

Overview of 2027 Admission Process for Privately-Funded International Students

The mode and quality of education are identical for international students and for students admitted through either the special or general admission process.

This is a overview ; please be sure to check the Japanese version of the Application Guidelines for Privately-Funded International Students when applying.

Gunma University Timeline of Admission Process for Privately-Funded International Students

Period for online registration and payment of entrance examination fee	2027 1/12 Tue. 9:00 ~ 2/2 Tue. 12:00 (registration/payment must be completed by this deadline)
Application Period	2027 1/25 Mon. ~ 2/3 Wed. (application documents must be received by this deadline)
Academic achievement test etc.	Cooperative Faculty of Education Faculty of Informatics ▶ 2/25 Thu.
	Faculty of Medicine (School of Medicine) Faculty of Medicine (School of Health Sciences) ▶ 2/25 Thu. ~ 2/26 Fri.
	School of Science and Technology ▶ 2/26 Fri.
Announcement of Accepted Applicants	3/ 9 Tue.
Enrollment procedures	~ 3/15 Mon.

※ All times are indicated in Japan Standard Time(JST).

Admission for Privately-Funded International Students

Applicable department/ school/Cluster	Cooperative Faculty of Education	Faculty of Informatics	Faculty of Medicine		School of Science and Technology				
			School of Medicine	School of Health Sciences	Cluster of Materials and Environment Cluster of Electronics and Mechanical Engineering				
Number of students accepted	A few for each major	A few	A few	A few for each major	A few for each Cluster				
Qualifications	Applicants who meet the following criteria may apply 1. Applicant who is not a Japanese citizen, and holds or is expected to have resident status that does not forbid them from entering universities under the provisions of the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act, except for those who are allowed permanent residency in Japan (Note 1). 2. Applicant who meets one of the following (1) Applicant who has completed or plans to complete all the requirements of a 12 school year education system in foreign country by March 31, 2027 or has equivalent requirements as certified by Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (2) Applicant who has obtained one of the following qualifications : International Baccalaureate (awarded by the International Baccalaureate Organization), Abitur (designated by the Federal Republic of Germany) including reife, Baccalaureate (designated by the French Republic), General Certificate of Education Advanced Level or International General Certificate of Education Advanced Level (awarded by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)[passed at least one subject (grade E or higher)] , or European Baccalaureate (awarded by the European Union member states). (3) Applicant who has completed or plans to complete the standard 12 school year curriculum by March 31, 2027 at educational institutions certified by international accreditation bodies (WASC, ACSI, CIS, NEASC, Cognia, COBIS) selected by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology. (4) Applicant who has taken the high school equivalence test individually administered by our university, and is determined to possess an academic background equivalent or superior to high school graduate, and who will be 18 years of age by March 31, 2027 (Note 2). 3. Applicant who has taken the 2026 Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students administered by Japan Student Services Organization (either 1st session or 2nd session) as follows (Note 3). For the applicant who is applying for the School of Science and Technology, a score on one of the following tests taken in or after January 2025 is also required: TOEFL-iBT, TOEFL-ITP (administered by Gunma University), TOEIC Listening&Reading Test, TOEIC-IP (administered by Gunma University) or IELTS								
	Faculty/School/Major/Cluster		Japanese as a Foreign Language	Mathematics	Japan and the World	Science			Language used
	Cooperative Faculty of Education	Japanese, Social Studies, English, Music, Art, Home Economics, Health and Physical Education, Education, Educational Psychology, Special Needs Education	○	Course 1	○	—	—	—	Japanese
		Mathematics, Science, Technology Education	○	Course 2	—	Select two subjects			Japanese
	Faculty of Informatics		○	Course 1 or Course 2	Select either 'Japan and the World' or 'Science'. If Science is selected, choose two of the three Science subjects				Japanese
	Faculty of Medicine	School of Medicine	○	Course 2	—	Select two subjects			English
		School of Health Sciences	○	Course 2	—	Select two subjects			Japanese
	School of Science and Technology	Cluster of Materials and Environment	○	Course 2	—	○	○	—	Japanese
		Cluster of Electronics and Mechanical Engineering	○		—	○	○	—	
	【Note】 (Note 1) Even if applicants do not have Japanese citizenship, those who graduated from a Japanese high school or equivalent (including a special educational institution overseas certified by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technolgy) are treated in the same manner as applicants who are applying through general admission. Therefore, this application process is not applicable. (Note 2) Those who wish to have their eligibility reviewed by the Individual Admission Review Process must contact below, apply for such process, and acquire certification by December 25, 2026. Contact information: Admissions Office Department of Academic Affairs at Gunma University Phone: 81-27-220-7150 Address: 4-2 Aramaki-machi Maebashi Gunma Japan 371-8510 (Note 3) If applicants have taken both 1st and 2nd sessions of the 2026 Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students, applicants must specify the scores obtained in each session.								

※ All dates and times described in these Application Guidelines are based on Japan Standard Time.

Screening Method	International students are exempted from taking the Common Test for University Admissions. Below ①~③ are comprehensively evaluated to determine the successful applicants. ① Score from the 2026 Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students administered by Japan Student Services Organization. For those applying for the School of Science and Technology, a score on one of the following tests taken in or after January 2025 is also required: TOEFL-iBT, TOEFL-ITP (administered by Gunma University), TOEIC Listening & Reading Test, TOEIC-IP (administered by Gunma University) or IELTS ② Academic achievement test etc. are individually administered by each department (see the following table)	
	Faculty/School/Cluster	Individual academic achievement test etc.
	Cooperative Faculty of Education	Examination similar to general admission (First Admission Process) and interview (Group interview/Approx.20-30minutes/Multiple interviewers/ Including oral examination); and practical examination (Music(including Music Theory), Art, Health and Physical Education majors only)
	Faculty of Informatics	Mathematics, English and interview(Individual interview/15minutes/Multiple interviewers)
	Faculty of Medicine	Examination similar to general admission (First Admission Process)
	School of Medicine	Examination similar to general admission (First Admission Process) and interview (Individual interview/15minutes/Multiple interviewers)
	School of Health Sciences	Examination similar to general admission (First Admission Process) and interview (Individual interview/15minutes/Multiple interviewers)
Additional Information	School of Science and Technology	Cluster of Materials and Environment
	Cluster of Electronics and Mechanical Engineering	Interview (Individual interview/Approx.15minutes/Multiple interviewers)
③ Academic transcripts		
For questions regarding the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students, please contact Japan Student Services Organization. Address 4-5-29 Komaba Meguro-ku Tokyo Japan 153-8503 Phone 81-3-6407-7457		

Remarks

1. Graduates from the Cooperative Faculty of Education will be awarded a teachers license. Eligibility to apply for teaching positions varies depending on prefectural and city governments. Please contact the board of education for each prefectural or city government.
2. Graduates from the School of Medicine will be eligible to sit for the national examination for medical practitioners
3. Graduates from the School of Health Sciences will be eligible to sit for national examinations related to their majored subjects
4. For those who are applying for the School of Science and Technology, the score for TOEFL-iBT, TOEFL-ITP, TOEIC Listening & Reading Test, TOEIC-IP or IELTS is verified as follows:

Test score subject to verification	Verification method
Score for TOEFL-iBT (administered in or after January 2025)	Please submit a copy (on A-4 paper) of Test Taker Score Report addressed to the applicant.
Score for TOEFL-ITP (administered by Gunma University in or after January 2025)	Please submit a copy (on A-4 paper) of the score card for TOEFL-ITP administered by Gunma University.
Score for TOEIC Listening & Reading Test (administered in or after January 2025)	Please submit a copy (on A-4 paper) of Official Score Certificate.
Score for TOEIC-IP (administered by Gunma University in or after January 2025)	Please submit a copy (on A-4 paper) of the Score Report for TOEFL-ITP administered by Gunma University.
Score for IELTS (administered in or after January 2025)	Please submit a copy (on A-4 paper) of Test Report Form addressed to the applicant.

- 5 The length of the interview may vary depending on circumstances. The length of the interview does not affect admission decisions.

Application Materials	Application and related forms can be downloaded from Admissions page within Gunma University' s website (https://www.gunma-u.ac.jp/). Credit card can be used when applying from overseas.
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6 Regarding obtaining a Certificate of Eligibility (COE)

Those who do not have a Status of Residence are required to obtain a Certificate of Eligibility (COE). It may take 1-2 months to issue the certificate after application. Please check " 在留資格の取得について (About obtaining a Status of Residence) " on the university website (URL/QR code below) in advance, prepare the necessary documents and submit them along with your enrollment procedures. If you are unable to obtain the documents required for a Status of Residence in time, please be sure to complete other enrollment procedures during the period of the enrollment procedure and notify us of the progress of your COE at that time.

URL : <https://www.gunma-u.ac.jp/international>
The password is "gunma8510".



Information on the entrance examination

■ Gunma University website : <https://www.gunma-u.ac.jp/admission/>

The following information is available under “Admissions” page:

Application guidelines

Information on Open Campus event and other events

Status and statistics of the entrance examinations

Tuition fees and scholarships

Questions on past entrance examinations

How to request information materials



Contact information regarding entrance examination

8:30 – 12:00, 13:00 – 17:15 (except Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays, year-end and New Year holidays)

Applicants are encouraged to contact the University directly, as we value students who take an active role in their learning.

■ For inquiries regarding this brochure or general admission-related questions, please contact :

Admissions Office

Phone 81-27-220-7150, 7151 or 7152 Fax 81-27-220-7155 Email g-admission@ml.gunma-u.ac.jp

Address: 4-2 Aramaki-machi Maebashi Gunma Japan 371-8510

■ Inquiries regarding questions specific to each Faculty/School

Cooperative Faculty of Education

Phone 81-27-220-7225

Address: 4-2 Aramaki-machi Maebashi Gunma Japan 371-8510

Faculty of Informatics

Phone 81-27-220-7404

Address: 4-2 Aramaki-machi Maebashi Gunma Japan 371-8510

Faculty of Medicine

Phone 81-27-220-8910 (School of Medicine)

Phone 81-27-220-8909 (School of Health Sciences)

Address: 3-39-22 Showa-machi Maebashi Gunma Japan 371-8511

School of Science and Technology

Phone 81-277-30-1062

Address: 1-5-1 Tenjin-cho Kiryu Gunma Japan 376-8515



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