School and Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, The University of Osaka
Application Guide for Research Students in 2027

1. Requirements

(1) Undergraduate Research Students

Those who have graduated or are expected to graduate from a university or a junior college by March 31, 2027 or those who are recognized by the faculty meeting of the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences as having academic abilities equal or superior to those who have graduated from a university or a junior college

(2) Graduate Research Students

Those who have graduated from a university in the course of pharmacy (limited to courses whose term is six years), medicine, dentistry, or veterinary medicine as well as those who are expected to graduate by March 31, 2027

Those who hold a master's degree or are expected to earn a master's degree by March 31, 2027or those who are recognized by the faculty meeting of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences as having equivalent or higher academic abilities

2. Required Documents To Be Submitted and Examination Fee

1) Admission Application Form (prescribed form) (one copy)

2) Resume (prescribed form) (one copy)

3) Graduation (expected graduation) certificate and transcript of the last school you attended (one copy each)

If you are an international student, an English or Japanese translation must be attached in principle.

4) Examination fee: An examination fee payment certificate or a copy of the payment slip for the examination fee **JPY 9,800** (This was the applicable amount in 2026; if the amount is revised, the revised amount shall apply.)

Other necessary documents:

For employed persons:

A confirmation statement and a letter of consent (one copy each)

For international students:

A copy of the residence record issued by the head of the municipality (city, ward, town, or village) clearly stating the status of residence and period of stay (one copy)

・International students whose status of residence is not “Study Abroad” must submit a copy of their residence card immediately after the change.
・International students before entry to Japan must submit a copy of the residence card to the Educational Affairs Section immediately after entering Japan.

For extension of studies:
・Extension Application (prescribed form) (one copy)
・Resume (prescribed form): Submit a resume only if there are any changes from the time of admission. (one copy)

How to pay the examination fee
The examination fee must be paid by either of the two methods given below. The University of Osaka does not accept cash payments at the counter.

(1) Payment via the Examination Fee Payment System
The payment method is as described in the attached “Flow of Payment of Admission Examination Fee.” Applicants must pay any additional fees incurred when using the system.
(2) Payment via bank transfer
The examination fee (JPY 9,800) may be paid by wire transfer to the designated account given below at the counter or ATM of your nearest financial institution. (The bank transfer fees must be paid by the payer.)

Designated bank account
Bank name: SUMITOMO MITSUI BANKING CORPORATION (Bank Code: 0009)
Branch name: TOYONAKA BRANCH (Branch Code: 154)
Account number: 154-7485106
Recipient name: THE UNIVERSITY OF OSAKA
SWIFT code: SMBCJPJT

3. Date of enrolment
Thursday, April 1,2027
However, special circumstances are not these limits once.

4.Period for Receiving Applications
For those living in Japan:
Monday, January 18, 2027 to Thursday, January 21, 2027

For those newly arriving in Japan:

Monday, December 14, 2026 to Friday, December 18, 2026

(Time is required for visa application and processing.)

Submission

(in person or by post)

Application forms may be submitted to the Educational Affairs Section in person during the following times:

9:30 to 11:30, 13:30 to 15:00

All application forms must reach the Educational Affairs Section by the designated date.

Write “Enclosed application forms for research students” in red ink on the front of the envelope and send it via recorded postal delivery (*kan’i-kakitome*) to the following address:

Educational Affairs Section
Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences
The University of Osaka
1-6 Yamadaoka
Suita
Osaka 565-0871
JAPAN

Admission and Enrollment Procedures

Admission will be judged by the faculty meeting of the School or the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences.

After the examination, your academic advisor will notify you whether your admission is accepted or not. If you are admitted, you must be completed the enrollment process through the admissions system during the enrollment period.

※Details of enrollment procedures will be notified separately by the Educational Affairs Section.(If the admission procedure is not completed by the due date, your admission will be cancelled.)

5. Admission and Tuition Fees (This does not apply to Japanese Government Scholarship students.)

1) Entrance fee: JPY 84,600 (This was the applicable amount in 2026; if the amount is revised, the revised amount shall apply.)

* Please pay the entrance fee through the admission procedure system until the last day of the admission procedure period.

Enrollment Procedure Period
Wednesday, March 10, 2027 to Friday, March 12, 2027
※The enrollment procedures period for international students newly arriving in Japan will be notified separately.
※We do not accept procedures other than through the admissions system.

2) Monthly tuition fee: JPY 28,900 per month (Tuition is paid in two equal installments, one for each semester. This was the applicable amount in 2026; if the amount is revised, the revised amount shall apply.)
- Tuition fee for the first semester (April to September): payment in May
- Tuition fee for the second semester (October to March): payment in November

After enrollment, the tuition fee must be paid by the designated date using the transfer form, which will be provided through KOAN, the University of Osaka's academic information system. The bank transfer fee must be paid by the payer.

6. Notes

1) The examination fee, entrance fee, and tuition fee, once paid, will not be refunded.
2) For individuals who make any false statement in the personal details in the application form, admission qualifications, etc., admission may be revoked even after acceptance.
3) Please note that certificates and other supporting documents submitted for the Research Student application cannot be used for Graduate School entrance examinations or any other procedures.
4) In principle, research students are enrolled for a year from April until March of the following year, but if the period of attendance can be extended if deemed necessary for research purposes. In addition, if you want to withdraw by the end of the year, a withdrawal request (prescribed form) must be submitted to the Educational Affairs Section at least one month before the scheduled withdrawal date.
5) Any changes in your status, guardian, address, etc. during your enrollment must be notified to the Educational Affairs Section promptly.
6) The names, addresses and other personal information obtained from applicants are used for Admissions Selection and admission procedures.
For newly enrolled students, to The University of Osaka, personal information is also

used for student administration purposes (school register control and academic guidance, etc.), student support (health management etc.), and tuition fee collection.

7) In order to process admission procedures, the University may entrust certain operations to external service providers. In such cases, the University will conclude the necessary agreements with such providers to ensure the appropriate handling of personal information and may disclose all or part of the personal information submitted by applicants for the purposes of carrying out the entrusted operations.

8) For applications made by international students, first obtain informal consent from the professor of the laboratory of your choice through Admissions Assistance Desk (AAD) at the University of Osaka.

【Admissions Assistance Desk (AAD) at the University of Osaka】

https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/dragongate

9) Security Export Control

In accordance with Japan's "Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act" (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), The University of Osaka has established "the University of Osaka Security Export Control Regulations" and rigorously implements security export control for the export of goods and the transfer of technology (including accepting foreigners).Please be aware that applicants who fall under any of the conditions set out in the Act may not receive permission to enroll at the university or may have their education or research restricted after their enrollment. For more information, please refer to the website.

(Japanese) https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/ja/research/secur_exp/outline

(English) https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/research/secur_exp/outline

10)This Application Guide is a translation from the original and shall not be regarded as the official document. The English text is provided merely as a reference. Please note that any official rules are based solely on the Japanese text.

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