	×	(Course 2)	(Physics, Chemistry)	Free choice	
Faculty of Education and Human Studies	Department of School Education	Compulsory School Teachers	"Practical examination (1 subject must be selected from music, art, or PE) and an interview", or "Short essay and interview"	●	●	×	×	Japanese	—
		English Language Teachers	Interview (in English and Japanese)	●	●	×	×	Japanese	
		Science and Mathematics Teachers	Interview (including an examination on mathematics and science)	●	×	(Course 2)	(Optional 2 subjects)	Japanese	
		Special Needs Education Teachers	Short essay and interview	●	●	×	×	Japanese	
	Child Development and Education	Short essay and interview	●	●	(Free choice)	(Optional 2 subjects)	Japanese		
	Department of Regional Studies and Humanities		Short essay and interview	●	▲	▲ (Free choice) Select 1 subject	▲ (Optional 2 subjects)	Japanese	
Faculty of Medicine	School of Medicine		Mathematics, English, Interview	●	×	(Course 2)	(Optional 2 subjects)	Free choice	—
	School of Health Sciences	Nursing Physical Therapy Occupational Therapy	English, Interview	●	×	(Free choice)	(Optional 2 subjects)	Free choice	
Faculty of Engineering Science	Department of Life Science	Life Science Course	Interview (including basic oral examination on one subject selected by applicant from chemistry and biology)	●	×	(Course 2)	(Optional 2 subjects)	Free Choice	—
	Department of Materials Science	Applied Chemistry Course	Interview (including an oral examination on basic physics and chemistry)	●	×	(Course 2)	(Physics, Chemistry)		
		Materials Science and Engineering Course	Interview (including an oral examination on basic physics and chemistry)	●	×	(Course 2)	(Physics, Chemistry)		
	Department of Mathematical Science and Electrical-Electronic-Computer Engineering	Mathematical Science Course	Interview (including an oral examination on basic mathematics)	●	×	(Course 2)	(Physics, Chemistry)		
		Electrical and Electronic Engineering Course	Interview (including an oral examination on basic physics)	●	×	(Course 2)	(Physics, Chemistry)		
	Department of Systems Design/Engineering	Mechanical Engineering Course	Interview (including an oral examination on basic mathematics and physics)	●	×	(Course 2)	(Physics, Chemistry)		
		Civil and Environmental Engineering Course	Interview (including an oral examination on basic mathematics and physics)	●	×	(Course 2)	(Physics, Chemistry)		

Note 1: ●: Subjects to take; ×: Subjects not to take; ▲: Optional subjects.

Note 2: The Common Test for University Admissions is not required for the selection of self-funded international students at Akita University.

Note 3: The interview for "Faculty of International resource Sciences" can be conducted in either English or Japanese.

Note 4: Contact information for the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students:

EJU Uketsuke-Center (EJU Information Desk)

Address : 7F HI Yokohama Bldg., 2-6-26, Kitasaiwai, Nishi-ku., Yokohama-shi, Kanagawa 220-0004

TEL:0570-55-0585 (Use 045-620-7243 for some of mobile, IP phone or international call.)

※Please submit the transcript of the TOEIC L&R, TOEFL iBT or IELTS taken after January 2022.

4. Application period

※Application must be received by the due date.

Faculty	Application period
Faculty of International Resource Sciences	December 19 (Tue.) – December 21 (Thu.), 2023
Faculty of Education and Human Studies	
Faculty of Engineering Science	
Faculty of Medicine	January 22 (Mon.) – January 24 (Wed.), 2024

5. Date of examination and announcement of results

※Application must be received by the due date.

Faculty	Date of examination	Date of announcement of results	Period of enrollment
Faculty of International Resource Sciences	January 19 (Fri.), 2024	February 9 (Fri.), 2024	February 15 (Thu.) – February 16 (Fri.), 2024
Faculty of Education and Human Studies			
Faculty of Engineering Science			
Faculty of Medicine	School of Medicine : February 25 (Sun.) – February 26 (Mon.), 2024 School of Health Sciences : February 25 (Sun.), 2024	March 7 (Thu.), 2024	March 14 (Thu.) – March 15 (Fri.), 2024

NOTE

- Please notice that the qualifications and the date of examinations for each faculty are different.
- Those who do not currently have, or are unlikely to obtain the resident status as “Student” in accordance with the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act do not fulfill the criteria and cannot apply the selection.

Entrance Examinations for Privately-funded International Students through the Pre-Arrival Admission System (Faculty of Engineering Science)

Pre-Arrival Admission System is a system for entrance admission based on the overall evaluation of the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students(EJU) conducted by the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) (Applicants are required to take the test outside Japan) and other relevant academic performances including high school transcript and TOEFL score. This system enables applicants to obtain the entrance admission for Akita University without taking any examinations in Japan. For further details please see Application guideline for Privately-funded International Students through the Pre-Arrival Admission System.

[How to submit an application] Please download the application form from the Akita University website (<https://www.akita-u.ac.jp/>). Complete the form and send it to Admissions office, Akita University

Announcement of Application guideline	Application period	Announcement of results	Period of enrollment
July 7 (Fri.), 2023	September 1 (Fri.) – September 7 (Thu.), 2023	November 1 (Wed.), 2023	November 27 (Mon.) – December 1 (Fri.), 2023

[Reference: Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship: Special Program for Preferential Placement of Japanese Government Scholarship Students]

If applicants would like to enroll in MEXT scholarship Special Program for Preferential Placement of Japanese Government Scholarship Students https://www.riko.akita-u.ac.jp/intro/mext_scholarship.html, applicants have to apply for Entrance Examinations for Privately-funded International Students through the Pre-Arrival Admission System (Faculty of Engineering Science) for “Department of Materials Science Applied Chemistry Course”, “Department of Materials Science Materials Science and Engineering Course”, “Department of Mathematical Science and Electrical-Electronic-Computer” or “Engineering Department of Systems Design Engineering Mechanical Engineering Course”. Applicants who have passed this entrance examination wish to enroll in above program will be interviewed online at a later date to determine whether or not they will be admitted to the program.

Special Entrance Examination for International Students Faculty of International Resource Sciences, Akita University

The "Special Entrance Examination for International Students" program is to enable international students outside of Japan to secure admission to the Faculty of International Resource Sciences, Akita University without having to come to Japan. Applicants must take the entrance examination on the basis of 1) the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU), 2) the screening of required documents and 3) the online interview. Thus applicants are not required to come to Japan in order to apply for the program. For the details, please refer to Application Guidelines for Special Entrance Examination for International Students.

[How to Apply] Download Application form from Akita University website (<https://www.akita-u.ac.jp/>) Please fill out the required information and send it by postal mail. Please also send a scanned electronic copy of the application documents by e-mail.

Application Period	Date of examination	Date of announcement of results	Period of enrollment
August 28 (Mon.) – September 25 (Mon.), 2023	November 9 (Thu.), 2023	November 24 (Fri.), 2023	March 21 (Thu.) – March 27 (Wed.), 2024

[Reference: Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship: Special Program for Preferential Placement of Japanese Government Scholarship Students]

If applicants would like to apply to (MEXT) Scholarship Special Program for Preferential Placement of Japanese Government Scholarship Students, please refer to the website of International Resource Sciences for the details.

International Baccalaureate Admissions (Faculty of International Resource Sciences /Faculty of Education and Human Studies/Faculty of Engineering Science)

Application Period	Date of Examination	Date of Announcement of results	Enrollment Procedures
September 1 (Fri.) – September 7 (Thu.), 2023	September 30 (Sat.), 2023	November 1 (Wed.), 2023	November 9 (Thu.) – November 15 (Wed.), 2023

Contact: Admissions Office, Akita University

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