

Application Guidelines for AY2024 Doshisha University Graduate School Fellowship Program for Young Doctoral Students/Researchers (additional recruitment)

Note: If there is any contradiction between what the Japanese version of this document says and what the English version says, then the Japanese version shall take precedence.

1. Purpose

With the support of MEXT's "The Establishment of University Fellowships Towards the Creation of Science Technology Innovation" (hereinafter "the Subsidized Project"), the Doshisha University Graduate School Fellowship Program for Young Doctoral Students/Researchers aims to cultivate competent young researchers who lead the next generation by offering the comprehensive support for improving the research environment of and securing career paths for doctoral students.

Doshisha University will provide the students selected for this Fellowship Program (hereinafter "Fellowship Recipients") with the Support Grant for Concentrating on Research and research expenses (hereinafter collectively "Fellowship") so that they can concentrate on their research.

The students selected as the Fellowship Recipients are demanded to enhance their research competence and actively create their future career by taking courses that the university provides to secure career paths.

We are recruiting additional students eligible for the program due to the new vacancy.

2. Eligibility

Those who meet the following requirements (1) and (2) can apply.

(1) [For the vacancy of the 2nd year students]

Those enrolled in the 2nd grade of the doctoral course or 4th grade of the consistent doctoral course on April 2024.

[For the vacancy of the 3rd year students]

Those enrolled in the 3rd grade of the doctoral course or 5th grade of the consistent doctoral course on April 2024.

(2) Those who have applied for the AY2024 JSPS Research Fellow (DC2)

Whoever is in any of the following positions on and after April 1, 2024 is NOT eligible.

(1) JSPS research fellow (funded by JSPS Research Fellowship for Young Scientists)

(2) The government-financed overseas student (funded by the National Scholarship System for International Students)

(3) Overseas student who receives a scholarship or other financial support from the home country

(4) Recipient of scholarship, which imposes the engagement in the funded research full-time

(5) Former recipient of this Fellowship

(6) Whoever earn more than 2,400 thousand yen as salary, executive compensation, or other stable income from the institution they belong

(7) Whoever does not correspond to the condition of the support target of the Subsidized Project

3. Amount of Fellowship

The following amount will be issued to each Fellowship Recipient during the period of adoption.

-Support Grant for Concentrating on Research: 1,800 thousand yen/year

-Research expense: Annual budget of 200 thousand yen (managed by the university)

* The Support Grant for Concentrating on Research is taxable as miscellaneous income, so procedures such as final income tax declaration should be made.

* The Support Grant for Concentrating on Research will be paid monthly (evenly divided amount of the above yearly amount: 150 thousand yen/month) until the month in which the end of adoption period is.

4. Period of the adoption

Up to the standard period* required for graduation, which is up to consecutive years from April 1, 2024 until March 31, 2026.

* The duration of the support under this recruitment is the duration of the standard period minus the period already enrolled. Support duration of the students using the long-term course system cannot exceed the standard period.

5. Number of the Fellowship Recipients

2nd grade of the doctoral course or 4th grade of the consistent doctoral course on April 2024: 2 students

3rd grade of the doctoral course or 5th grade of the consistent doctoral course on April 2024: 1 student

6. Obligations

(1) Apply for JSPS Research Fellow every academic year.

(2) Participate in career creating programs held by the Organization for Research Initiatives and Development, such as career creating guidance, company exchange meetings, etc.

(3) Take courses from career-creating systems of Advanced Liberal Arts offered by the Institute for Advanced Education and Research (see the appendix).

(4) Actively commit such activities as participating in academic conferences, submitting papers, and self-archiving oral presentation and research theses.

(5) Submit the report of research activities to the Executive Dean of the Organization for Research Initiatives and Development every academic year.

(6) Register for the Japan Graduates Database (JGRAD) of the National Institute of Science and Technology Policy (NISTEP), MEXT and respond to follow-up surveys after finishing their doctoral courses.

(7) Other matters required of the Fellowship Recipients

7. Combined payment with other scholarships

Combined payment with the following scholarships issued to pay for tuition is accepted.

(1) Doshisha University Graduate School Scholarships for Young Doctoral Students/Researchers

(2) Doshisha University Graduate School Scholarships

(3) Doshisha University Graduate School Reduced Tuition Special Scholarships for Self-Funded International Students

(4) Doshisha University Reduced Tuition Scholarships for Self-Funded International Students

(5) Doshisha University Merit Scholarships for Self-Funded International Students

8. Cancellation of adoption

(1) If Fellowship Recipients are adopted to JSPS Research Fellow, they should decline the adoption of this Fellowship.

- (2) If Fellowship Recipients lose the eligibility due to taking a leave of absence or for other reasons, the adoption might be canceled.
- (3) If Recipients are determined, from conditions of research progress or fulfillment of the above item 6, to be inappropriate as Fellowship Recipients, payment of the Fellowship might be suspended, and the adoption might be canceled.
- (4) If Fellowship Recipients are punished for reprimand according to Doshisha University regulations regarding reprimand of students, or in similar occasions, the adoption might be cancelled and the recipients might be ordered to return all or part of the Fellowship.

9. Application Procedures

- (1) Application period: from Friday, January 26, 2024
until noon (JST) of Monday, February 5, 2024 [Strict Deadline]
- (2) Application materials
 - Application form (fill in the prescribed form of Microsoft Forms)
 - Application Form for FY2024 JSPS Research Fellow (The document you have applied for JSPS Research Fellowship)

NOTE: The application for the JSPS Research Fellow consists of the following two documents:

 - 1) Application information (The first few pages of general information of the applicant)
 - 2) Application content file (DC)

Please be sure to submit the complete document (approximately 10 pages) including the above 1) and 2)

Also, please check that the version of the documents (shown at the top right) is “version 1” or higher. (The submitted version should be “version 1” or higher.)

 - The review results and scoring results disclosed by the electronic application system for the FY2024 JSPS Research Fellowship
 - Reasons for the Application (free format, approximately A4 2 pages)

The Doshisha University Graduate School Fellowship Program for Young Doctoral Students/Researchers is supported by the Subsidized Project. Students selected as the Fellowship Recipients are expected to continue their research and become leaders in creating science & technology, and innovation in future Japan. On the other hand, Doshisha University works on the creation of science & technology and innovation from an interdisciplinary approach with humanities and sciences. It promotes education and research activities focusing on universal issues such as diversity, multicultural coexistence, and environment. We hope you, the adopted Fellowship Recipients, consider the point of contact between such social issues and your own research subject and broaden the prospective of your career paths.

10. Selection criteria

- (1) Possessing capability as a researcher.
- (2) Understanding the purpose of this program and eager to participate in the program.
- (3) Concrete and valid research plan.
- (4) Career path plan as a researcher

11. Selection

We will select recruits by screening of application documents and interviews.

Applicants who ranked high in the document screening will proceed to the interview conducted by the steering committee of Doshisha University Graduate School Fellowship Program for Young Doctoral Students/Researchers. Applicants proceeding to the interview will be notified by e-mail by Friday, February 9, 2024.

Interview is planned to be held in person (at Imadegawa Campus) on Friday morning, February 16, 2024. Please be scheduled.

12. Notification of decision of the adoption (tentative schedule)

The selection result will be notified to the applicants on Mid-March , 2024, via e-mail.

NOTE:

This recruitment is based on the premise that our ongoing application for the “Support for Pioneering Research Initiated by the Next Generation (FY2024)” called for by the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST) will be accepted with the same number of support as we originally applied for. Accordingly, the notification of adoption of this recruitment will be delayed if the notification of the JST’s result (scheduled in early March) is delayed. In addition, this supplementary recruitment will be canceled if our application to the JST is rejected or partially accepted by reducing the support.

13. Submission

Submission should be done by online application through Microsoft Forms.

- (1) Fill out the prescribed application form with Microsoft Forms.
- (2) Upload the PDF files of “Application Form for JSPS Research Fellow,” “The page on the online application system of the JSPS Research Fellow on which your screening and grading results are indicated” and “Reasons for the Application (free format)” to the application form and submit.

*The size of each PDF document should be less than 10MB.

*Name the file as [“Name of document” _ “Name of the graduate school” _ “applicant’s name”.pdf].

e.g., Reasons for Application_Theology_ Dwight Whitney Learned.pdf

Submit your application here ⇒ [《Prescribed Application Form》](#)
(also accessible from the QR code)



*Please get in touch with us (17. Contact) if you don’t have the user ID of Doshisha University.

14. Application and Selection Schedule

January 26 (Fri) to noon on February 5 (Mon), 2024	Application Period
Early February to mid-February, 2024	Document screening
February 16 (Fri) morning	Interview (in person, at Imadegawa Campus)
Mid-March, 2024	Notification of selection result

15. Others

The selected Fellowship Recipients will be released of their name, research field, and so on. They are also expected to actively cooperate in the publicity of research achievements and activity progress.

16.Important Matters

- This recruitment is based on the premise that our ongoing application for the “Support for Pioneering Research Initiated by the Next Generation (FY2024)” called for by the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST) will be accepted with the same number of support as we originally applied for. Accordingly, this supplementary recruitment will be canceled if our application to the JST is rejected or partially accepted by reducing the support.
- When adopted by the above funding by the JST, this Fellowship Program will be integrated into our new program “Support Program for Pioneering Research Initiated by the Next Generation Researchers in Doshisha University Doctoral Course”. In this case, the provisions of this Fellowship Program, such as the amount of the Fellowship and the obligations of the Fellowship Recipients, will be amended according to the new program.

17. Contact

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**Career Creating Courses Required for Students Selected for
Doshisha University Graduate School Fellowship for Young Doctoral
Students/Researchers**

The students selected for the Doshisha University Graduate School Fellowship for Young Doctoral Students/Researchers (hereinafter “DFS”) are demanded, as a member of the society, to consider the point of contact between their research and the society, and to acquire necessary knowledge and abilities to pass the research achievements back to the society.

The Graduate School of Doshisha University offers several educational programs regarding essential issues common to humankind, such as multicultural coexistence (offered by GRM), Society 5.0 (by Comm 5.0), and environmental issues (“Next Environment” Co-creation Courses). Furthermore, from AY2021, the Advanced Liberal Arts (ALA) courses have been established as common education for graduate schools to promote interdisciplinary education with humanities and sciences. There are wide variety of topics such as body & life, geography, geopolitics, history, culture, religion, literature, and advanced science & technology, social policy, and economic policy.

We hope you, the students selected for DFS, will acquire the ability to raise new ideas, accommodate different opinions and bring them together (“enhancing the ability to collaborate”) and widen your knowledge and technique to apply your research to varying societies (“improving perception”) through these programs.

1. Compulsory Courses

(1) “Courses for enhancing the ability to collaborate” (compulsory 6 credits)

Enroll in the following three courses from ALA courses offered by the Doshisha University Institute for Advanced Education and Research.

- ① Capacity Development for Coexistence and Cooperative Works, or
Group Work Practice I (Multi-perspective approach on complex problems)
- ② Self-awareness (Introduction to coaching)
- ③ Future Design Seminar

(2) “Courses for improving perception” (elective compulsory 6 credits)

After consultation with your research advisor, enroll in three courses either from ALA courses by the Institute for Advanced Education and Research, GRM courses, Comm. 5.0 courses or courses of other majors or graduate schools.

2. Number of credits

Fellowship Recipients are required to take at least 2 credits (1 course) each semester and total 12 credits (6 courses) during the three-year term of their Fellowship. However, if your research plan makes it difficult for you to enroll in courses in your D3 year, you may choose to take 12 credits (6 courses) during your D1 and D2 years.

3. Recommendation of systematic course enrollment

In addition to the above, we recommend you to enroll in courses of the following programs systematically and aim to complete each program.

- ① GRM
- ② Comm 5.0
- ③ “Next Environment” co-creating courses

4. Activities apart from the above courses

Students selected for DFS are expected to make an active commitment to career

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support for master's students and the administration of graduate school common courses as part of the process to clarify their career paths.

【Suggested activities】

- Planning and management of career-creating seminars for graduate students, business exchange meetings and research presentation conferences, etc.
- Collecting materials and new technologies to be used in class of ALA courses

5. Others

For more information about the courses settled by the Institute for Advanced Education and Research, such as ALA courses, GRM courses, and Comm 5.0 courses, please confirm on the syllabi and the website below.

<https://next.doshisha.ac.jp/>

We will separately inform recruits about procedures such as course registration. You have to bear expenses related to taking courses such as transportation expenses.

(Regarding the courses offered by the Institute for Advanced Education and Research)

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