

Application Guidelines with a Flexible Selection Schedule for the
 Doctoral Program for International Students
 Graduate School of Science and Engineering, Ehime University
 For Entrance in September 2021 or April 2022

1. Number of Seats Available

	Major	Course	Field	Seats
School of Science	Mathematics, Physics, and Earth Sciences	Mathematical Sciences	Mathematical Sciences	a few
		Physics	Physics	
		Earth's Evolution and Environment	Earth's Evolution and Environment	
School of Science	Chemistry and Biology	Molecular Science	Functional Material Science Life Material Science	a few
		Biology and Environmental Science	Sciences of Biological Functions Ecology and Environmental Sciences	

2. Application Period, Application Documents, Entrance Exam, etc.

Application period:	<p>【September Entrance】 Applications will be accepted at any time until the final deadline, 4 June 2021 (Fri).</p> <hr style="border-top: 1px dotted black;"/> <p>【April Entrance】 Applications will be accepted at any time until the final deadline, 12 November 2021 (Fri).</p> <p>Note. Documents must be received by the final deadline. An entrance exam will be conducted as needed to select the successful applicants. When the number of successful applicants reaches the number of students to be admitted, the selection process may be terminated before the final deadline. If the selection process is terminated, a notice will be posted on the university's website.</p>
Selection process	<p>(1) Selection Method The selection for admission to this program will be made on the basis of an integrated evaluation of 1) submitted documents and 2) performance in an interview (such as an internet interview).</p> <p>(2) Interview (including an oral exam) The interview questions will be based on the applicant's master thesis research, research activities and achievements, doctoral research plan, etc.</p>
Exam date:	<p>【September Entrance】 The interview will be held by 30 June 2021 (Wed) on the dates designated by the university.</p> <hr style="border-top: 1px dotted black;"/> <p>【April Entrance】 The interview will be held by 8 December 2021 (Wed) on the dates designated by the university.</p>
Notification of exam results:	<p>After the exam date is decided, the applicant will be notified of the date of receiving the result. The university will not respond to any inquiries about the results.</p>

The application documents must be submitted to:	Education Support Division (Science Team) Ehime University 3 Bunkyo-cho, Matsuyama, 790-8577, Japan Inquiries about the application should be sent by e-mail to the following address, in either English or Japanese. Education Support Division (Science Team), Ehime University Email : scigakum@stu.ehime-u.ac.jp
Notice:	Applicants must contact the department to which they plan to apply by e-mail at least two weeks prior to the application submission to obtain informal consent and to consult about the date of the exam. Please note that it will take some time from the time your application is received to the date of the exam. Mathematical Sciences: math_e@stu.ehime-u.ac.jp Physics: phys_e@stu.ehime-u.ac.jp Earth's Evolution and Environment: earth_e@stu.ehime-u.ac.jp Molecular Science: chem_e@stu.ehime-u.ac.jp Biology and Environmental Science: bio_e@stu.ehime-u.ac.jp

3. Application Eligibility

An applicant to this program must be a non-Japanese national eligible to stay in Japan as a student under the state regulations of immigration and refugee control, and must meet both A and B below.

A. Meet one of the following:

- (1) An applicant recommended by one of Ehime University's academic exchange partners abroad
- (2) An applicant recommended by a foreign government
- (3) An applicant eligible for the international student support programs of the Japanese Government or Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
- (4) An applicant recognized by the Graduate School of Science and Engineering as equivalent to (1), (2) or (3) above.

B. Meet one of the following:

- (1) The applicant has earned or is expected to earn a Master's Degree or Professional Degree (prescribed in Article 5(2) of the Degree Regulations (Ordinance of the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture No. 9 of 1953), based on Article 104(1) of the School Education Act; hereinafter Professional Degree refers to this description).
- (2) The applicant has earned or is expected to earn a degree from an overseas college or university, which is equivalent to a Master's Degree or Professional Degree in Japan.
- (3) For a degree earned through a distance learning program run by an overseas college or university, the applicant has earned or is expected to earn a degree equivalent to a Master's Degree or Professional Degree.
- (4) For a graduate program run by an overseas university or college in Japan, recognized as being equivalent to an academic institution that meets all requirements of the education system of that nation and designated separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, the applicant has earned or should be expecting to earn a degree equivalent to a Master's Degree or Professional Degree.
- (5) The applicant has earned or is expected to earn a Master's Degree or equivalent from the United Nations University.

(For (1) to (5), the applicant has earned or should be expecting to earn a degree by September 2021 for

September Entrance, by March 2022 for April Entrance.)

- (6) The applicant is recognized as being in possession of academic abilities equivalent to or greater than those of a Master's Degree holder, after having attended an overseas university/college or an academic institution as in (4) above or the United Nations University and earned necessary credits, and having passed the exam and evaluation in accordance with Article 16(2) of Standards for Establishment of Graduate Schools.

(The applicant must be accepted by September 2021 for September Entrance, by March 2022 for April Entrance.)

- (7) The applicant is designated by the Minister for Education, Culture, Science and Technology (According to the Article 118 of Bulletin of Ministry of Education, Science and Culture published in 1988)

- (8) The applicant is recognized by the Graduate School through a separate evaluation for admission eligibility as being in possession of academic abilities equivalent to or greater than those of a Master's Degree or Professional Degree holder and must be 24 years old by September 2021 for September Entrance, by March 2022 for April Entrance.

(Pre-application Eligibility Assessment for Requirement (7) or (8) above)

An applicant willing to apply to this program under the Application Eligibility requirement (7) or (8) above must send the following documents to the address given on page 1 of this 'Application Guidelines' by the deadline below.

1) Application Eligibility:

<For an applicant meeting Requirement (7)>

Applicants possessing only a Bachelor's Degree (undergraduate program) must have research experience, after earning the degree, for 2 (two) years or more at a university/college or research institute, and must have a good research record or achievement in the form of published book/s, scientific journal paper/s, lecture/s, research report/s, patent registration/s, etc. that may be recognized as being equivalent to a Master's Degree research or above.

<For an applicant meeting Requirement (8)>

The applicant must have a good research record or achievement in the form of published book/s, scientific journal paper/s, lecture/s, research reports, patent registration/s, etc. that may be recognized as being equivalent to a Master's Degree research or above, and must be 24 years old by September 2021 for September Entrance, by March 2022 for April Entrance.

2) Documents to be Submitted for Pre-application Eligibility Assessment:

- A) Pre-application Eligibility Assessment Form (specified format, Form #6)
- B) Research Activity Record/Achievement Form (specified format, Form #5)
- C) Graduation Certificate obtained from the last-attended educational institution
- D) Other relevant reference materials (such as Research Paper/s, Patent Certificate/s, etc.)

3) Submission deadline:

【September Entrance】 30 April 2021 (Fri) 【April Entrance】 8 October 2021 (Fri)

(Documents must arrive by EMS by the deadline.)

4) Admission eligibility assessment:

The admission eligibility assessment will be conducted on the basis of the submitted documents, and the applicant will be notified of the result by 28 May 2021 (Fri) for September Entrance and 5 November 2021 (Fri) for April Entrance. Please note that the submitted documents will not be returned for any reason, but if the admission eligibility is approved, the applicant will have to submit all required

documents listed on page 4 of this 'Application Guidelines.' Moreover, the result of this particular admission eligibility assessment will only remain valid for an application to 2021 Doctoral Selection Program for Graduate School of Science and Engineering conducted based on this 'Application Guidelines'.

4. Application Materials and Documents to be Submitted

- (1) Application form (including Personal Identification Card and Admission Card) (provided with the application material: Form #1)

(The photograph should be 30-mm wide and 40-mm high (30mmx40mm) showing the torso and face of the applicant. The applicant should be facing forward and not wearing a cap/hat. The photo should have been taken no more than 3 months prior to the date of application.)

- (2) Officially sealed grade sheet/s or transcript/s of Bachelor's Degree program officially issued by the university or college authority.

- (3) Bachelor's Degree certificate officially issued by the university or college authority.

- (4) Officially sealed grade sheet/s or transcript/s of Master's Degree program officially issued by the university or college authority.

- (5) Master's Degree certificate or certificate of expected date of graduation officially issued by the university or college authority.

- (6) Officially sealed Letter of Recommendation from the Dean/Principal/Campus Chief or a high-ranking official of the university or college (provided with the application material: Form #2)

- (7) A written pledge indicating the possibility of arriving in Japan on or before the specified date by the university if selected (provided with the application material: Form #3)

- (8) Research Plan or Proposal

A Research Plan or Proposal must be prepared on the specified paper (provided with the application material; Form#4) including a tentative research topic or field, research concept, objectives, and methodology after adequately discussing the content in advance with the expected research supervisor.

- (9) Outline of Master's Program research and list of publications

A summary of the Master's thesis or its equivalent written in about 2,000 letters in Japanese or about 500 words in English. Additionally, if you have similar research content in printed/published form, a record of academic presentations and lectures, or possess any patent registration certificates, please include a copy of each.

- (10) A copy of the page in the applicant's passport showing name, photo, passport number, etc.; if unavailable at the time of application, it must be submitted by the exam date.

- (11) Application Processing Fee < An applicant under the Application Eligibility requirement A(1) is not required to pay. >

The application processing fee is 30,000 yen. If paying from an overseas bank or financial institution, you must confirm that the amount to be transferred is 30,000 yen exactly; an equivalent amount in another currency will not be accepted. You can ask the bank or financial institution to make the payment in Japanese currency so that they do not deduct their handling charges and the service charges at paying bank in Japan from the amount of application processing fee at the time of making the bank transfer (remittance). Please include a copy of the bank transfer form with the application materials.

- 1) Amount to be remitted: 30,000 yen (exact amount payable only in yen)

The applicant is responsible for the transfer fees. A fee of 1,500 yen charged by the financial institution listed below is to be paid at the time of remittance. The remittance

processing fee charged by the financial institution below will not be deducted twice (i.e. 1,500 yen is only deducted once).

- 2) Bank account details for transferring the application processing fee
 - Bank Name: The Iyo Bank Ltd.
 - Bank Code: 0174
 - Swift Code: IYOBJPJT
 - Branch Name: Ichiman Branch
 - Branch Code: 109
 - Branch Address: 2-20-1 Katsuyama-cho, Matsuyama 790-0878, Ehime, JAPAN
 - Account Number: 1799161
 - Account Holder's Name: NATIONAL UNIVERSITY CORPORATION EHIME UNIVERSITY
10-13 DOGO-HIMATA, MATSUYAMA 790-8577, EHIME, JAPAN
- 3) Period of payment: At any time before submitting the application
- 4) Transfer method: Telegraphic transfer
- 5) Bank fees: To be paid by **the sender (applicant)**
- 6) Additional information: When sending a remittance, in the message section write 'university entrance examination fee' as the purpose, your full name and the name of the graduate course.

Note: Your application will not be complete until all of the materials and documents (including the application processing fee) have been received.

No application will be considered after the final deadline given on page 1 of this 'Application Guidelines'. If the application processing fee is insufficient (i.e. less than 30,000 yen), your application documents will be regarded as incomplete and your application will be rejected. In such a case, the application processing fee will be returned, but any fees charged by the bank in Japan or by the bank on the applicant's side must be paid by the applicant. The application processing fee will not be returned except for the conditions listed under # 5 below.

5. Return of the Application Processing Fee

The amount paid as the application processing fee will be returned in the following case/s only.

(Reminder: Any fees charged by the bank in Japan or by the bank on the applicant's side must be paid by the applicant.)

- 1) The application processing fee was paid, but the application documents were not submitted.
- 2) The application processing fee was mistakenly paid two or more times, or an amount greater than the required amount of 30,000 yen was paid.
- 3) The application documents were submitted, but the application was rejected.

Requesting the return of the Application Processing Fee

In the case of **1) or 2)** above, please contact us at the address below. We will send you a 'Request for Return of the Application Processing Fee' form, which you must fill out and send back to us by post. In case of **condition 3)**, we will return your application documents with the 'Request for Return of the Application Processing Fee' form, which you must fill out and send back to us by post.

Mailing Address:

The External Payment Affairs Team
Financial Planning Division
Finance Department, Ehime University
10-13 Dogo-Himata, Matsuyama 790-8577, Ehime, JAPAN
E-mail : suitou@stu.ehime-u.ac.jp

6. Admission Formalities

(1) The following are necessary at the time of admission.

Admission Fee of 282,000 yen (waived for *MEXT scholarship students)

Graduate school admission forms/papers

(2) Admission Period: Successful applicants will be notified separately.

(3) Admission Date

【September Entrance】 24 September 2021 (Fri)

【April Entrance】 1 April 2022 (Fri)

However, for those who qualify for admission between September 24 and September 30, 2021, the date of admission will be October 1, 2021, according to the university's regulations.

*MEXT = Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

7. Tuition Fee and Miscellaneous Fees for the First Year

(1) Tuition Fee

Admission Fee (waived for *MEXT scholarship students)

282,000 yen (to be paid at the time of admission)

Tuition Fee (waived for *MEXT scholarship students)

First Semester 267,900 yen, Second Semester 267,900yen (Annual Amount: 535,800yen)

(2) Miscellaneous Charges:

An additional few thousand yen will be needed for miscellaneous fees.

Notes: 1. The tuition fee must be paid after admission. Successful applicants will be notified of the payment period at a later date.

2. If the amount of tuition is revised, while you are a student, the new fee will apply.

3. A system to waive the admission fee as well as the tuition fee is available, but only to those who have an excellent academic record and face economic hardship or if there are special conditions such as the severe impact of a natural disaster. Depending on the extent of economic hardship or impact of disasters, it is possible to apply for partial or full waiver of the fees. It is also possible to apply for late payment of the fees.

8. Miscellaneous

(1) Download the application forms from the Ehime University website (https://www.ehime-u.ac.jp/en_page/prospective-students/), fill in the necessary information, and mail it to the address provided.

(2) After receiving the application documents, no changes will be allowed under any conditions. The submitted documents and application forms will not be returned.

(3) Incomplete, inaccurate, or unauthentic application documents may result in revocation of admission.

(4) Privacy Policy (Use of personal information)

Any personal information provided in application documents, such as name and address, is solely for processing applications, contacting applicants if an application document is incomplete, conducting the entrance examination, notifying successful applicants, and sending admission procedure documents. If an application document is incomplete, Ehime University may notify the applicant's guardians or school to request the document be promptly amended and resubmitted.

It is also used for academic affairs after enrollment (student registration, educational guidance), student support services (health-care management, scholarship applications), tuition administration, and to conduct surveys and research (improve entrance examinations, study and analyze application trends). Personal information will not be used for any other purpose and will not be provided to third parties.