

中国「国家建設高水平大学公派研究生項目」

**Application Information for
Chinese Government Scholarship Overseas
Study Program in 2026
(Doctoral Course)**

Graduate School of Science and Technology

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The Graduate School of Science and Technology (GSST) at Kumamoto University offers IJEP (International Joint Education Program in Science and Technology) in English and Regular Program in Japanese.

Please indicate in which program the applicant wishes to enroll in the Application Form (Required document 1).

1. Qualifications of Applicants

Applicants must fulfill the following conditions.

- 1) Must have a Chinese nationality.
- 2) Those who plan to apply for Chinese Government Scholarship Overseas Study Program for Doctoral Course proclaimed by the China Scholarship Council.
- 3) Hold a Master's degree or are expected to complete the degree by September 2026.
- 4) Have sufficient English or Japanese language ability.

2. Number of Students for Admission: up to 5

3. Application Deadline and Procedure

*Please contact your prospective supervisor before application, and submit Required Documents by international express mail to the following address:

Academic / International Affairs Section
Administration Division of Science and Technology
Kumamoto University
2-39-1 Kurokami, Chuo-ku, Kumamoto
860-8555, Japan

The deadline for receipt of applications and all supporting materials is **January 15, 2026**

Applicants must have a prospective supervisor at the time of application. If you were unable to find a prospective supervisor, please contact Prof. Kishida, who is in charge of the program.

mkishida@gpo.kumamoto-u.ac.jp

4. Required Documents

- 1) Application Form. (Forms can be downloaded from the URL:
<https://www.fast.kumamoto-u.ac.jp/gsst-en/admissions>) (English or Japanese)
- 2) Certificates of Bachelor's degree and Master's degree (or a certificate of anticipation of completion), or copies of diplomas. (Chinese and English translation)
- 3) Official transcripts of academic records of Bachelor's and Master's courses, including information such as GPA and ranking. (Chinese and English translation)
- 4) Summary of Bachelor's thesis and Master's thesis or equivalents. (English or Japanese)

- 5) Statement of objectives written by the applicant. It should include reasons for application to the Graduate School, how the applicant qualifies to be a graduate student, and the applicant's academic, research, and professional goals. (free format) (English or Japanese)
- 6) A copy of the applicant's passport, or an official certificate of citizenship (Chinese and English translation).
- 7) A letter of recommendation from a professor or a research supervisor who can evaluate the applicant's ability in study and research. (English)
- 8) A letter of recommendation from the head of the faculty of the applicant's home university. (English)
- 9) Certificate of language ability

Applicants for IJEP, a program in English:

An official score of TOEFL iBT®, TOEIC®Listening & Reading Test, or IELTS Academic. The preferred minimum scores are 71 for TOEFL iBT®, 700 for TOEIC®Listening & Reading Test, and 6.0 for IELTS Academic. Scores are valid only if dated within two years of the application deadline. Submission of a score may be exempt, if the applicant completed a Bachelor's degree or other advanced degree where English is the primary language of instruction (an official document from the university for confirmation may be requested)

Applicants for Regular program in Japanese:

An official score of Japanese-Language Proficiency Test. N1 level is preferred.

- 10) Results of interviews including comments from the interviewers and summary of interview exchanges. (submitted by the prospective supervisor)

*Applicants should have face-to-face interviews by a prospective supervisor and at least two more faculty members from the related field(s). Online interviews are acceptable. Interviews must be completed within one year prior to the application deadline.

Note:

- 1) Use the forms provided by the University.
- 2) All the documents should be typewritten on A4 size paper (21 x 29.5 cm)
- 3) Incomplete applications or applications submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.
- 4) All application materials will not be returned to the applicants.
- 5) The admission will be revoked if there are false statements in the application or certificate.
- 6) There is no specified format for recommendation letters. However, the letter should be dated and include affiliation, position, signature or seal of the recommender.

5. Fees and Tuition

Fees (Examination, Enrollment, Tuition) will be exempted when admission was granted as an awardee of the Chinese Government Scholarship Overseas Study Program.

6. Announcement of Results

- (1) The University will notify the selection results to the applicants by e-mail in early March 2026.

- (2) The University will send a certificate of admission and a letter of tuition exemption to successful applicants by EMS mail.

7. Admission Procedure

Those who are selected for the scholarship by the China Scholarship Council must immediately submit “Certificate of eligibility for studying abroad supported by the China Scholarship Council” 「国家留学基金資助出国留学資格証書」 to the Academic / International Affairs Section. The University will send materials for admission and visa to those who are selected.

Those who would like to decline their admission must send “Notification of Declining Admission” to the Academic / International Affairs Section by Fax.

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8. Date of Enrollment

October 1, 2026

9. Notes

For further information, please contact:

Students currently enrolled in the Master's Course at Kumamoto University who wish to apply for this scholarship when advancing to the Doctoral Course must apply for this admission.

Those who enrolled

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