

To: Coordinator, International Exchange (at partner universities)

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Japanese Government's call for universities to recommend students for its 2021 international student sponsorship initiative, Hosei University would like to recommend two students of *partner* universities with which we have international exchange agreements as candidates for the scholarship program

Accordingly, we would greatly appreciate if you could recommend ONE student from your institution who has not only an excellent academic record, but also proficiency in Japanese language and a desire to pursue academic research in Japan. In doing so, we kindly ask that you note the enclosed guidelines for the scholarship program.

1. Method of Application

Upon carefully reading the recruitment guidelines, please send us the application together with the accompanying set of documents in BOTH digital and printed formats. The application must be sent via both email and postal mail by the deadline.

(1) Data submission via email

Convert the application form and every other required document into PDF or any other image format (that renders text clearly) and send them as email attachments to the following address **NO LATER THAN Wednesday, January 27, 2021.**

Email to: mext@hosei.ac.jp

(International Students, Hosei University Global Education Center Global Students & Scholars Support Office)

(2) Printed document submission by postal mail

Please send us the application form together with the accompanying set of documents so that they reach Hosei University Global Education Center **NO LATER THAN Wednesday, January 27, 2021. Please let us know if the documents cannot reach us by the deadline.**

Mail to: Hosei University Global Education Center Global Students & Scholars Support Office
(MEXT)

2-17-1 Fujimi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-8160 Japan

NOTE: The application should be sent to Hosei University through the international office or the related department of Home University.

2. Screening Method and Schedule

Documents will first be screened at Hosei University, with a shortlist to be decided on by the end of February 2021. The short-listed candidates will then be interviewed by the faculty member in charge via video conference, telephone, email—whichever is suitable. Following the interview, two candidates will be finally selected and recommended to the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT). MEXT is expected to notify us of the results by the beginning of June 2021.

3. Conditions

(1) Period of acceptance to study: September 2021 through March 2023. Stipend begins in October 2021.

(2) Status: Research Student (Non-degree student)

(3) Nationality: Candidates must have nationality of countries listed in “Priority Countries” as attached

(4) Acceptance level:

- Master or doctoral program at Hosei University graduate schools
- Candidates (excluding those for English-degree program) should satisfy either of the following conditions:
 - a) Candidates have N2 or higher level of JLPT (Japanese Language Proficiency Test), or
 - b) Candidates have completed, in Japanese language, their educational curriculum that meets admission requirements of graduate schools they wish to enroll.

Candidates for English-degree program should satisfy either of the following conditions:

- a) Candidates have B2 or higher level of CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages), or
- b) Candidates have completed, in English language, their educational curriculum that meets admission requirements of graduate schools they wish to enroll.

Candidates for English-degree program are advised to study Japanese language for daily life by themselves before departing for Japan. Hosei University does not offer Japanese language classes.

- Institute of Integrated Science and Technology, Graduate School of Computer and Information Sciences and Graduate School of Science and Engineering, is an English based degree program. In that program, it is not required Japanese language proficiency but students are advised to study Japanese language by themselves before departing for Japan. Hosei University does not offer any Japanese language classes.
- The research area at Hosei University is limited to the applicant’s undergraduate majors or the area that he/she is currently specializing at graduate school.
- Desired area of education and research must be practicable in terms of Hosei University’s curriculum/fields of study. As for the information on the teaching staff at Hosei University, please refer to the following websites.

Hosei University Graduate Schools (<http://www.hosei.ac.jp/gs/>)

Hosei University Academic Researcher Database (<http://kenkyu-web.i.hosei.ac.jp/scripts/websearch/>)

- It is not permitted to enter or transfer to any other universities including a Japanese language institution at another university after the applicant is determined to be a scholarship grantee.

(5) Travel expenses: Air fare will be provided by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and

Technology (MEXT) or Hosei University.

(6) Tuition: Tuition fees will be covered by Hosei University.

(7) Stipend: As the amount of the stipend for 2021 has yet to be decided, please refer below to the figures for 2020.

Note that stipends may change from year to year, depending on budgetary allocations.

2020: Monthly stipend ¥143,000 (non-diploma program), ¥144,000 (Master's Degree program) ¥145,000 (Ph.D. program)

For certain specified regions, an extra ¥2000 or ¥3000 per month will be granted to both trainees and researchers alike.

(8) Accommodations:

The University can provide help in finding lodgings if needed, but basically the student needs to find accommodations on his/her own.

4. Contact:

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**Please do not direct inquiries concerning this program to the University's home page. Be advised, also, that any questions from students regarding the selection process will not be accepted.