

## Change in Eligibility Requirements for Global Studies in Japanese Cultures Program (Overseas Students Admission)

The School of Culture, Media and Society announces changes to the eligibility requirements of Global Studies in Japanese Cultures Program (Overseas Students Admission). These are in accordance with the “Amendment of University Entrance Eligibility toward Internationalization” implemented by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) on January 31, 2019. The changes, which are listed below, will take effect from the application period for entrance in September 2019. As a result, prospective students who fulfil the updated eligibility requirements are now eligible to apply even if they may be under 18 years old at the time of enrollment. Please note that this amendment will not entail any extension or change in application periods.

<Changes>

“Global Studies in Japanese Cultures Program Overseas Students Admission <for entrance in September 2019> Application Guidelines” p.4~5 “II. Applicant Eligibility”

(URL : <https://www.waseda.jp/flas/cms/en/applicants-2/admission/>)

	Previous (excerpt)	Updated (excerpt)
<b>1) NOTE</b>	<p>• Having completed or being scheduled to complete “the equivalent curriculum as designated by the Minister of MEXT” in 1) above means that you meet one of qualifications a. to c. below, <b><u>and are 18 years old or older as of September 20, 2019.</u></b></p> <p>a. You have passed a qualification exam that proves you are equivalent to or higher in academic ability than those who have completed a 12-year education curriculum outside Japan.</p> <p>b. You have completed a Japanese preparatory education curriculum designated by the Minister of MEXT after being educated in a country that has a less-than-12-year standard elementary and secondary school education curriculum.</p> <p>c. You have completed an international school curriculum or a curriculum at a school for foreign students in Japan that is recognized in the foreign country’s school education system as being equivalent to or higher than a high school curriculum</p>	<p>• Having completed or being scheduled to complete “the equivalent curriculum as designated by the Minister of MEXT” in 1) above means that you meet one of qualifications a. to c. below as of September 20, 2019.</p> <p>a. You have passed a qualification exam that proves you are equivalent to or higher in academic ability than those who have completed a 12-year education curriculum outside Japan, <b><u>and are 18 years old or older as of September 20, 2019.</u></b></p> <p>b. You have completed a Japanese preparatory education curriculum designated by the Minister of MEXT after being educated in a country that has a less-than-12-year standard elementary and secondary school education curriculum.</p> <p>c. You have completed an international school curriculum or a curriculum at a school for foreign students in Japan that is recognized in the foreign country’s school education system as being equivalent to or higher than a high school curriculum.</p>
<b>2)</b>	<p>You have been designated as having skills appropriate for this school by the Minister of MEXT, meet one of the qualifications a. to e. below or are scheduled to meet one by September 20, 2019, <b><u>and are 18 years old or older as of September 20, 2019.</u></b></p> <p>a. You hold an International Baccalaureate diploma.</p> <p>b. You hold an Abitur diploma.</p> <p>c. You hold a Baccalaureate diploma.</p> <p>d. You have passed an examination in one or more subjects at General Certificate of Education Advanced Level.</p> <p>e. You have completed an international school course in Japan accredited by the Minister of MEXT.</p>	<p>You have been designated as having skills appropriate for this school by the Minister of MEXT, meet one of the qualifications a. to e. below or are scheduled to meet one by September 20, 2019.</p> <p>a. You hold an International Baccalaureate diploma.</p> <p>b. You hold an Abitur diploma.</p> <p>c. You hold a Baccalaureate diploma.</p> <p>d. You have passed an examination in one or more subjects at General Certificate of Education Advanced Level.</p> <p>e. You have completed an international school course in Japan accredited by the Minister of MEXT.</p>

**After the amendment, prospective students who will be under 18 years old at the time of enrollment will be considered eligible to apply to our program under the following cases:**

- Prospective students who have completed or are scheduled to complete a Japanese preparatory education curriculum designated by the Minister of MEXT
- Prospective students who have graduated or are scheduled to graduate from an international school in Japan
- Prospective students who have completed or are scheduled to complete an internationally-recognized university entrance examination (International Baccalaureate Diploma, Abitur Diploma, Baccalaureate Diploma, GCE A-level, etc.)
- Prospective students who have graduated or are scheduled to graduate from an educational institution that is accredited by an internationally-recognized educational accreditation body or association (WASC, ACSE or CIS)

**Reference**

MEXT web site (in Japanese only)

[http://www.mext.go.jp/a\\_menu/koutou/shikaku/07111314.htm](http://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/koutou/shikaku/07111314.htm)

<http://search.e-gov.go.jp/servlet/Public?CLASSNAME=PCMMSTDETAIL&id=185001018&Mode=2>

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