Study Abroad Spring Recruitment（Deadline: May 2026） Screening Schedule and Notes on Interview Exam and Language Score Certificate

1．Recruiting – Screening - Announcement of the Results

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April 1（Wed.）	**Start releasing the Program List information for 2026 Spring Recruitment** **https://www.waseda.jp/inst/cie/from-waseda/abroad/programlist/list** ・You can search for the latest information on applicable programs from the link above. 　＊ From the "TERM", narrow down your search to "春募集（2026年5月締切分）2026 spring". ・Programs will be added to and/or updated on the Program List until April 10 (Fri.). 　＊ The number of listings will be low at first as information is uploaded sequentially. 　＊ Please be sure to check the Program List yourself, as we are unable to respond to individual inquiries 　　or consultations regarding the lineup of available programs.
April 8（Wed.）	**Release of the Application Guide（English ver.）**
April 10（Fri.）	**Final day for adding programs to the Program List** ・Programs will be added to the Program List until this day. No programs will be added after this date. ・Details of some programs may be updated until April 22 (Wed.) since they are not finalized at this stage. 　Make sure to check your preferred program from the day after the confirmed date.
April 16（Thu.） and 17（Fri.）	**Spring Study Abroad Fair (in-person) at the International Conference Center** 　＊ Please check the event information page on the CIE website later for details. The page is only available 　　in Japanese.
April 22（Wed.）	**Finalize all information on the Program List** 　＊ All the information on the Program List, including the details, will be finalized. 　＊ The information there is the final result of discussions with the partner universities. The recruitment 　　and selection process will be based on this information.
April 23（Thu.） 10am -	**Start of the application registration period** **Both procedures (1) and (2)** below must be completed by the due date.
	（1） Online application registration ・Please register through the application form on MyWaseda. The URL can be found on the Application 　Guide. ・The form will become inaccessible at the deadline. Applications submitted after this date will not be 　accepted for any reason. ・The website often becomes very slow just before the application deadline (5pm on May 7) because many 　students try to access it at the same time. Please register well in advance.
	（2） Submit necessary documents 　Please prepare and submit all documents either by dropping them into the BOX at WGG or by postal mail. Documents submitted or received after the due date will not be accepted for any reason. 1.　　To the BOX at WGG 　　✧ Location: Waseda Global Gate (WGG), 1st floor of Bldg. 22 　　✧ Reception Hours: WGG open hours (10am to 5pm on Weekdays) 　　✧ Notes:　・　The BOX will be set from April 23 (Thu.). 　　　　　　　・ CIE coordinators will not check each envelope to ensure that all necessary documents 　　　　　　　　are included. 　　✧ Deadline: 5pm on Thursday, May 7 2.　By Postal Mail 　　✧ Send the documents to the designated postal address by the deadline (must be RECEIVED at or 　　　before 5pm on Thursday, May 7).
April 23（Thu.） Be there by 7pm Start at 7:10pm	**Written exam（applicable students only）** ・Subject: Applicants for English DD Programs ・This exam and the announcement of results (on April 29) will both be held during the online application

* Check the Application Guide for details.	registration period. Therefore, you can register online after you receive the results (or register in advance and change your desired program on the application form after the results are announced on April 29). ・ No reservation is required to take the exam (and we will not contact the subject students in advance). ・ Individual requests (date/time changes, etc.) for the exam cannot be accepted for any reason.
April 29（Wed.）	**Announcement of the written exam results** To be notified separately to students who took the written exam.
－May 7（Thu.）, at 5pm	**Application deadline** **Submissions after the deadline will not be accepted. If you access the application form shortly before 5pm, the system may temporarily allow a late submission. However, any application completed after 5pm will be void. Please finish all procedures by 5pm.**
May 13（Wed.）	**Notice regarding the interview exam** To be notified separately to students who are required to take the interview exam. ・ The date and time of your interview will be notified via MyWaseda (Important Notification from Your Department) or by Waseda Mail. Please check them frequently. ・ Please refer to the "Flowchart to determine if you are subject to an interview" on the last page for the programs concerned.
May 15（Fri.） - 22（Fri.）	**Study abroad aptitude test at your undergraduate or graduate school** ・ The screening process varies depending on the undergraduate or graduate school. In most cases, you will not need to take any further action as the screening is based on the submitted documents. However, some schools may conduct interviews, etc. In that case, they will contact you individually. Please follow their instructions.
May 16(Sat.)	**Interview exam（online）** ・You will be notified of the interview date and time, along with other details just beforehand (tentatively scheduled for May 13). **Please keep your entire interview date open. The assigned date and time cannot be changed for any personal reasons.** ・However, we may reschedule it to a weekday depending on the situation. (The applicable students will be notified accordingly.)
June 4（Thu.） at or after 1pm	**Announcement of internal screening results** ・Via "Important Notification from Your Department" on MyWaseda or through Waseda mail

2．Announcement of the Results - Departure

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Early June	**Orientation for study abroad candidates 【Scheduled to be streamed online. Watching the video is mandatory.】**
From Mid-June	➢ **Procedures for nomination to partner institutions** ・・・To be carried out by the CIE ➢**Procedures for application to partner institutions** ・Timing varies by program. The CIE will contact you with the details. ➢**Admission from partner institutions** ➢**Arrangements for visa, housing, overseas travel insurance, communication devices at your destination, airline tickets, etc.** **Procedures at your undergraduate or graduate school** ・You are responsible for carrying out the procedure on your own.
From July	➢**Pre-departure orientation**・・・(For participants in the one-semester programs starting in the fall of 2026 【Scheduled to be streamed online. Watching the video is mandatory.】) ➢**Travel** (Participants in the one-semester programs starting in the fall of 2026)
Mid-January	➢**Pre-departure orientation** ・・・(For participants in the programs starting in the spring of 2027 【Scheduled to be streamed online. Watching the video is mandatory.】)
February － March	➢**Travel** (Participants in the programs starting in the spring of 2027)

*The above schedule is as of the date of this document and may be subject to change.

3．【Reference】Flowchart to determine if you are subject to an interview exam（on May 16）

You may be subject to an interview if you are applying for any of the following programs. Please use the flowchart below to determine whether you need an interview. English programs other than DD, non-English EX-L and CS-L programs, and other programs not included in the chart below do not require an interview exam.

English	Non-English
DD	**EX-R**

English / DD:
Passed the written exam on April 23.
- YES → (down arrow)
- NO → ✖ Ineligible for screening

Non-English / EX-R:
Clear criteria for official language scores are set.
- YES → Have official score certificates.
  - YES → The score certificates you have met the specified criteria.
    - YES → ✖ No interview Required
    - NO → (down arrow)
  - NO → (down arrow)
- NO → Need an interview with or without a score certificate

Subject to interview：The applicable student to be notified individually by May 13.

* You will be asked to speak in the language of the participating program during the interview.

* Even if you apply to multiple programs with the same interview requirements on the chart above, you will only be interviewed once (e.g., if you apply to multiple EX-R (Spanish) programs, you will only be interviewed once for Spanish). However, if you are applying to a combination of programs with different interview requirements, you will need to participate in more than one interview (e.g., an interview in English for English DD and an interview in Spanish for EX-R (Spanish)).

* Some applicants may be subject to an interview or other screening by their undergraduate or graduate school in the name of "Study Abroad Aptitude Test". Only those applicants who are subject to this screening will be contacted separately by their undergraduate or graduate school office with details on the date and time of the screening, so please be sure to respond in a timely manner.

* A certification for your attendance to the interview will be provided upon request. If needed, refer to the contact details in the Interview Examination Candidate Guide, distributed exclusively to students subject to interviews on or before May 13 (Wed.).

4．【Reference】Notes regarding the official language score certificate

① For all programs

(1) Only official score certificates with an examination date of **June 5 of 2024 or later** will be accepted for the internal screening.

(2) **Generally, either the original certificate or a photocopy is accepted. Printing the web page is not permitted. The CIE does not provide guidance on obtaining the official language score certificate; candidates must confirm the process independently.**

(3) Language test scores not referred to in the Program List will not be accepted.

(4) Ensure your score report includes the **'score', 'test date', 'test taker's name', and 'test name (IELTS, etc.)'** <u>on a single document.</u> If your score report is printed on more than one page, staple the pages together so that all pages can be identified as yours. If your name does not appear on the test results page, also submit a test confirmation email or any official document (the exam admission ticket) with your name.

(5) Score certificates are typically not returned; therefore, we recommend you submit a copy of your scorecard.

(6) If you have issues providing the certificate during the application registration period, such as not receiving the original certificate or not having a PDF of the official score in time, you may submit a printout or a screen capture confirming your official score on the website instead. It must clearly include the 'score', 'test date', 'test taker's full name', and 'test name'. Even if your score is confirmed with the photocopy or printout, you must submit the original certificate after you successfully pass the screening.

(7) Some programs set a base score not only for the total score but for each section (i.e., speaking, reading, etc.).

(8) After the internal screening, you may be asked to retake the test when applying to the host university, when applying for a visa, or if your score certificate expires before the time of your visa application. If the retake result is lower than the score required by the host university or for a visa, you may not be accepted by the host university.

(9) You will need to submit the original certificate if the partner university you are applying to requires it.

(10) The scores you entered in the online application will be considered invalid if you fail to submit official score certificates to prove them. It is not possible to replace your scores after the application deadline.

(11) If you are submitting more than one score for the same type of test, please be careful how you enter them in the online application.

(12) **The CIE cannot advise students about specific test dates in time for the internal screening. Please check the websites of the organizations that administer the examinations for information on how to apply and how long it will take for the test results to be announced, and plan accordingly.**

② Official English score certificates

(1) The TOEFL iBT® score scale has changed from 1-120 to 1-6 as of January 21, 2026. If you plan to apply to the Spring 2026 Recruitment (Deadline: May 2026), carefully read the "Effects on Spring 2026 Recruitment with a Change of the TOEFL iBT® Scale" before you apply.

(2) **If both TOEFL iBT® and IELTS scores are listed on the Program List for the program to which you are applying, you can apply if you meet the requirement for one tests.** However, if you apply to more than one program, you will need to meet the requirements for each program **and may be required to submit both TOEFL iBT® and IELTS scores.**

(3) **Programs with a "(B)" next to the TOEFL iBT® score requirement on the Program List accept the 'My Best scores.'** It is possible to apply to both programs that accept 'MyBest scores' and that do not, at the same time, **but you must meet all the requirements of each program.**

(4) You can submit multiple scores for the same test type (e.g., two TOEFL iBT ® scores). In such cases, please refer to the separate document "Online Application Registration Manual." for details on entering the scores online.

(5) Score certificates of "IELTS Online" and "TOEFL iBT ® Home Edition" are accepted for internal screening. However, please note that recently, more host universities have not accepted those scores. If you are selected, you need to get a new official score certificate.

(6) "TOEFL Essential" scores are not accepted when applying for the internal screening.

(7) If your TOEFL iBT ® and IELTS scores are being re-scored, it is provisional and will not be accepted for the internal screening. Please make sure to submit the fixed scores.

(8) **Only Academic Module is accepted for IELTS.** Please note that score certificates issued through the IELTS One Skill Retake system will not be accepted for the internal screening.

(9) **If you do not meet the required score (including section scores), even by 0.5 points, you will not be considered for internal screening. <u>Do not apply to programs if you do not meet the requirement</u>.**

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