# **WASEDA University**

Academic Year 2021

Application Guidelines: Scholarship for Young Doctoral Students
For September Enrollees (newly admitted students and currently enrolled students)
and For April Enrollees (who took a leave of absence in spring semester of 2021)

[NOTE] By the effects of COVID-19, we partially change the way of application document preparation and submission for this Academic Year 2021.

## Overview of the scholarship

This scholarship was established in 2009 to help students currently enrolled in a doctoral program to become outstanding young scholars with superior research capabilities and extensive knowledge of their fields. As shown in the table below, each graduate school will select the recipients from the students who fulfill all the requirements indicated in the following section (2.Eligibility) and submit the application documents.

Graduate school	Scholarship grant (annual)	Number of recipients	Scholarship is offered to
Graduate School of Fundamental Science and Engineering, Graduate School of Creative Science and Engineering, Graduate School of Advanced Science and Engineering,	500,000yen	262	All the students who meet the qualifications

[Note] \*The numbers of recipients shown in the table are the intended total annual numbers, including both spring and fall recruitments.

## 1. How and when to apply

Application period: No later than November 19, 2021 (Friday)

[Deadline to be strictly adhered to]

How to apply: Submit all the required application documents listed in 3 below

through application form.

#### Application Form URL

https://my.waseda.jp/application/detail/application-detail?communityContentLinkId=416340303



- \*Please note that no applications will be accepted after the deadline.
- \*Please note that submission by other application methods will not accepted other than by the above Application Form.

# 2. Eligibility

Students who meet ALL the following four requirements, (1) through (4)

\*This year, you can apply for both "Scholarship for Young Doctoral Students" and the W-SPRING (this may change in the next year).

<sup>\*</sup>We will distribute the application guidelines and start to accept applications from late May 2022 for Spring enrollees enrolled in or enrolling after academic year 2009 (with the exception of those reenrolling and transfer students).

<sup>\*</sup>The amount of this scholarship applies to one academic year (September 2021-August 2022). If you would like this scholarship to continue in the next academic year as well, you must meet the application qualifications for the next academic year and apply again. The scholarship does not continue automatically into the next academic year.

(1) 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> year doctoral students and 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> year doctoral students enrolled in a consistent five-year doctoral program (actual course year: based on the length of enrollment excluding leaves of absence and study abroad) who are September enrollees enrolled in or enrolling after academic year 2009 (with the exception of those re-enrolling and transfer students), or those who are April enrollees enrolled in or enrolling after academic year 2009 and had taken a leave of absence in the Spring semester of 2021

However, students who have received the grants three times (5-year doctoral program: five times) are not eligible to apply.

- \*April enrollees who took a leave of absence for the Spring semester of 2021 and returned to school for the fall semester of 2021 are eligible to receive this scholarship only for the fall semester (for half year). They must follow the application guidelines of the spring semester of 2022 in order to apply for this scholarship for the spring semester of 2022 to the fall semester of 2022.
- (2) Students under 30 years of age as of April 1, 2021 (born on April 2, 1991 or later)
- (3) Students who have received recommendations from two academic staff (one from your chief research project advisor and another from a full-time faculty member, except faculty members who are NOT on tenure.
  - Names of your recommenders must be filled in on the "Scholarship Applicant Recommendation Form & Confirmation Form for Information on Application".
  - (Recommenders' names may be either handwritten or typed. Their seals are not required. However, please be sure to get their approval beforehand.).
- (4) Students in any of the following categories cannot apply:
  - ① Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) government sponsored international students
  - ② Waseda University research associate
  - ③ Part-time lecturer at Waseda University Senior High School, Waseda University Honjo Senior High School, Waseda University Art and Architecture School of Waseda University
  - Recipients of a Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) Research Fellowship for Young Scientists
  - (5) Recipients of other **full** tuition waivers (school fee waivered due to disasters, etc. or other reasons)
  - ⑤ Students receiving full Waseda University tuition (or a full reduction) from a government, corporation or scholarship foundation
    - \*There are cases where those paying a portion of their own tuition (including help from parents) are eligible to apply. Please contact the Scholarships and Financial Assistance Section for more information.
  - 7 Students on a leave of absence
    - \*Those who took a leave of absence for the spring semester of this year and returned to school in this fall semester are eligible to apply. They need to apply at this time.
    - \*For students who take a leave of absence for the fall semester of this year and return to school in the spring semester of next year, they will need to follow the application guidelines of the spring semester of next year to apply (guidelines will be informed late May).
- [Note] If one or more of the conditions in (4)① through ⑦ becomes applicable to you during September 21<sup>st</sup> 2021 to September 20<sup>th</sup> 2022, it will be necessary to return the full amount (or a portion of the amount) of the scholarship.
  - Even if you fulfill the "2.Eligibility" at the time of application, it will be necessary to return the full amount (or a portion of the amount) of the scholarship when you do not meet the requirements from September 21st 2021 to September 20th 2022

Please contact the Scholarships and Financial Assistance Section if you should fall under the situation as stated above.

## 3. Required Application Documents

Prepare all the documents in (1) and (2) below and submit the application through the application form during the specified application period. <u>All application documents, including the Form 2, may be either handwritten or typed and do not require a seal.</u>

#### (1) Scholarship for Young Doctoral Students Application Form (Prescribed Form 1)

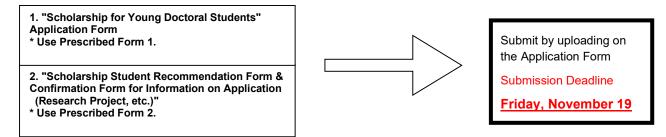
- Please correctly complete the separate prescribed form.
- Please fill in everything, leaving no items blank.
- Please fill in the "Research Project" or "Research Project Status" in details.
  - First Year Students: Describe your research project in details.
  - Second and Third year students: Please describe your research project and the status in details.
    - \*If Second and Third Year Students describe only research project, the application will not be acceptable.
- If there is not enough space in the ""Research Project" or "Research Project Status"" section, attach a separate sheet as an additional document.
  - \*You cannot leave a required field incomplete or mark it as "See the next page".

# (2) Scholarship Student Recommendation Form & Confirmation Form for Information on Application (Research Project, etc.) (Prescribed Form 2)

- For the first recommender, please ask your chief research project advisor to write a recommendation.
  - ➤ Details of research project (for First year Students) or research project status (for Second and Third Year Students) have to be described in the column of "Recommendation".
    - [\*Please inform your chief research advisor about this requirement when you request.]
- For the second recommender:
  - (First Year Students) Please ask a second reader, associate dean, or full-time faculty member of Waseda University (except those who are NOT on tenure), involved with your Master's thesis.
  - (Second and Third Year Students) Please request a full-time faculty member at Waseda University such as someone in the same field.
    - \*If you do not have a second academic staff recommender, please consult with your supervisor .

# [Note] If we should find anything fraudulent in your application documents, you will be disqualified from this scholarship application and it will have influence on your application eligibility for this scholarship in the future.

# 4. How to submit your application documents



# 5. Check, register and/or change your scholarship bank account information

Applicants must check and/or change the registered information for the ordinary bank account under the name of the student (\*see note) (some financial institutions cannot be used, such as online banks, trust banks, etc.) in the "Personal Account" screen in the MyWaseda by November 19(Friday). If your bank account is not registered or is inactive, etc., the scholarship will not be paid out even if you are selected as a recipient. Please note that if we cannot confirm your

scholarship bank account, this scholarship award may be withdrawn (When international students who are selected as the recipients cannot come to Japan and cannot open the bank account in Japan, we will have the announcement separately after January 2022).

\*Follow Steps (1) through (3) below to confirm, register and/or change your scholarship bank account information. (Japanese version only)

- (1) Log into the MyWaseda, and click "Update Student Profile" in 'View/Update Your Own Profile' listed in the menu on the left.
- (2) Check your "Personal Account" information in the "Edit Personal Information" page.
- (3) In the rare event that your account is not registered (or is inactive, for reasons including bank or branch consolidation), please be sure to accurately register a new account (or change your account information).

# 6. Schedule after Application

The schedule after you submit your application documents to the office of Center for Science and Engineering shown below. Be sure to check and follow the procedures, as each step is

important. Application deadline November 19 Deadline Check, register and /or (Strictly Adhered) change scholarship deposit account Selection procedures Beginning of in each Graduate

- At the time of application, check, register and/or change your bank account information in the MyWaseda as described in "Check, register, and/or change your scholarship deposit account" above.

December to Beginning of January

of application

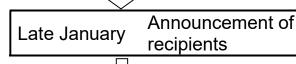
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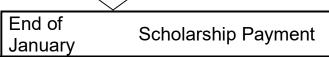
(only for the graduate schools that are going to select the recipients from the applicants)

Approval of Recipients

- Based on the application documents, each graduate school will conduct selection procedures and Waseda University approves the recipients of the scholarship.



- The office will distribute recipient notices to the successful applicants.



- Recipients will be notified of details, such as when and how the scholarship is paid, when the recipients are announced.

Inquiries Waseda University Center for Science and Engineering **Academic & Student Affairs Section** regarding (Monday through Friday 10:00~13:00, 14:00~16:00)) documentation \*Different from the office opening hours. and submission

TEL: 03-5286-3002 student-affairs@sci.waseda.ac.jp

(Please write your student ID number, name, and name of the scholarship that you

would like to ask about in your e-mail.)

Waseda University Student Affairs Division Inquiries Scholarships and Financial Assistance Section regarding this (Monday through Friday 10:00 to 16:00) scholarship TEL: 03-3203-9701 / FAX: 03-3232-9497 scheme and gakunai-tantou@list.waseda.jp payment

(Please write your student ID number, name, and name of the scholarship that you

would like to ask about in your e-mail.)

Personal information recorded on the application form will be used only for work pertaining to this scholarship and not for any other purpose.

<sup>\*</sup> The schedule above is subject to change.