

Admission in October 2024

Admission in April 2025

Graduate School of Frontier Science Initiative

Kanazawa University

(Master's Course)

Application Guidelines

First to Third Round

Graduate School of Frontier Science Initiative, Kanazawa University

April 2024

Note: It is your own responsibility to check all matters related to the selection of enrollees by carefully reading the Application Guidelines for the entrance examination category that you are applying for.

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Schedule of Application Procedure up to Enrollment

	First round	Second round <u>*4</u>	Third round <u>*4</u>
Application *1, *2	From 9:00 am on Jun. 24 (Mon) until 4:30 pm on Jun. 28 (Fri), 2024	From 9:00 am on Sep. 20 (Fri) until 4:30 pm on Sep 27 (Fri), 2024	From 9:00 am on Dec. 20 (Fri) until 4:30 pm on Dec. 26 (Thu), 2024
Examination Ticket available for download *3	From 9:00 am on Jul. 10 (Wed), 2024	From 9:00 am on Oct. 9 (Wed), 2024	From 9:00 am on Jan. 15 (Wed), 2025
Examination	Jul. 20 (Sat), 2024	Oct. 19 (Sat), 2024	Jan. 25 (Sat), 2025
Announcement of successful applicants	Aug. 2(Fri), 2024	Nov. 1 (Fri), 2024	Feb. 7 (Fri), 2025
Admission procedure	Mid-September, 2024	Mid-March, 2025	
Enrollment	Oct. 1, 2024	April 1, 2025	

*1 A person who wishes to apply according to 6), 9), 10), or 11) of "3. Eligibility Requirements" will be screened by a separate process before applying. Please see "4. Procedures for Eligibility Screening."

*2 Pre-registration is possible from one week before the application period on "Internet application system." Please see "5. Application Procedures."

*3 Please download the Examination Ticket by the day of the examination from the Web application system.

*4 Depending on the status of the first round, the second and/or the third round may not be conducted. Please check the Graduate School website regularly to see the implementation status.

Graduate School Website: <https://gsinfinity.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/>

"For applicants who are victims of natural disasters"

To reduce the financial burden on victims from natural disasters and provide the opportunity for their further their education, Kanazawa University adopts a measure to waive entrance assessment fees. Please visit the following Kanazawa University website for details, such as applicable disasters and disaster-hit areas.

*This target is disasters in Japan only.

Kanazawa University website>admission>Exemption and Refund of Examination Fee

https://www.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/admission/kenteiryo_henkan



If you would like to have your admission assessment fee waived, please contact Admission Division, Educational and Student Affairs Department.

Email: boshu@adm.kanazawa-u.ac.jp

1. Overview of the Graduate School of Frontier Science Initiative (GRAFiNiti)

Division of Transdisciplinary Sciences	Admission Policy https://gsinfiniti.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/en/kyoudou/policy/
	Supervisors https://gsinfiniti.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/en/kyoudou/faculty/
	Academic degree to be awarded: Master of Philosophy
Division of Nano Life Science	Admission Policy https://gsinfiniti.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/en/nano/policy/
	Supervisors https://gsinfiniti.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/en/nano/faculty/
	Academic degree to be awarded: Master of Nanoscience

2. The Number of Students to be Accepted

	Admission in October 2024	Admission in April 2025
Division of Transdisciplinary Sciences	A few	14
Division of Nano Life Science	A few	12

3. Eligibility Requirements

Those who can apply for the Master's course of the Graduate School of Frontier Science Initiative, GRAFiNiti, must fulfill any of the following requirements, 1) to 11).

It is noted that "the day prior to admission to Kanazawa University" means "September 30, 2024" when applying for admission in October, 2024, and "March 31, 2025" when applying for admission in April, 2025.

- 1) A person who graduated from a university stipulated in Article 83 of the School Education Act (Act No. 26 of 1947) or is expected to graduate by the day prior to admission to GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University;
- 2) A person who has been awarded a Bachelor's degree in accordance with Paragraph 7 of Article 104 of the School Education Act or is expected to be awarded a Bachelor's degree by the day prior to admission to GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University;
- 3) A person who has completed a 16-year educational curriculum in a foreign country or is expected to complete the curriculum by the day prior to admission to GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University;
- 4) A person who has completed a university education level curriculum from a foreign-affiliated educational institution in Japan that is based on that country's school education system and that is designated by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan, or is

expected to complete said curriculum by the day prior to admission to GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University;

- 5) A person who has completed a 16-year educational curriculum of a foreign country by taking a remote course in Japan that is offered by a school from said country or is expected to complete said curriculum by the day prior to admission to GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University;
- 6) A person who was awarded a degree equivalent to a Bachelor's degree from a foreign university or other school (restricted to those schools evaluated by an authority certified by said foreign country's government or a related organization responsible for comprehensive activities such as education and research activities and designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan) after completion of an educational program of three years or more (including completion of an education program by taking a remote course in Japan that is offered by a school of said country and completion of an education program offered by an educational institution that is based on that country's school education system and designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan) (see Note 1);
- 7) A person who is determined to be eligible by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan;
- 8) A person who completed a course at a specialized training school (restricted to those schools that meet requirements approved by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan including a training period of four years or more) approved by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan after the date designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan, or is expected to complete said course by the day prior to admission to GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University;
- 9) A person who was admitted to a graduate school other than GRAFiNiti in accordance with Paragraph 2 of Article 102 of the School Education Act and who is recognized to possess academic ability suitable for graduate school education at GRAFiNiti (see Note 1);
- 10) A person who meets one of the following 4 requirements and is recognized by GRAFiNiti to have obtained necessary credits with an excellent grade (see Note 1);
 - i) A person who will have stayed at a university as defined in Article 83 of the School Education Act for three years or more by the day prior to admission to GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University (see Notes 2 and 3);
 - ii) A person who completed a 15-year educational curriculum in a foreign country or is expected to complete by the day prior to admission to GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University;
 - iii) A person who has completed a university level curriculum from a foreign-affiliated educational institution in Japan that is based on that country's 15-year school education system and that is approved by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan or is expected to complete said curriculum by the day prior to admission to GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University;
 - iv) A person who has completed a 15-year curriculum offered by a foreign country by taking a remote course in Japan that is offered by a school from said country or is expected to complete by the day prior to admission to GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University;

11) A person who is recognized to have academic ability equivalent to or superior to that of a person, who meets Eligibility requirement 1) by individual screening and who will be 22 years old by the day prior to admission to GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University (Note 1).

Note 1	An applicant who wishes to apply according to 6), 9), 10) or 11) is required to undergo a prior, separate screening process. See "4. Procedures for Eligibility Screening" on Pages 6-7.
Note 2	Application qualification 10) - i) does not apply to those who have "transferred" to a university (for those who have graduated from a junior college, College of technology, etc.) based on the provisions of the School Education Act. Note that a period of leave of absence will not be included in the period of enrollment. In addition, the following requirements must be met: A) He/she must have obtained 80% or better evaluation in 90% or more credits earned as described in his/her transcript of academic records at the time of application and is expected to obtain an equivalent record at the end of the third year; B) He/she is expected to obtain all the credits without any sign of failure for the qualification of graduation by the date of admission to GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University, except for obligatory subjects to be completed in the fourth year.
Note 3	A person who enters GRAFiNiti according to Eligibility Requirement 10) - i) without completion of ordinary process will have the official status of "withdrawal from university". Be aware of this, since such a person is not eligible, for example, in various state examinations that require graduation from university as one of the eligibility requirements.

4. Procedures for Eligibility Screening

1) How to confirm Eligibility Requirements

Those who wish to apply according to Eligibility Requirement 6), 9), 10) or 11) (pages 4-6), please submit a document for Eligibility Screening electronically by email to "12. Contact Information" (page 15) during each Eligibility Screening period. The subject of the email should be "Eligibility Screening for Master's course application at the Graduate School of Frontier Science Initiative: Applicant's Name (e.g. Juliette Kanazawa)."

Note: If the files to be attached exceed 5 GB, please use a file transfer service.

2) Period for Eligibility Screening

First round	Second round	Third round
From Jun. 10 (Mon) until 4:30 pm on Jun. 14 (Fri), 2024	From Sep. 5 (Thu) until 4:30 pm on Sep. 11 (Wed), 2024	From Dec. 6 (Fri) until 4:30 pm on Dec. 12 (Thu), 2024

3) Items to be submitted for Eligibility Screening

- i) All applicants: a set of items to be uploaded using the internet application system, i.e. Application Documents defined on "5. Application Procedures" (pages 7-11).
- ii) Only those who wish to apply according to 10) - i) of "3. Eligibility Requirements" (page 5):
 - A) Recommendation (free format, written by a relevant faculty member, recommended by the President or the Department Head, strictly sealed);
 - B) Course Handbook (including a list of the contents of classes. Not required for students currently enrolled in Kanazawa University);
 - C) Enrollment Period Certificate (describing leave of absence. Not required for students currently enrolled in Kanazawa University).

4) Results of Eligibility Screening

The results of Eligibility Screening will be notified by email to the applicant.

Those who are confirmed to meet the Eligibility Requirements should proceed according to "5. Application Procedures" (pages 7-11).

5. Application Procedures

1) Application Method

After registering the necessary information online (Internet application system) during each application period, uploading the completed items and paying the entrance examination fee (30,000 yen), submit an "Application Checking Sheet (for submission)" electronically by email to "12. Contact Information" (page 15). The subject of the email should be "Master's course application at the Graduate School of Frontier Science Initiative: Applicant's Name (e.g. Juliette Kanazawa)."

Note: MEXT Scholarship students do not have to pay the entrance examination fee. Please contact "12. Contact Information" (page 15) before applying since the procedure for the online application system is different.

Internet application system

https://www.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/education/admission/internet_entry/

2) Application Period

As described in "Schedule of Application Procedure up to Enrollment" (page 3).

Note: the registration of required information and uploading of items using the internet application system as well as the payment of the entrance examination fee can be made one week before the application period. However, the submission of the "Application Checking Sheet (for submission)" is limited to the application period.

3) Application Documents

- i) Items to be uploaded using the Internet application system

◆ Scan documents carefully to ensure that the contents are readable. Also, you will need to submit the originals at the time of admission procedure, keep them in a safe place until then.

Number	Item	Remarks
1	Portrait photograph	A photograph for identification of the applicant. Use a color photograph taken within the last three months of the upper body, <u>unedited</u> , without a hat, front-facing, with a plain background, in jpg or png format between 0.1 to 5 MB.
2	Application form (Form 1)	Fill in the required information.
3	Academic transcript ◆	Issued by the President or Department Head of a university, President of a junior college, President of a College of technology.
4	Certificate of graduation (completion) or certificate of expected graduation (completion) ◆	If the transcript of academic records certifies graduation or expected graduation, a certificate of graduation/completion or a certificate of expected graduation/completion is not necessary. Note 1: An applicant who has completed or is expected to complete a major course at a junior college or a college of technology must submit a certificate for the major course and a certificate for regular courses. Note 2: An applicant who has completed or is expected to complete a course at a foreign university or an equivalent school must submit a certificate written in Japanese or English.
5	Short project description (Form 2 - i), 2 - ii), 2 - iii)	Division of Transdisciplinary Sciences Assignment 1: "What you have learned so far/Content of your research" (Form 2 - i)) Assignment 2: "Research content/plan of what you wish to work on after admission (including the perspective of transdisciplinarity)" (Form 2 - ii)) ----- Division of Nano Life Science Assignment: "What kind of research activities have you been involved with so far (including before entering graduate school)? What kind of research subjects do you wish to work on after admission?" (Form 2 - iii))
The following are applicable in individual cases where relevant:		
6	Certificate of Bachelor's degree ◆	Those who will apply according to 2) of "3. Eligibility Requirements" (page 4) must submit the following:

Number	Item	Remarks
		<p>For an applicant who has been awarded a Bachelor's degree</p> <p>- A certificate of the awarded degree issued by the National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education</p> <p>For an applicant who has applied for the award of an academic degree</p> <p>- Certification that an application for a Bachelor's degree award issued by the National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education has been received</p> <p>An applicant who is planning to apply for the award of an academic degree</p> <p>- A certificate issued by the President of a junior college, College of technology or school stating that the applicant is planning to apply for award of a degree (free format) Note that if the applicant does not apply for a Bachelor's degree after completing the application, or if he/she cannot obtain a Bachelor's degree, contact the President of the junior college, College of technology or school to notify the President of Kanazawa University about the issue immediately.</p>
7	Summary of research and development or summary of practical work experience	Those who will apply according to 11) of "3. Eligibility Requirements" (page 6) must submit a "summary of research and development" or "summary of practical work experience" (free format, maximum 3 pages on A4 sheets.)
8	Permission to take an entrance examination (Form 3) ◆	If an applicant wishes to remain in employment at or associated with a governmental office, corporation or organization, he/she must submit written permission to take an entrance examination prepared by his/her President (or Advisor). If such a submission is not possible at the time of application, said permission is to be submitted during the admission procedure. Contact "12. Contact Information" (page 15) before application.
9	Copy of applicant's passport	An international applicant must submit a copy of his/her passport showing his/her name. An international applicant
10	Copy of applicant's residence card	who is a resident in Japan at the time of the application must submit a copy of his/her residence card (both sides).

Number	Item	Remarks
11	Copy of an extract from applicant's family register	If the applicant's name is different from that appearing on the applicant's certificate, etc. due to a change of name, the applicant must submit a document that certifies the change such as an extract from the family register.

ii) Item to be submitted to the address appearing on "12. Contact Information" (page 15)

Number	Item	Remarks
12	Application Checking Sheet (for submission)	Submit the application checking sheet (for submission) by downloading it from the Application Confirmation Page. Note 1: The application checking sheet (for submission) cannot be downloaded until the necessary information has been registered, the items have been uploaded, and the entrance examination fee has been paid. Note 2: Note that the application checking sheet (for submission) is different from the application checking sheet (for confirmation).

4) Prerequisites for Application and Examination

- i) An applicant must make direct contact with one of the faculty members of GRAFiNiti, Kanazawa University, under whose supervision he/she wishes to study and do research, and must obtain acceptance in advance (if the applicant undergoes the Procedures of Eligibility Screening, before the Procedures);
- ii) An applicant must confirm that all necessary documents have been filled in properly. Incomplete application documents may make the applicant ineligible;
- iii) An overseas applicant who cannot attend on the day of examination due to unavoidable circumstances must contact "12. Contact Information" (page 15) when making an application;
- iv) **If a fraud is discovered in the application documents and/or information registered, or if original documents that are required cannot be submitted during the admission procedure, admission may be refused.**

5) Advance Consultation for Applicants with Disability

An applicant with a disability who needs special consideration for the examination and for his/her study and research should contact "12. Contact Information" (page 15) with a submission of the following documents before application.

- i) Request for advance consultation (free format):
 - Name;
 - Type of disability and its severity;
 - Items to be specially considered for the examination and for study and research;
 - Considerations made at his/her university;

- Daily life condition;
- Other references.

ii) Medical certificate by his/her physician;

iii) Other reference documents (a copy of handicapped person's passbook, etc.).

6) Others

A successful applicant admitted to GRAFiNiti who was expected to graduate or complete the necessary curriculum at the time of application must submit a certificate of graduation or completion at the time of admission procedure.

6. Entrance Examination

1) Date and Place of Examination

Date	Contents of examination	Place
As described on the Schedule of Application Procedure up to Enrollment (page 3)	Oral presentation	Kanazawa University Kakuma Campus
	Interview	
	Oral examination	

Note 1: Applicants will be informed of the meeting time and location after printing of Examination Tickets has begun.

Note 2: For an applicant who lives abroad and has indicated difficulty in getting to Japan on the day of examination, he/she can take the examination online on any day of the previous week of the designated examination day including the examination day described in "Schedule of Application Procedure up to Enrollment" (page 3). The online examination will be conducted using Zoom, Webex, etc. in the same way as the selection method in 2) below.

2) Details of Examination

Oral presentation (up to 10 min)	<p>Oral presentation of the short project description submitted at the time of application.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A projector and cable (HDMI terminal) are available in the examination room. Use applicant's own laptop and appropriate connection equipment to make the presentation. • Prepare 5 printed copies of the presentation (A4 size vertical, 2 slides per page, double-sided printing, upper left stapled) in case the applicant cannot make the presentation due to a connection problem. • An applicant living abroad will be given separate instructions.
Interview (up to 10 min)	Questions and answers regarding the content of the presentation (If the applicant has work experience, he/she may also be asked about this.)

Oral examination (up to 10 min)	Oral questions on the specific research field you require to receive guidance on from the applicant's preferred supervisor. The applicant will be informed of the specific areas to be addressed after printing of the examination ticket has started.
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3) Acceptance and Rejection Criteria and Evaluation Criteria

Regarding judgement of acceptance and rejection, the Division of Transdisciplinary Sciences and the Division of Nano Life Science put emphasis on the applicant's enthusiasm for creation of new value through transdisciplinarity and that for nano life science research, respectively, in addition to basic expertise in the field acquired in the Bachelor's course. A comprehensive evaluation will be made by taking into account of the short project description, oral presentation, interview and oral examination.

7. Announcement of Examination Results

Around 10 am on the day indicated on the "Schedule of Application Procedure up to Enrollment" (page 3).

The examinee numbers of the successful applicants will be shown on the GRAFiNiti web site and the "Online Pass/Fail Inquiry System". The notification of acceptance should be downloaded from the system (No notification will be sent). Inquiries by telephone or email will not be answered.

GRAFiNiti Web site > to Candidates

<https://gsinfiniti.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/examinee/>

Online pass/fail inquiry system

<https://examination.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/admission/goukakusyahappyou/>

8. Admission Procedure

1) Admission Procedure Period

As described in the "Schedule of Application Procedure up to Enrollment" (page 3).

Note: the detailed procedure will be announced separately at least one week before the procedure begins.

2) Expenses for Admission

- Payment of tuition etc.

Admission fee, 282,000 yen (estimated);

Tuition for half a year, 267,900 yen (estimated) (annual tuition, 535,800 yen (estimated)).

Note 1: These amounts are estimated ones, and if they are revised, the revised amounts will be applied on the revision date.

Note 2: These payments are exempted in the case of MEXT Scholarship students.

- Personal accident insurance for students pursuing education and research (PAS)

The amount of personal accident insurance for students pursuing education and research (PAS) covering two years, 1,750 yen (estimated);

The amount of liability insurance coupled with PAS covering two years, 680 yen (estimated).

Note: These insurance payments must be made at the time of enrollment by bank transfer.

9. Management/Protection of Personal Information

Kanazawa University is committed to the proper management and protection of personal information according to the current "Regulations on the management of personal information."

The personal information obtained through the entrance examinations and the personal information described on documents that are mandatory at the time of enrollment are used for the following services/operations:

- Services/operations for entrance examinations and admission procedures;
- Services/operations for school register management, study guidance, and health management such as medical checkups;
- Services/operations for Kanazawa University portal site management after enrollment, for the use of campus LAN, and for the campus services such as the use of the library and book lending;
- Services/operations for study support such as admission fee exemption, tuition fee exemption, scholarship selection etc.;
- Services/operations related to payment of admission fees and tuition fees and to disbursement at a financial institution contracted;
- Anonymously conducted research concerning the selection of successful candidates;
- Services/operations related to public relations targeted at current students and their families as well as serviced/operations related to fundraising (donations);
- Services/operations related to outcome assessment for graduates, support for the alumni association and foundation activities, and information services and information provision through Kanazawa University;
- Other anonymously conducted statistical operations related to the student selection process;
- Services/operations for students of the Division of Transdisciplinary Sciences to be able to receive the same internal services as Kanazawa University at the Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology.

10. Financial Support

1) Admission and Tuition Fee Waiver

Upon applying for and being accepted for a waiver, those who apply for exemption may be exempted from fees, i.e. all or half of the amount of the admission fee and/or all or half or a portion of the amount of the tuition fee for the semester concerned. Details of how to apply will be found in the admission procedure guidelines sent to successful applicants.

2) Scholarship Programs

i) Scholarships of the Japan Student Services Organization and private scholarship associations

There are loan-type scholarships that require repayment after completion and benefit-type scholarships that do not, presided over by JASSO (Japan Student Services Organization), prefectural and municipal governments, and private scholarship associations. For more information, see the websites of those organizations.

ii) Scholarship program unique to Kanazawa University for international students

Kanazawa University provides its own scholarships to international students supported privately. Details can be found on the following website:

<https://intl-support.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/tuition/private.php>

iii) Program for fostering personnel having a doctorate degree with benefit-type scholarship

Kanazawa University is reinforcing support aspiring students of the Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course / Doctoral Course, thus fostering and nurturing research personnel with a doctoral degree who will be the seed of advancement of Science and Technology and innovation in Japan and around the world, and be responsible for creating a future society.

For details, please refer to the list of "HaKaSe +" at the end of the application guidelines and the following website.

"Kanazawa University Strategic Project for Development of Doctoral Students and Research Promotion"

<https://phd.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/>

11. Notes regarding the Division of Transdisciplinary Sciences

The Division of Transdisciplinary Sciences is an inter-university curriculum between Kanazawa University and the Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (JAIST). Please apply after confirming the following:

- Please apply to the university to which the supervisor of your preference belongs, take the examinations for the student selection process at that university, and complete the admission procedures. Successful applicants who have completed admission procedures for one of the two universities cannot conduct admission procedures for the other university even if they pass the examinations for the student selection process at that university.
- The home university of a student will be the primary university that his/her supervisor of preference (academic member primarily responsible for research guidance) belongs to. Students receive guidance and advice on education, research, and student life through a system of several academic advisors including the student supervisor at their home university and a second supervisor at the other university.
- A student who has completed the prescribed course at Kanazawa University will be awarded a Master of Philosophy in the names of Kanazawa University and JAIST. Students must earn a minimum of 10 credits at JAIST as a requirement for completion.

- As a general rule, subject classes held at JAIST are to be taken on the JAIST campus. However, a system has been introduced that reduces the burden of commuting through the use of media-based remote lecture streams and lectures in an intensive lecture format.
- Students of Kanazawa University can use facilities and equipment at JAIST such as libraries. However, some facilities and equipment may have restrictions on their use.

12. Contact Information

Graduate School Affairs Section, Student Affairs Division,

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Career Support Educational Program for International Students
“Link KAGAYAKI”

Are you interested in working in Japan?

Kanazawa University offers an additional program focusing on language education of business Japanese, career education, and internships for students from overseas. We help you develop a high level of specialized knowledge and skills, as well as a deep understanding of Japanese corporate culture and regional characteristics, so you can actively contribute to Japanese companies.

All participants on this program grabbed a job opportunity from Japanese enterprises. Come and join us at orientation meetings held in April and October. We will announce you exact schedules according to when you enter the university.

Contact:

Career Support Office 〒920-1192 kakuma-machi, Kanazawa city TEL 076-264-6045

Link KAGAYAKI Web Site
<https://kagayaki.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/>

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Kanazawa University Strategic Project for Development of Doctoral Students and Research Promotion (HaKaSe⁺)

HaKaSe⁺

Kanazawa University is reinforcing support for aspiring students of the Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course / Doctoral Course, thus fostering and nurturing research personnel with a doctoral degree who will be the seed of advancement of Science and Technology and innovation in Japan and around the world, and be responsible for creating a future society. In this "Kanazawa University Strategic Project for Development of Doctoral Students and Research Promotion (HaKaSe⁺)", KU provides various support such as enhancement for concentration on research, development of interdisciplinarity and internationality, career development after obtaining a doctoral degree in addition to financial support.

The following projects are supported by Japanese government as part of the support for doctoral students for the advancement of science and technology and creation of innovation in Japan. Thus, content of supports may be subject to change due to the end of the project or system changes.

【Projects for fostering and nurturing doctoral talents with Grant-type scholarship (Apply to those who enroll in FY2024)】

M, Master's Level Section of Integrated Course / Master's Course; D, Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course; MD, 4-year Doctoral Course

			WISE Program for Nano-Precision Medicine, Science, and Technology (HaKaSe ⁺ for WISE)	SPRING Project for Doctoral Talents in Creating Novel Values (HaKaSe ⁺ for SPRING)	BOOST Project for Trailblazing AI Crossover Doctoral Talents (HaKaSe ⁺ for BOOST)
Content of project			Degree course	Support for research and career formation	Promoting cultivation of doctoral talents and cutting-edge research and development in both AI field and emerging/integrated areas in AI field (Next-generation AI field)
Target for Support			Natural Science and Technology, M&D; Medical Sciences, M&D/MD; Advanced Preventive Medical Sciences, MD; Frontier Science Initiative, M&D	All Divisions with Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course / Doctoral Courses	All Divisions with Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course / Doctoral Courses
Capacity			12/fiscal year	Varies depending on the fiscal year [In total, 169 for the fiscal year]	2/fiscal year
Support period (in principle)			For 5 years consisting of 2 years of Master's Level Section of Integrated Course / Master's course and 3 years of Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course, or for 4 years of 4-year Doctoral Course; within standard period of courses	Within standard period of Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course or of 4-year Doctoral Course	Within standard period of Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course or of 4-year Doctoral Course
Contents of financial support	Master's Level Section of Integrated Course / Master's Course	Grant for living expenses per month	50,000 yen (in principle)		
		RA salary	ca. 360,000 yen per year maximum		
	Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course / Doctoral Course	Grant for living expenses per month	180,000 yen (in principle)	180,000 yen	250,000 yen
		Research fund per year	400,000 yen	400,000 yen	900,000 yen
		RA salary	ca. 240,000 yen per year maximum (Only for those in the first year of 4-year Doctoral Course)	—	—
	Support for travel expenses, etc.		Support unique to the project available	Support unique to the project available	Support unique to the project available
	Exemption of Admission fee		Full exemption	—	—
	Exemption of Tuition fee		Full exemption	Half exemption	Half exemption
Restrictions			<p>[Students of the Doctoral Level Section of Integrated Course / Doctoral Course who fulfill any of the following conditions cannot receive the grant for living expenses]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Those who receive research incentives from the Research Fellowship for Young Scientists (DC) of the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS); International students receiving support from the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarships; Those who receive a scholarship from the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO); International students who receive the JASSO Honors scholarship; International students receiving support such as a scholarship from their home countries; Those who receive a Kanazawa University scholarship, etc. (mainly for the purpose of support for living expenses); Working part-time (with some exceptions such as TA and RA). 	<p>[Those who fall under any of the following conditions cannot apply]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Those who receive research incentives from the Research Fellowship for Young Scientists (DC) of the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS); International students receiving support from the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarships; International students receiving support such as a scholarship from their home countries; Those who receive a Kanazawa University scholarship, etc. (mainly for the purpose of support for living expenses); <p>[Adult students who fall under one of the following conditions cannot apply]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Those who earn stable income such as a salary and executive compensation at a sufficient level (2.4 million yen/year) as living expenses from the university or company to which they belong; Those who do not receive a sufficient amount of living expenses (based on 2.4 million yen/year) even though there is a system that allows them to receive such an allowance from the company, etc., to which they belong. <p>Apart from the above income requirements, those who are judged by HaKaSe⁺ to be unable to fulfill the obligation to devote themselves to research as a selected student, or not to be in a situation where they can devote themselves to the career development and nurturing content by HaKaSe⁺ are not qualified.</p> <p>[International students]</p> <p>International students must pledge that they are to be employed at a Japanese company, university, research entity, etc. (including overseas subsidiary) or an internationally affiliated company in Japan for 3 years or more after completing Kanazawa University Graduate School.</p>	

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Short project description
Applicants for Division of Transdisciplinary Sciences only

Theme 2: “Research content/plan that you wish to work on after admission (including the perspective of transdisciplinarity).”

Make the font size 10.5 points; around 1,000 character count in Japanese or 600 word count in English.

Maximum one page including figures and tables (no restrictions on the number of figures, tables, etc.).

Name

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Permission to take an entrance examination

Attention to: the Dean of the Graduate School of Frontier Science Initiative,
Kanazawa University

I herewith certify that (applicant's name, e.g. Juliette Kanazawa) has our permission to take an entrance examination of the Master's course of the Graduate School of Frontier Science Initiative, Kanazawa University.

If he/she is successfully admitted to and enrolls in the Graduate School of Frontier Science Initiative, Kanazawa University, he/she will be allowed to remain associated with our company while enrolled.

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(Affiliation, Official Title)

(Name, Signature)