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For October 2023 Enrollment:

Kyoto University Graduate School of Science Doctoral Program Application Guidelines [abridged version]

1. Desired Student Profile

As a scholarly discipline, science explores the principles and laws that govern natural phenomena. Through its endeavors, this intellectual enterprise has contributed to profound cultural advances as an intellectual asset as well as to improved living standards and welfare for all of humankind.

From the earliest days of its establishment, the Graduate School of Science has operated within an atmosphere of academic freedom and continued to build on its extensive record of original research achievement at divisions ranging from mathematics/mathematical sciences, physics, and astrophysics to earth planetary science, chemistry, and the life sciences. While doing so, it has also produced many excellent researchers for valuable roles on the international stage. The Graduate School of Science has the academic mission of enabling each and every enrolled graduate student to gain a deeper understanding of the fundamental systems of the natural sciences and, with that foundation, develop their ability to engage in original research, create new intellectual value through pooled knowledge, and excel in independent career roles as researchers or responsible professionals. In light of this mission, we welcome students that demonstrate an excellent grasp of science fundamentals and the willingness to persevere in their research activities. Additionally, for our doctoral programs, we look forward to the enrollment of students with the following profile.

- Individuals that possess excellent knowledge of scientific fundamentals, logical thinking and reasoning skills, as well as language skills, and who show persistence in finding solutions to problems
- Individuals that respect academic freedom, refuse to uncritically accept prevailing authority and ideas, think for themselves, and show a readiness to assimilate new ideas and pursue creative endeavors
- Individuals that aspire to pursue future careers as researchers at the forefront of scientific progress and be involved in the dissemination of scientific advances and their benefits to society

- Individuals that, on his/her own initiative, plan and conduct creative research, publish academic papers on its outcome as well as independently pursue truth

2. Divisions (Departments) Open to Applications

Those advancing from the master's to doctoral program within the same department/laboratory (or within the Division of Chemistry) do NOT need to apply in accordance with these Guidelines. Instead, they should proceed in accordance with the department/laboratory (or the division)'s instructions. Should there be any changes in the departments/laboratories open to applications, the information will be posted on the following website of GSS. Please check the latest information before you apply.

(URL) <http://www.sci.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/admissions/phd.html>

Division	
Department	Laboratory by research field
Mathematics and Mathematical Sciences	
Mathematics	Number Theory / Algebraic Geometry / Algebraic Topology / Differential Topology / Differential Geometry / Dynamical Systems / Complex Manifolds / Complex Analysis / Representation Theory / Functional Analysis / Differential Equations / Probability Theory / Discrete Group Theory/Algebraic Analysis/Mathematical Physics / Operator Algebra / Real Analysis / Computer Science / Applied Mathematics
Mathematical Sciences	Number Theory / Arithmetic Geometry / Algebraic Geometry / Complex Analytic Geometry / Differential Geometry / Topology / Algebraic Analysis / Representation Theory / Operator Algebra / Functional Analysis / Partial Differential Equations / Harmonic analysis / Probability Theory / Mathematical Physics / Quantum Field Theory / Fluid Dynamics / Theoretical Computer Science / Software Science / Mathematical Logic / Discrete Mathematics / Optimization / Algorithm Theory
Physics and Astronomy	
Physics I	Optical Materials Science/ Dissipative and Life physics /Physics of Matter: Condensed Matter Physics
Physics II	Experimental Nuclear and Hadronic Physics /Beam Physics / High Energy Physics/ Cosmic Ray Physics / Nuclear Radiation Physics / Nuclear Beam Material Science / Laser Matter Interaction Science/Theoretical Particle Physics / Theoretical Nuclear Physics / Theoretical Astrophysics
Astronomy	Solar Physics / Stellar Astrophysics / Galactic Astrophysics /Theoretical Astronomy Physics of Solar and Cosmic Plasmas
Earth and Planetary Sciences	
Geophysics	Geodesy and Physics of Crustal Movements / Seismology and Physics of the Earth's Interior / Crustal Geophysics and Active Tectonics / Physical Volcanology / Geothermal Sciences / Environmental Geoscience / Physical Hydrology / Physical Oceanography / Atmospheric Sciences / Solar-Planetary Physics and Geomagnetism / Electromagnetism of the Earth's Interior
Geology and Mineralogy	Geotectonics / Material Science of the Earth and Planets / Historical Geoscience of the Biosphere / Correlation Geochemistry

Chemistry

Chemistry	Quantum Chemistry (※) / Theoretical Chemistry / Molecular Spectroscopy / Physical Chemistry / Photo-physical Chemistry / Molecular Chemical Physics / Solid State Physics and Chemistry / Surface Chemistry / Inorganic Chemistry of Materials / Solid-State Chemistry / Molecular Materials Science / Synthetic Organic Chemistry / Organic Chemistry / Organic Chemistry of Molecular Assembly / Biological Structural Chemistry / Chemical Biology <u>Institute for Chemical Research:</u> Organoelement Chemistry / Electron Microscopy and Crystal Chemistry / Molecular Aggregates / Chemistry for Functionalized Surfaces / Hydrospheric Environment Analytical Chemistry / Advanced Solid State Chemistry / Advanced Inorganic Synthesis / Nanospintronics <u>Institute for Integrated Radiation and Nuclear Science:</u> Radiation Biochemistry
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※Please note that the Quantum Chemistry Lab. May or may not have openings depending on the teaching staff and research fields. For details, please refer to the website of the Graduate School listed under '17. Faculty Members and Research Fields of the Divisions, Departments, and Laboratories'.

Biological Sciences

Zoology	Physical Anthropology / Human Evolution Studies / Systematic Zoology / Marine Biological Science / Animal Ecology / Ecological Research I / Developmental Biology / Stress Response Biology
Botany	Plant Physiology / Chronobiology / Plant Phylogeny and Taxonomy / Plant Molecular Physiology / Plant Molecular Genetics / Ecological Research II
Biophysics	Structural Physiology / Mathematical Bioscience / Microbial Ecology and Evolution

3. Enrollment Capacity

A few persons per division (department)

4. Eligibility Requirements

a. Prerequisites

Eligibility prerequisites differ according to Divisions as follows.

(1) Division of Mathematics and Mathematical Sciences; Division of Physics and Astronomy:

Applicants must fall into one of the following: (a), (b) or (c)

(2) Division of Earth and Planetary Sciences:

Applicants must fall into one of the following: (a), (b), (c) or (d)

(3) Division of Chemistry; Division of Biological Sciences:

Applicants must fall into either of the following: (a) or (b)

- (a) International students
- (b) Those who, either in whole or in part, have completed a graduate program offered at an institution outside Japan
- (c) Those who are expected to fall into below-mentioned “b. Requirements (1)” in Japan at any point in time from April 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023
- (d) Those who have two years or more working experience and intend to enroll while in employment

b. Requirements

Provided either of the above prerequisites is met, those who meet or are expected to meet as of 30 September 2023 either of the following requirements are eligible to apply.

- (1) Those with a masters' degree, a master-level professional degree, or a Juris Doctor;
- (2) Those who completed an overseas on-campus program equivalent to a Kyoto University ("KU") master's or professional degree program;
- (3) Those who completed an overseas distance-learning program in Japan equivalent to a KU master's or professional degree program;
- (4) Those who completed a program (limited to ones equivalent to a KU master's or professional degree program) designated by the Japanese Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology ("MEXT") at a Japan-based facility of an overseas institution (including ones equivalent to a professional university) authorized to offer graduate programs by the overseas country's education accreditation body or system.
- (5) Those who completed a program (as defined in Article 1-2 of the Act 72 of 1976 on Special Measures Incidental to the Enforcement of the Agreement between the United Nations and Japan regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations University) at the United Nations University ("the UNU") and obtained a master's-equivalent degree;
- (6) Those who: a) completed a program at an overseas institution, an authorized facility as defined in (4) above, or UNU; and b) successfully passed an examination and a review set forth in Article 16-2 of the Standards for the Establishment of the Graduate Schools (the Japanese Ministry of Education, Science and Culture ("MEXT") Ordinance No. 28 of 1974); and c) are deemed by GSS as academically qualified as master's degree holders at KU;

(7) Those designated by MEXT (the Ministry Public Notice No. 118), namely:

- i. Those who: d) completed a bachelor's program; e) have a research experience of two years or more at a university or equivalent; and f) are deemed by GSS as academically qualified as master's degree holders at KU based upon achievements in the research conducted at the institution stated in e) above; and
- ii. Those who: g) completed 16 years of education either at an overseas educational institution or through distance learning offered by an overseas educational institution in Japan; h) have a research experience of two years or more at a university or equivalent; and i) are deemed by GSS as academically qualified as master's degree holders at KU based upon achievements in the research conducted at the institution stated in e) above; or

(8) Those: j) assessed as academically qualified as those stated in (1) above through an examination individually administered at GSS; and k) aged 24 years or more.

Note:

1) Those who completed (or are expected to complete) a six-year program such as faculties of medicine, dentistry, pharmaceutical sciences, and veterinary science fall into the requirement (8), and must take the eligibility screening described in "5. Eligibility Screening".

2) The Division of Mathematics and Mathematical Sciences and the Division of Earth and Planetary Sciences accept applications from working individuals who wish to enroll while working. However, the Division of Earth and Planetary Sciences requires such individuals to have two or more years of work experience. The other divisions (departments) require them to take a leave of absence from their jobs in principle.

3) Applicants who have graduated from a foreign university must complete the procedures at the Kyoto University Admissions Assistance Office (AAO) by opening the period for receipt of application documents. Those who have been previously confirmed as eligible to apply by the AAO do not need to go through the procedure again.

Kyoto University Admissions Assistance Office (AAO)

URL: <https://u.kyoto-u.jp/graduate-admissions-aa0>

5. Eligibility Screening

Those who intend to apply under the eligibility requirement (6), (7), or (8) are subject to the eligibility screening prior to application. The documents below have to reach the GSS student affairs office by 5 pm on 19 May 2023.

If mailing the documents, state "Enclosed: application documents for the eligibility screening for the doctoral program at the Graduate School of Science" in red on the envelope/package label, and send it by a registered mail service (or an international express mail service if applying from overseas).

Required Documents

(1) Application form for the eligibility screening attached to these Guidelines.

(2) Other supporting documents (an official transcript, documents which illustrate the educational content of the program attended, a certificate of (expected) graduation issued by the six-year university attended, a list of publication and researches, etc.)

These applicants are screened based on the submitted documents and, when necessary, by written or oral examination.

The screening result will be mailed on 9 June 2023 to the applicants.

6. Screening Process

Applicants will be assessed through document review, written examinations, and oral examinations.

7. Entrance Examinations

Division		
Department	Date	Description
Mathematics and Mathematical Sciences		
Mathematics	Aug 2023	<ol style="list-style-type: none">(1) Oral examination primarily on the thesis submitted by the applicant and in mathematics(2) Oral English proficiency assessment pertaining to mathematics(3) A document screening may be conducted before the oral examination. In this case, the oral examination is only open to those who have passed the document screening.(4) Possible written examination (Applicants will receive details along with an exam voucher "juken-hyo".)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants will be asked about their availability to determine the exam date, and receive exam details (time, location, etc) along with the exam voucher "juken-hyo" by mail.• Prior to application please contact a Division faculty member you wish to have as your academic supervisor.• The oral examination might be done online if the situation calls for it.
Mathematical Sciences	Aug 2023	<ol style="list-style-type: none">(1) Oral examination primarily on the master's thesis or an alternative thesis submitted by the applicant and in mathematical sciences(2) Oral English proficiency assessment(3) A document screening may be conducted before the oral examination. If a document screening process is to be conducted, the applicant will be notified when the examination voucher is sent.

In this case, the oral examination is only open to those who have passed the document screening.

(4) Written examination if found necessary (Details will be enclosed with an exam voucher "juken-hyo" to be returned to the applicant.)

- Applicants will be asked about their availability to determine the exam date, and receive exam details (time, location, etc) along with the exam voucher "juken-hyo" by mail.
- Prior to application please contact a Division faculty member you wish to have as your academic supervisor.
- The oral examination might be done online if the situation calls for it.

Physics and Astronomy

Physics I	Early Aug 2023	(1) Oral examination primarily on the master's thesis or an alternative submitted by the applicant and in physics Oral examination may be conducted online. (2) Written English proficiency assessment The assessment may be conducted online. It may be waived at the discretion of the Admissions Committee. If exempted, it will be notified on the exam voucher "juken-hyo". <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants will be asked about their availability to determine the exam date, and receive exam details (time, location, etc) along with the exam voucher "juken-hyo" by mail.• Prior to application please contact a Division faculty member you wish to have as your academic supervisor.
Physics II	Early Aug 2023	(1) Oral examination primarily on the master's thesis or an alternative submitted by the applicant and in physics (2) Possible written English proficiency assessment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants will be asked about their availability to determine the exam date, and receive exam details (time, location, etc) along with the exam voucher "juken-hyo" by mail.• Prior to application please contact a Division faculty member you wish to have as your academic supervisor.• The oral examination might be done online if the situation calls for it.
Astronomy	Aug 2023	(1) Oral examination primarily on the master's thesis or an alternative submitted by the applicant and in astronomy (2) Possible written English proficiency assessment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants will be asked about their availability to determine the exam date, and receive exam details (time, location, etc) along with the exam voucher "juken-hyo" by mail.• Prior to application please contact a Division faculty member you wish to have as your academic supervisor.• The oral examination might be done online if the situation calls for it.

Earth and Planetary Sciences

Geophysics	July-Aug 2023	(1) Oral examination primarily on the master's thesis or alternative thesis and research protocol submitted by the applicant (2) Written English proficiency assessment pertaining to geophysics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants will be asked about their availability to determine the exam date, and receive exam details (time, location, etc) along with the exam voucher "juken-hyo" by mail.• Prior to application please contact a Division faculty member you wish to have as your academic supervisor.• The oral examination might be done online if the situation calls for it.
Geology and Mineralogy	July-Aug 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oral examination primarily on the master's thesis or an alternative thesis and research protocol submitted by the applicant as well as in geology and mineralogy• Written English proficiency assessment pertaining to geology and mineralogy (Applicants may bring in print dictionaries. Electronic/Digital/Online dictionaries are NOT allowed.)• Applicants will be asked about their availability to determine the exam date, and receive exam details (time, location, etc) along with the exam voucher "juken-hyo" by mail.• Prior to application please contact a Division faculty member you wish to have as your academic supervisor.• If the above examination and assessment are not administered due to the influence of the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19), an oral examination will take place online.

Chemistry

Chemistry	Early to Mid Aug 2023	(1) Oral presentation on the master's thesis or other research submitted by the applicant and oral examination primarily on the thesis (2) Written English proficiency assessment (Those with a minimum TOEFL-iBT score of 80 or a minimum IELTS score of 6.0 are exempted from this assessment. The scores are deemed valid for two years. Check "Request exemption" in the application form's written English proficiency assessment field, enclose a copy of each score, and have the educational assessment organization send an official score report to Kyoto University*. Admission may NOT be granted if the office does not receive the report by the exam date. (Applicants should expect 4–6 weeks for the official score report(s) to be issued and delivered.) *TOEFL-iBT: GSS's DI Code is C665. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants will be asked about their availability to determine the exam date, and receive exam details (time, location, etc) along with the exam voucher "juken-hyo" by mail.• Prior to application please contact a Division faculty member you wish to have as your academic supervisor.• The examinations might be done online if the situation calls for it.
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Biological Sciences

Zoology	Late July- Early Aug 2023	<p>(1) Oral presentation on the master's thesis or an alternative and a research protocol submitted by the applicant and oral examination primarily on them</p> <p>(2) English proficiency assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants will be asked about their availability to determine the exam date, and receive exam details (time, location, etc) along with the exam voucher "juken-hyo" by mail.• Off-campus locations: The marine biological science laboratory will administer the exam at the KU Field Science Education and Research Center's Seto Marine Biological Laboratory in Shirahama, Wakayama.• Prior to application please contact a Division faculty member you wish to have as your academic supervisor.
Botany	Late July- Early Aug 2023	<p>(1) Oral presentation on the master's thesis and the research proposal submitted by the applicant and oral examination primarily on them</p> <p>(2) Written English proficiency assessment and oral examination in botany</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants will be asked about their availability to determine the exam date, and receive exam details (time, location, etc) along with the exam voucher "juken-hyo" by mail.• Prior to application please contact a Division faculty member you wish to have as your academic supervisor.
Biophysics	Late July- Early Aug 2023	<p>(1) Written English proficiency assessment. Those with a minimum TOEFL-iBT score of 80 or a minimum IELTS score of 6.0 are exempt from this assessment. The scores are deemed valid for two years.</p> <p>Check "Request exemption" in the application form's written English proficiency assessment section, enclose a photocopy of each score, and have each educational assessment organization send an official score report to Kyoto University*.</p> <p>Admission may NOT be granted if the office does not receive the score report(s) by the end of exam date. (Applicants should expect 4–6 weeks for the official score report(s) to be issued and delivered.</p> <p>*TOEFL-iBT: GSS's DI Code is C665.</p> <p>(2) Oral presentation on the master's thesis or other research submitted by the applicant and oral examination primarily on the thesis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants will be asked about their availability to determine the exam date, and receive exam details (time, location, etc) along with the exam voucher "juken-hyo" by mail.• Prior to application please contact a Division faculty member you wish to have as your academic supervisor.

8. Required Documents

Documents	Details	Size	Form	Comment
(1) Application Form / Resume (CV)	Fill out the forms, except asterisked fields, in print (using block letters). Paste an ID photo taken in the last three months to the application form.	A4	○	—
(2) ID photo for the exam voucher (juken-hyo) and ID photo form (shasin-hyo)	Two ID photos taken within the last three months are required. Be sure to put the applicant's name on the back of each photo.	H4.5cm W3.5cm	—	—
(3) Master's thesis or its manuscript	A copy of the applicant's master's thesis or its manuscript or an alternative to a master's thesis	—	—	*
(4) Master's thesis abstract	Approximately 800 words (Other supplementary publications may also be enclosed.)	A4	—	*
(5) Official transcripts	Issued by the institution attended for the master's program.	—	—	*
(6) Certificate of master's program completion (including expected completion)	Issued by the institution attended: Certificate of master's degree granted (or to be granted) issued by the institution attended is also acceptable.	—	—	*
(7) Certificate of undergraduate program completion	Issued by the institution attended.	—	—	*
(8) Form for Affixing Payment Certificate for Examination Fees	Pay the examination fees according to the "Payment Method for Application Fees with Convenience Store or Credit Card" (p.16), and affix one of the following documents on the form. - The Payment Certificate which is available on the "payment procedure" or "confirm application details" page on the website. - A copy of the receipt issued by a convenience store, etc. It must contain the amount of money paid and the date of payment.	A4	○	—
(9) Stamps to return the exam voucher	- For domestic delivery: JPY 344 postage stamp - For overseas delivery: We will contact each applicant by e-mail after receiving their application documents.	—	—	—

(10) Postal Address Label Form	Enter the applicant's name, phone number, and postal address with a zip code to which documents such as the exam voucher, a letter of acceptance, and the documentation on enrollment should be sent.	A4	○	—
(11) Other required documents	<p>- Department of Mathematics: “Division of Mathematics and Mathematical Sciences (Department of Mathematics) Additional Form” -----</p> <p>-Departments of Astronomy, Geophysics, Geology and Mineralogy, Chemistry, Zoology, and Botany: A research proposal stating a research topic, objectives, methods etc. the applicant intends to pursue and employ during the doctoral program (approximately 800 words).</p>	A4	Only Department of Mathematics	—
(12) Residence certificate; or Certificate of items stated in resident card [International students only]	Submit ones that state the applicant's resident status and period of stay. A double-sided photocopy of the applicant's resident card is also acceptable. If none of the above is available at the time of application, submit a photocopy of the ID photo page of the applicant's passport instead.	A4	—	—

*The documents should be written in Japanese or English. (If the documents are written in a language other than Japanese or English, they must be accompanied by a Japanese or English translation.)

However, the applicants for the following may submit their “(3) Master’s thesis or its manuscript” in a language other than Japanese or English:

- Department of Astronomy in the Division of Physics and Astronomy,
- Department of Geophysics in the Division of Earth and Planetary Sciences,
- Division of Chemistry, and
- Departments of Zoology, Botany, and Biophysics in the Division of Biological Sciences

Note1: Application documents will not be returned.

Note2: Admission decisions may be reversed even after enrollment if misrepresentation of the applicant's records is found in the documents submitted.

9. Examination Fees

JPY 30,000 to be paid between 19 June and 7 July 2023 (Payment made before or after this period will not be accepted.)

- (1) Pay examination fees according to the “Payment Method for Application Fees with Convenience Store or Credit Card” (p.16).
- (2) Affix one of the following documents on the "Form for Affixing Payment Certificate for Examination Fees".
 - The Payment Certificate which is available on the “payment procedure” or “confirm application details” page on the website.
 - A copy of the receipt issued by a convenience store, etc. It must contain the amount of money paid and the date of payment.
- (3) Those expected to compete a KU master's program are exempt from paying examination fees.
- (4) International students who wish to enroll on the Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho:MEXT) Scholarship must pay the examination fee. The fee paid will be refunded in case that the applicants are selected as the MEXT Scholarship Students and pass this examination and enroll the GSS. Therefore, please check “Japanese gov't (MEXT) scholarship” in the International student column in the Application Form if you expect to receive the MEXT Scholarship.
However, those (excluding applicants for the MEXT Scholarship Extension and Special Extension) who have passed the Second Screening by MEXT and have been placed to Kyoto University as the MEXT Scholarship Students (Embassy Recommendation) are exempted from the examination fee.
- (5) Those whose primary wage earners were affected by the 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake, the 2016 Kumamoto Earthquake, the Heavy Rain Event of July 2018, the 2018 Hokkaido Eastern Iburi Earthquake, The Heavy Rain Event by Typhoon Hagibis in October 2019, and/or The Heavy Rain Event of July 2020 at areas applicable to the Disaster Relief Act may be exempted from paying examination fees if evidenced by official documentation. For further information, contact the GSS student Affairs office by 9 June 2023.

10. Application Process

- (1) Submit a complete set of required documents during the period specified in the following "11. Application Period" section.
- (2) To apply from overseas, use an international express mail service, state "Enclosed: Application documentation for the Kyoto University Graduate School of Science Doctoral program" on the package label, and send the package to: Student Affairs

Office, Kyoto University Graduate School of Science, Kitashirakawa Oiwake, Sakyo, Kyoto 606-8502, Japan

- (3) Once submitted, application documents may no longer be modified. Once accepted, the examination fee is not refundable for any reason.

11. Application Period

Wednesday 5– Friday 7, July 2023

9:00 am–12:00 noon or 1:00 pm–5:00 pm

At the GSS student affairs office

- If mailed, the package has to reach the student affairs office by 5 pm on 7 July 2023. Late submission may be accepted only if the package sent by registered special delivery mail is stamped 7 July 2023 or before at the post office of origin [domestic mail only]. International mail must reach us by 5 pm on 7 July 2023 without fail.
- Applications without paying examination fees will not be accepted. (Except for those fall under Notes (3) and (4) in Section 9.)

12. Applicants with Disabilities

Applicants with disabilities are advised to contact the GSS student affairs office for arrangements deemed necessary in taking entrance examinations or attending courses.

13. Announcement of Successful Applicants

Successful applicants will be announced on the dates below (to be specified depending on the exam date of each applicant and applicants will be notified the date along with the exam voucher "juken-hyo" by mail.) at 12:00 noon on the GSS website.

- Friday, 18 August 2023
- Friday, 1 September 2023
- Friday, 8 September 2023

Those who took the entrance examinations will also be notified of their exam results by mail. The GSS student affairs office will NOT answer phone inquiries.

14. Admission and Tuition Fees

- (1) Admission fee: JPY 282,000*

(2) Tuition for the second semester: JPY 267,900 (JPY 535,800 per year)*

*Admission and tuition fees are subject to change. If changed, new rates will take effect immediately.

(3) **Note:** Successful applicants will be notified by mail, along with their exam results, of an admission timetable, documents required to enroll, tuition exemption programs, etc.

15. Long-Term Study System

The GSS provides “the Long-Term Study System” that enables students fulfilling certain conditions such as holding a job etc. to extend the duration of their study from the standard period (three years in doctoral program) to a maximum of double of the standard period, allowing them to systematically plan the courses they take over this extended period.

Those who wish to apply for an extension of the study period should contact the GSS Student Affairs Office by the deadline for application.

The details can be found in the GSS website below.

(Japanese version only)

<http://www.sci.kyoto-u.ac.jp/ja/admissions/phd.html>

16. Privacy Policy

Private information retrieved in the course of the application process will be used in accordance with KU's regulations on privacy protection for screening and admission purposes only.

Faculty Members and Research Fields of the Divisions, Departments, and Laboratories

See the following websites for details.

Division of Mathematics and Mathematical Sciences

- Mathematics www.math.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/
- Mathematical Sciences
 - KU Research Institute for Mathematical Sciences
www.kurims.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/

Division of Physics and Astronomy

- Physics I and II www.scphys.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/index_e.html
- Astronomy www.kusastro.kyoto-u.ac.jp/

Division of Earth and Planetary Sciences

<http://www.eps.sci.kyoto-u.ac.jp/index-e.html>

Division of Chemistry

www.kuchem.kyoto-u.ac.jp/index_e.html

Division of Biological Sciences

- Zoology www.biol.sci.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/zool/
- Botany www.biol.sci.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/botany/
- Biophysics www.biol.sci.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/biophys/
- Primatology and Wildlife Research
 - KU Center for the Evolutionary Origins of Human Behavior
www.ehub-kyoto-u.com/en
 - KU Wildlife Research Center
www.wrc.kyoto-u.ac.jp/en/
 - KU Leading Graduate Program in Primatology and Wildlife Science
www.wildlife-science.org/index-en.html

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Payment Methods for Application Fees with Convenience Store or Credit Card

Payment is possible 24 hours a day using a convenience store (Seven-Eleven, Lawson, Ministop, FamilyMart, Seicomart, Daily Yamazaki), credit card, financial institution ATM or Internet banking.

1 Apply From The Web

Access the URL below and enter the required items following the instructions on the screen.

<https://www3.univ-jp.com/kyoto-u/en/sci/>



*This is the URL to pay the examination fees for the Graduate School of Science in the Examination Settlement Service of Kyoto University.

2 Checking Application Content

The **reception number** (not the examination number) and **number required for payment** will be displayed so please make a memo or print the screen. The e-mail address and password entered in the personal information input screen will be used when displaying the proof of payment (See 4), so please be sure to make a memo.

3 Payment

Please make the payment using one of the methods below.

If you are in outside of Japan, you can only pay by credit card.

Credit Card	Convenience Store (Payments of 300,000 yen or less)				
	Seven-Eleven 	Lawson Ministop (Loppi) 	FamilyMart (multimedia station) 	Seicomart (Club Station) 	Daily Yamazaki
<p>Personal identification During the application procedure, you will be required to enter credit card details for personal identification purposes. Please have your card ready before applying.</p> <p>Number of payments Payments are only accepted in full.</p> <p>Other precautions Please ensure that you have sufficient funds available on your credit card before applying.</p>	<p>Let a staff member at a 7-Eleven store know the [払込票番号] (payment number) that was displayed after you completed your initial application and pay the application fee and processing fee in cash. Be aware that no refunds will be given after you have paid at the cash register.</p>	<p>Select [各種サービスメニュー] (Service Menu).</p>	<p>Select [代金支払い/チャージ (コンビニでお支払い Payment/Charge)] (Pay a bill).</p>	<p>Tell a staff member that you want to make an internet payment (インターネット決済).</p>	<p>Tell a staff member that you want to make an online payment (オンライン決済).</p>
		<p>Select [各種代金お支払] (Pay a bill).</p>	<p>Select [番号入力画面に進む] (Go to number entry screen).</p>	<p>On the LCD touch panel screen of the cash register, enter the online payment number (オンライン決済番号).</p>	
		<p>Select [マルチペイメントサービス] (Multi-Payment Service).</p> <p>Enter the customer number.</p> <p>Enter the confirmation number</p>	<p>Enter the customer number.</p> <p>Enter the confirmation number.</p> <p>Agree and proceed.</p>	<p>Pay the admission examination payment fee with cash at the counter within 30 minutes.</p>	
		<p>If the application information is correct then press the "Confirm" and "Print" buttons. An application ticket will come out of the terminal so pay the admission examination payment fee with cash at the counter within 30 minutes.</p>			

Financial Institution ATM (Pay-easy)

Payments can be made with ATMs with the Pay-easy mark at the financial institutions below.
A cash payment of 100,000 yen or less or a credit card payment of 1,000,000 yen or less is possible with a single application.
(List of compatible financial institutions)
-Japan Post Bank
-Mizuho Bank
-Resona Bank/Saitama Resona Bank
■ Check financial institutions compatible for payment with the "List of compatible ATMs" below.
http://www.well-net.jp/multi/financial_list/index.html



Internet Banking

Internet banking with major banks, regional banks, credit unions and cooperatives, worker's credit unions, agricultural cooperatives and fisheries cooperatives can be used. Prior application with the financial institution is required.
Payments can also be made with Rakuten Bank, Japan Net Bank, au Jibun Bank or SBI Sumishin Net Bank. Prior opening of an account with the financial institution is required



From the ATM menu screen, select [税金・料金払込み] (Pay tax/bill) or [Pay-easy].

Enter the receiving institution number, customer number and confirmation number

Select either 現金 (Cash) or キャッシュカード (Cash card) as a payment method.

Open the payment and application content confirmation screen

Press the "Payment with Internet Banking"

Select financial institution with Internet banking contract and login

Payment compatible convenience stores and financial institutions are subject to change. Check with the website for details.

4 Please affix one of the following documents to the application form, "Form for Affixing Payment Certificate for Examination Fees", and submit it together with the other required documents.

- **The Payment Certificate** which is available on the "payment procedure" or "confirm application details" page on the website.
- **A copy of the receipt** issued by a convenience store, etc. It must contain the amount of money paid and the date of payment.