



Waseda University Scholarship – GSAPS Excellence Awards

Application Guide (for September 2026 Entrance)

Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies, Waseda University provides the scholarship for Japanese applicants for the MA program. The successful applicants will be granted 1,400,000 JPY.

1. Entrance Period

September 2026

2. Program

MA Program (The standard curriculum duration: 2 years)

3. Number of Scholarship Recipients

1

4. Applicant Qualifications

Applicants must fulfill all of the following requirements.

(1) Applicants must possess Japanese nationality.

(2) Applicants must meet one of the eligibility required for the following Admissions for MA program of September 2026 entrance and apply for it.

① General Admissions

② Special Admissions for Graduating Waseda University Students

③ Special Admissions for International Development

(3) The academic records of applicants' current/latest program must fulfill either of the followings and the applicants are expected to maintain the similar grades during the period of grant.

① GPA (Grade Point Average) must be 3.0 or higher out of 4.0 in the latest transcript at the time of the application.

② “優”, “A” or higher evaluated grades must be half or more of all subjects in the latest transcript at the time of the application if the GPA is not available.

*Please note that those who will receive tuition waiver or will be dispatched from a company or institution are excluded.

*Regarding the application for the above-mentioned admissions, please make sure to refer to the respective application guide from the URL below.

【General Admissions/Special admissions for International Development】

https://www.waseda.jp/fire/gsaps/en/admissions/maadmissions#anc_8

【Special Admissions for Graduating Waseda University Students】

https://www.waseda.jp/fire/gsaps/en/admissions/for-waseda#anc_1

5. Scholarship Allowance

1,400,000 JPY (in total)

The scholarship will not be granted to those who take a leave of absence or a long-term absence.

A grantee will lose his/her scholarship and may be required to pay back any amount already paid if

- (1) Any of his/her application is found to be falsely stated.
- (2) He/she is subjected to disciplinary action, such as expulsion or removal from register, taken by Waseda University. (Under such circumstance, payment of the scholarship may be withheld during the deliberation of disciplinary action by Waseda University)
- (3) He/she withdraws from GSAPS or transfers to another graduate school.

6. Application Methods

Please submit the followings in “Applicant’s information: Section B” of online application form, in addition to application for the appropriate admissions.

- (1) Reason of applying for GSAPS Excellence Awards
- (2) Document which proves your Japanese nationality (Copy of passport or resident certificate (Jyumin-hyo) issued within 6 months)

7. Screening Methods

Document screening

*The decision will be made based on the evaluations of all the required documents submitted.

8. Selection Schedule (JST)

March 3 (Tue.), 2026– March 17 (Tue.), 2026	Application period *Online application system closes at 16:59 of the final day of application period.
↓ Screening	
May 28 (Thu.), 2026	Notification of the scholarship recipient *Successful recipients will be notified individually

9. Contact for inquiry

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