

2018 fiscal year
Chiba University Scholarship Pre-arrival Application System
Application Details

1. General

Chiba University encourages international students resident overseas, who intend to enrol at a regular course at the Chiba University Graduate School and who have achieved particularly good results in the entrance examinations for the University, or who have achieved particularly good academic results or in their academic research activities at cooperating partner institutions, to take part in a broad range of courses for highly achieving students. The University recommends that highly performing students apply successively for four scholarships.

- ① MEXT scholarship –University Recommendation (general classification)
- ② Excellent International Student Scholarships (Type A)
- ③ Partnership Program
- ④ Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) scholarships – Applications before arrival

More specifically, high-scoring candidates should nominate in order from Grade 1 in the following table. High-scoring candidates not accepted in Grade 1 may be selected for Grade 2. The possibilities for acceptance for a scholarship before enrolment have been broadened as candidates may still be selected similarly down to Grade 5.

Grade	Number to be accepted	Tuition fees ¥ 535,800~	Entrance fee ¥ 282,000	Examination fee ¥ 30,000	Travel expenses	Details of scholarship allowances		
						Scholarships	Monthly	Period
1	8	○	○	○	○	①	¥ 146,000 ~	Standard period to graduate
2	3 (From Apr. 2018) 3 (From Oct. 2018)	○	○	△	×	②	¥ 100,000	Standard period to graduate
3	5	○	○	△	×	③+④	¥ 48,000	Single fiscal year
4	5	○	○	△	×	③	May be eligible for private sector scholarship	
5	Several	× May apply for exemption	×	×	×	④	¥ 48,000	Single fiscal year

Note: ○: Not paid by student, △: May not be paid by student; depends on agreement, ×: Paid by student

2. The Individual Scholarships

① MEXT scholarship –University Recommendation (general classification)

1. Outline of system

This is a system under which the Japanese Government (Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology: MEXT) encourages the exchange principally of exchange students at different universities, to encourage greater international competitiveness. The system selects and assists excellent students as

international government-supported students on the recommendation of the universities. International exchange students selected under the system must have passed the entrance examinations for Chiba University or cooperating partner institutions with particularly good results, or have excellent academic results or academic research activities. Students selected will receive travel allowances and monthly payments of scholarship money for the standard duration of their courses; tuition fees are not charged.

2. Qualifications and conditions

Suitable candidates must meet all the following conditions:

- New international exchange students at graduate school level
- Academic results for the two most recent years meet standard (2.30 or higher). (See Appendix 1 for method of calculation)
- Be nationals of countries with which the Japanese Government has diplomatic relations
- Be under 35 and born on or after April 2, 1983
- Be graduates of Japanese universities, or be any of the following:
 1. Have undertaken 16 years of education (18 years for admission into doctorates in medicine, dentistry, veterinary science and pharmaceutical sciences)(including candidates therefor)
 2. Persons who have reached 22 years of age and who, after inspection of their individual qualifications for admission, are recognized by the Graduate School as having academic abilities equivalent to those of a graduate (24 years of age for admission into doctorates in medicine, dentistry, veterinary science and pharmaceutical sciences) (including candidates therefor)
 3. Persons possessing Japanese university graduate school qualifications other than those above (including candidates therefor)

Note: Scholarships are only open to persons hoping to acquire a degree on completion of a doctorate course.

- Persons in areas in which the University specializes (relevant areas) and who, upon admission to the University, would be able to specialize in research in these areas. Adequate Japanese language ability is required for research in the areas of Japanese language, Japanese culture, Japanese history and Japanese laws and so forth.
- No physical or mental hindrance to academic work
- Able to come to Japan on a date specified by the University within two weeks of October 1, 2017
- Able to obtain an student visa, or able to enter Japan with student qualifications
- Persons whose qualifications or histories would in any way disqualify them from candidature (see Appendix 2)

3. Details of payments

Scholarship payment		Academic fees			Travel expenses
Monthly amount	Duration of payment	Tuition fees	Entrance fee	Examination fee	
¥146,000 (Master's degree) ¥147,000 (Doctor's degree)	Within standard period to graduate*	Not collected			Not paid by student

* 1 year – 18 months' scholarship period prior to admission to normal course for candidates accepted as non-standard students

② Excellent International Student Scholarship (Type A)

1. Outline of system

These scholarships are for privately-financed international exchange students accepted by the Chiba University Graduate School. The scholarships are awarded to candidates who have achieved particularly good results in the entrance examinations for the University or at cooperating partner institutions, or who have achieved particularly good academic results or in their academic research activities.

Priority is given for the scholarships to persons undertaking the University's own programs in the University Graduate School.

2. Qualifications and conditions

Suitable candidates must meet all the following conditions:

- Enter a regular course at the University Graduate School from April 1 or October 1, 2018 and intend to study and stay in Japan for over one year (including candidates expecting to enter)
- Persons who have been nominated by their own institutes (including institutes they expect to enter) or by the University, and who have not received scholarships or other assistance from foreign governments or other institutions or groups for the duration of their studies at this University
- Able to obtain a student visa, or able to enter Japan with student qualifications
- Persons of high academic achievement and of excellent personal standing, and who genuinely need financial assistance

3. Details of payments

Scholarship		Tuition fees			Travel expenses
Monthly amount	Duration of payment	Tuition fees	Entrance fee	Examination fee	
¥100,000	Within standard academic year	Exempt		According to details of agreement	Paid by student

③ Partnership Program

1. Outline of system

These scholarships are intended for privately-funded international exchange students in the Chiba University Graduate School accepted by inter-university or inter-departmental cooperative exchange institutions. The scholarships are awarded to candidates who have achieved particularly good results in the entrance examinations for the University or at cooperating partner institutions, or who have achieved particularly good academic results or in their academic research activities.

2. Qualifications and conditions

Suitable candidates must meet all the following conditions:

- Enter a regular course at the University Graduate School from April 1 or October 1, 2018 (including candidates expecting to enter)
- Persons who have been nominated by their own institutes (including institutes they expect to enter) or by the University

- Able to obtain a student visa, or expecting to be able to do so
- Persons of high academic achievement and of excellent personal standing, and who genuinely need financial assistance

3. Details of payments

Scholarship	Tuition fees			Travel expenses
	Tuition fees	Entrance fee	Examination fee	
Not paid (Candidates who have applied for private scholarships are eligible)	Exempt		According to details of agreement	Paid by student

④ Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) scholarships – Applications before arrival

1. Outline of system

These scholarships are intended for candidates eligible to enter Chiba University before arrival in Japan and who propose to enter the University; holders of scholarships will be determined from privately-funded international students of high academic achievement and of excellent standing and who would be unable to complete their studies for financial reasons. The scholarships are intended to relieve financial anxiety on arrival in Japan and over the course of the candidates' studies, and to assist candidates with the ability to apply before arrival in Japan and to raise their academic results to a higher level.

Note: Definition of ability to apply before arrival in Japan

Ability to apply before arrival in Japan refers to direct acceptance from overseas in the selection of international exchange students for entry into the University, the candidate being eligible to enter the University, and never having entered Japan during the period before entry to the University.

2. Qualifications and conditions

Suitable candidates must meet all the following conditions:

- Enter the University from April 1 or October 1, 2018 (including candidates expecting to enter) by ability to apply before arrival in Japan
- Academic results for the most recent year meet standard (2.30 or higher). (See Appendix 1 for method of calculation)
- Provided with an allowance for living expenses of up to ¥90,000 per month
- Where the candidate will be supported by a Japanese resident, the annual income of the supporter is not more than ¥5,000,000
- Agree to monitoring of progress after receipt of scholarship funds
- Not in receipt of other scholarship funding exceeding ¥48,000 per month

3. Details of payments

Scholarship		Tuition fees			Travel expenses
Monthly amount	Duration of payment	Tuition fees	Entrance fee	Examination fee	
¥48,000	One fiscal year*	Paid by student			Paid by student

* Duration of payment: One year for entry in April, or 6 months for entry in October

3. Method of application

Candidates wishing to be nominated for scholarships under this system should read [2. The Individual Scholarships](#) carefully, and then apply by the following procedure. The Japanese or English languages only should be used in applications.

(1) Submission of nomination forms and certified academic results

Candidates should prepare the following documents and submit the originals by post (using EMS where possible) by the last day of application period.

- Recommendation letter from at least dean or head of research level from own university (university attended) (addressed to the President of Chiba University)
- Transcripts (Certified results) from last university attended (faculty or graduate school) (issued by university attended)

Note: Please discuss with us beforehand if recommendation letter or transcripts (certified results) will be sent after the registration period.

(2) Sending Email

Send "Application Form" by email during the application period.

Application period: (Mon.) November 20 – (Wed.) December 6, 2017

Email: spas@chiba-u.jp

(3) Types of scholarship application forms to be submitted

After deciding which Grade to apply for, post the application forms for the scholarships (using EMS wherever possible) to the intended research department etc. of the University. Provide graduation and completion certificates and passports etc. beforehand.

4. Other scholarship support

The University may provide University housing available for one year after entry, or may be able to assist in finding low-cost private housing.

5. Entry month

When making your application, note that you cannot apply for a MEXT scholarship if you wish to enter in April.

6. Notification of results

Successful applicants in each Grade will be notified of the results of University selections in the beginning of January 2018.

7. Contact details for inquiries and submissions

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Method of calculating academic performance index

Count the number of individual unit assessment points from the table below, and use the formula to calculate your academic performance index.

Classification	Performance assessment				
Four level assessment		Excellent	Good	Pass	Fail
Four level assessment		A	B	C	F
Four level assessment		80 – 100 points	70 – 79 points	60 – 69 points	Up to 59 points
Five level assessment	S	A	B	C	F
Five level assessment	A	B	C	D	F
Five level assessment	90 – 100 points	80 – 89 points	70 – 79 points	60 – 69 points	Up to 59 points
Assessment points	3	3	2	1	0

Formula: Up to 3 points

(Number of 3 Assessment Points x 3) + (Number of 2 Assessment Points x 2) + (Number of 1 Assessment Points x 1) + (Number of 0 Assessment Points x 0) ÷ Total registration points*

* Note that this is not the total achieved points.

【Note 1】 Replace 'units' with number of subjects if completed classes is used instead of units.

【Note 2】 Use number of units after transfer to new university in case of transfer. However, calculate the academic performance index in the same manner as for grade before transfer (performance at school immediately prior to transfer to present university). Show the periods of study types of school along with the list of nominators in the Remarks column.

【Note 3】 Assessments (such as 'Approved' or 'Qualified') not in the Performance assessment in the above table are not to be used.

【Note 4】 When rounding off the academic performance index, round down to two decimal places.

【Note 5】 Calculate the academic performance index for the results for the most recent 2½ years if your academic performance at your present university is for less than 2 years and academic performance is determined for half years, and fractions of a year are produced because your previous university calculated academic performance by academic year.

'Persons whose qualifications or histories would in any way disqualify them from candidature' from 1. MEXT scholarship recommendations

The following persons are excluded from consideration. You should decline any offer made after acceptance if you consider that you are excluded.

- [1] Persons who were serving members of the armed forces or having the status of member of the armed forces upon arrival in Japan
- [2] Persons who are unable to arrive in Japan on the date specified by the accepting university
- [3] Persons who have received a Japanese Government (MEXT) scholarship and who do not have a history of study or research for a period of three or more years from the termination of the Japanese government scholarship to acceptance for a new scholarship. However, this restriction shall not apply to persons selected as research exchange students in Japanese language or Japanese culture who graduated from their universities after returning to their own countries, Japan-Korea Joint Program for Science and Engineering Students or Young Leaders Program exchange students.
- [4] Persons who have previously enrolled at Japanese universities on 'exchange student' visa status, and persons who were enrolled, or intended to enroll, between the time of application and the commencement of the scholarship period at a Japanese university as a self-funded international exchange student. However, this restriction shall not apply to persons who are confirmed to have returned to their own countries, even if they are at present self-funded international exchange students as exchange students in Japan.
- [5] Persons who have also applied for this scholarship to other universities, and persons who are also in receipt of assistance schemes as exchange students under JASSO (Japan Student Services Organization) or the Japanese Government (MEXT). (Including persons already accepted under assistance schemes as exchange students under JASSO or the Japanese Government (Ministry of Education) and who intend to continue such assistance)
- [6] Persons expecting to graduate, who will not meet the requirements and academic history qualifications during the specified period
- [7] Dual nationals at the time of application, and who are unable to demonstrate renunciation of Japanese nationality before arrival in Japan
- [8] This system is for entry to universities in Japan for research by exchange students in Japan. Persons wishing to perform fieldwork or undertake internships and so forth in other countries at the time of application will not be accepted.