

Meiji Gakuin University International Student Program (ISP)

Spring and Fall 2021 Application Instructions

The International Student Program is a program open to students from Meiji Gakuin University's partner institutions. The program follows the regular academic calendar at Meiji Gakuin University and consists of two semesters: Spring (April-July) and Fall (September-January). Students may enter the program in either April or September for a semester or an academic year.

The nomination period for the 2021 academic year are:

Spring Semester (April to July): September 15th to October 15th 2020

Fall Semester (September to January): February 15th to March 15th 2021

Please e-mail us the designated excel file for nomination

On line application period for the 2021 academic year are:

Spring Semester (April to July): October 20th to November 2nd 2020

Fall Semester (September to January): March 20th to April 2nd 2021

Instructions for on line application will be mailed to the nominated students in middle of October for Spring semester and in middle of March for Fall Semester.

ONLY applicants who complete on line application and upload required documents by the deadline will be reviewed for admission.

Requirements:

1. GPA Score Requirements

The applicants must have GPA of 2.0 or above on 4.0 scale.

2. Language Requirements

The applicants are required to meet either ENGLISH requirement or JAPANESE requirement below.

ENGLISH: TOEFL iBT68 (ITP/PBT520), IELTS 6.0 or University of Cambridge First Certificate in English Grade B

JAPANESE: To have studied Japanese language for minimum of one year at the University course levels prior to their arrival.

**The language requirements are exempted for the applicants from the partner universities in the countries where the official language is English.*

Application Documents (All documents must be written in English or Japanese):

Since an account on line application can't be saved once you start on line application, please prepare the documents below before starting on line application. Application documents must be uploaded during on line application. ONLY applicants who complete on line application and upload required documents by the deadline will be reviewed for admission

1. College/University Official transcripts with GPA and grade scale information

(Waived for deferred students who were originally nominated for Spring 2021 and already submitted)

2a. Bank Balance Certificate (must be issued within 2 months at the time of application)

*A letter from a bank is also accepted if a bank balance certificate cannot be issued. Make sure that a letter must states the balance, the name of the account holder, issuing date, signature of a bank official and stamp of a bank.

A copy of a web page is also accepted if all of the above information are on it.

or/and

2b. Confirmation Letter of Scholarship/Student Loan

*Prove that you have enough funds to support yourself for the duration of your stay in Japan with 2a. or/and 2b.

(One Semester: minimum of 400,000yen, Two Semesters: minimum of 800,000yen).

3a. Written Oath for Defraying Expenses 【Personal Funds】

*Designated form can be downloaded on our home page
or/and

3b. Written Oath for Defraying Expenses 【Scholarship/Student Loan】

*Designated form can be downloaded on our home page

4. Certificate of Health *Designated form can be downloaded on our home page.

(Waived for deferred students who were originally nominated for Spring 2021 and already submitted)

This certificate must be filled in by your university clinic or home doctor.

5. Photocopy of Passport

Your passport must be valid for the duration of their proposed stay in Japan at the time of application.

Provide a clearly legible copy of the biographical page (with your photo).

6. Digital Photo

Ensure the color photo sized with less than 10MB formatted by jpg, jpeg or png.

A photo that shows the applicant pictured alone. The applicant should face squarely to the front and should remove any hats, caps, head coverings or shaded glasses. There should be a plain background with no shadows. The photo must be sharp and clear. The photo must have been taken within one month at the time of application.

7. English Language Test Information

(Waived for deferred students who were originally nominated for Spring 2021 and already submitted)

If your language requirement is English, you must submit a copy of TOEFL, IELTS or Cambridge score.

8. Japanese Language Proficiency

(Waived for deferred students who were originally nominated for Spring 2021 and already submitted)

If you have a certificate of Japanese Language Proficiency (JLPT) N1, please submit a copy of certificate.

9. Recommendation Letter *Designated form can be downloaded on our home page.

A recommendation letter is NOT required, if you are nominated from our partner universities.

The recommendation letter should be completed by a person familiar with your academic background and abilities.

Important Notes:

1. Certificate of Eligibility (COE)

Meiji Gakuin University will apply for your Certificate of Eligibility, which is required for you to obtain a Japanese student visa in your country later. Your COE may be turned down if you do not provide us your information and application documents accordingly.

2. Courses

ISP students are allowed to take courses offered at both Campuses as long as it does not collide with the "Intensive Japanese Course" offered at each student's based Campus. Applicants should note that it takes approximately 90 minutes to get between the Yokohama Campus and the Shirokane Campus.

3. Accommodation

ISP students are obligated to live in a University owned off-campus dorm as a condition of their acceptance to the program. Arrangement of personal housing will not be allowed.

4. Registration to courses other than those open to exchange students

Courses taught in Japanese to degree seeking MGU students are only open to exchange students who have passed Level N1 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT). Students should also be aware that they must gain permission from the Professors prior to registration, and that certain courses require prerequisites apart from the abovementioned language requirement.

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