



**International Studies Program
Waseda University
Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies**

**【General Admissions】
Application Guide
for September 2020 Admission**

MA in International Relations

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Admissions Policy

'Focusing on the Asia-Pacific region, GSAPS seeks not only to conduct interdisciplinary research from the global and regional perspectives in the fields of regional history, politics, economics, industry, business management, society, culture and various international concerns, but also to deepen understanding of a growing Asia-Pacific region, and to mold future experts and researchers who can assume responsibility of the region's future'.

GSAPS seeks students from both the domestic and international arenas, who are keen to learn and motivated to excel, and aim for a better future for the global society.

For our MA Program, GSAPS welcomes application not only from undergraduate students, but professionals who have relevant work experience, and seek to further enhance the well-being of global society, instead of just one's home country.

In respect of admissions evaluation, on top of agreeing to the fundamental ideology of the Graduate School, GSAPS attaches great importance to the following three factors.

1. Accurate understanding of the various global problems and possess the knowledge to identify and provide solutions
2. Ability to think rationally and logically
3. Communications skills, including language ability required globally

◆ **Handling of Personal Information**

Waseda University utilizes applicant information (addresses, names, dates of birth etc.) collected at the time of application in order to carry out operations such as the entrance examination, announcement of the screening results, and enrollment procedures. We will take necessary and proper measures to protect such information from leakage, disclosure, or unauthorized use. All or part of the above operations may be outsourced to an agency. In such cases, the agency will be contractually required to maintain necessary and proper management. Please note that the personal information may be used as materials for studies and research to improve our entrance examinations. The information will be statistically processed to prevent any individuals from being identified.

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【For Japanese Nationals : About GSAPS Excellence Awards】

Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies provides the Scholarship Admission for Japanese applicants for the MA program (General Admissions).

<GSAPS Excellence Awards>

- The successful applicant will be granted 1,400,000 JPY
- No financial status information is required for the application.
- Applicant will be notified with the result of the grant before their enrollment.

Those who are interested in applying for this grant are required to refer to both the application guide for the GSAPS Excellence Awards and this application guide for general admissions.

(Those who are interested in this grant are required to submit the application form for GSAPS Excellent Awards, and participate in an interview exam.)

GSAPS Excellence Awards Application Guide

<https://www.waseda.jp/fire/gsaps/news-en/2746>

Project Research Available for September 2020 Admission:

Project research is carried out under the instruction of their academic advisors, where students will learn and master skills to prepare and complete their thesis, to compile, analyze and review relevant information fully and to understand the research methodology. In principle, students belong to and work under one research project seminar respectively through all the school years since the first quarter.

Therefore, please deliberately choose the project research fit to your own research field/interest from the list in the next page available this academic year, by checking the “Project Research” on the GSAPS webpage via this URL (<https://www.waseda.jp/fire/gsaps/en/admissions/project/>).

Generally, all the applicants need to input their own choice(s) (the first/second) for research project in the application form (by online registration), but if it is quite difficult to choose them, they may choose “None”.

The final selection of the Project Research takes into comprehensive consideration the student’s research plan/desire and other documents presented during the admission process.

Project Research Available for September 2020 Admission:

Field/Area of Research	Name of Faculty	Project Research
Area Studies	AOYAMA, Rumi	Politics and International Relations of China
	HAYASE, Shinzo	Japan in Asia
	LEE, Jong Won	Politics and Diplomacy in Korea, International Relations in Northeast Asia
	LIU-FARRER, Gracia	Globalization and Socio-Cultural Change
	MIICHI, Ken	Politics in Southeast Asia
	NAKAJIMA, Seio	Popular Culture in Asia
	ROBERTS, Glenda S.	Everyday Life in the Asia-Pacific
International Relations	BACON, Paul Martyn	Europe and Asia: Inter-regional Relations ※Available in English language applicants only
	KAWANO, Mariko	Pacific Settlement of International Disputes
	LEHENY, David	Culture and Politics in the Asia-Pacific
	SHINOHARA, Hatsue	East Asia and America, Foreign Policy
	UEKI, Chikako	International Relations and Security in East Asia
International Development / Policy Studies	KATO, Atsushi	Economic Development and Policy in Asia
	KATSUMA, Yasushi	Peace, Human Rights and Social Development in Less Developed Countries
	KURODA, Kazuo	International Education Policy in the Globalizing World
	MATSUOKA, Shunji	Global Sustainability and International Development Cooperation Studies
	MITOMO, Hitoshi	ICT and Media Studies

September 2020 Admission International Studies Program Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies, Waseda University Application Guide for General Admissions

Admissions Office Screening Method

With the aim of accepting promising individuals not only from Japan but also from all over the world, the Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies (GSAPS) screens all applicants while placing particular importance on a sense of mission and motivation.

The GSAPS Admissions Office comprehensively evaluates applications based on all of the submitted required documents.

1. Number of Students Admitted

Approximately 120 students per academic year will be admitted to the MA Program. The figure is an aggregate number representing the total of both April and September admissions.

2. Application Qualifications

Applicants for General Admissions must fulfill one of the following requirements.

1. Those who have graduated or are scheduled to graduate from a university by the entrance period that applicants wish to matriculate.
2. Those who have received a Bachelor's Degree from the National Institution for Academic Degrees and University Evaluation or are scheduled to receive such a degree by the entrance period that applicants wish to matriculate.
3. Those who have completed 16 years of standard school education overseas or are scheduled to complete such education by the entrance period that applicants wish to matriculate.
4. Those who are designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology by the entrance period that applicants wish to matriculate. (Please contact the GSAPS Admissions Office for details.)
5. Those who have been enrolled at a university for more than three years (or have completed 15 years of school education overseas or are scheduled to complete such education by the entrance period that applicants wish to matriculate) and have been recognized by GSAPS as having earned a specified number of credits with an excellent academic record.
6. Those who have been recognized by GSAPS as possessing academic credentials equivalent or superior to those of university graduates through an individual entrance requirements screening process and are scheduled to reach 22 years of age by the entrance period that applicants wish to matriculate.
7. Those who are pursuing an undergraduate degree at the time of application to GSAPS, and who are applying for the accelerated program, whereby the applicants skip the undergraduate degree and directly enter the MA program. (Please contact the GSAPS Admissions office for details.)

※ “University” in “1” and “5” means a university in Japan.

※ Graduates from three-year specialized college (zhuanke 専科) programs in China do not meet “5” above. (However, those who have graduated from Benke (本科) program after graduating from a three-year program and completed 16 years of school education fulfill “3”.)

<< About Individual Entrance Requirements Screening Process >>

Applicants who do not fulfill the requirements mentioned in 6. above and wish to apply for individual entrance requirements screening process are **required to submit specific application documents to GSAPS Admissions Office by February 25 (Tue), 2020.** Regarding the details of application documents for individual Entrance Requirements Screening process, please inquire of GSAPS Admissions Office in advance.

【 NOTE 】

If you submitted a certificate to demonstrate that you are expected to meet the qualification to enter graduate school in order to meet the applicant eligibility stated in the guidelines at the time of application, you will be required to submit a certificate to verify that you have indeed met the requirements before enrollment. You will not be allowed to enroll in Waseda University even if you pass the entrance examination unless you submit such a certificate.

3. Application Methods

There are two application methods. One is “Application from Inside of Japan” and the other is “Application from Overseas” .

Application from Inside of Japan :

For residents of Japan who are in Japan at the time of application (Japanese citizens or non-Japanese who possess a resident status in Japan)

Application from Overseas :

For those who are outside of Japan at the time of application (Japanese citizens or non-Japanese)

Note:

In case Japanese citizens and non-Japanese who possess a resident status in Japan apply under the **Application from Overseas** category, they must submit the “written proof of residence/stay in a country outside of Japan” such as enrollment in a foreign educational or research institution, or employment in an enterprise outside of Japan to prove that they are outside of Japan at the time of application.

If they stay outside of Japan for the reason(s) other than the above, please consult GSAPS Admissions Office beforehand.

4. Screening Methods

The decision whether to accept or reject will be based on the results of evaluation of all the required documents submitted.

5. Screening Schedules

The application number will be notified within 2 weeks before the announcement of the screening result by postal mail or email. If it does not reach you, please contact GSAPS Admissions Office (gsaps-admission@list.waseda.jp).

“Online Application” in the table below indicates the period when applicants fill out the Online Application System with applicants’ information.

For more details of this system, please refer to 7. Application Documents A.①.

Admissions Categories		Application Period	Admission Decision
General Admissions (September 2020 Admissions)	Application from Inside of Japan	Online Application March 23 – April 6, 2020	June 4, 2020
	Application from Overseas	Documents Submission March 30 – April 6, 2020	

6. How to Submit the Application

Applicants are required to pay the application fee, submit the necessary information/data via the online application system, and send the application documents which cannot be submitted via online application system nor directly sent by the certificate-issuing institutions to the following address physically.

In the case of delivery from overseas, please use an international courier service for which you can track the delivery status such as EMS, and in the case of delivery from within Japan, Simplified Registered Mail from a post office.

The application documents must reach GSAPS Admissions Office no later than the prescribed deadline. The GSAPS Admissions office does not inform applicants whether the application documents have reached or not in any circumstances. **Applicants must check delivery status by themselves with tracking number of courier services.**
GSAPS Admissions Office does not accept submission in person.

<Address to send the application documents>

GSAPS Admissions Office, Waseda University
Nishi-Waseda Bldg. 7F, 1-21-1 Nishi-Waseda, Shinjuku-ku, TOKYO
169-0051 JAPAN

◆ Notes on Applications

- Application documents must be complete for you to qualify to take the entrance examination. If the GSAPS Admissions Office contacts you concerning the application documents, please follow the instructions immediately.
 - As a general rule, the application fee and all application documents are nonrefundable and will not be returned to the applicant. However, the application fee will be refunded to the applicants who fall under one of the following cases. Please contact the GSAPS Admissions Office, if necessary.
 1. Applicants paid the application fee but did not submit the application documents.
 2. Applicants paid the application fee but submitted the application documents after the application deadline.
 3. Applicants paid an application fee and submitted the application documents, but their application was not accepted.

*Any handling fees which may be incurred for refunds must be paid by the applicant.
 - The contents of application documents once submitted cannot be changed.
 - If the documents/materials/information which were submitted to our University at the time of application are revealed to be forged, falsified, or plagiarized, it will be considered an act of dishonesty and the result of the admissions screening may be invalidated. Please note that even in this case the submitted documents/materials/information and application fee will not be returned.
 - In the case of a change of address, telephone number, or email address, please inform the GSAPS Admissions Office immediately.
- * If you expect to require special care during the entrance examination or after entering the GSAPS due to a disability or serious medical condition, etc., please contact the GSAPS Admissions Office in advance. In addition, if a serious injury or illness is expected to affect your ability to take the entrance examination, or even if you find yourself in such situation after submitting your application, please contact us immediately.

7. Application Documents

【 Notes 】

- Applicants must submit the information about an applicant and his/her recommenders, the essays, and so on via online application system. Must complete them in the language that applicants use during the admission and when writing the degree thesis.
- The documents which cannot be submitted via online application system (e.g. Certificate of (Expected) Graduation/ Degree, Transcript, Proof of Language Proficiency, etc.) must be submitted by applicant him/herself by postal mail, or directly sent by the institutions who issue those certificates by post or email.
- Documents will not be returned once submitted, regardless of any special circumstances on the part of the applicant. Original certificates which cannot be reissued may be returned only when a written request in the designated format, "Request Form for Return of Submitted Materials", is submitted at the time of application. These documents will be returned after the announcement of the final result. Please make photocopy of them before submission in case you need them during the admission period. Re-issuable documents such as TOEFL and TOEIC score reports will not be returned regardless of request.
- Applicants must confirm by themselves whether all necessary application materials are packed before dispatching them, by utilizing the application materials list. GSAPS Admissions Office does not take that procedure on behalf of each applicant.
- The GSAPS Admissions Office may require additional materials after the application documents are received.
- Please use a black or blue pen or type to fill out the forms. "Erasable ball-point pen" may not be used.
- Regarding GSAPS designated forms, please download the necessary forms from our website or online application system.

All the application materials listed below (A-C) must be submitted by the deadline of application.

A) Submission by “GSAPS Online Application System”

*Neither have to print out nor submit the hard-copies of the data input/uploaded in Online Application System.

<p>① Applicant's information, etc.</p>	<p>Please access “Online Application System” from the webpage of “Admission Formats” in GSAPS website via the URL below, https://www.waseda.jp/fire/gsaps/en/admissions/format and input or upload the information below, following the instruction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Applicant's information (Program, Project Research, Language for screening/thesis, Name, Contact information, Educational background, Professional background, Language proficiency, etc.) ◆ Information of the recommender(s) whom applicant requests to write the recommendation letters (Relationship to applicant, Name, Job title, Institution (University/Company), Contact information (Telephone number/Email address), etc.) <p>*It is requested to fill out the information for 2 recommenders. *Recommendation letter must be written by a university professor who (has) supervised the work of the applicant, a superior at the applicant's (current) institution or company, or other appropriate person. *Recommender must be the person who can contact us via email, and also is able to write the letter either in Japanese or English. *Telephone number of the recommender(s) must be at their work places (University/Company) and email address has to have domain name of their institution, NOT their personal one of free mail.</p> <p><u>Within a couple of days after you submit online application, GSAPS Admissions Office online system will directly send your recommender (whom you have filled out the information in Online Application System) an email to request the submission of recommendation letter. Recommender must submit the recommendation letter from the “online submission system”, by following the instruction. Submission by email or postal mail is not acceptable.</u> <u>Please request your recommenders in advance to prepare your recommendation letter in order to meet the designated application period.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Essay 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *For A (Research plan), please use the designated format (WORD file) downloadable from “Online Application System” and upload the file (WORD or PDF). For B, C, and D, please input directly on online application system. <p>A. Please describe in detail the research plan which you wish to pursue at GSAPS, including the theme, and methods of approach, etc. which you intend to use. Also, please write a list of references. The list of references is not included into the number of words. (800 words or less)</p> <p>B. Please explain the reasons why you have chosen to apply for the GSAPS MA Program at this particular time in your life. (200 words or less)</p> <p>C. Please describe your career goal in detail. How do you plan to achieve them? What significance will your degree obtained at GSAPS have in helping to achieve your career goals? (200 words or less)</p> <p>D. (Optional) Please describe any special awards which you have received for academic, professional, or community achievements, if any. Or, please describe some personal achievement which you would like to bring to the attention of the Admissions Office, and state the reasons why the achievement you have described is of particular significance to you. (200 words or less)</p>
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	<p>◆ Essay 2: *For Essay 2, the several themes are disclosed at the following URL on March 9. https://www.waseda.jp/fire/gsaps/en/admissions/format *Applicant is required to choose one topic out of them, fill out the essay using the format which is downloadable from the online application system, and upload the file (WORD or PDF). The list of references is not included into the number of words. (800 words or less)</p> <p>◆ Photograph (Color) (Headshot): Please upload in JPEG format. *It must be taken within 3 months prior to the application. Applicant should face squarely to the front and should remove any hats and caps. *The background should be plain without a frame with no shadows.</p> <p>◆ Payment Proof of the Application Fee: Please refer to 8. Payment of the Application Fee as described below and pay it in the way most convenient for you. Please input the followings “xxxx” in each payment way listed below. -For payment by Credit Card, Union Pay, and Alipay: “<u>Receipt Number</u>” in ‘Result’ page shown after payment by online application -For payment at convenience stores in Japan: “<u>Receipt Number</u>” shown in payment proof -For payment through an overseas banking institution: “<u>None</u>” -For those who apply for the “Application fee waiver program for applicants from specified countries”: “<u>Applied for Application Fee Waiver Program</u>” (“Application Form for Application Fee Waiver” must be submitted together with other application materials by postal mail.)</p> <p><Only for Non-Japanese applicants></p> <p>◆ Page with Headshot photo in the passport : Please upload in PDF or JPEG format. For applicants who do not possess a passport at the time of application, upload the certificate of family register or citizenship.</p> <p>◆ Residence Card or Special Permanent Resident Certificate (Only for those who have these certificates): Please upload PDF of photocopy of both sides. *Applicants who are in the process of extending their authorized period of stay are requested to upload a document to certify that they are in the process of the extension procedure.</p>
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B) Submission by applicant him/herself by postal mail

or directly sent by the university/institution issuing the certificate (either by post or by email)

**② Certificate of (Expected) Graduation/ Degree
(Original)**

*Please submit the document written in Japanese or English. If applicant is not able to obtain the document written in Japanese or English, please prepare the translation and get it verified by notary office to prove that the translation is correct. Please submit the translation together with the original verification document by notary office.

Must be original. Photocopies are not acceptable.

However, if your home university directly send it GSAPS Admissions Office via online/email or by postal mail, it is acceptable.

In this case, please enclose the note which mentions it in the application package by postal mail.

*Submit the document enclosed in an envelope with official seals. (Notarized documents do not have to be enclosed in an envelope.)

*Applicants must submit official certificates for all undergraduate and graduate schools attended.

**For applicants who graduated and obtained a degree from a university or college in Mainland China (excluding Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Macau) :
Submission by postal mail is NOT acceptable. Submit following the instruction below.**

- For the certificate of Graduation, Applicants from Chinese institutions must arrange "Online Verification Report of Higher Education Qualification Certificate" to be sent directly to our office (gsaps-admission@list.waseda.jp) from CHESICC via email.
- Visit CHESICC website (<https://www.chsi.com.cn/en/pvr/>) for more information.
- Online Verification Report must reach our office by the deadline of the application period.
- Only report sent directly from CHESICC will be considered valid

仅从 CHESICC 通过电子邮件直接发送的验证报告将被视为有效。我们不接受大学颁发的证书。

- For the Certificate of Degree, applicants graduated from Chinese institutions must arrange "Credentials Report (認証報告)" to be sent directly to our office (gsaps-admission@list.waseda.jp) from "中国教育部学位与研究生教育发展中心" (CDGDC) " via email.
- Visit CDGDC website (<http://cqy.chinadegrees.cn/en/>) for more information. **Chinese version is acceptable.**
- Credentials Report must reach our office by the deadline of the application period.
- Only report sent directly from CDGDC will be considered valid.

仅从 CDGDC 通过电子邮件直接发送的验证报告将被视为有效。我们不接受大学颁发的证书。

③ Transcript (Original)

*Please submit the document written in Japanese or English. If applicant is not able to obtain the document written in Japanese or English, please prepare the translation and get it verified by notary office to prove that the translation is correct. Please submit the translation together with the original verification document by notary office.

Must be original. Photocopies are not acceptable.

However, if your home university directly send it GSAPS Admissions Office via online/email or by postal mail, it is acceptable.

In this case, please enclose the note which mentions it in the application package by postal mail.

*Submit the document enclosed in an envelope with official seals. (Notarized documents do not have to be enclosed in an envelope.)

*The document should include the date of issue.

*Please submit the latest version of transcripts if you are expected to graduate. The transcript of the school which you have already graduated should be issued after your graduation.

*Applicants must submit official certificates including all grades for all undergraduate and graduate schools attended.

*For applicants who have transferred, a transcript from the previous institution must also be submitted.

*For applicants who have studied abroad during their undergraduate or graduate years:

If the credits earned at the host institution are accredited as required credits for the graduation but those details[†] are not indicated in the official transcript issued by applicants' home university, official transcript issued by the host university is required.

[†]e.g.) number of credits, name of subjects, and grades

*For applicants for Special Admissions for Graduating Waseda University Students, whose home universities are overseas partner universities of Waseda University and who are currently enrolled in the undergraduate school at Waseda University through the Double Degree Program, if the names of the subjects taken and the grades received at their home universities are not indicated on the Official Transcript of Courses issued by Waseda University, the transcript issued by their home university is required to submit..

*If the transcript does not include an explanation of the grading system, official documents that explain the grading system at the home university must also be submitted.

	<p>For applicants who graduated and obtained a degree from a university or college in Mainland China (excluding Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Macau) :</p> <p><u>Submission by following procedure is preferable.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For the transcript from Chinese institutions, please arrange "Verification Report of China Higher Education Student's Academic Transcript " to be sent directly to our office (gsaps-admission@list.waseda.jp) from CHESICC via email. • Visit CHESICC website (https://www.chsi.com.cn/en/pvr/) for more information. • ” Verification Report of China Higher Education Student's Academic Transcript” must reach our office by the deadline of the application period. <u>成績认证报告希望通过 CHESICC 通过电子邮件直接发送给 GSAPS。</u>
<p>④ Proof of Language Proficiency (Original)</p> <p>*Refer to the last page of this application guide.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>* Proof of Japanese Language Ability :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) administered jointly by the Japan Education Exchanges and Services, and the Japan Foundation: Score report of passing the Level 1 or N1 - Score report of Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU): <p>*Proof of English Language Ability : TOEIC, IELTS, or TOEFL score report</p> </div>	<p><u>Must be original. Photocopies are not acceptable.</u> However, if the institutions issuing the certificate directly send it GSAPS Admissions Office via online/email or by postal mail, it is acceptable. In this case, please enclose the note which mentions it in the application package by postal mail.</p> <p><u>There is no specified valid period / minimum score for language proficiency test qualified for application.</u></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Applicants who choose Japanese for screening / thesis writing</p> </div> <p>Native Japanese Speaker : Proof of English Language Ability</p> <p>Non-Native Japanese Speaker : Proof of Japanese Language Ability or an official certificate that indicates Japanese as the medium of instruction issued by one's home university in Japan *1</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Applicants who choose English for screening / thesis writing</p> </div> <p>Native English Speaker : Proof of English Language Ability is not compulsory.</p> <p>Non-Native English Speaker : Proof of English Language Ability or an official certificate that indicates English as the medium of instruction issued by one's home university *2</p> <p>*1 Official certificate that indicates Japanese as the medium of instruction issued by one's home university: This document certifies that the applicant is expected to complete or has completed an undergraduate or graduate degree program at the universities in Japan</p>

	<p>entirely in Japanese.</p> <p>*2 Official certificate that indicates English as the medium of instruction issued by one's home university: This document certifies that the applicant is expected to complete or has completed an undergraduate or graduate degree program entirely in English.</p> <p>Applicants are requested to notify the GSAPS Admissions Office in writing at the time of application if they intend to have TOEFL / IELTS scores sent directly to GSAPS.</p> <p>*GSAPS code is <u>2713 (GRAD SCH ASIA-PACIFIC WASEDA U)</u> when TOEFL test score report is sent directly from ETS. For Department Code, please choose 88 (International Relations), or 99 (Any department not listed).</p>
⑤ Certificate of Scholarship Award during the period of study at GSAPS (if applicable)	In case the applicants are supposed to receive the scholarship during the school days of GSAPS after successfully passing the screening, please submit this certificate.
⑥ Written proof of residence/stay in a country outside of Japan (if applicable)	In case Japanese citizens and non-Japanese who possess a resident status in Japan apply under the Application from Overseas category, they must submit. (Please refer to page 4.)

C) (Only for Non-Japanese applicants who currently reside out of Japan*) Submission by postal mail

*Applicants who does not possess Japanese Visa currently and wish to have the GSAPS apply for the Certificate of Eligibility for "Student Visa" as their proxy are requested to submit documents ⑦(a)~(d) below.

*Designated forms are available from the URL below.

<https://www.waseda.jp/fire/gsaps/en/admissions/format>

⑦Application Materials for the Certificate of Eligibility	*For details, please refer to "11. Student Visa" described below.
(a) Application for the Certificate of Eligibility (designated form)	"Application for applicant, Part 1, 2 and 3" must be filled out completely.
(b) Photograph : one original	Please affix it to the designated space of the Application for the Certificate of Eligibility.
(c) Written Oath for Defraying Expenses (designated form)	Must be written by the sponsor of the applicant. *Should applicants choose to defray the expenses on their own, this document is not required. *If there are multiple supporters, applicants are requested to submit a separate document for each supporter.
(d) Documents to prove that applicants can defray all the expenses (tuition, fees and living expenses) incurred during their stay in Japan	E.g. bank balance certificate of the supporter's account, written proof of the receipt of a scholarship showing amount and duration, etc. *In principle, please submit the bank balance certificate for the savings account or checking account. *If there are multiple supporters including the applicant his/herself, applicants are requested to submit a separate document for each supporter. *At least 2,000,000 JPY will be required for our program.

8. Application Fee

Please refer to the list below.

Admissions Categories/Methods		Application Fee
General Admissions	Application from Inside of Japan	35,000 JPY
	Application from Overseas	5,000 JPY

The application fee must be paid during the designated payment period. Please carefully check the application fee amount above as they are different according to the admissions categories/methods.

Please note that payment before/after the payment period is not accepted.

[Period for Payment]

Admissions Categories		Application Period	Period for Payment
General Admissions	Application from Inside of Japan	March 30 – April 6 , 2020	March 23 – April 6 , 2020
	Application from Overseas		

* The application fee is waived or refunded in the following cases.

1) Applicants who apply from specified countries may be eligible to apply for the application fee waiver program.

Please refer to the “**Application fee waiver program for applicants from specified countries**” followed below.

2) Applicants who are Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) Scholarship recipients at the time of application and are eligible to enroll in GSAPS as Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) Scholarship recipients continuously will get the refund for the application fee after enrollment.

For payment of the application fee at convenience stores in Japan

For payment of the application fee at a convenience store, please access the following website from a personal computer or a mobile phone at the “Application Fee Convenience Store Payment Site (<https://e-shiharai.net/>) [Japanese language only]”. You must first complete all the required application procedures before you are allowed to pay at any convenience store.

Payment is available 24 hours a day regardless of day. However, please note that application via the website will end at 23:00 on the final day of the payment period. Similarly, you will not be able to make a payment at a convenience store after 23:30 on the final day of the payment period.

Please fill out “Receipt Number” shown in payment proof into Online Application System. Please refer to “◆Payment Proof of the Application Fee.” in p.9.

*If a family member or acquaintance of an applicant conducts the procedure for the applicant, the family member or acquaintance must enter the applicant’s information.

*If applicants are unable to make the payment at a convenience store for some reasons, please contact the GSAPS Admissions Office in advance.

Waseda University

Convenience Store Easy-Pay Systems for Entrance Exam Fees

Now you can transfer funds to pay for your entrance examination - 24 hours a day - from your nearest Lawson, Ministop, FamilyMart, Seven-Eleven.

- Before going to the convenience store, you will need to obtain an application number which you can get from going online on either your cellphone or computer. This number will be required when you make your payment.



<https://e-shiharai.net/>



To obtain your application number, please follow the instructions on the screen and input all necessary information. This number will be required when you make your payment.

If you input the wrong information when trying to obtain your application number, please start again from the beginning and make your payment. If you are not able to make the required payment before the due date you will receive this deadline upon completing the online application, all the information you had input will be canceled automatically.

- Convenience Store Payment ●The application fee cannot be paid through an ATM. Be sure to make your payment at the cash register.

Paying at SEVEN-ELEVEN
[13-digit Payment Slip Number] 払込票番号

Tell the counter staff that you want to make an "Internet shiharai." Then provide your Payment [払込票番号] Payment slip Number

※If a payment slip is not printed out, just tell your number to the counter staff.

A multifunction copier can not be used to make payment.

●Make the payment at the register.
●Receive an Application Fee Statement. Detach the Certificate of Payment (receipt) portion.

Paying at LAWSON or MINISTOP
[1 1-digit Customer Number] お客様番号
[4-digit Verification Code] 確認番号

Use the Lawson information terminal Loppi

Touch the "各種サービスメニュー" option Various Service Menu

Select the "各種代金お支払い" button on the touch screen All Payments

Touch the "各種代金お支払い" option All Payments

Touch "マルチペイメントサービス" Multi-Payment Service

Enter your [お客様番号][確認番号] Customer Number Verification Code

●Loppi, FamiPort issues a funds transfer receipt. You will need to take this to the cash register within 30 minutes and make the actual payment.
●Receive an Application Fee Statement. Detach the Certificate of Payment (receipt) portion.

* Design and layout of the touch screen buttons is subject to change without notice.

Paying at FamilyMart
[1 1-digit Customer Number] お客様番号
[4-digit Verification Code] 確認番号

Use the FamilyMart information terminal FamiPort

Select the "代金支払い" button on the touch screen All Payments

Touch the "各種代金お支払い" option All Payments

Enter your [お客様番号][確認番号] Customer Number Verification Code

●Loppi, FamiPort issues a funds transfer receipt. You will need to take this to the cash register within 30 minutes and make the actual payment.
●Receive an Application Fee Statement. Detach the Certificate of Payment (receipt) portion.

* Design and layout of the touch screen buttons is subject to change without notice.

- Application

Affix the receipt portion to "Form for Submission of the Certificate of Payment of Application Fee" in the designated location.

●Seven-Eleven

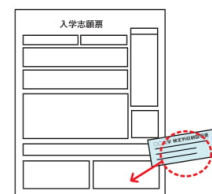
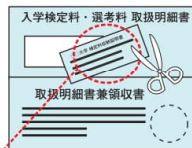
Detach the receipt portion of the Exam Fee Statement and affix it to the application packet in the designated location. Hold onto the proof of bank transfer for your records.



The appearance of the ticket you receive may differ from the illustration above.

●Lawson ●Family Mart ●Ministop

Detach the receipt portion (Certificate of Payment) of the Application Fee Statement and affix it to the application packet in the designated location. Hold onto the remainder of the Fee Statement ("Applicant's Copy" portion) for your records.



※When paying at a convenience store, proof of payment via bank stamp is not necessary.

Attach Your Receipt (Certificate of Payment) to the Application

※When attaching the certificate of payment, be sure to use glue which is suitable for use with thermal paper and pressure-sensitive paper. Please check the glue label.

- Be sure to complete your convenience store payment before the time limit expires. All the payment information you entered will be deleted automatically if the payment is not completed before the deadline.
- Please note: After application fee payment has been made at any of the above shops, refund is not possible.
- Please double-check the application deadline in your application guide. Post your payment early enough to be sure it is received in time.

■Payment Commission

(transfer fee charged by all participating stores)

There is a fee for this payment transfer service, which applicants must pay in addition to the entrance exam fee. The payment commission is as the same at all participating stores.

convenience stores:	Entrance exam fee ¥49,999 or less	500 yen
	Entrance exam fee ¥50,000 or more	720 yen

Questions about paying your entrance exam fees at convenience stores? Please visit:

Note: Convenience store staff cannot answer questions about the service.

<https://e-shiharai.net/>

*The procedure ③ indicated in the diagram above is not applicable for GSAPS admission.

For payment of the application fee by Credit Card, Union Pay, and Alipay

For payment of the application fee by Credit Card, Union Pay, and Alipay, please access the following website from a personal computer or a mobile phone at the online application fee payment website (<https://e-shiharai.net/ecard/>) and complete the required procedure.

Payment is available 24 hours a day regardless of day. However, on the final day of the application period, please complete the payment through “e-shiharai.net” by 23:00 (Japan Standard Time).

Please fill out “Receipt Number” in ‘Result’ page shown after payment into Online Application System. Please refer to “◆Payment Proof of the Application Fee.” in p.9.

* The payment can be made with a credit card held in the name of a person other than the applicant. However, the applicant’s information must be entered in the “Basic Information” page of the application fee payment website.

Waseda University Examination Fee Payment by Credit Card, Union Pay, and Alipay

24 hours a day, 365 days a year, you can pay anytime! Easy, Convenient and Simple!

You can pay the Examination Fee by using
Credit Card, Union Pay, and Alipay.



Access the site below with your PC

<https://e-shiharai.net/ecard/>



You can access
from our
website too !

Web Application - Online Transaction

1. Top Page

Click "Examination Fee".

2. Terms of Use and Personal Information Management

Please read the Terms of use an Personal Information Management.
Click "Agree" button located in the lower part of this page if you agree with these terms.
Click "Not agree" button located in lower part of this page if you do not agree with these terms.

3. School Selection

Click "Waseda University".

4. School Information

Read the information carefully and click "Next".

5. Category Selection

Choose First to Fourth Selection and click "Add to Basket".

6. Basket Contents

Check the contents and if it is OK, click "Next".

7. Basic Information

Input the applicant's basic information.
Choose your credit card and click "Next".

Paying with Credit Card

Input Credit Card Number (15 or 16-digits),
expiration date and security code.

All of your application information is displayed.
Click "Confirm" to verify.

Click "Print this page" button and print out
"Result" page.

Paying with Union Pay, Alipay

Follow the onscreen instructions to complete the card payment.

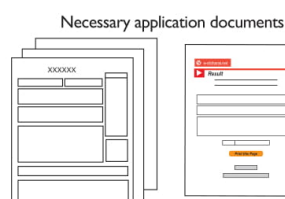
Please click the "Application Results" button in the upper
part of this site (e-shiharai.net).

Please write down the "Receipt Number" given when you
complete your application, and enter your
"Payment Method", "Receipt Number" and "Birth Date".
Please make sure your printer is ready.

Please print out the "Payment Inquiry - Inquiry result" page.

Application

Enclose the printed "Result" page in an application envelope with
other necessary application documents.



[NOTICE/FAQ]

- During the payment periods and application periods specified in the application guidelines, you can make payment anytime. Please consult the application guidelines and complete payment in time for the application period.
- On the last date of the payment period, please complete the transaction by 11:00pm Japan time.
- It is possible to use a card which carries a name different from that of the applicant. However, please make sure that the information entered in the Basic Information page is the applicant's information.
- If you did not print out the "Result" page, you can display it later on the Application Result page. Please enter "Receipt Number" and "Birth Date" to redisplay.
- Please contact the credit card company if your card is not accepted.

■ Payment Commission

There is a fee for this payment transfer service, which applicants must pay in addition to the entrance exam fee.

Entrance exam fee	Payment Commission
~ 29,999 yen	565 yen
30,000 yen ~ 49,999 yen	1,005 yen
50,000 yen ~ 69,999 yen	1,446 yen
70,000 yen ~ 99,999 yen	1,833 yen
100,000 yen ~ 199,999 yen	2,074 yen
200,000 yen ~ 299,999 yen	2,618 yen
300,000 yen ~	4,400 yen

For questions or problems not mentioned here, please contact :

E-Service Support Center Tel : +81-3-5952-9052 (24 hours everyday)

*The procedure indicated in "Application" column of the diagram above is not applicable for GSAPS admission.

For payment of the application fee through an overseas banking institution

Please follow the directions below and pay the application fee by Telegraphic Transfer. If the local bank requires a separate handling fee, please pay the fee to the bank in addition to the following remittance.

Type	Telegraphic Transfer
Payment method	Advise and Pay
Bank transfer fee	Payer's Responsibility
Lifting charge	Payee's Account
Amount to be remitted	In cases where application fee is 35,000 JPY : 37,500 JPY (Application Fee of 35,000 JPY plus bank transfer fee of 2,500 JPY) In cases where application fee is 5,000 JPY : 7,000 JPY (Application Fee of 5,000 JPY plus bank transfer fee of 2,000 JPY)
Purpose of remittance	Application Fee
Message to payee	Applicant's full name
Bank name	MUFG Bank, Ltd.
Branch	Edogawabashi Branch
Account number	0035967FKA
Payee	Waseda University
Address of Bank	1-48-13, Sekiguchi Bunkyo-ku Tokyo 1120014, Japan
Swift code	BOTKJPJT

Outline

Applicants who wish to be admitted into the GSAPS are eligible to apply for the application fee waiver if they reside in one of the countries designated by Waseda University AND hold the nationality of one of those countries.

Eligibility

The following conditions must be fulfilled:

- 1) The applicant must reside in one of the countries classified as "Least Developed Countries" or "Other Low Income Countries" in the list of ODA recipients as published by OECD/DAC AND hold the nationality of one of those countries (the applicant's country of residence and nationality do not necessarily have to be identical).
 - * For the list of eligible countries, refer to "Eligible Countries" below.
 - * Applicants residing in Japan are not eligible.
- 2) Applicants with dual nationality are only eligible if both nationalities are included in the list of eligible countries described in 1) above.

Procedures

Please enclose "Application Form for Application Fee Waiver"* with the other application documents.

Applications made after application period will not be accepted under any circumstances.

*The form can be downloaded from the GSAPS website. <https://www.waseda.jp/fire/gsaps/en/admissions/format>.

* Applicants who apply for the application fee waiver program are not required to pay the application fee.

However, if payment was made before the application for the application fee waiver program, the application fee will not be reimbursed.

* In the event that the applicant is found to be ineligible for the application fee waiver program or has made a false claim, the application for admission to Waseda University itself may be immediately revoked.

[Eligible Countries]

Afghanistan, Angola, Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Central African Rep., Chad, Comoros, D.P.R.Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Kiribati, Kyrgyz Rep., Laos, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Niger, Rwanda, Samoa, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, , Tanzania, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tuvalu, Uganda, Vanuatu, Yemen, Zambia , Zimbabwe

9. Announcement of Successful Applicants

Successful applicants will be notified by the following methods.

①GSAPS Website	The “Application Numbers” (Juken Bango) of successful applicants will be posted on the GSAPS website at 10:00a.m. (Japan Standard Time) on the prescribed day.
②Notification by postal mail	For the successful applicants, the “Letter of Admission” will be sent by postal mail on the prescribed day for the screening result announcement and the "Guide to Entrance Procedures" will be provided via GSAPS Website.

*** The GSAPS Admissions Office will not answer any inquiries with regard to the results and/or details of the screening over telephone, via email, or by any other means.**

10. Entrance Procedures

Details about the entrance procedures and documents required for entrance are explained in the “Guide to Entrance Procedures”, which will be announced to the successful applicants on the GSAPS website. This section provides an outline of the procedures. Please keep these points in mind and be sure to follow the correct procedures for entrance.

Only successful applicants who have submitted the necessary documents for the entrance procedures and have transferred the tuition and fees by the Entrance Procedures Deadline will be admitted.

Please note that the matriculation date cannot be extended. However, should successful international applicants choose to serve their military obligation before matriculation and wish to enter GSAPS after completing their military obligation, the matriculation date may be extended. Please contact the GSAPS Admissions Office for details.

*** Under no circumstances can entrance procedures be conducted after the deadline. Once remitted, Tuition and Fees are not refundable, and submitted documents will not be returned to you. However, in case you must withdraw prior to entrance due to unforeseen circumstances, only the 1st-term Tuition and 1st-term Student Health Promotion Mutual Aid Association Fees will be considered for refunds. For more information about the procedures for receiving a refund, please refer to the “Guide to Entrance Procedures”, which will be given to successful applicants.**

Admissions Categories	Entrance Procedures Deadline
General Admissions	June 18, 2020

Tuition and Fees

The tuition and fees below are for the academic year 2020. Successful applicants will be notified of details about the payment in “Guide to Entrance Procedures”. (Units: JPY)

	1st year Amount		2nd year Amount	
	For Entrance Procedures (First Semester)	Second Semester	First Semester	Second Semester
Entrance Fee	200, 000	–	–	–
Tuition	686, 500	686, 500	786, 500	786, 500
Waseda University Student Health Promotion Mutual Aid Association Fee	1, 500	1, 500	1, 500	1, 500
Sub-Total	888, 000	688, 000	788, 000	788, 000
	1, 576, 000		1, 576, 000	
Total	3, 152, 000			

* The Entrance Fee is waived for a successful candidate who is currently enrolled in, graduated from, completed, or withdrew from an undergraduate, graduate, or specialized program of Waseda University.

* Student Health Promotion Mutual Aid Association Fees may change in the second year or later.

* Additional fees may be necessary if registering particular courses after entrance.

* Students who have newly enrolled MA program will be required to pay 40,000 JPY as the “Alumni association membership fee”. This membership fee will be paid in the final term/semester of their final year, which covers 10 years of annual membership that students pay in advance.

11. Student Visa

It is, in principle, necessary for international applicants who does not possess Japanese nationality to obtain a “Student Visa” after they have been accepted at GSAPS, completed the prescribed entrance procedures, and effectively made the decision to begin their studies at GSAPS. Students must submit a valid passport and the Certificate of Eligibility (COE) to the Japanese Embassy or Consulate in their home country in order to apply for a “Student Visa.”

GSAPS will act as proxy to obtain the COE from the Tokyo Immigration Bureau of the Ministry of Justice for applicants applying under the Application from Overseas category, who do not possess Japanese nationality. Applicants desiring to have the GSAPS act as their proxy are requested to submit a complete set of the necessary materials at the time of their application to the GSAPS in order to complete the processing in time.

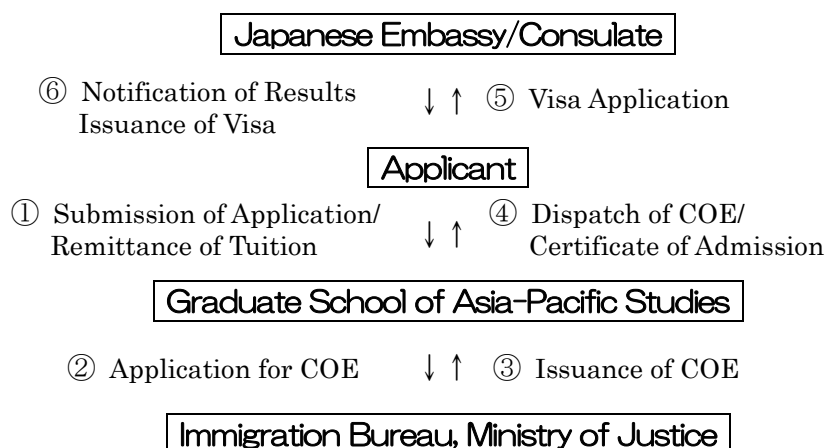
Please note that it takes around 2 months or more until the COE is issued by Tokyo Immigration Bureau after the submission of all required documents.

*For details, please refer to “**Application Materials for the Certificate of Eligibility**” (p.14).

Notes

- All documents must be completed in Japanese or English. If documents are submitted in a language other than Japanese or English, a Japanese or English translation must also be submitted.
- The GSAPS Admissions Office applies for COE only for “Student Visa” on behalf of applicants. Those who intend to apply for other types of visas are required to file their applications by themselves.
- If you do not submit the necessary documents or submitted documents are incomplete, we will not be able to apply for a COE for you.
- If you apply for a COE or a visa separately (i.e. a double application) in case you are accepted by other universities, a COE will not be issued.
- You may be required to submit additional documents by the Immigration Bureau of Japan.
- A COE may not be issued depending on the content of documents prepared by the applicant.
- An applicant who declines to enroll in GSAPS after having received a COE should follow the procedure for declining enrollment and return the COE to the GSAPS Admissions Office immediately.

◆ Visa Procedures (① → ② → ③ → ④ → ⑤ → ⑥)



12. Notes on Entrance Examination

Dishonest Acts

You may be deemed to have committed a dishonest act if Waseda University determines that you have falsified, fabricated, or plagiarized the document(s), statement(s), or information submitted for your application. In addition, the following actions may be taken if a dishonest act is identified.

- The applicant may not be allowed to continue taking the examination or be allowed to take any other entrance examination given by Waseda University during the year. (Application fees will not be returned.)
- The results of all entrance examinations taken by the applicant at Waseda University during the year may become invalid.

◆For your Information: List of Language Proficiency Tests

Japanese Language Proficiency Test

* Japanese Language Proficiency Test

By Japan Education Exchanges and Services/Japan Foundation

【Taking exam in Japan】

Tel. 03-6686-2974 URL. <http://www.jlpt.jp>

【Taking exam outside Japan】

URL. https://www.jlpt.jp/application/overseas_list.html

* Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU)

By Japan Students Services Organization

【Taking exam in Japan】

Tel 0570-55-0585 URL. <https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/eju/index.html>

【Taking exam outside Japan】

URL. <https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/eju/examinee/contact/index.html>

English Language Proficiency Test

* TOEFL : Test of English as a Foreign Language

By ETS : Educational Testing Service

Institution code : 2713 (GRAD SCH ASIA-PACIFIC WASEDA U)

【Taking exam in Japan】

Tel.03-6204-9830 URL. <http://ac.prometric-jp.com/toefl/jp/online.html>

【Taking Exam outside Japan】

<http://www.ets.org/toefl/>

* TOEIC : Test of English for International Communication

【Taking exam in Japan】

By The Institute for International Business Communication

Tel. 03-5521-6033 URL. <http://www.toeic.or.jp/>

【Taking Exam outside Japan】

By ETS : Educational Testing Service

URL. <http://www.ets.org/toeic>

* IELTS : International English Language Testing System

By The British Council

【Taking exam in Japan】

URL. <http://www.britishcouncil.jp/exam/ielts>

URL. <http://www.eiken.or.jp/ielts/>

【Taking Exam outside Japan】

URL. <http://www.ielts.org/>

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