Application Guidelines

～2027 Next-Generation Researcher Development Project for Leading Multidimensional Innovations ～
(Category 1・Category 2)

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～Message from the Project Supervisor～

This project supports doctoral students who will play a key role in the future of science, technology, and innovation. The challenges facing modern society are all complex and cannot be solved within the confines of a single field of expertise. There is a need for individuals who not only possess specialized knowledge but also have the ability to take a broad perspective on societal issues. Through this project, you will develop the necessary skills to tackle such challenges. The founder of Doshisha, Joseph Hardy Neesima, wrote the following Chinese poem:

真理似寒梅敢侵風雪開
（Truth is like a plum in the cold, it dares to bloom, braving storms and snows.）

Neesima speaks of truth as a force to challenge the trends of society and the times. At the age of 21, he crossed the seas and challenged the world. Doshisha continues to inherit this spirit of challenge. I hope that you will become seekers of truth who take on the challenges of the next generation.

Challengers of the Doshisha Spirit,
Open the door to truth and
Pave a new path!



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1.Purpose of the Project

Doshisha University implements the “Next-Generation Researcher Development Project for Leading Multidimensional Innovations” (hereinafter referred to as “the Project”) with the support of the “Support for Pioneering Research Initiated by the Next-Generation (SPRING)” program of the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST).

The Project aims to cultivate specialized professionals equipped with the expertise to create cutting-edge technologies for future innovation, while upholding high ethical standards and human dignity guided by a strong sense of conscience.

In alignment with Doshisha University’s founding principles, it seeks to develop leaders capable of shaping a new era through profound academic insights and practical capabilities, adept at understanding and collaborating with individuals across diverse values, perspectives, and cultures. Furthermore, the Project promotes interdisciplinary integration across the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences to foster outstanding researchers who can anticipate future societal challenges and formulate solutions from a global perspective.

2.Project Details

For doctoral students selected for the Project who demonstrate a proactive commitment to unconstrained, challenging, and interdisciplinary research (hereinafter referred to as “SPRING Students”), the Project provides a supportive environment—including a research allowance—that enables them to concentrate on their research activities and enhance their research capabilities. In addition, the Project offers various career development programs to support and advance their future career paths.

(1) Research Allowance

A living allowance of 1,800,000 yen per year will be provided during the support period.

※It will be paid in equal monthly installments until the final month of the support period.

※It is classified as taxable miscellaneous income, so recipients will need to file an individual income tax return.

(2) Research Expenses

Research Expenses of 400,000 yen per year will be provided during the support period.

※The funds will be managed directly by Doshisha University.

※The allocation may be increased for competitive research funds or overseas activities.

(3) Key Career Development and Professional Training Programs

・Developing transferable skills

・Cultivating global perspective

・Fostering an attitude toward pursuit of challenging and interdisciplinary research

・Enhancing research capabilities

※Program details are outlined in the "List of Programs Offered by the SPRING Project."

SPRING Students will receive support based on the three support categories specified under the JST’s

SPRING Program.

To be eligible, applicants must meet the 'Eligibility Criteria' and must not trigger any 'Exclusion Criteria' for their respective support category. For details regarding 'Eligibility Criteria' and 'Exclusion Criteria,' please refer to '5. Eligibility.'

Support Details for Each Category (○: Eligible, –: Not Eligible)

Support Details / Category	Research Allowance (living expenses)	Research Expenses	Career Development Programs
Category 1	○	○	○
Category 2	–	○	○
Category 3	–	○	–

3. The Number of SPRING Students to be Selected

The planned number of students by “Year of Study” and “Category” is as follows:

Year of Study at Selection	Category 1	Category 2
D1 (first-year students or third-year students in an integrated doctoral program in AY2027)	15 students	3 students
D2 (second-year students or fourth-year students in an integrated doctoral program in AY2027)	2 students	0 student
D3 (third-year students or fifth-year students in an integrated doctoral program in AY2027)	1 student	0 student

※Applications for Category 3 (AY 2027) is scheduled to open around April 2027. For further details, please refer to the “ Application Guidelines ～ 2027 Next-Generation Researcher Development Project for Leading Multidimensional Innovations (Category 3),” which will be announced separately.

4. Support Period

D1：Standard period of study* and April 1, 2027 to March 31, 2030 (3 years)
D2：Standard period of study* and April 1, 2027 to March 31, 2029 (2 years)
D3：Standard period of study* and April 1, 2027 to March 31, 2028 (1 year)
* This refers to the three-year period from the first to third year of the doctoral program or the third to fifth year of the integrated doctoral program.

※Support through this application lasts for the remainder of the standard period minus the period for which the student is already enrolled. For students using the long-term course system, the support period cannot exceed the standard period.

5. Eligibility

Eligible individuals are those who meet the “eligibility criteria” set forth in (1) and (2) below and do not fall under any of the “exclusion criteria.” However, please note that support may be restricted based on the conditions described in (3).

Please also note that, if you fall under any of the "Ineligibility Criteria" or become ineligible due to restrictions on duplicate funding after selection, you will lose your status as a supported SPRING student. In such cases, please submit a "Notice of Withdrawal" promptly.

(1) Basic Requirements

As of April 1, 2027, applicants must meet one of the following requirements, regardless of your graduate school affiliation or research field.

【D1】

- Students planning to enroll in the first year of a doctoral program.
- Students planning to transfer into the third year of an integrated doctoral program.
- Students enrolled in the equivalent of the first year of a doctoral program（Less than 12 months of enrollment）
- Students enrolled in the equivalent of the third year of an integrated doctoral program（Enrollment period: 24 months or more but less than 36 months）

【D2】

- Students enrolled in the equivalent of the second year of a doctoral program（Enrollment period: 12 months or more but less than 24 months）
- Students enrolled in the equivalent of the fourth year of an integrated doctoral program（Enrollment period: 36 months or more but less than 48 months）

【D3】

- Students enrolled in the equivalent of the third year of a doctoral program（24 months of enrollment）
- Students enrolled in the equivalent of the fifth year of an integrated doctoral program（48 months of enrollment）

※You are not eligible to apply if your support period is less than 12 months.

(2) Requirements by Support Category

（×：Not Supported、△：Conditionally Supported、〇：Supported）

Support Category	Eligibility Criteria	Exclusion Criteria
Category 1	・Applicants marked with a "○" in the "Classification of Student Eligibility for Research Allowance Under the New System" (see the appendix at the end of the application guidelines).	・Applicants who receive stable, regular income—such as a salary or executive compensation—at a level sufficient to cover living expenses (2,400,000 yen or more per year). ※1
Category 2	・Applicants residing in Japan under "Student" visa/residence status. ・Includes individuals marked with an "×" in the "Classification of Student Eligibility for Research Allowance Under the New System" (see Appendix	・Applicants affiliated with domestic or international organizations or corporations as officers, regular employees, or in similar capacities (regardless of whether they receive income), excluding typical part-time

	at the end of the Application Guidelines).	workers.
Category 3	・Applicants who receive stable, regular income—such as a salary or executive compensation—at a level sufficient to cover living expenses (2,400,000 yen or more per year), and who are employees of Japanese corporate entities, or national or local government officials, or staff members of non-corporate legal entities (such as independent administrative agencies, foundations, incorporated associations, medical corporations, and NPOs). ・Applicants affiliated exclusively with overseas nonprofit institutions or organizations (regardless of whether they receive income) and whose affiliation is with a nonprofit institution or organization, such as an overseas university or public research institution.	・Applicants affiliated exclusively with overseas for-profit organizations or corporations (regardless of whether they receive income). ※2 ・Applicants affiliated with foreign government agencies (ministries, government departments, etc.).※3

※1　Income from part-time jobs is not considered stable, regular income. Compensation for TA/RA positions is also excluded.

※2　Even if an applicant is affiliated exclusively with an overseas for-profit organization or corporation, they may be eligible for support under Category 3 if they satisfy the eligibility criteria outlined in the "Classification of Student Eligibility for Research Allowance Under the New System" (see Appendix at the end of the Application Guidelines).

※3　Students receiving Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarships remain eligible for Category 3 support, even if they are affiliated with a foreign government agency.

(3) Eligibility for Support Under Duplicate Funding Sources

Support Category	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Recipients of government-funded research grants equivalent to SPRING that support independent, ambitious, and interdisciplinary research. Examples) ・"Broadening Opportunities for Outstanding young researchers and doctoral students in STrategic areas" students ・JSPS Research Fellows (DC) ・JICA International Students ・Young Talent Development Participants of the Networked Exchange, United Strength for Stronger Partnerships between Japan and ASEAN (NEXUS)	×	×	×
Recipients of private or non-governmental scholarships sufficient to cover living expenses (2.4 million yen or more per year)	△※1	○	

・International students receiving support through the Japanese government-financed scholarships (MEXT), ・International students receiving scholarships from independent administrative agencies and similar organizations ・International students receiving scholarships or other financial support from their home countries		○	△※2
Students receiving competitive research grants, scholarships, and other forms of financial support	○※3	○※3	○※3

※1 In principle, this project is intended to support students who do not have sufficient financial means to cover their living expenses. Students receiving 2,400,000 yen or more per year in living-expense support through non-repayable scholarships or grants from private or non-governmental sources are ineligible to receive the Research Allowance (an amount equivalent to living expenses) under Category 1. Loan-type scholarships, regardless of the amount, are eligible for the Research Allowance (equivalent to living expenses). Please note that students receiving the Research Allowance will become ineligible for the "Scholarship Repayment Exemption for Exceptionally Outstanding Achievements" program administered by the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO).

※2 Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship recipients who are affiliated with a foreign government agency remain eligible for Category 3 support.

※3 In cases where unreasonable duplication or excessive concentration is recognized, you may be ineligible to receive support from this project. Support under this Project may be denied if unreasonable duplication or excessive concentration of funding is determined. Applicants receiving significant funding from other competitive grants, programs, or scholarships should consult us prior to application if such support could impact their project activities.

6. Loss of Eligibility

In addition to cases where a student no longer satisfies the requirements specified in "5. Eligibility," support will be terminated under any of the following circumstances:

(1) If the student takes a leave of absence during the support period.

(2) If the student withdraws, is expelled, or otherwise loses enrollment status at Doshisha University.

(3) If the student is subjected to disciplinary action under Doshisha University's student regulations.

(4) If the student is found to have committed research misconduct under Doshisha University's regulations on research integrity; or

(5) If the SPRING committee determines, based on the student's fulfillment of project obligations, that the student is no longer suitable to receive support.

7. Obligations

SPRING Students are required to fulfill all obligations specified below. Specific requirements vary according to the assigned support category.

【Obligations During the Support Period】

≪Applies to All Support Categories≫

(1) Observe the Doshisha University Code of Research Ethics.

(2) Comply with all responsibilities set forth in the "Regulations on Handling

Research Misconduct" at Doshisha University.

（3）Expenditure and management of research funds must be conducted appropriately in accordance with the "Regulations on the Management and Administration of Public Research Funds at Doshisha University.

（4）Complete designated research ethics education programs required by Doshisha University and JST.

（5）Participate in various events organized by JST for the SPRING Program, including student networking and exchange sessions.

（6）Respond to surveys conducted by JST and Doshisha University.

（7）Actively participate in academic conferences, submit papers for publication, give oral presentations, and archive research papers submitted to journals.

(8) Ensure that published research outputs are made open access and that research data is managed in compliance with guidelines established by JST.

（9）Submit the Research Activity Report to the Project Supervisor every academic year.

≪Applies to Support Categories 1 and 2≫

（10）Participate in career development programs, such as career development guidance, networking events with companies, etc. assigned by the Project Supervisor.

（11）Take courses assigned by the Project Supervisor from career creating systems of Advanced Liberal Arts (ALA) offered by the Institute for Advanced Research and Education.

（12）Apply for the JSPS Doctoral Course (DC) Research Fellowships.

※For details on specific programs designated by the Project Supervisor, please refer to the attached document, "List of Programs Offered by the SPRING Project."

≪Applies to Support Category 1≫

（13）Prepare and submit an Overseas Activity Plan that contributes to research advancement and professional growth, with the approval of the student's academic advisor. Based on this approved plan, students are required to carry out Overseas Activities during the support period.

【Obligations After the Support Period Ends】

≪Applies to all Support Categories≫

SPRING students are required to fulfill the following obligation following the conclusion of the support period:

(1) Cooperate with post-completion follow-up surveys conducted by JST and Doshisha University after graduating or completing the doctoral program.

8. Application Procedures

(1) Application Documents

Applicants must submit the following documents by the deadline. Submissions missing Documents ①, ②, and ③ will not be accepted, and the application will not be evaluated. While applications will be accepted without ④, the absence of this document will result in no additional points being awarded in the screening process.

① Statement of Purpose and Research Proposal (prescribed form)

② Recommendation Letter from Academic Advisor (prescribed form)

③ Copy of Official Scores of English Proficiency（exams taken after April 2025） or "Notification

of Exemption from Submission of Certificate of English Proficiency"(prescribed form).

④ The Result of the 2027 JSPS Doctoral Course (DC) Research Fellowships（Copy of the result）

⑤ (Only for applicants in Category 1 whose applicant classifications are ④-2, ⑤-2, or ⑤-3.) "Supplementary Explanation Regarding Research Allowance Applications（For Applicants in Categories ④-2, ⑤-2, and ⑤-3）"（Prescribed Form）

※Please download the prescribed application forms from the following URL.
https://rd.doshisha.ac.jp/rd/inside/wakate/spring/call_for_application.html

(2) Guidelines for Preparing Application Documents

①Statement of Purpose and Research Proposal

・The main body text must be written in 10.5 pt font size or larger.

・【Statement of Purpose】

This project aims to develop individuals who will contribute to 'Japan's science, technology, and innovation.' Applicants should concisely describe the vision of the researcher they aspire to become, how they intend to utilize and actively participate in the Career Development and Professional Training programs (e.g., Enhancing Research Capabilities, Cultivating Global Perspective, Developing Transferable Skills, Interdisciplinary Exchanges, etc.) to achieve their career goals.

・【International Aspects of Research】

Applicants should describe, in concrete terms, how their research is positioned within global academic trends and what specific international activities (e.g., research exchanges with overseas research institutions, international conferences, overseas field surveys, etc.) they plan to undertake to further advance your research.

・【Research Plan】

①Describe the research background to date, the positioning of the proposed research, and the background of the current state and challenges in the relevant field.

②Describe the research purpose, methods, content, and plan, explaining how the allocated research expenses will be used to advance the research.

③Also describe the unique characteristics and originality of the research (comparisons with existing research, anticipated impact upon completion of this research, and future prospects, etc.).

④Concept for addressing social issues： describe how the research outputs can be applied toward solving contemporary social issues.

②Recommendation Letter from Academic Advisor

Selected SPRING Students are expected to engage actively in both their primary research and researcher career development programs. To ensure an appropriate balance between research and career development, applicants must submit a letter of recommendation from their academic advisor bearing the advisor's handwritten signature.

③"Copy of Official Scores of English Proficiency" or "Notification of Exemption from Submission of Certificate of English Proficiency"

・To verify sufficient English language proficiency required for program participation, applicants must submit a copy of an official English proficiency test score report (showing both the test score and applicant's full name). Where possible, score reports covering all four language skills (Listening, Reading, Writing, and Speaking) are preferred. Test results must be from examinations taken in or after April 2025.

（Examples of official scores）

・Eiken, TOEIC, IELTS, TOEFLiBT, iTEP CASEC, GTEC

・The following applicants are exempted from submitting the official scores of English proficiency. Submit the “Notification of Exemption from Submission of Certificate of English Proficiency” instead (prescribed form).

－International students from countries where English is the native language

－Students who have graduated or completed higher education such as universities or graduate schools in English-speaking countries

-Student enrolled in the ISTC (International Science and Technology Course) at Doshisha University

(Applicants uncertain of their exemption status should consult us in advance via “11. Inquiries regarding the Call for Applications.”)

④The Result of the 2026 JSPS Doctoral Course (DC) Research Fellowships Application（Copy of the result）

・As this project strongly encourages applicants to apply for the JSPS DC Research Fellowships (see “7. Obligations”), the selection process will award additional points based on the screening result of the AY2027 JSPS DC Research Fellowships for the same academic year as the application.

・Applicants seeking additional points must submit a PDF copy or screenshot of their AY2027 JSPS DC selection review result. The applicant's full name and T-score must be clearly legible. Files with unreadable names or T-scores will be deemed invalid.

⑤Supplementary Explanation Regarding Research Allowance Applications（For Applicants in Categories ④-2, ⑤-2, and ⑤-3）

・Required **only** for applicants applying under “Category 1” who fall under Applicant Classifications ④-2, ⑤-2, or ⑤-3. Applicants in other categories or classifications do not need to submit this form.

・The information provided on this form will be used to determine eligibility to receive the Research Allowance under Category 1. Applicants must provide a detailed explanation demonstrating how they satisfy the applicable criterion:

(④-2) “intends to reside permanently in Japan in the future”.

(⑤-2) “intends to remain in Japan and establish a career after graduating from or completing a program at a university or other higher education institution”.

(⑤-3) “deemed equivalent to a person described in (⑤-2), taking into comprehensive consideration the period of residence in Japan and other relevant circumstances.”

(3) How to Apply

Applications must be submitted online using the prescribed form (Microsoft Forms). Submissions made via any other means (e.g., postal mail, in-person delivery, email) will not be accepted under any circumstances.

After completing the required fields in the online application form, applicants must upload the following documents as individual PDF files:

①Statement of Purpose and Research Proposal

②Recommendation Letter from Academic Advisor

③Copy of Official Scores of English Proficiency or Notification of Exemption from Submission of Certificate of English Proficiency

④The Result of the 2027 JSPS Doctoral Course (DC) Research Fellowships（Copy of the result）（applicable applicants only）
⑤Supplementary Explanation Regarding Research Allowance Applications (required only for applicants applying under Category 1 whose classification falls under ④-2, ⑤-2, or ⑤-3.)

Each file must be no larger than 10MB.
Name the files as follows:
[Name of the graduate school_applicant's name.pdf]
[Name of the graduate school_applicant's name_Letter.pdf]
[Name of the graduate school_applicant's name_EnTest.pdf]
[Name of the graduate school_applicant's name_DC.pdf]
[Name of the graduate school_applicant's name_ Supplementary Explanation.pdf]
（e.g. Theology_John Smith_Letter.pdf）

≪Submission Forms for Application≫
https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/xetwCjmsCE

＊Applicants must log in using their Doshisha University email address when accessing the forms. Applicants who do not possess a Doshisha University User ID must contact the SPRING Management Office (refer to "11. Inquiries Regarding the Call for Applications") as early as possible to receive guidance on alternative submission procedures well in advance of the deadline.

(4) Application Period

Monday, December 14, 2026 - Wednesday, January 6, 2027, 12:00 PM
（Japan Standard Time）**【Strict Deadline】**
※Applications submitted outside the designated application period will not be accepted under any circumstances. Please make sure to complete the application process well in advance.

9. Selection Method

Applicants will be evaluated comprehensively based on the following three screening components: "The Result of JSPS Doctoral Course (DC) Research Fellowships" (hereinafter referred to as "JSPS T-Score"), "Document Screening" and "Interview Screening."

(1) Document Screening

Document screening will be conducted for each category based on the following selection criteria:
【Category 1 selection criteria】
(1) Possesses the qualities of a researcher and have a clear vision.
(2) The proposed research is clearly articulated, methodologically sound, and exhibits strong potential for further advancement.
(3) Possesses a specific career development plan as a researcher.

【Category 2 selection criteria】
(1) Possesses the qualities of a researcher and have a clear vision.
(2) The proposed research is clearly articulated, methodologically sound, and possesses strong potential for further advancement.

(3) Possesses a specific career development plan as a researcher （including a plan detailing how it will contribute to Japan’s science, technology and innovation）.

(2) Interview Screening

Candidates for the Interview Screening are selected based on their scores from the “JSPS T-Score” and “Document Screening.” Details regarding the Interview Screening will be announced via email to eligible candidates approximately two weeks prior to the scheduled interview date.

【Interview Schedule】

Interviews are scheduled as follows. Applicants are expected to reserve this date in advance. Absence from the interview for any reason will result in disqualification from receiving interview evaluation points.

Place: Imadegawa Campus (in-person)

Date： Tuesday, February 23rd, 2027, 9:30am - 5:00pm (scheduled)

Interview Duration：10 minutes/person【Presentation: 3 minutes (strictly timed) + Q&A: 7 minutes】

【Criteria for Interview Screening】

Applicants will be evaluated based on their self-assessment as researchers and their plans for future growth and development, focusing on the three key perspectives emphasized by this project: research capability, cultivation of global perspective, and development of transferable skills.

Based on the submitted “Official Scores of English Proficiency,” applicants with insufficient English proficiency will also be assessed their motivation and the specificity of their plans for improvement. This includes how they intend to enhance their English skills and how they plan to engage with the various programs offered by this project that require English proficiency.

In consideration of the purpose of this project, international students will be evaluated not based on contributions to their home countries, but from the perspective of how they can contribute to Japan’s innovation.

【Interview Screening Method】

Applicants will give a 3-minute presentation (strictly timed) using presentation materials submitted in advance (see [Presentation Materials] below for details). Please note that the presentation will be strictly limited to 3 minutes and will be stopped at the 3-minute mark, even if it is still in progress. Following the presentation, there will be a Q&A session with the selection committee.

Because members of the Selection Committee may not be specialists in the applicant's specific field of study, presentations must be structured clearly and deliverable to researchers across diverse academic disciplines.

【Presentation Materials】

While there are no strict layout restrictions for presentation materials, slides should generally be created using Microsoft PowerPoint. Presentation content must explicitly address the three core dimensions emphasized by this Project: (1) Enhancement of Research Capabilities, (2) Cultivation of Global Perspective, and (3) Development of Transferable Skills.

Example：

（research capabilities）The vision of the researcher the applicant aspires to become and the strategic positioning of their research toward achieving that goal

（global perspective）Vision for international research engagement and Overseas Activity Plan
（transferable skills）Identification of skills necessary beyond research capabilities and a structured plan for acquiring them

The presentation file must not exceed 10MB in size and must be submitted in advance （submission protocols and exact deadlines will be communicated to eligible candidates in the interview notification email）. Once submitted, presentation files cannot be modified or replaced under any circumstances. Applicants must verify all content prior to final submission.

Due to the short timeframe between interview notification and the material submission deadline, applicants are urged to prepare their presentation slides in advance. Submissions received after the deadline will be deemed invalid, resulting in no points being awarded for the interview evaluation.

10. Notification of Selection

Applicants will be notified of the selection results via email by early March 2027. Unsuccessful applicants will be informed of their relative ranking among the non-selected candidates. Applicants who do not receive notification by the designated period, please contact the SPRING Management Office (refer to “12. Contact”).

Upon enrollment as a SPRING Student, candidates will be required to present supporting documents to the SPRING Management Office corresponding to their applicant classification in the attached “List of Students Eligible for Research Allowance Under the New System.”
Examples: Passport, residence card, family register certificate.
※Selection status may be cancelled if an applicant cannot provide the required verification documents or if material discrepancies are identified in the submitted application.

【Orientation for New SPRING Students】
An orientation session for newly selected SPRING students is scheduled as follows.
Tuesday, April 6, 2027 (afternoon) at Imadegawa campus

11. Inquiries regarding the Call for Applications

Eligible applicants must submit all inquiries exclusively through the designated online Inquiry Form. Inquiries unrelated to this Call for Applications will not be answered. The SPRING Management Office will not respond to inquiries made via telephone or email.

Question Form：https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/am1bvnuwTEwTE
Inquiry period：Open until Friday, December 18, 2026 12:00pm (Japan Standard Time)

Responses to submitted inquiries will be compiled and uploaded to the university's Webdisk (shared disk) by Thursday, December 24, 2026. Individual responses will not be provided; applicants are expected to check the latest files uploaded to "Webdisk" as needed.

※URL of Webdisk（shared disk）:
https://webdisk.doshisha.ac.jp/public/2K6BgnlNmTAl_vBfsZOupCeAtSoLIJ5cI42tTsb1pIYp

To ensure fairness and transparency, all questions submitted during the inquiry period, along with their

official responses, will, in principle, be disclosed publicly to all applicants.

12. Contact

Next-Generation Researcher Development Project for Leading Multidimensional Innovations (SPRING)
SPRING Management Office (Organization for Research Innovation・Department of Research Administration)
E-Mail：dfs-spring@mail.doshisha.ac.jp

13. Others

Upon selection as a SPRING Student, the recipient's name, field of specialization, research theme, and relevant profile details will be published on the university's website and official communications channels. Additionally, selected students are required to cooperate with publicity and public relations initiatives conducted by the University and the Project to disseminate research outcomes and program activities.

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<Appendix> Classification of Student Eligibility for Research Allowance Under the New System

NO		Category	Examples		Period of Stay	Eligibility
①		A Person with Japanese Nationality	Japanese national, former foreign national who became a Japanese citizen		—	○
②		Special Permanent Resident (Article 3 of the Act on Special Cases of Immigration Control, etc. of Persons who Have Relinquished Japanese Nationality on the Basis of the Peace Treaty with Japan)	A person residing in Japan as a statutory Special Permanent Resident pursuant to the provisions of Article 3 of the Special Act on Immigration Control		Indifinite	○
③	1	Permanent Resident, Spouse of Japanese National, etc., Spouse of Permanent Resident, etc. （Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act Appended Table II)	Permanent Resident	Those who are permitted permanent residence by the Minister of Justice.	Indifinite	○
	2		Spouse of Japanese Nationals, etc.	Spouse, child, or special adopted child of a Japanese national	5 years, 3 years, 1 year or 6 months	○
	3		Spouse of Permanent Residents, etc.	Spouse of a permanent resident, special permanent resident,or a child born in Japan who continues to reside in Japan	5 years, 3 years, 1 year or 6 months	○
④	1	Long-Term Resident (Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act Appended Table II)	Indochinese refugee within a specified scope, Vietnamese refugee within a specified scope, third-generation Japanese descent, spouse of a Long-Term Resident, biological child of a naturalized Japanese citizen, Permanent Resident, Special Permanent Resident, or Long-Term Resident, Japanese remaining in China after the war or their child, or foreign parent supporting a biological child of a Japanese national, etc.		5 years, 3 years, 1 year or 6 months, or a period individually designated by the Minister of Justice (not exceeding 5 years)	× ※
	2		A person among the above recognized as intending to reside permanently in Japan			○
⑤	1	Dependent (Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act Appended Table I)	Dependent child of a person residing under the following status of residence: Professor, Artist, Religious Activities, Journalist, Highly Skilled Professional, Business Manager, Legal/Accounting Services, Medical Services, Researcher, Instructor, Engineer/Specialist in Humanities/International Services, Intra-company Transferee, Nursing Care, Entertainer, Skilled Labor, Specified Skilled Worker (ii), Cultural Activities, or Student, etc.		A period individually designated by the Minister of Justice (not exceeding 5 years)	× ※
	2		A person among the above who meets all of the following conditions: • born in Japan or entered Japan for the first time by the end of the school year in which they reached 12 years of age • graduated from or completed elementary school or equivalent through high school or equivalent in Japan • recognized as having the intention to work and settle in Japan after graduating from or completing university or equivalent			○
	3		A person recognized as being equivalent to the person specified in ⑤-2, taking into comprehensively account their period of stay in Japan and other circumstances			○
⑥		A Person residing under the statuses of residence listed on the right (Appended Table I (1) through (5) of the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act)	(1)Diplomat, Official, Professor, Artist, Religious Activities, Journalist (2)Highly Skilled Professional, Business Manager, Legal/Accounting Services, Medical Services, Researcher, Instructor, Engineer/Specialist in Humanities/International Services, Nursing Care, Intra-company Transferee, Entertainer, Skilled Labor, Technical Intern Training (3)Cultural Activities, Temporary Visitor (4)Student, Trainee (5)Designated Activities		A period ranging from 15 days to 5 years depending on the classification category (indefinite for a portion of Highly Skilled Professional statuses)	× ※

※ Since ④-1, ⑤-1, and ⑥fall outside the eligibility criteria for Category 1, they are eligible to apply under Category 2.