

INSTRUCTIONS

To Applicants for Certificate of Eligibility:

Admissions Office, Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies,
WASEDA University

Please read after receiving your COE.

First, please confirm all the information on Certificate of Eligibility (COE) (spelling of your name, date of birth, etc.). If there are any errors, please contact the GSAPS Admissions Office immediately.

Procedures for Student VISA

Apply for the “Student” visa at the Embassy or Consulate General of Japan in your country.

Please make sure to contact your nearest Japanese embassy or consulate for the most updated information.

Required documents: your COE and Certificate of Admission (COA), passport

Entry into Japan

COE is valid only for 3 months from the date of issuance. You must obtain a “Student” visa and enter Japan within the validity period.

When entering Japan, you must present the Certificate of Eligibility (COE) to the immigration officer at the airport on the screen of your smartphone or other device, along with your “Certificate of Admission” If you are unable to display it on your screen, please be sure to print it out and bring it with you.

Residence Card

Upon entry into Japan, you will be issued a “Residence Card.” The “Residence Card” is very important because it verifies your identity while you are staying in Japan. Please always carry your residence card.

Register your address at your nearest city/ward hall. Follow the instruction on the *Guide to Entrance Procedures#2*, please submit a scanned image of “Residence Card” by Monday, October 5, 2026, or within 2 weeks after your arrival in Japan.

If, for any reasons, you give up entering our graduate school, please let the GSAPS Admissions Office know as soon as possible.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We are looking forward to meeting you in September.

*Privacy Policy

Personal information stated on the Certificate of Eligibility will be strictly safeguarded and managed by Waseda University and will not be used for any purpose other than managing the residence status of international students at Waseda University.