

Academic Year 2025, Winter

Application Guidelines for Waseda University Emergency Scholarship

<For Japanese Students and International Students>

“Waseda University Emergency Scholarship” is a scholarship to support students who have difficulty continuing their studies due to a sudden and drastic change in their family’s financial situation, such as a financial supporter’s job loss, bankruptcy, illness, death, natural disaster, or other emergencies.

Please read the guidelines carefully and follow the procedures listed below if you wish to apply for this scholarship. If you pass the screening and are selected as a grantee, you will receive the scholarship.

(Acceptance situation of last Summer)

[Japanese Students] Number of Applicants 28 → Number of Grantees 18

[International Students] Number of Applicants 19 → Number of Grantees 7

1. Eligibility: Students who meet all the following requirements.

- (1) At the time of application, the reason for ^{※ 1}sudden changes in their families’ financial circumstances has happened within ^{※ 2}the past ONE year (January 2025– December 2025). Please note that for recipients of the previous year, one year must have passed since their last application.
- (2) Students who are recognized as having difficulty in pursuing their studies for financial reasons.
- (3) Students who are enrolled in a regular course and will be able to graduate within the standard course term (for undergraduate school) or are in the grade of the standard course term (for graduate school).

※1 Sudden changes that happened more than 1 year ago are not accepted. However, if you were selected as a recipient of this scholarship in the previous academic year and reapply with the same reason, your application can be accepted even if the reason occurred more than 1 year ago.

※2 Definitions of sudden changes in the family’ s financial circumstances are listed below.

Students are recognized as experiencing “a sudden and drastic change in their family’ s financial circumstances” if they fall under any of the following situations;

1. The main provider of the household (a parent whose income is higher than the other’s, or the one who supports the family’s finances instead of them)
 - has lost his/her job due to the bankruptcy of the company or dismissal from the company
 - has taken early involuntary retirement due to the company’ s circumstances
 - has experienced a considerable decrease in their income after re-employment

※Excluding voluntary resignation and compulsory retirement
2. The main provider of the household dies or separates from the student’s family.
3. The main provider of the household has gone bankrupt.
4. Household spending has increased considerably, or household income has decreased considerably because of sickness, accidents, bankruptcy of the company, decline of the company, or other reasons that cause sudden changes in the family’s finances.
5. Household spending has increased considerably, or household income has decreased considerably, because of disasters such as fire, storm damage, flood, earthquake, and other disasters.

2. Stipend: 400,000 Yen (1 year)

3. Application Periods:

Start of Application	November 28, 2025(Fri.)
Deadline for filling out the web application form	Until December 18, 2025(Thu.) 17:00
Deadline for mailing required documents	Postmarked on or before December 18, 2025(Thu.)

※Any applications submitted after the submission deadline will not be accepted.

※If you send documents from overseas, please submit them by email before August 1.

4. How to Apply: Follow Steps 1 to 5.

Step 1	Confirmation of eligibility
Please read this application guideline carefully and confirm the purpose of this scholarship program and eligibility for application.	
Step 2	Gathering of information necessary for the web application
Please check the "Waseda University Emergency Scholarship Web Application Form Entry Fields (For International Students)" and gather the necessary information for the web application.	
Step 3	Fill out the web application form
- Based on the information you prepared in Step 2, please complete the web application form by the deadline. Please be careful not to enter incorrect information. - Web Application Form URL (For International Students) : https://forms.office.com/r/YnpD0K9haQ	
Step 4	Preparation of required documents
Please prepare the documents listed in "5. Required Documents" in this application guideline. Please note that if any of the application documents are incomplete or missing, the applicant will not be considered.	
Step 5	Mailing of required documents
- Please mail the required documents to the Scholarships and Financial Assistance Section within the application period. - Please cooperate with us by mailing the documents as soon as possible after Step 4 is completed. - Please use an A4-size envelope (or Letter Pack) for submission. If you need confirmation of arrival, please send it by registered mail, Letter Pack, or any other method with a delivery record. If you use regular mail, we will not be able to consider it if it is not delivered due to postal accidents, etc.	
Mailing Address	
Scholarships and Financial Assistance Section Student Affairs Division, Waseda University 1-24-1 Toyama, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo 162-8644	
〒162-8644 東京都新宿区戸山 1-24-1 早稲田大学 学生部奨学課「早稲田大学緊急奨学金」係	

5. Required Documents: Please read the following carefully and prepare the necessary documents from ① to ③.

- ① "Waseda University Emergency Scholarship" Checklist and Pledge [WORD](#) ver. [PDF](#) ver.
(prescribed form, A4 size)
- ② Proof of income for all family members living in the same household (excluding those in school or not yet in school)
 - 1) Required Documents

	【For Japanese Students】 Required Documents	【For International Students】 Required Documents
Those who have been in the same position since before December 2023 as the current one	1. 最新の「所得証明書」 2. (所得証明書に未記載の収入・所得がある場合) 源泉徴収票または確定申告書控 3. 年金や公的手当を受給している場合は振込通知等	家計急変前の 12 カ月分および家計急変後の収入証明書 ※Income certificates for both periods "before the financial situation change" and "from the start of financial situation change to present" are required. For the details, refer to the " Waseda University Emergency Scholarship (International Students) " Check Sheet for Proof Submission .
Those who started working, changed jobs, retired, etc. after January 2024	1. 最新の「所得証明書」 2. 前職の源泉徴収票または確定申告書控 3. 年金や公的手当を受給している場合は振込通知等 4. (転職・就職した場合) 直近 3 ヶ月分の給与明細書 5. (転職・退職・廃業等した場合) 退職・廃業の証明書	
Those who started self-employment, etc. after January 2024	1. 最新の「所得証明書」 2. 「1 年間の所得見込報告書」(自由書式) 「売上 - (原価 + 経費) = 所得」等を必ず記入 3. 確定申告を行っている場合は確定申告書控 4. 年金や公的手当を受給している場合は振込通知等	
Those who have no income or whose income is within the	最新の「非課税証明書」 ※無収入でも、所得金額(ゼロ)の記載があるもの。	

tax-exempt amount		
If you live overseas and cannot obtain an income certificate	2024 年中の総収入を証明する書類 ※現地給与、内地給与が記載されていること (円換算したもの、日本語訳を添付)	

※Students who apply as self-supporting subsistence, in addition to the income certificates listed above, need to prepare their own income certificates (official income certificates published by the public office, withholding records, wage slips, etc.).

※Family members requiring income documentation include parties involved in sudden changes in household finances (death, separation, etc.).

※Depending on each individual's situation, additional certification documents not listed in the table above may be required.

③Official documents to prove a sudden change in household finances

2) Documents required to be submitted for reasons of a sudden change in household finances

		【For Japanese Students】 Required Documents	【For International Students】 Required Documents
A	The main provider of the household lost his/her job due to the company's bankruptcy, dismissal from the company, or involuntary early retirement.	・ 離職票・雇用保険受給資格者証 (雇用保険の受給資格がない場合のみ、離職理由の明記された退職証明書等) ・ 急変後の収入がわかる書類(「5. 必要書類-②-1」以外の書類がある場合)	・ Notice of Termination/Certificate of Resignation (The reason for leaving date must be indicated) ・ Certificate of Unemployment Insurance
B	Death of the main provider of the household	・ 死亡届、死亡診断書、戸籍抄本等のいずれか ・ 遺族年金の受給(予定)額がわかる書類 ・ 生命保険の受給(予定)額がわかる書類 ・ 故人が存命時の「5. 必要書類-②-1」	・ Death Certificate (Date of death must be indicated) ・ Receipt of Life Insurance
C	The main provider of the household separated	・ 戸籍謄本、離婚届書等 ・ 急変後の収入がわかる書類(「5. 必要書類-②-1」以外にある場合。離別して別家計となっている方の「5. 必要書類-②-1」は必須です)	・ Divorce Certificate (Date of divorce must be indicated)
D	Bankruptcy of the main provider of the household	・ 破産宣告書、銀行取引停止通知書、廃業証明等 ・ 急変後の収入がわかる書類(「5. 必要書類-②-1」以外にある場合)	・ Certificates of bankruptcy (Date of bankruptcy must be indicated)
E	Household spending has increased considerably, or household income has decreased considerably because of sickness, accidents, or bankruptcy/decline of the company.	・ 急変事由を証明する書類 ・ 著しい支出の増大または収入の減少を証明する書類(病名・治療費がわかるものなど) ・ 急変後の収入がわかる書類(「5. 必要書類-②-1」以外にある場合)	【Significant Increase in Expenses for Medical Expenses】 ・ Medical Certificate and Receipts (issued by hospitals and the diagnosed date must be indicated) 【Significant Increase in Spending Except Medical Expenses】 ・ Official document which proves the increase in expenses (date of issue must be indicated) 【Significant Decrease in Income】 ・ Documents issued by the company certifying the decrease in salary (The period of decrease in salary must be indicated and the documents must be issued by the workplace)
F	Household spending has increased considerably, or income has decreased considerably because of disasters such as fire, storm damage, flood, earthquake, and other disasters.	・ 罹災証明書等 ・ 著しい支出の増大または収入の減少を証明する書類 ・ 急変後の収入がわかる書類(「5. 必要書類-②-1」以外にある場合)	・ Certificate of disasters/Document confirming damage(Must be a public document)

※Depending on each individual's situation, additional documents not listed in the table above may be required.

6. Selection Process :

Selection will be carried out based on the submitted documents. The Scholarship Section may contact the student's Waseda-mail address or cell phone to inquire about matters that cannot be determined from the written documents or may request the submission of additional documents. Please note that if the applicant does not respond to any contact from Scholarship Section, the applicant will not be considered.

7. When scholarship recipients are selected and when scholarship funds are awarded :

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on a comprehensive screening based on the submitted

documents, including the level of need, urgency, and willingness to continue their studies. **Final selection results will be announced around mid-February via e-mail.**

The scholarship will be awarded on February 27th (Fri.) (tentative).

※The scholarship will be awarded for one year only. Please note that this scholarship will not be continued for the following year.

※Please note that we cannot respond to inquiries regarding acceptance or rejection.

8. Others :

【For Japanese Students】

In case your financial situation remains severe due to a sudden and drastic change, please complete the scholarship registration AY 2026 (“2026 年度春の奨学金登録”). You can apply for Waseda University Scholarships (Grant-type), JASSO Scholarships (Loan-type), and External Scholarships (Grant and Loan-type) through the scholarship registration. For details, please check the booklet called “Challenge”.

※ Scholarship registration AY 2026 (“2026 年度春の奨学金登録”) period (tentative).

February 2, 2026 – March 13, 2026

※ You can get “Challenge” for the AY 2026 version on the following website.

URL : <https://www.waseda.jp/inst/scholarship/applying-loans/download/>

You may apply for the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) Emergency/Temporary (loan-type) or Household Financial Change (grant-type) programs.

If you wish to apply for the grant-type program, please note that you must submit your application within three months of the principal financial change. Therefore, if you want to apply or consult about this, please contact the Scholarship Office immediately.

For more details, please refer to the following page:

<https://www.waseda.jp/inst/scholarship/applying-loans/emergency/>

※ Please note that the Household Financial Change (grant-type) program is only available to undergraduate students.

If more than three months have passed since the household financial change and you wish to apply for the JASSO grant-type program, please apply according to the regular recruitment schedule for the 2026 academic year.

<Schedule (Tentative)>

For detailed schedules and application requirements, please check the Scholarship Office website.

[1st] Application period: April, Announcement of result: July

[2nd] Application period: October, Announcement of result: December

【For International Students】

Scholarship application procedures for international students vary by school. Please ask the school office about the details.

Inquiries	Waseda University Student Affairs Division Scholarships and Financial Assistance Section (Monday through Friday 10:00 to 16:00) E-mail: ryugakusei-tantou@list.waseda.jp
Personal information recorded on the application form will be used only for work pertaining to this scholarship and not for any other purpose.	