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# Entrance Examination Guide

入学試験ガイド

[Admissions for Domestic Applicants]

[国内学生入学試験]

April/September 2026 Enrollment

2026年4月・9月入学

- College of Asia Pacific Studies (APS)
- College of International Management (APM)
- College of Sustainability and Tourism (ST)

Applications and  
examinations for  
Comprehensive selection are  
**all ONLINE!**  
**Exams available  
nationwide**



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- Due to unavoidable circumstances, the content of the entrance examination (schedule, application requirements, screening method, etc.) may be changed. Changes will be announced on the APUmate admissions website. Please be sure to check the latest information before applying and taking the examination.

# Get to know about APU entrance examinations

## 1 Entrance Examination Guide

Understanding the format and schedule of the exam will help you to pass the entrance examination.

Entrance examination types in this booklet

**A** Comprehensive Selection  
(Including Admissions for Returnee Students)



**B** Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP)



**C** Transfer admissions



**D** General Selection  
(Including the use of common test)



## 2 APU Applicant Site APUMate • Official SNS



<https://www.apumate.net/en/>

Official social media

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Notifications for events and entrance exams



### University Introduction/Online Application

You can check the University introduction, Application types and FAQ for Admissions here. You can also download all the necessary materials for application and submit your application through this website.



### Events

Events to be held at campus and the schedules of Online events can be seen here. You can reserve for the event participation through this website.



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Learn about APU through videos



## 3 After you decide your application type



**A - C Selection above**

To be released at the end of August 2025

**D Selection (General Selection) above**

To be released at the beginning of November 2025

Application handbook and Documents  
Download here



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# APU Admissions Calendar

Be sure to check the entrance exam dates carefully and prepare well in advance.

## For both April and September enrollments

Application period Video interview Examination date Final results announcement

		September 2025	October	November	December	January 2026	February
Admissions for Comprehensive Selection	Admissions by Activity Evaluation	1st 9/1~11	10/18 or 10/19	11/4			
		2nd		11/1~10	12/6 or 12/7 12/12		
		3rd			12/1~15	1/10 1/22	
	Admissions for Returnee Students	1st 9/12~24 9/25~29		11/4			
		2nd			12/1~15 12/16~19	1/22	
	Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP)	1st			12/1~15 12/16~19	1/22	
2nd, 3rd year Transfer Admissions, Second Bachelor's Degree Admissions		1st 9/12~24 9/25~29		11/4			

## For April enrollment(Japanese Paper test)

Application period Video interview Examination date Final results announcement

		December 2025	January 2026	February	March	April	May
General Selection (Paper test)	Common Test Method		1/6~16	2/17			
	February Admissions (3 subject)		1/6~22	2/1~4 2/17			
	Common Test Method (2 subjects+Data Analysis)		1/6~22	2/5 2/20			
	English-Focused Method		1/6~26	2/7 2/20			
	Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)		1/6~26	2/8~9 2/20			
	Common Test Method (March Admissions)			2/12~3/6 3/17			
	March Admissions			2/12~26 3/7 3/17			
	Common Test + Interview Method			2/12~26 2/27~3/2 3/17			

## For September enrollment

Application period Video interview Examination date Final results announcement

		December 2025	January 2026	February	March	April	May
Admissions for Comprehensive Selection	Admissions by Activity Evaluation	4th			3/12~25	4/18 4/27	
	Admissions for Returnee Students	3rd			3/12~25 3/26~30	4/27	
Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP)		2nd			3/12~25 3/26~30	4/27	
2nd, 3rd year Transfer Admissions, Second Bachelor's Degree Admissions		2nd			3/12~25 3/26~30	4/27	

(\*) Transfer enrollment for second and third year students is available only to the College of Asia Pacific Studies and the College of International Management.

## Pre-Screening of Eligibility for Application

If you would like to undergo a pre-screening of eligibility for application, please follow the instructions given below and request your pre-screening 10 days before the official application period begins.

[https://www.apumate.net/en/admissions\\_guide/examination/pre\\_exam/](https://www.apumate.net/en/admissions_guide/examination/pre_exam/)

# Characteristics of

## Multiple chances to take the examination

Multiple concurrent applications allowed

Comprehensive Selection

You can apply up to **3** times in Admissions by Activity Evaluation, Comprehensive Evaluation ▶ See page 11

General Selection

You can take the exam according to your best subjects ▶ See Page 20

## Comprehensive Selection, Admissions by School Recommendation, Transfer admissions etc

Everything from application to examination is Online! You can take the examination from your home using PC or tablets.

▶ See page 13

\*Some documents such as transcripts of grades etc., needed to be sent by post.

**You can take the examinations anywhere in Japan**



Online application



Interview



Written examinations

**General Selection**

Examinations are available in more than **30** locations in Japan. ▶ See page 19

## Same examination questions in all colleges

No need to prepare the examinations separately for each college.

\*Only for Common test method (2 subjects) and Common Test Method (2 subjects + Data Analysis), there are designated subjects for each college.

## Enrollment period ▶ See Page 29

Select at the time of application (For General Selection, April enrollment only) More than 60% of international students enroll in September.

There is no difference in acceptance or rejection based on the time of enrollment.

**April**

or

**September**

## Admissions language basis

For Comprehensive Selection, if you choose English for your language basis, your application and examinations will all be conducted in English. ▶ See page 30

**Japanese basis**

or

**English basis**

## AY 2026 Admissions Topics

See next pages for details

### Comprehensive Selection & Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP)

- External English language qualifications can be used in **all application types**. ▶ See page 12
- Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP), which allows students to take advantage of International Baccalaureate (IB) studies has been newly established! ▶ See page 17

**NEW**

### General Selection

- External English language qualification scores **can now be converted**. ▶ See page 18
- **Priority selection for 100% tuition waiver for 4 years scholarship student program** has started. ▶ See page 19
- **New entrance examination method, which uses 2 subjects of Common Test**. Subjects are adopted according to the characteristics of each college! ▶ See page 24
- Common Test Method (2 subjects + Data Analysis), has been **newly established!** ▶ See page 24

**NEW**

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# APU Admissions

## Application type selection guide

I want to make use of my achievements in various fields of activities such as extracurricular activities and qualifications.

A B C D E

I want to make use of my learning experience leading to the International Baccalaureate!

A B C D E

I want to make use of the experience of studying and learning through living abroad.

A B C D E

APU is my first choice!  
\*If you meet the requirements, you can apply all the application types

A D E F G H

I want to take the exam by making the most of the subjects I am good at.

F G H

I want to take advantage of the preparation for the public university entrance exam.

F G H

I want to utilize the results of the common test.

F G H

**A**

Admissions for Comprehensive Selection

Admissions by Activity Evaluation

First screening	Document screening
Second screening	Interview/Online

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**F**

General Selection (Paper test)

University Original Examination Method

- February Admissions(3 subject)
- English-Focused Method
- Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)
- March Admissions

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**D**

Admissions for Comprehensive Selection

Admissions for Returnee Students

One step selection	Document screening+Video interview
Application eligibility	More than two years of schooling at a junior high and/or high school outside Japan

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**G**

General Selection (Paper test)

Common Test Method

- 8 subjects- Scholarship priority students
- 5 subjects- Scholarship priority students
- 3 subjects
- 2 subjects

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**E**

Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP)

One step selection	Document screening+Video interview
Application eligibility	completion of the(IBDP), Letter of recommendation from the school principal

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**H**

General Selection (Paper test)

Common Test Combined Method

- (February) Common Test Method (2 subjects+ Data Analysis)
- (February) Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)
- (March) Common Test + Interview Method

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Admissions Calendar

Application eligibility

Total Entrance exam result data

Comprehensive Selection

General Selection

Application preparation

# Application eligibility

## (1) Applicants should possess university entrance qualification Refer "Undergraduate Application Handbook" for details.

Among those who have applied and been admitted with the expectation of graduating/completing high school or passing the final exam, those who could not graduate/complete high school or pass the graduation exam by March 31, 2026 for spring enrollment or by September 20, 2026 for fall enrollment will not be able to enroll.

- ① High school (including secondary education school) graduates or those who are expected to graduate
- ② Completed (or scheduled to complete) the senior curriculum of a special needs school or the third year of a higher college of technology
- ③ Completed an upper secondary course at a special training college designated by MEXT.
- ④ Completed a 12-year standard education curriculum at an educational institution before your date of enrollment\* at APU.
- ⑤ Be at least 18 years of age and have passed an official examination that shows academic background equivalent or superior to that obtained from a 12-year standard education curriculum.
- ⑥ Completed (or scheduled to complete) an International Baccalaureate, Baccalaureate, or Abitur qualification between
- ⑦ Completed (or scheduled to complete) a 12-year curriculum at an educational institution accredited by an international accreditation body (WASC, CIS, ACSI, NEASC, Cognia, NCA CASI, NWAC, SACS CASI, COBIS)
- ⑧ In addition to the above received (or expecting to receive) recognition as possessing academic abilities equivalent to a Japanese senior high school graduate pursuant to Article 150 of the School Education Act Enforcement Regulations

## (2) Have an interest and eagerness to study at the preferred College.

## (3) English language proficiency must meet the following criteria

For details on Japanese basis and English basis, see page 35.

English proficiency is required for Transfer admission & Second Bachelor's Degree admission. See page 32 for more details.

### [Japanese basis]

English proficiency is not required for 1st year enrollees and Japanese basis applicants.  
(except for some entrance examinations)

### [English basis]

Applicants must meet any of the following criteria (A~C) with regard to English proficiency.

#### ① Applicants must meet the following criteria for English language proficiency

	TOEFL iBT®	IELTS (Academic Module)	TOEIC® (L&R/S&W)	EIKEN	TEAP	TEAP CBT	GTEC	Cambridge English Qualification	PTE Academic
1st year enrollees English proficiency requirement	75	6.0	1600	2304	318	630	1180	169	60

#### [Notes]

\*Examination results related to language proficiency will be valid only if the examination date on the certificate is **on or after October 1, 2023**.

\*The TOEFL iBT® Test (TOEFL iBT® Home Edition also possible). In addition to Test Date Scores, you may also apply using MyBest™ Scores.

\*For IELTS/IELTS online, "IELTS One Skill Retake" will also be used.

\*For TOEIC® (L&R/S&W), the combined score is the TOEIC® S&W score multiplied by 2.5. It also includes IELTS One Skill Retake.

\*Eiken Test also includes Eiken CBT, Eiken S-CBT, and Eiken S-Interview. In addition, students will be evaluated based on their Eiken CSE score regardless of whether they pass or fail the examination.

\*GTEC must be an official score only.

\*Cambridge English Qualifications includes Linguaskill.

② Obtained or expecting to obtain an International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma in English.

③ Recognized by APU a having sufficient English language proficiency. Such recognition may be granted, for example, if English is the applicant's first language, or if the applicant has undertaken a curriculum equivalent to Japanese junior and senior high school in which, in principle, all subjects were taught in an English medium (excluding language education subjects).

## (4) Persons who meet the eligibility requirements for each application method

Please refer to the page for each application method.

## Admissions quota

### Admissions for Comprehensive Selection・ Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP)

	Admissions by Activity Evaluation	Admissions for Returnee Students	Admissions by School Recommendation	Total
			IBDP	
College of Asia Pacific Studies(APS)	51	15	7	73
College of International Management (APM)	48	13	7	68
College of Sustainability and Tourism(ST)	48	13	7	68
<b>Total</b>	147	41	21	209

※The above numbers are the total number of students enrolled in April and September.

### General Selection (Japanene paper test)

	February admissions				March admissions			Total
	Common test	University original examination			Common test	University original examination		
	8-5-3-2	February Admissions (3 subject)	English-Focused Method	Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects) Common Test Method (2 subjects+Data Analysis)	5-3	March Admissions	Common Test + Interview Method	
College of Asia Pacific Studies(APS)	40	35	20	20	5	3	2	125
College of International Management (APM)	35	25	15	15	5	3	2	100
College of Sustainability and Tourism(ST)	35	20	10	10	5	3	2	85
Total	110	80	45	45	15	9	6	310

[Common test: Entrance examination using "The Common test for University Admissions"]

For February admissions: 2 - 8 subjects, for March admissions: 3 or 5 subjects method can be chosen.

### Transfer Enrollment

	Transfer / from higher professional school or junior college/		Transfer / from university・ Second Bachelor's Degree admission	
	2nd year student	3rd year student	2nd year student	3rd year student
College of Asia Pacific Studies(APS)	5※	5※	5※	5※
College of International Management (APM)	5※	5※	5※	5※

※This includes other entrance examinations, Depending on the applications and selection, the number of successful applications may be lower than number of applicants.

※The College of Sustainability and Tourism does not accept applications for transfer enrollment.

## Eligibility criteria for Comprehensive Selection



Possess Japanese  
nationality, including  
Japanese dual  
nationality

or



Possess permanent  
resident status in  
Japan at the time of  
application.

Those who are not applicable to any of the above will apply for the "General Selection" or the "International Admissions." For details, please refer the "Undergraduate Application Handbook".

### Regarding students who hold a student visa or similar status.

Those who possess `Student` visa in Japan, a International students reside inside Japan or abroad may take an entrance examination. Refer below website for more details and scholarship information:

<https://admissions.apu.ac.jp/?&lang=en>

# 2023-2025 Comprehensive Selection Results

## ■ Admissions by Activity Evaluation

College	Number of applicants				Number of successful applicants for the first selection				Number of successful applicants			
	2025		2024	2023	2025		2024	2023	2025		2024	2023
	April	fall	April	April	April	fall	April	April	April	fall	April	April
College of Asia Pacific Studies	213	28	232	222	171	20	205	194	143	14	169	149
College of International Management	217	23	186	122	159	17	146	109	102	8	106	83
College of Sustainability and Tourism	164	18	146	90	124	15	129	82	95	13	98	66
Total	594	69	564	434	454	52	480	385	340	35	373	298

## ■ Admissions for Returnee Students

College	Number of applicants				Number of successful applicants for the first selection				Number of successful applicants			
	2025		2024	2023	2025		2024	2023	2025		2024	2023
	April	fall	April	4月	April	fall	April	April	April	fall	April	April
College of Asia Pacific Studies	12	22	15	18	-	-	13	17	9	17	10	13
College of International Management	17	27	14	16	-	-	14	15	14	11	12	14
College of Sustainability and Tourism	20	11	6	14	-	-	6	14	11	7	6	7
Total	49	60	35	48	-	-	33	46	34	35	28	34

## ■ Admissions for International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Students

College	Number of applicants				Number of successful applicants for the first selection				Number of successful applicants			
	2025		2024	2023	2025		2024	2023	2025		2024	2023
	April	fall	April	April	April	fall	April	April	April	fall	April	April
College of Asia Pacific Studies	3	6	3	2	-	-	2	2	2	5	1	2
College of International Management	1	6	0	2	-	-	0	2	1	5	0	2
College of Sustainability and Tourism	0	5	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	4	0	0
Total	4	17	3	4	-	-	2	4	3	14	1	4



# 2023-2025 General Selection Results

The following names of examination methods are based on those used up to the 2025 entrance examination. Please note that starting from the 2026 entrance examination, some methods have been revised, including changes to their names, subject weightings, required subjects, and elective subjects.

## ■ College of Asia Pacific Studies

method	year	Number of applicants	Number of passes	Competition rate	Minimum passing score/ score rate
February Admissions	2025	137	31	4.4	202/63.1%
	2024	128	40	3.2	197/61.6%
	2023	126	50	2.5	199/62.2%
English-Focused Method	2025	62	45	1.4	166/66.4%
	2024	97	58	1.7	165/66.0%
	2023	45	38	1.2	141/56.4%
Common Test Combined Method	2025	95	45	2.1	196/65.3%
	2024	68	52	1.3	196/65.3%
	2023	61	44	1.4	192/64.0%
Common Test Method (7 subjects)	2025	32	29	1.1	619/68.8%
	2024	20	17	1.2	619/68.8%
	2023	24	12	2.0	655/72.8%
Common Test Method (5 subjects)	2025	32	20	1.6	700/70.0%
	2024	22	13	1.7	715/71.5%
	2023	34	22	1.5	731/73.1%
Common Test Method (3 subjects)	2025	132	87	1.5	356/71.2%
	2024	127	88	1.4	369/73.8%
	2023	105	73	1.4	354/70.8%
March Admissions	2025	61	11	5.5	138/62.7%
	2024	63	7	9	139/63.2%
	2023	49	15	3.3	133/60.5%
Common Test + Interview Method	2025	8	6	1.3	290/72.5%
	2024	4	3	1.3	286/71.5%
	2023	4	2	2.0	299/74.8%
Common Test Method (March Admissions-5 subjects)	2025	6	5	1.2	687/68.7%
	2024	4	3	1.3	724/72.4%
	2023	5	4	1.3	677/67.7%
Common Test Method (March Admissions-4 subjects)	2025	13	11	1.2	539/67.4%
	2024	4	3	1.3	522/65.3%
	2023	3	2	1.5	587/73.4%
Common Test Method (March Admissions-3 subjects)	2025	18	12	1.5	343/68.6%
	2024	18	7	2.6	384/76.8%
	2023	7	5	1.4	367/73.4%

## ■ College of International Management

method	year	Number of applicants	Number of passes	Competition rate	Minimum passing score/ score rate
February Admissions	2025	170	49	3.5	200/62.5%
	2024	166	47	3.5	199/62.2%
	2023	167	64	2.6	180/56.3%
English-Focused Method	2025	63	37	1.7	158/63.2%
	2024	79	42	1.9	167/66.8%
	2023	53	38	1.4	146/58.4%
Common Test Combined Method	2025	72	31	2.3	195/65.0%
	2024	81	31	2.6	214/71.3%
	2023	69	55	1.3	167/55.7%
Common Test Method (7 subjects)	2025	32	23	1.4	616/68.4%
	2024	26	19	1.4	616/68.4%
	2023	26	17	1.5	592/65.8%
Common Test Method (5 subjects)	2025	34	22	1.5	690/69.0%
	2024	30	14	2.1	688/68.8%
	2023	38	21	1.8	660/66.0%
Common Test Method (3 subjects)	2025	139	90	1.5	351/70.2%
	2024	109	61	1.8	354/70.8%
	2023	90	59	1.5	329/65.8%
March Admissions	2025	59	7	8.4	145/65.9%
	2024	72	2	36.0	145/65.9%
	2023	64	13	4.9	142/65.9%
Common Test + Interview Method	2025	4	1	4.0	287/71.8%
	2024	3	1	3.0	287/71.8%
	2023	6	3	2.0	286/71.5%
Common Test Method (March Admissions-5 subjects)	2025	5	4	1.3	665/66.5%
	2024	3	1	3.0	745/74.5%
	2023	4	4	1.0	677/67.7%
Common Test Method (March Admissions-4 subjects)	2025	5	4	1.3	545/68.1%
	2024	7	2	3.5	636/79.5%
	2023	3	2	1.5	564/70.5%
Common Test Method (March Admissions-3 subjects)	2025	13	6	2.2	359/71.8%
	2024	13	2	6.5	404/80.8%
	2023	3	1	3.0	400/80.0%

## ■ College of Sustainability and Tourism

method	year	Number of applicants	Number of passes	Competition rate	Minimum passing score/ score rate
February Admissions	2025	221	50	4.4	190/59.4%
	2024	170	47	3.6	180/56.3%
	2023	167	105	1.6	162/50.6%
English-Focused Method	2025	61	31	2.0	157/62.8%
	2024	66	42	1.6	153/61.2%
	2023	36	31	1.2	127/50.8%
Common Test Combined Method	2025	96	33	2.9	194/64.7%
	2024	96	46	2.1	191/63.7%
	2023	41	37	1.1	148/49.3%
Common Test Method (7 subjects)	2025	32	21	1.5	578/64.2%
	2024	21	15	1.4	557/61.9%
	2023	14	8	1.8	528/58.7%
Common Test Method (5 subjects)	2025	28	14	2.0	660/66.0%
	2024	29	23	1.3	627/62.7%
	2023	22	17	1.3	600/60.0%
Common Test Method (3 subjects)	2025	144	74	1.9	349/69.8%
	2024	132	80	1.7	327/65.4%
	2023	82	70	1.2	304/60.8%
March Admissions	2025	78	13	6.0	133/60.5%
	2024	84	14	6	121/55.0%
	2023	52	32	1.6	111/50.5%
Common Test + Interview Method	2025	11	1	11.0	269/67.3%
	2024	4	2	2.0	266/66.5%
	2023	2	2	1.0	273/68.3%
Common Test Method (March Admissions-5 subjects)	2025	7	5	1.4	636/63.6%
	2024	3	3	1.0	604/60.4%
	2023	3	3	1.0	682/68.2%
Common Test Method (March Admissions-4 subjects)	2025	8	5	1.6	538/67.3%
	2024	7	3	2.3	539/67.4%
	2023	5	4	1.3	552/69.0%
Common Test Method (March Admissions-3 subjects)	2025	19	8	2.4	353/70.6%
	2024	20	10	2.0	328/65.6%
	2023	7	6	1.2	367/73.4%

※For the 2026 entrance examination, the 'Common Test Method (Late-Term Type, 4 subjects)' will not be offered. Additionally, the 'Common Test Method (7-subject type)' has been changed to the '8-subject type'.

Change in name of entrance examination method

April / September 2025 Enrollment  
 • February Admissions  
 • Common Test Combined Method  
 • March Admissions

April / September 2026 Enrollment  
 • February Admissions(3 subject)  
 • Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)  
 • March Admissions

# Admission Policy

## Undergraduate Admissions

Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU) welcomes students who will uphold the university's basic ideals of Freedom, Peace, and Humanity, International Mutual Understanding, and the Future Shape of the Asia Pacific Region. These should also, while using both English and Japanese, be ready to acknowledge and understand differences in cultures and values, engage actively in an international campus community, and contribute to mutual learning. New undergraduate students must possess the following attributes and abilities in order to engage in this kind of learning:

### 1. Knowledge and Skills

- Basic knowledge required for studying at university
- English or Japanese language proficiency required to pursue university level studies

### 2. Reasoning, Judgement, and Expression

- Critical thinking, analytical ability, and creativity needed to identify problems and proactively work towards their resolution
- Ability to interpret information accurately, as well as express one's own ideas clearly and logically using facts and data

### 3. Initiative and Capacity to Collaborate with Individuals from Diverse Backgrounds

- Ability to pursue goals and follow them through
- Readiness to engage with and support others on the basis of mutual understanding
- Desire to make full use of a multicultural learning environment and participate in multicultural collaborative learning

## College of Asia Pacific Studies

- (1) Interest in one of the fields of "Culture, Society and Media", "International Relations", and "Global Economy" in global society with a focus on the Asia Pacific region
- (2) Basic ability to study the field social sciences with a focus on society, politics, and economics
- (3) Ability to read and write basic texts that will lead to reading and writing specialized texts at College of Asia Pacific Studies
- (4) Ability to pursue one's own interests and to express them clearly
- (5) Ability to integrate large amounts of information and think from multiple angles when framing opinions

## College of International Management

- (1) Interest in global management and business fields including Strategic Management and Leadership, Marketing, Accounting and Finance, Entrepreneurship and Operations Management
- (2) Ability and desire to develop creativity, leadership skills and problem solving skills
- (3) Desire to make positive change through business and take action toward inclusion and sustainability in the Asia Pacific region and the world

## College of Sustainability and Tourism

- (1) Interest in tourism, hospitality and sustainable society
- (2) Interest in various regions both within Japan and abroad, as well as willingness to work toward solving problems for region sustainability
- (3) Willingness to learn across disciplines in collaboration with various social actors on and off campus

In order to admit undergraduate students compatible with APU's learning environment, applicants will be evaluated through a comprehensive assessment of the aforementioned knowledge, skills, reasoning, judgement, expression, initiative, and capacity to collaborate with individuals from diverse backgrounds using a variety of methods.

## The APU 2030 Vision

**APU Graduates possess the power to change our world.**

Fostering individuals who take on and solve social and global challenges

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# Comprehensive Selection • Admissions by School Recommendation INFORMATION

POINT

1

Multifaceted assessment of your personality and potential  
Various application types and  
A wide variety of examination opportunities

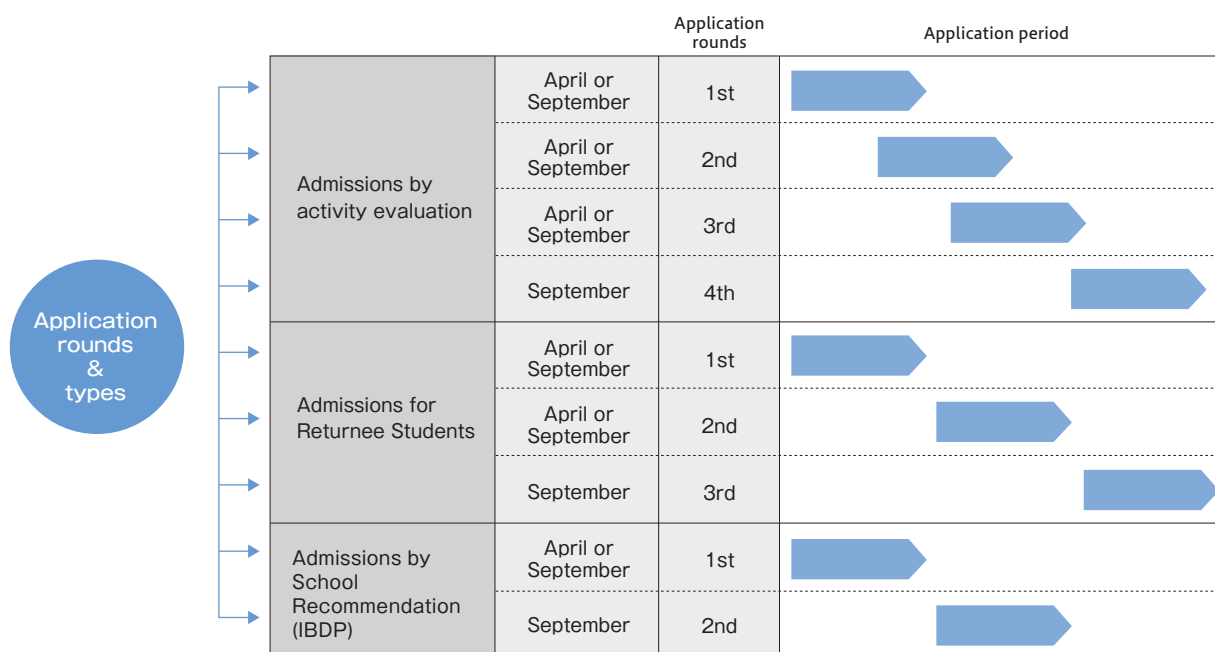
Selection chance of maximum 3 times

+

Admissions for Returnee Students / IBDP

(Admissions by Activity Evaluation)

Concurrent applications with other universities : Possible  
Applications for General Selection : Available



✓ If you meet the application requirements, you can apply for multiple applications in different application types at the same time.

✓ If the application round is different, you can apply for multiple applications using the same application type.

[Second and subsequent applications] Regarding diversion of documents

If you select 'Yes' for the 'Reuse of submitted documents' option in the application system, **you do not need to resubmit documents that have already been issued and submitted by the school.** For your second and subsequent applications, if additional documents are required, please submit only those documents.

Documents that can be used for subsequent applications\*

Official Transcript of Grades

Graduation Certificate

"Proof of Overseas Education Period" or Other documents, which can prove the period of overseas education

\*Please submit documents that were issued **within three months** prior to the start date of application period. If you have already graduated from high school and there is no change in your grades, please submit the latest certificate at the time of application.

\*Reuse beyond the academic year of the entrance examination is not permitted. Please see the Undergraduate Application Handbook for details.

It's hard to get official transcript or other documents from study abroad and overseas high schools...

This problem can be solved through `Online`! You can get documents sent to APU **through e-mail by your school.** Sending by post is not required.

## POINT 2

# Use of External English language qualifications

If you have External English scores higher than below, you will get extra points for all of the application types of Comprehensive Selection and Admissions by School Recommendation. If you possess one, be sure to submit.

### [External English Scores(higher than below scores)]

TOEFL iBT®	IELTS (Academic Module)	TOEIC® (L&R/S&W)	EIKEN	TEAP	TEAP CBT	GTEC	Cambridge English Qualifications	PTE Academic
42	4.5	1150	1980	225	420	930	140	43

### (Notes on the use of external English language qualifications)

- \*Examination results related to language proficiency will be valid only if the examination date on the certificate is **on or after October 1, 2023**.
- \*The TOEFL iBT® Test (TOEFL iBT® Home Edition also possible). In addition to Test Date Scores, you may also apply using MyBest™ Scores.
- \*For IELTS/IELTS online, "IELTS One Skill Retake" will also be used.
- \*For TOEIC® (L&R/S&W), the combined score is the TOEIC® S&W score multiplied by 2.5. It also includes IELTS One Skill Retake.
- \*Eiken Test also includes Eiken CBT, Eiken S-CBT, and Eiken S-Interview. In addition, students will be evaluated based on their Eiken CSE score regardless of whether they **pass or fail the examination**.
- \*GTEC must be an official score only.
- \*Cambridge English Qualifications includes Linguaskill.

## POINT 3

# Applications & Examinations are ALL ONLINE

You can do it from home or school without going to the examination site.



APPLY  
ONLINE

## Upload the English Proficiency Evaluation and Activities Report!

※Documents issued by school should be submitted in original by post. However, it is possible for your school to send the documents to APU by email.



Online  
Interview

### Video Interview

Answer the questions displayed on the screen within the time limit.  
The process will be recorded and submitted.

Admissions for  
Returnee Students

Admissions by School  
Recommendation (IBDP)

Time : About 30-40 min (Submission possible anytime during the designated period)  
Method : Hirevue system  
Language : Your chosen language basis  
Caution : Once started, it is not possible to stop midway or re-record.  
Device to use : Prepare a PC or tablet with microphone and web camera  
Internet environment : Choose a place with stable Internet connection

### Interview/ Online

Online interview using Zoom Interviewer asks questions.  
Conducted in designated date and time.

Admissions by  
Activity Evaluation

Time : About 20-30 min (Differs depending on the application type)  
Method : Individual interview through Zoom  
Language : Your chosen language basis  
Device to use : Prepare a PC or tablet with microphone and web camera  
Internet environment : Choose a place with stable Internet connection and Install Zoom software to your device



# What are the **evaluation criteria** for APU's entrance examinations?

## Application essay

Admissions for Comprehensive Selection (Admissions by Activity Evaluation, Admissions for Returnee Students,) • Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP)

### theme

After reading the "University's Admission Policy and APU2030 Vision -APU Graduates possess the power to change our world -", please be as specific as possible while referring to the items below. "(English-basis:400-500words)"

- ① Reasons for choosing your desired college and what you want to learn
- ② What kind of person do you want to be after university, and how will you achieve that at APU
- ③ Activities you want to try while you are in APU

### 〈Evaluation points〉

#### Understanding of the college of your choice

Applicants' motivation will be checked to ensure that they have a sufficient understanding of the Admissions Policy, the APU 2030 Vision, and the college of their choice.

#### Motivation and passion for learning

The applicant's reasons for applying to APU will be checked to see if they have a strong sense of what they would like to become in the future and to work on after entering APU.

#### Logic and persuasiveness of the writings

The applicant's writings are checked for consistency and persuasiveness.

## Essay

Admissions for Comprehensive Selection (Admissions by Activity Evaluation, Admissions for Returnee Students,)

### theme

Describe an important academic or extracurricular experience that you had as a high school student. Reflect on the achievements you made, the challenges you faced, etc, and **analyze your personal growth and development**. You may write about a single activity or multiple activities. Please write between 400 and 500 words in English.

\*The essay topics for transfer admissions, and second bachelor's degree admissions differ from the one above. Please refer to the admissions guidelines for more details."

### 〈Evaluation points〉

#### Ability to reflect on oneself

Ability to express in detail how you have grown through your experience and how you overcame difficulties and gained awareness of it.

#### Attitude toward the activities

Attitude toward activities, including how you interacted with others with different opinions and how you were able to identify the issues.

## Interview

〈Evaluation points〉 Same will apply for both Online interview / Video interview

#### Attitude towards growth

Ability to adapt in a multicultural environment, to emphasize with others and to fulfill your learning and your attitude to develop yourself.

#### Problem consciousness, research skill

Ability to keep alert to social situations and to express your own opinions about them



# Admissions for Comprehensive Selection

(April / September 2026 Enrollment)

## Admissions by Activity Evaluation



Applicants who have studied abroad are also eligible to apply

**Application Qualifications** For more details, please refer to page 6.

- (1) Applicants must have university entrance qualifications.
- (2) Applicants applying under English language basis should meet the criteria specified by the University.
- (3) Applicants should submit one or more of the following activities that have been undertaken since graduation from junior high school, Page 15 1 to 8 or more outstanding activities.

**Admissions schedule** ※You can apply multiple times if the application round is different.  
※You can apply for multiple application types that meet the requirements (even if the examination is held on the same day)


### 2026 April, September enrollment

Rounds	Application period	First screening result notification	Second (Final) screening	Final results announcement
1st	Sep 1, 2025 (Mon) - Sep 11, 2025 (Thu)	▶ Oct 10, 2025 (Fri)	▶ Oct 18, 2025 (Sat) or Oct 19, 2025 (Sun) Online interview (about 20 minutes)	▶ Nov 4, 2025 (Tue)
2nd	Nov 1, 2025 (Sat) - Nov 10, 2025 (Mon)	▶ Nov 28, 2025 (Fri)	▶ Dec 6, 2025 (Sat) or Dec 7, 2025 (Sun) Online interview (about 20 minutes)	▶ Dec 12, 2025 (Fri)
3rd	Dec 1, 2025 (Mon) - Dec 15, 2025 (Mon)	▶ Dec 25, 2025 (Thu)	▶ Jan 10, 2026 (Sat) Online interview (about 20 minutes)	▶ Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)

### 2026 September enrollment

Rounds	Application period	First screening result notification	Second (Final) screening	Final results announcement
4th	Mar 12, 2026 (Thu) - Mar 25, 2026 (Wed)	▶ Apr 10, 2026 (Fri)	▶ Apr 18, 2026 (Sat) Online interview (about 20 minutes)	▶ Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)


**Screening method** ※See Application Handbook for details



[1st Screening]  
Evaluation of submitted application documents

[Main application documents]

- ① Senior High School Transcript
- ② Application Essay
- ③ Essay
- ④ Extracurricular Activities Report and Certificate of activity achievements



[2nd Screening]  
Online interview

[Main characteristics]

- Individual interview
- Time: About 20 min
- Method: Zoom

### [Caution]

- If you apply in English basis, your application essay and essay should be in English. The interview will also be in English.

**Evaluation points** In addition to the results of activities in various fields, the evaluation will be based on the applicant's interest in the faculty of his/her choice, motivation and enthusiasm for post-entrance studies, etc., and the logic and persuasiveness of the writings.

**Recommended for:**



Those who are confident about their achievement of significant growth through activities since graduating from junior high school.



Those who have performed outstanding activities in various fields after graduating from junior high school, such as international experience, studying abroad, language, research, academics, culture, art, sports, volunteering, etc.



Those who want to utilize their abilities and experience cultivated through ambitious efforts to enhance their studies and extracurricular activities after enrollment.

## Examples of Activity Achievements

Activities not listed below may also be used to support your application.

Number of activities  
to be submitted : **No limit**

**Up to 3 activities**  
will be evaluated  
among the best ones.

### Conditions for certification of activity results

The following  
four conditions  
must be met.



A certificate issued by the institution  
where you worked or a certificate  
objectively certified by a third party



The applicant's name  
must be stated clearly



proof of the activity  
must include activity details,



The date of activity  
must be verified

field		The level of activity achievements and achievements that the university expects of enrollees (reference)																						
1	International experience such as studying abroad	•At least 3 months of study abroad or academic experience in a foreign country •At least 3 months of total study experience at an international school or other high school equivalent in a foreign country, based on the formal education system																						
2	Language study ※	<div>The following criteria must be fulfilled※</div> <table><tr><td>TOEFL iBT®</td><td>IELTS (Academic Module)</td><td>TOEIC® (L&amp;R/S&amp;W)</td><td>EIKEN®</td><td>TEAP</td></tr><tr><td>42</td><td>4.5</td><td>1150</td><td>1980</td><td>225</td></tr></table> <table><tr><td>TEAP CBT</td><td>GTEC</td><td>Cambridge English</td><td>PTE Academic</td></tr><tr><td>420</td><td>930</td><td>140</td><td>43</td></tr></table> <div>【Chinese】 Test of Chinese Proficiency Grade 4, Test in Practical Chinese Proficiency Grade 4, HSK Level 2 【Korean】 Test of Proficiency in Korean Level 2, Hangul Proficiency Test Level 4 【Spanish】 Spanish Proficiency Test Level 4 【Other Languages】 Obtaining qualifications such as certification exams or participating in speech contests, etc.</div>					TOEFL iBT®	IELTS (Academic Module)	TOEIC® (L&R/S&W)	EIKEN®	TEAP	42	4.5	1150	1980	225	TEAP CBT	GTEC	Cambridge English	PTE Academic	420	930	140	43
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3	Inquiry-based learning activities/Research	The applicant must have conducted independent research at a school or other institution or independently, compiled the results of the research and presented them at a contest or research group.																						
4	Academics	•Completion of DP (Diploma Programme), CP (Career Related Programme) or MYP (Middle Years Programme) out of IB (International Baccalaureate) Program. Completion of a certain Course Results in DP •Completion of the course units designated by the university in UNITE Program within the specified period. *To take the UNITE Program, separate application is required in specific period. See Page 12 for more details.																						
5	Culture, Arts & Sports	Have been enthusiastically engaged in cultural, artistic, or sports activities, regardless of the field or type, and have demonstrated their achievements in games, competitions, contests, etc. Also, experience as a leader, captain or department head.																						
6	Student council	Activities of the student council (president, vice president, and other executive board member)																						
7	Volunteering, independent activities, external contests, etc.	•Other social activities(volunteer work, etc.)that have received social recognition(published in newspapers, etc.) •Participation in various contests for high school students, including debates, speeches, business plans, and assignments etc. •Proven record of activity in entrepreneurial experience.																						
8	Various qualifications, etc. (Including Vocational qualifications)	•Passed Fundamental Information Technology Engineer Examination, Possess Official Business Skill Test in Bookkeeping Level 2 or above, Nissho Soroban Proficiency Test Level 1, and The NKEN Test Grade 1 in News Proficiency. •Have a minimum of two years of Kumon study history and have passed at least two subjects, including English, on the Kumon-accredited senior high school basic curriculum test (or final material completion test) •More than 5 years of work experience.																						

\*Examination results related to language proficiency will be valid only if the examination date on the certificate is **on or after October 1, 2023**.

\*The TOEFL iBT<sup>®</sup> Test (TOEFL iBT<sup>®</sup> Home Edition also possible). In addition to Test Date Scores, you may also apply using MyBest<sup>™</sup> Scores.

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\*GTEC must be an official score only.

\*Cambridge English Qualifications includes Linguaskill.

Admissions  
Calendar

Application  
eligibility

Total Entrance  
exam result data

Comprehensive  
Selection

General Selection

Application  
preparation

# Admissions for Comprehensive Selection

(April / September 2026 Enrollment)

## Admissions for Returnee Students



Applicants may also apply through the [Admissions by Activity Evaluation](#)

**Application Qualifications** For more details, please refer to page 6.

- (1) Applicants must have university entrance qualifications.
- (2) Applicants applying under English language basis should meet the criteria specified by the University.
- (3) Must have undergone (or expected to) a cumulative total of at least 2 years of education outside Japan in a curriculum which forms part of a formal education system at a level equivalent to junior high school/senior high school (Grade 7 and above).

**Admissions schedule** ※You can apply multiple times if the application round is different.  
※You can apply for multiple application types that meet the requirements.

### 2026 April, September enrollment

Rounds	Application period	Video interview submission period	Final results announcement
1st	Sep 12, 2025 (Fri) - Sep 24, 2025 (Wed)	Sep 25, 2025 (Thu) - Sep 29, 2025 (Mon) To be conducted within the period (About 30-40 min)	▶ Nov 4, 2025 (Tue)
2nd	Dec 1, 2025 (Mon) - Dec 15, 2025 (Mon)	Dec 16, 2025 (Tue) - Dec 19, 2025 (Fri) To be conducted within the period (About 30-40 min)	▶ Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)

### 2026 September enrollment

Rounds	Application period	Video interview submission period	Final results announcement
3rd	Mar 12, 2026 (Thu) - Mar 25, 2026 (Wed)	Mar 26, 2026 (Thu) - Mar 30, 2026 (Mon) To be conducted within the period (About 30-40 min)	▶ Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)

**Screening method [One step selection]** ※See Application handbook for details.

Evaluation of the submitted application documents

[Main application documents]

- ① Senior High School Transcript
- ② Application Essay
- ③ Essay
- ④ (Optional) English proficiency evaluation



Video interview

After the application period ends, the university will send the instructions to the e-mail address registered at the time of application by the evening of the following day (except weekends and holidays).

### 【Caution】

• If you apply in English basis, your application essay and essay should be in English. The interview will also be in English.

### Evaluation points

- Your overseas experience and its results. Think carefully about how living and receiving an education outside of Japan has helped you grow. Think about how you will use your experience after entering APU.
- If you have obtained qualifications in the language used in the country or region where you lived, be sure to appeal them.

### Recommended for:



Those who are confident that they have achieved significant growth through their study and living experience in a country or region with a different language and culture from that of Japan.



Those who have completed at least two years of education outside of Japan at a school based on the formal education system.



Those who wish to make use of their study and living experience in a country or region with a different language and culture from that of Japan to enhance their studies and extracurricular activities after entering the university.

# Admissions by School Recommendation

(April / September 2026 Enrollment)



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Applicants may also apply through the Admissions by Activity Evaluation

**Application Qualifications** For more details, please refer to page 6.

- (1) Those who wish to enroll in April must be enrolled in senior high school Grade 12 between Apr 1, 2025 and Mar 31, 2026, and for September, between Sep 21, 2025 and 20 Sep, 2026 and have obtained or expected to obtain IBDP.
- (2) Recommendation by the principal of the school in which the student is enrolled in Grade 12.  
※High schools under Japanese educational system, including courses approved by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology.
- (3) English basis applicants must meet the English proficiency requirements specified by the University.

**Applicants who are unable to obtain an International Baccalaureate Diploma by March 31, 2026/for April enrollment/and September 20, 2026 /for September enrollment/will be ineligible to enroll in APU even if they have already been accepted.**

**Admissions schedule** ※You can apply multiple times if the application round is different.  
※You can apply for multiple application types that meet the requirements.

## 2026 April, September enrollment

Rounds	Application period	Video interview submission period	Final results announcement
1st	Dec 1, 2025 (Mon) - Dec 15, 2025 (Mon)	Dec 16, 2025 (Tue) - Dec 19, 2025 (Fri) To be conducted within the period (About 30-40 min)	▶ Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)

## 2026 September enrollment

Rounds	Application period	Video interview submission period	Final results announcement
2nd	Mar 12, 2026 (Thu) - Mar 25, 2026 (Wed)	Mar 26, 2026 (Thu) - Mar 30, 2026 (Mon) To be conducted within the period (About 30-40 min)	▶ Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)

**Screening method [One step selection]** ※See Application handbook for details.

**Evaluation of the submitted application documents**

**[Main application documents]**

- ① Senior High School Transcript
- ② Recommendation by the principal of senior high school
- ③ Predicted score
- ④ Application Essay
- ⑤ (Optional) English proficiency evaluation



**Video interview**

After the application period ends, the university will send the instructions to the e-mail address registered at the time of application by the evening of the following day(except weekends and holidays).

### [Caution]

- If you apply in English basis, your application essay and essay should be in English. The interview will also be in English.

**Evaluation points** •Be prepared to persuasively explain your study for the International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma.  
•Think about how you will use your academic experience after enrolling in APU.

**Recommended for:**



Those who are confident that they have achieved significant growth through their activities in the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program.



Those who have obtained or expect to obtain an IB Diploma by the time of enrollment.



Those who wish to use the skills and experience gained through the (IB) Diploma program to enhance their academic and extracurricular activities after enrollment.

# General Selection (Japanese paper test)

## INFORMATION (April 2026 Enrollment)

### POINT

# 1

## Common test method

## Common Test Method (2 subjects) Newly established

### Common Test Method (2 subjects)

Two subjects can be used according to the features of the college.

Pass/fail is determined by two specific subjects in Common test that are emphasized by each college. Please see the next page for the subjects for each college.

### Common Test Method (2 subjects+Data Analysis)

In addition to the results of the Common Test, the university's individual examination will assess "research skill".

In addition to the two specific subjects in common test that are emphasized by each college, the same format of examination questions as those used in the Comprehensive Evaluation・Data Analysis of the University will be used to determine whether the applicant has passed or failed the examination. The test is administered using a PC and smartphone, so you can take the test at home or at school.

### POINT

# 2

## APU individual examination

## Three tips to make it easier to prepare for the examination

The question types and formats will remain the same as in previous years. One of the most effective ways to prepare for the examinations is to grasp the trends of past years' questions!

**Same questions in examination for all colleges**

### Same question types in below methods

[February Admissions (3 subject) and English-Focused method]  
[Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)]

**Same examination questions with Ritsumeikan University**

### POINT

# 3

## English external qualification score

## English external qualification scores can be used for all methods. (English score conversion)

Scores from the External English Language Proficiency Test will be converted into English scores, and the highest score from either the university individual English test or the "Foreign language (English)" section of the Common Test will be used. When using the score conversion method, you must take both the Common Test and the university individual English test.

\*Scores for the External English proficiency test are valid only if the test date shown on the certificate is on or after October 1, 2023. Please refer to P6 for notes on each score.

\*Common Test Method (2 subjects) and Common Test Method (2 subjects+Data Analysis) are not available for the College of International Management.

	Score conversion table			
	100%	90%	75%	60%
TOEFL iBT® Test	83	70	55	42
IELTS (Academic Module)	6.5	6.0	5.0	4.5
TOEIC® L&R/S&W Test	1700	1600	1340	1150
EIKEN	2450	2304	2142	1980
TEAP	342	318	267	225
TEAP CBT	698	600	508	420
GTEC4 (Official Score Certificate)	1280	1180	1050	930
Cambridge English Qualification	175	169	150	140
PTE Academic	72	60	50	43

### [Example of using External English scores] Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)

#### [Caution]

This method is converted to the foreign language English of the common test, not the English of the university individual examination.

#### Example 1)

Common test Foreign Language Score > Converted score

Common test score **90 points**

↑ This score will be used

Converted score 75%

#### Example 2)

Common test Foreign Language Score < Converted score

Common test score **70 points**

Converted score 75% **75 points**

This score will be used ↑



# POINT 4

Lower tuition fees than public universities!  
Scholarship priority examination method that waives  
**100% of tuition for 4 years** is now available.

**Common Test Method**  
(8 subjects- Scholarship)  
priority students

**Common Test Method**  
(5 subjects- Scholarship)  
priority students

## Domestic Student Academic Excellence Scholarship

	Scholarship Selection Criteria	Number of recipients
<b>Common test 8 subjects</b>	Score rate : 80%	Prescribed number of slots
<b>Common test 5 subjects</b>	Score rate : 85%	

\*If the prescribed number of slots is exceeded by only those who have been accepted in the priority recruitment type, the highest-scoring applicants will be selected first, and even those who have met the above score requirements may not be selected for the scholarship.

\*Applicants can also apply for the scholarship using other entrance examination methods. Please see p.37 for details.

# POINT 5

English basis admissions  
You can choose to **study in English** from the beginning

Students may choose to enroll under the English language basis if they meet the following criteria.  
The written examination for the General Selection will be conducted in Japanese only, as in the past.

External English language qualifications required for English basis applicants								
TOEFL iBT®	IELTS (Academic Module)	TOEIC® (L&R/S&W)	EIKEN	TEAP	TEAP CBT	GTEC	Cambridge English Qualifications	PTE Academic
75	6.0	1600	2304	318	630	1180	169	60

\*Examination results related to language proficiency will be valid only if the examination date on the certificate is on or after **October 1, 2023**.

\*The TOEFL iBT® Test (TOEFL iBT® Home Edition also possible). In addition to Test Date Scores, you may also apply using MyBest™ Scores.

\*For IELTS/IELTS online, "IELTS One Skill Retake" will also be used.

\*For IELTS, applicants applying under the 'English-based criteria' must have a minimum score of 5.5 in each component for first-year admission."

\*For TOEIC® (L&R/S&W), the combined score is the TOEIC® S&W score multiplied by 2.5. It also includes IELTS One Skill Retake.

\*Eiken Test also includes Eiken CBT, Eiken S-CBT, and Eiken S-Interview. In addition, students will be evaluated based on their Eiken CSE score **regardless of whether they pass or fail the examination**.

\*GTEC must be an official score only.

\*Cambridge English Qualifications includes Linguaskill.

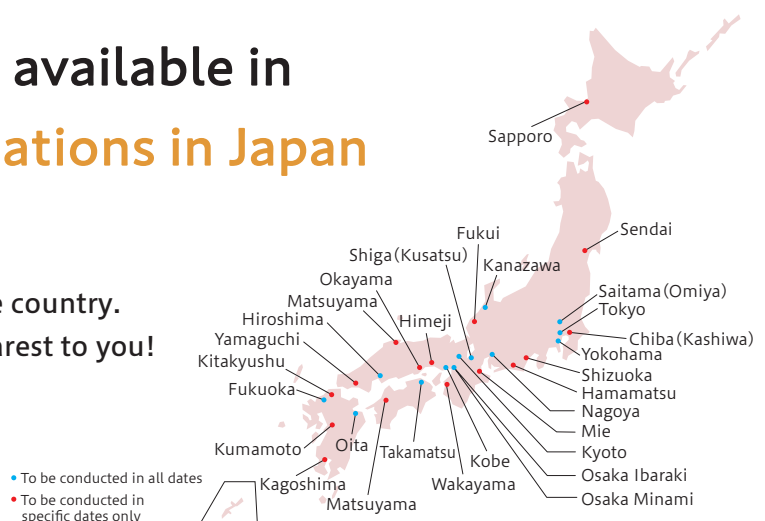
〈See details from "Undergraduate Application Handbook"〉

\*Students with Japanese basis can also take classes in English medium from the beginning if they start with a pre-advanced English language class as their language education subject (equivalent to IELTS 6.0).

# POINT 6

Examinations are available in  
**more than 30 locations in Japan**

Examination sites located throughout the country.  
You can take the exam at the location nearest to you!



# General Selection (Paper test) (April 2026 Enrollment)

The General Selection is open to applicants who have university entrance qualifications by March 31, 2026. For details on application requirements, please refer to the “Application Handbook” for the 2026 General Selection.

## Admissions Schedule

### Common test method / Common test combined method [Common in all colleges]

	February Admissions		March Admissions	
Subjects	[8 subjects][5 subjects] [3 subjects][2 subjects]	Common Test Method (2 subjects + Data Analysis)	Common Test + Interview Method	March Admissions (5 subjects & 3 subjects)
Internet application	Jan 6, 2026 (Tue) 10:00 - Jan 16, 2026 (Fri) 23:00	Jan 6, 2026 (Tue) 10:00 - Jan 22, 2026 (Thu) 23:00	Feb 12, 2026 (Thu) 10:00 - Feb 26, 2026 (Thu) 23:00	Feb 12, 2026 (Thu) 10:00 - Mar 6, 2026 (Fri) 23:00
University individual examination	—	Online written examination	Video interview	—
Date of examination	—	Feb 5, 2026 (Thu)	Feb 27, 2026 (Fri) - Mar 2, 2026 (Mon)	—
Date of final result announcement	Feb 17, 2026 (Tue) 9:30	Feb 20, 2026 (Fri) 9:30	Mar 17, 2026 (Tue) 9:30	

### University individual examination / Common test combined method

Date of examination	February Admissions							March Admissions
	1st (Sun)	2nd (Mon)	3rd (Tue)	4th (Wed)	7th (Sat)	8th (Sun)	9th (Mon)	7th (Sat)
Examination method	February Admissions (3 subject)				English-focused method	Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)		March Admissions
Location of examination	Saitama (Omiya), Tokyo, Yokohama, Kanazawa, Nagoya, Shiga (Kusatsu), Kyoto, Osaka Ibaraki, Osaka Minami, Kobe, Hiroshima, Takamatsu, Fukuoka, Oita				Chiba (Kashiwa), Shizuoka, Hamamatsu, Mie, Himeji, Okayama			
Internet application period*	Jan 6, 2026 (Tue) 10:00 - Jan 22, 2026 (Thu) 23:00				Jan 6, 2026 (Tue) 10:00 - Jan 26, 2026 (Mon) 23:00			Feb 12, 2026 (Thu) 10:00 - Feb 26, 2026 (Thu) 23:00
Date of final result announcement	Feb 17, 2026 (Tue) 9:30				Feb 20, 2026 (Fri) 9:30			Mar 17, 2026 (Tue) 9:30

\*Application documents such as Academic Transcript etc should be sent by post. (Postmark valid on the last day of the application period)

## Concurrent applications in Colleges, examination methods

### February admissions

#### University individual examination & Common test combined method

On the basis of one college per day, you can apply to the same or different colleges as shown in the example below.

Up to 8 times  
concurrent  
applications available

College of	2/1	2/2	2/3	2/4	2/5	2/7	2/8	2/9
International Management	February Admissions (3 subject)	February Admissions (3 subject)	February Admissions (3 subject)	February Admissions (3 subject)	Common Test Method (2 subjects + Data Analysis)	English-focused method	Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)	Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)
Sustainability and Tourism	February Admissions (3 subject)	February Admissions (3 subject)	February Admissions (3 subject)	February Admissions (3 subject)	Common Test Method (2 subjects + Data Analysis)	English-focused method	Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)	Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)
Asia Pacific Studies	February Admissions (3 subject)	February Admissions (3 subject)	February Admissions (3 subject)	February Admissions (3 subject)	Common Test Method (2 subjects + Data Analysis)	English-focused method	Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)	Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)

### February admissions

#### Common test method

Concurrent applications of Common test method are available for all colleges

College of International Management	8 subjects	5 subjects	3 subjects	2 subjects
College of Sustainability and Tourism	8 subjects	5 subjects	3 subjects	2 subjects
College of Asia Pacific Studies	8 subjects	5 subjects	3 subjects	2 subjects

Up to 12 times  
concurrent applications  
available

### Pick up

You can get discount on the examination fee for the multiple applications. See page 36 for more details!

## March admissions

### University individual examination [March Admissions]

You can apply to 3 colleges at the same examination date

College of International Management	March Admissions
College of Sustainability and Tourism	March Admissions
College of Asia Pacific Studies	March Admissions

### Common test method [Common test method (March)]

You can take the examinations up to 6 times

College of International Management	5 subjects	3 subjects
College of Sustainability and Tourism	5 subjects	3 subjects
College of Asia Pacific Studies	5 subjects	3 subjects

### Common test combined method [Common Test + Interview Method]

You can select one college and take the examination.

College of International Management or College of Sustainability and Tourism or College of Asia Pacific Studies	Common Test + Interview Method
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## The scope of the University's individual examination

The scope of the University's individual examination for the 2026 General Selection is as follows.  
APU will not require the subject "Information" in the university individual examination of General Selection for AY 2026.

### February Admissions(3 subject), English-focused method(Japanese paper test)

Subjects	Courses	Exam scope	
		2026 Entrance Examination	
外国語	英語	英語コミュニケーションⅠ、英語コミュニケーションⅡ、英語コミュニケーションⅢ、論理・表現Ⅰ、論理・表現Ⅱ、論理・表現Ⅲ	
国語	国語	現代の国語、言語文化、論理国語、文学国語、古典探究(漢文の独立問題は出題しません)	
地理 歴史	世界史	世界史探究	解答時にいずれか1科目選択
	日本史	日本史探究	
	地理	地理総合、地理探究	
公民	政治・経済	政治・経済	
数学	数学	数学Ⅰ、数学Ⅱ、数学A、数学B(数列)、数学C(ベクトル)	

### Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects), March Admissions(Japanese paper test)

Subjects	Courses	Exam scope	
		2026 Entrance Examination	
外国語	英語	英語コミュニケーションⅠ、英語コミュニケーションⅡ、英語コミュニケーションⅢ、論理・表現Ⅰ、論理・表現Ⅱ、論理・表現Ⅲ	
国語	国語	現代の国語、言語文化、論理国語、文学国語(いずれも近代以降の文章のみ)	

## How to Select Answer Subjects for APU's Original Examination 'Elective Subjects'

For APU's original examination 'Elective Subjects' (Civics, Geography and History, Mathematics), you do not need to declare your chosen subject at the time of application. You may select the subject to answer from among these options at the start of the exam

### Pass / fail criteria

- Pass/fail decisions will be based on the total score of the examination subjects specified for each entrance examination method.
- In the case of multiple attempts, a pass/fail grade will be given for each attempt.

### Score adjustment

In order to correct unfairness caused by differences in the difficulty level of questions depending on the examination date and subject, the following score adjustments will be made for the University's original examinations.

- In the case of multiple exam dates using the same method, scores will be adjusted for each subject on each exam date.
- In the case of "Elective Subjects (Civics, Geography, History, and Mathematics)", the scores will be adjusted for each subject.
- In all cases, the scores of individual examinees will be adjusted based on a statistical method that can compensate for differences in mean scores and standard deviations between test dates and subjects.

\*We are unable to respond to inquiries regarding score adjustments.

The information on the questions and preparation tips for the university's individual examinations

Available on the APU's website [www.apumate.net](http://www.apumate.net).

- Questions for the General Selection Examination in previous years
- Examination structure and tips for preparation for AY 2025 examination (last year).



## University individual examinations assess the examinees`:

- The basic academic skills learned in high school. Review the basic study of what you have learned so far.
- It is also effective to adapt yourself with past examinations and simulate the order of answers and time allocation beforehand.



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## February Admissions

[University Original Japanese Paper-Based Test]

[Evaluation will be comprehensively in three subjects.]

## APU's Standard Entrance Examination

Pass/fail is determined based on the total score of the three subjects. Multiple attempts are allowed on different examination dates. The format and tendency of the questions are the same regardless of the examination date or college of your choice. You can apply after the Common test.

[Caution 1]

**English**  
(120points)  
80minutes

+

**Japanese language<sup>※</sup>**  
(100points)  
80minutes

+

**Electives**[Civics, Geography,  
History, Mathematics]

(100points)  
80minutes

[Caution 1] If the score of an English external qualification examination reaches a certain standard, it will be eligible for English score conversion. For details, please see p. 22.

\*Japanese language: Modern Japanese, Old Japanese (No independent questions on Chinese literature will be given.)

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## English-Focused Method

[University Original Japanese Paper-Based Test]

The same question format as the February Admissions (3 subject), allows students to make use of their English language skills.

The applicant must take English, Japanese, and an elective subject, and will be judged on the basis of **two subjects**: “score in English” + “high score in Japanese or elective subject”.

[Caution 1]

**English**  
(150points)  
80minutes

+

**Japanese language<sup>※</sup>**  
(100points)  
80minutes

or

**Electives**[Civics, Geography,  
History, Mathematics]

(100points)  
80minutes

[Caution 1] If the score of an English external qualification examination reaches a certain standard, it will be eligible for English score conversion. For details, please see p. 22.

\*Japanese language: Modern Japanese, Old Japanese (No independent questions on Chinese literature will be given.)

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## Common Test Combined Method

(3 subjects) [University Original Japanese Paper-Based Test]

**Judgment is based on the total score of the applicant's high score on the Common test plus English and Japanese (modern Japanese) from the university's original examination.**

You can apply after taking the Common test, so you can make the most of your high score subjects.

Subjects and Courses of the Common Test for University Admissions	
外国語	「英語」「ドイツ語」「フランス語」「中国語」「韓国語」から1科目選択 [Note 1]
国語	「国語」(現代文のみ)
数学	「数学Ⅰ、数学A」「数学Ⅱ、数学B、数学C」
地理歴史公民	「地理総合、地理探究」「歴史総合、日本史探究」「歴史総合、世界史探究」 『「地理総合／歴史総合／公共」から2出題範囲』、 「公共、倫理」「公共、政治・経済」
理科	「物理基礎／化学基礎／生物基礎／地学基礎」から2出題範囲、 「物理」「化学」「生物」「地学」
The highest score in one subject out of all subjects (100 points)	

## Original Paper-Based Test

**English**  
(100points)  
80minutes

**Japanese language**  
[Only Modern Japanese]  
(100points)  
80minutes

[Note 1]

If your score on an external English proficiency test meets the designated criteria, it may be used for English score conversion. In the Common Test + English and Japanese method, the higher score between the Common Test 'Foreign Language (English)' score and the other designated score will be used.

※For details on how subjects from the Common Test for University Admissions are handled, please refer to page 23.

## Handling of Common Test Subjects \*Prior year grades cannot be used.

- This exam will be conducted exclusively in Japanese.
- The results of subjects taken in the "Common Test for University Admissions" AY 2026 (hereinafter referred to as "Common Test") will be used to determine whether you pass or fail in the Common Test Method, Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects), Common Test + Interview Method, and Common Test Method (2 subjects + Data Analysis).
- You may take more subjects than required or subjects that cannot be used in the entrance examination of the University, but you must take the required number of subjects of the Common Test as specified by the entrance examination type for which you are applying. If you do not have enough subjects, you will be disqualified.
- It is not necessary to report the subjects to be used at the time of application. In the "High score subject adoption" system, subjects with the highest scores are automatically selected if they have taken the subjects of the Common Test specified for each entrance examination type. If the required score of a subject is different from the score of the common test, the score conversion will be used.

### Foreign language

The "English" section of the Common Test consists of [Reading] (100 points) and [Listening] (100 points). APU's entrance examination will be handled as follows (1) and (2).

- (1) The maximum score of 100 points for Reading is converted to 140 points, and the maximum score of 100 points for Listening is converted to 60 points, for a total of 200 points.
- (2) For each entrance examination method, the score converted according to (1) above will be converted to the score distribution for the relevant entrance examination method. German, "French," "Chinese, " and "Korean" are also available for all colleges.

### Japanese language

The Japanese language section of the Common Test consists of Modern Japanese (3 questions, 110 points), and Old Japanese language [Ancient Japanese (1 question, 45 points), Chinese literature (1 question, 45 points)].

The Common Test (8 subjects) and (5 subjects) include the sections "Ancient Japanese and Chinese Literature".

For Common Test (3 subjects), Common Test (2 subjects), Common Test Method (2 subjects+ Data Analysis), Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects), and Common Test + Interview Method, "Modern Japanese /Contemporary Japanese language only/will be used".

### Mathematics

The "Mathematics" section of the Common test is divided into two test time slots: Mathematics① and Mathematics②. For the University individual examination, the scores of "Math I, Math A" for Mathematics① and "Math II, Math B, Math C" for Mathematics② will be used. Please refer to the page of each entrance examination for available subjects and methods of use. The main methods of use are as follows.

- (1) One subject with a high score from "Math I, Math A" and "Math II, Math B, Math C"  
Only one subject with a high score will be considered to be used. Then, the number of subjects specified for each entrance examination method will be automatically selected from the highest scoring subjects including the subjects that can be used for other examination methods.
- (2) "Math I, Math A" and "Math II, Math B, Math C"  
Any one of these subjects can be selected. Then, the number of subjects specified for each entrance examination method will be automatically selected from the subjects with the highest scores, including the subjects that can be used for other examination methods.

### Geography/ History/ Civics

Applicants may select one or two subjects for the "Geography, History, and Civics" section of the Common test. The university's entrance examination uses scores from "Geography/History/Civics", "Geography/Advanced Geography", "History/Advanced Japanese History," "History/Advanced World History," and "Civics/Politics/Economics", "Civics/Ethics. Please check the National Center for University Entrance Examinations website for the rules for selecting each subject.

### Science

In the "Science" section of the Common test, you can select up to two subjects from the following subjects. Please check the rules for selecting the subjects of "Basic Physics/ Basic Chemistry/Basic Biology/Basic Earth Science" and "Physics/Chemistry/Biology/Earth Science" on the website of the National Center for University Entrance Examinations or other sources.





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## Common Test Method (2 subjects+Data Analysis) [Original Test]

The questions for this entrance examination are in the same format as those used in the Comprehensive Selection - Comprehensive Evaluation/Data Analysis. The test is designed to evaluate the qualities and abilities on inquiry-based learning of the applicant's skill to formulate their own "questions" from given materials and find their own "answers (optimal solutions)" using their own "methods" (i.e., inquiry-based learning skill). The exam is administered using a PC and a smartphone, so it is possible to take the exam at home or any other location. (Examples of examination questions and countermeasures are available on the website, [www.apumate.net](http://www.apumate.net)).

College of Asia Pacific Studies	Common test method (2 subjects) and same subjects, same weighting score(each college)	Scoring Weight 300points	+	University individual examination	Answering method	Scoring Weight
College of International Management				Data analysis (Answer online)	Typing only	200 points
College of Sustainability and Tourism						



## Common Test Method (2 subjects)

[Pass/fail is determined solely on the basis of scores on the Common test]

The two-subjects method provides a minimum number of courses that serve as the foundation for study in each college.

2 subjects [College of Asia Pacific Studies]		Subjects and Courses of the Common Test for University Admissions		Scoring Weight	Total Score	
		地理歴史 ま た は 公 民	「地理総合, 地理探究」「歴史総合, 日本史探究」「歴史総合, 世界史探究」 「公共, 倫理」「公共, 政治・経済」『「地理総合/歴史総合/公共」から2出題範囲』から 高得点1科目		200 points	300 points
		外 国 語	「英語」「ドイツ語」「フランス語」「中国語」「韓国語」から1科目選択【Note 1】		One subject with a high score 100 points	
		国 語	「国語(現代文のみ)」			
		数 学	「数学Ⅰ, 数学A」「数学Ⅱ, 数学B, 数学C」			
		地理歴史 ま た は 公 民	「地理総合, 地理探究」「歴史総合, 日本史探究」「歴史総合, 世界史探究」 『「地理総合/歴史総合/公共」から2出題範囲』 「公共, 倫理」「公共, 政治・経済」※必須科目以外の科目			

2 subjects [College of International Management]	Subjects and Courses of the Common Test for University Admissions			Scoring Weight	Total Score
	数 学	「数学Ⅰ, 数学A」		200 points	300 points
	数 学	「数学Ⅱ, 数学B, 数学C」		One subject with a high score 100 points	
	理 科	「物理基礎/化学基礎/生物基礎/地学基礎」から2出題範囲、 「物理」「化学」「生物」「地学」			
	情 報	「情報Ⅰ」			

2 subjects [College of Sustainability and Tourism]	Subjects and Courses of the Common Test for University Admissions		Scoring Weight	Total Score
	外国語	「英語」【Note 1】	200 points	300 points
	情 報	「情報Ⅰ」	100 points	

### 【Note 1】

If your score on an external English proficiency test meets the designated criteria, it may be used for English score conversion. For details, please refer to page 18."

※For details on how subjects from the Common Test for University Admissions are handled, please refer to page 23.



# Common Test Method


[Pass/fail is determined solely on the basis of scores on the Common test]

High-scoring subjects and courses can be utilized. For electives, high-scoring subjects are automatically used.


## Pick up

You can get discount on the examination fee for the multiple applications. See page 31 for more details!

3 subjects	Subjects and Courses of the Common Test for University Admissions			Scoring Weight	Total Score
	外国語	「英語」「ドイツ語」「フランス語」「中国語」「韓国語」から1科目選択【Note 1】		100 points	300 points
	国語	「国語(現代文のみ)」		100 points	
	数 学	「数学Ⅰ, 数学A」「数学Ⅱ, 数学B, 数学C」	One subject with a high score	100 points	
	地理歴史 または 公 民	「地理総合, 地理探究」「歴史総合, 日本史探究」「歴史総合, 世界史探究」 『「地理総合/歴史総合/公共」から2出題範囲」、 「公共, 倫理」「公共, 政治・経済」			
	理 科	「物理基礎/化学基礎/生物基礎/地学基礎」から2出題範囲、 「物理」「化学」「生物」「地学」			


5 subjects-Scholarship priority students【Note 2】

Subjects and Courses of the Common Test for University Admissions				Scoring Weight	Total Score
外国語	「英語」「ドイツ語」「フランス語」「中国語」「韓国語」から1科目選択【Note 1】			100 points	500 points
国語	「国語(古文・漢文含む)」			100 points	
数学	「数学Ⅰ, 数学A」			100 points	
数学	「数学Ⅱ, 数学B, 数学C」		Two subject with a high score	200 points	
地理歴史 または 公民	「地理総合, 地理探究」「歴史総合, 日本史探究」「歴史総合, 世界史探究」 『「地理総合/歴史総合/公共」から2出題範囲、 「公共, 倫理」「公共, 政治・経済」				
理科	「物理基礎/化学基礎/生物基礎/地学基礎」から2出題範囲、 「物理」「化学」「生物」「地学」				
情報	「情報Ⅰ」				



8 subjects-Scholarship priority students【Note 2】

Subjects and Courses of the Common Test for University Admissions			Scoring Weight	Total Score
外国語	「英語」「ドイツ語」「フランス語」「中国語」「韓国語」から1科目選択【Note 1】		200 points	1000 points
国語	「国語(古文・漢文含む)」		200 points	
地理歴史	「地理総合, 地理探究」「歴史総合, 日本史探究」「歴史総合, 世界史探究」 『「地理総合/歴史総合/公共」から地理総合と歴史総合の2出題範囲を選択』 から高得点1科目		100 points	
数学	「数学Ⅰ, 数学A」		100 points	
数学	「数学Ⅱ, 数学B, 数学C」	Four subject with a high score	400 points across four subjects	
地理歴史 または 公民	「地理総合, 地理探究」「歴史総合, 日本史探究」「歴史総合, 世界史探究」 『「地理総合/歴史総合/公共」から2出題範囲』、 「公共, 倫理」「公共, 政治・経済」※必須科目以外の科目			
理科	「物理基礎/化学基礎/生物基礎/地学基礎」から2出題範囲、 「物理」「化学」「生物」「地学」			
情報	「情報Ⅰ」			

【Note 1】If your score on an external English proficiency test meets the designated criteria, it may be used for English score conversion. For details, please refer to page 18.

【Note 2】For information regarding priority admission for scholarship students, please refer to page 19."

※For details on how subjects from the Common Test for University Admissions are handled, please refer to page 23.



# Common Test Method (March Admissions)

Pass/fail is determined solely by scores on the Common test and it is in March.

5 subjects	Subjects and Courses of the Common Test for University Admissions			Scoring Weight	Total Score	
	外国語	「英語」「ドイツ語」「フランス語」「中国語」「韓国語」から1科目選択【Note 1】		100 points	500 points	
	国語	「国語(古文・漢文含む)」		100 points		
	数学	「数学Ⅰ, 数学A」		100 points		
	数学	「数学Ⅱ, 数学B, 数学C」	Two subject with a high score	200 point		
	地理歴史 または 公民	「地理総合, 地理探究」「歴史総合, 日本史探究」「歴史総合, 世界史探究」 『「地理総合/歴史総合/公共」から2出題範囲、 「公共, 倫理」「公共, 政治・経済」				
	理科	「物理基礎/化学基礎/生物基礎/地学基礎」から2出題範囲、 「物理」「化学」「生物」「地学」				
	情報	「情報Ⅰ」				

Subjects and Courses of the Common Test for University Admissions				Scoring Weight	Total Score
3 subjects	外国語	「英語」「ドイツ語」「フランス語」「中国語」「韓国語」から1科目選択【Note 1】		100 points	300 points
	国語	「国語(現代文のみ)」		100 points	
	数 学	「数学Ⅰ、数学A」「数学Ⅱ、数学B、数学C」		One subject with a high score	
	地理歴史 または 公 民	「地理総合、地理探究」「歴史総合、日本史探究」「歴史総合、世界史探究」 『「地理総合/歴史総合/公共」から2出題範囲』、 「公共、倫理」「公共、政治・経済」			
	理 科	「物理基礎/化学基礎/生物基礎/地学基礎」から2出題範囲、 「物理」「化学」「生物」「地学」			

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## March Admissions [Original Paper-Based Test]

Pass/fail is determined solely by scores on the subjects English and Japanese language (modern Japanese) (March admissions)

You can apply in March after knowing the results of the February admissions.

### March admissions (Concurrent applications available)

You can apply in multiple colleges using one application/entrance examination/. In this case, the application fee will be 10,000 yen for the second and subsequent applications.

English  
(120points)  
80minutes

+

Japanese language  
[Only Modern Japanese]  
(100points)  
80minutes

## Common Test + Interview Method [Original Test]

Entrance examination method to evaluate basic academic ability, motivation, and aptitude comprehensively through the scores of the Common Test and an interview.

Evaluation will be made comprehensively based on the scores of the three subjects of the Common test and the interview.

Subjects and Courses of the Common Test for University Admissions				Scoring Weight	Subjects of the University's Original Examination	Scoring Weight
外国語	「英語」「ドイツ語」「フランス語」「中国語」「韓国語」から1科目選択 【Note 1】			100 points	+  Video interview  ( Period 2/27～3/2 )  100 points	
国語	「国語(現代文のみ)」			100 points		
数学	「数学Ⅰ、数学A」「数学Ⅱ、数学B、数学C」			One subject with a high score  100 points in one subject		
地理歴史 または 公民	「地理総合、地理探究」「歴史総合、日本史探究」「歴史総合、世界史探究」 『「地理総合／歴史総合／公共」から2出題範囲』 「公共、倫理」「公共、政治、経済」					
理科	「物理基礎／化学基礎／生物基礎／地学基礎」から2出題範囲、「物理」、「化学」、「生物」、「地学」					
情報	「情報Ⅰ」					
					※For English-basis applicants, the interview will be held in English	

【Note 1】If your score on an external English proficiency test meets the designated criteria, it may be used for English score conversion. For details, please refer to page 18.

※For details on how subjects from the Common Test for University Admissions are handled, please refer to page 23.

# Transfer and Related Examinations

(April / September 2026 Enrollment)

## 2nd 3rd Transfer admission • Second Bachelor's Degree admission

JP

EN

### Application eligibility

#### [Academic background]

If final transcripts are not submitted at the time of enrollment, the number of approved credits notified at the time of acceptance may be changed after enrollment.

APS: College of Asia Pacific Studies, APM: College of International Management

Transfer (from higher professional school or junior college)	College		Those who meet either ① or ② of the following criteria:
	APS	APM	
2nd year	●	●	① Those who have graduated from a junior college or higher technical college ② Those who have completed the advanced course at a vocational schools that meets the standards set by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology. However, eligibility under this condition is limited to those who meet the qualifications for university admission stipulated in Article 90 of the School Education Law.
3rd year	●	●	

Transfer (from university)	College		
	APS	APM	
2nd year	●	●	Applicants must be enrolled in a university for at least one year and have earned or expect to earn 30 credits or more*. In the case of a university outside Japan, the applicant must have attended the university for at least one year and have earned or expect to earn one fourth of the credits required for graduation. (You cannot apply if you have dropped out of the university)
3rd year	●	●	Applicants must be enrolled in a university for at least two years and have earned or expect to earn 60 credits or more. In the case of a university outside Japan, the applicant must have attended the university for at least 2 years and have earned or expect to earn 1/2 of the credits required for graduation. (You cannot apply if you have dropped out of the university)

Second Bachelor's Degree admission	College		The program for bachelor's degree holders to enroll in the second or third year of study.
	APS	APM	
2nd year	●	●	① Those who hold a bachelor's degree, or those who are expected to obtain by the day before the date of admission to the University*.
3rd year	●	●	

\*April enrollment : Until Mar 31, 2026, September enrollment : Until Sep 20, 2026

[Language ability] Please see Page 6 for more details on the scores

	TOEFL iBT®	IELTS (Academic Module)	TOEIC® (L&R/S&W)	EIKEN	Cambridge English Qualifications	PTE Academic
Japanese-basis (2nd year)	55	5.0	1340	2304	149	50
Japanese-basis (2nd year)	61	5.5	1420	2304	153	55
English-basis (2nd & 3rd year)	85	6.5	1730	2630	176	65

### Admissions schedule


#### 2026 April, September enrollment

Rounds	Application period	Video interview submission period	Final results announcement
1st	Sep 12, 2025 (Fri) - Sep 24, 2025 (Wed)	Sep 25, 2025 (Thu) - Sep 29, 2025 (Mon) To be conducted within the period (About 30-40 min)	▶ Nov 4, 2025 (Tue)

#### 2026 September enrollment

Rounds	Application period	Video interview submission period	Final results announcement
2nd	Mar 12, 2026 (Thu) - Mar 25, 2026 (Wed)	Mar 26, 2026 (Thu) - Mar 30, 2026 (Mon) To be conducted within the period (About 30-40 min)	▶ Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)

### Screening method [One step selection] ※See Application Handbook for details




Evaluation of the submitted application documents

[Main application documents]

- ① Essay
- ② Various certificates, etc. to prove academic history





Video interview

After the application period ends, the university will send the instructions to the e-mail address registered at the time of application by the evening of the following day (except weekends and holidays).

### Recommended for:

Those who have achieved growth through their studies during their enrollment or in the educational program in which they were enrolled.

Those who are ready to plan properly and be motivated to enhance their academic and extra-curricular activities after enrollment, based on their previous activities and learning.

Admissions  
Calendar

Application  
eligibility

Total Entrance  
exam result data

Comprehensive  
Selection

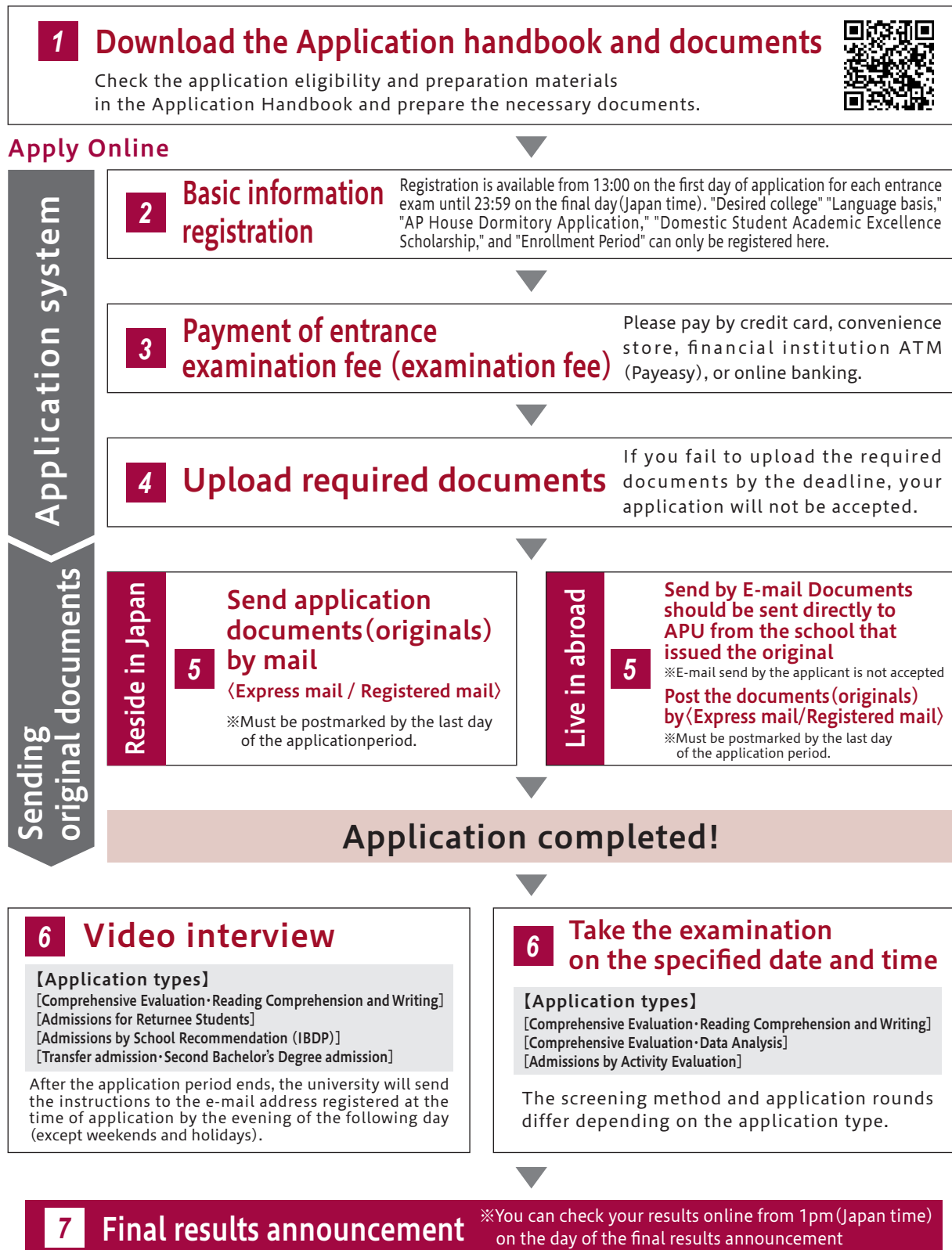
General Selection

Application  
preparation

# Preparation to Application

## The process from application to announcement of results

\*Application for General Selection: Please see the Application Handbook to be released in November.



### For those who need special support when taking the domestic entrance exam

For domestic student entrance examinations at our university, support may be given to applicants with disabilities or other circumstances. If you would like to request support, you must submit an application. For details, please see the "APUmate" website.

For further supports after enrollment, see here: <https://en.apu.ac.jp/academic/consultations/support/>



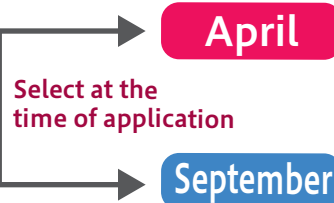
# Five steps that can be selected only at the time of application

Please note that the following selections cannot be changed after the end of the application period

## 1 Enrollment period (April or September)

**Comprehensive Selection, IBDP, Transfer, 2nd bachelor degree admissions**

※Comprehensive Selection, IBDP, Transfer, 2nd Bachelor degree admissions for which selection will take place in April 2026 or later will apply to September enrollment.



**All application types of General Selection**

**April**

**September enrollment is recommended for those who**

- Those who are taking the exam from schools abroad
- Those who wish to continue language study or high school activities in the six months before enrollment
- Those who wish to enroll at the same time as a larger number of international students.

## 2 Decide your preferred college you want to apply

The same entrance exams are administered for all three colleges, so there is no need to prepare separately\*. Please see pages 11 and 20 for information on the multiple application system. Please use the QR code to see what you can study at each college.

\*The subjects are specified for each college only for the entrance examinations, "Common Test Method (2 subjects)" and "Common Test Method (2 subjects + Data Analysis)"

**College of Asia Pacific Studies**

**APS**



**College of International Management**

**APM**



**College of Sustainability and Tourism**

**ST**



## 3 Select whether you would like to live in the dormitory, "AP House"

**93% of domestic students live in dormitories**

All students who wish to live in the dormitory can do so for **one year** after enrollment. **Dormitory applications can only be made at the time of APU application.** For more information about AP House, please scan the QR code.



**Dormitory Fee Reduction System**

This is a system that subsidizes half of the AP House dormitory fees to provide financial support after enrollment (maximum of 60 students). **Applications must be made within a separate period from the application period.** See Page 32 for details.



**Period of entrance • Dormitory fee advance payment to be made at the time of enrollment procedure**

Period of entrance		April and September enrollment (Including those who use a dormitory fee reduction system)	
April	September		
<b>1st and 2nd year students</b> Late March 2026 to the end of February 2027 (11 months)	<b>1st and 2nd year students</b> Mid-September 2026 to the end of August 2027 (11.5 months)	<b>Moving-in fee</b>	32,000Yen
<b>3rd year students</b> Late March 2026 to the end of February 2028	<b>3rd year students</b> Mid-September 2026 to the end of August 2028	<b>Security deposit<sup>※1</sup></b>	98,000Yen
		<b>Dormitory fee<sup>※2</sup> (2 months amount)</b>	104,000Yen
		<b>Total</b>	<b>234,000Yen</b>

※1 This is a deposit to live in the dormitory. If there are any outstanding dormitory fees or if any repairs to the room are caused by the resident's negligence, the deposit will be used to settle the matter, and the remaining amount will be refunded after you move out.

※2 Dormitory fees: (Breakdown) For students enrolling in April should pay April 2026 fee of 52,000 yen and May 2026 fee of 52,000 yen (AP House 5 base). For students enrolling in September should pay September 2026 half a month's fee of 26,000 yen, October 2026 fee of 52,000 yen, November 2026 half a month's fee of 26,000 yen (AP House 5 base). For students enrolling in AP House 1 or 2, the difference will be deducted from the dormitory fees paid after moving in.

## 4

Scholarship for full tuition waiver for 4 years

## Domestic Students Academic Excellence Scholarship

This scholarship is for students who have achieved excellent results in the entrance examinations, and first year applicants must choose whether they wish to apply or not when the time of application to APU.

### Challenge

Focus on your studies for 4 years without worrying about tuition fees

### Future

No need to repay scholarship after graduation

### Chance

No tuition fees to be paid to the host university when participating in exchange programs, etc.

1st year students: 1,300,000 yen  
2nd - 4th year students: 1,500,000 yen

Total **5,800,000 yen** of tuition fee is **exempted** during **4 years**

※Scholarship continuation screenings are conducted every 6 months

※See page 37 for more details.

## 5

## Choose a "Language basis" of admission

No need to worry if you are not comfortable with your English ability at the time of application. Please make your choice depending on your English proficiency. Please see P6 for the English score requirements if you wish to apply in English language basis.

### Pick up What is "Language Basis" for admission

One of the unique features of APU's education is the "Japanese English Dual Language Education" program, in which classes are offered in both Japanese and English. Prospective students are required to select either the "Japanese basis" or the "English basis" as their base language of admission at the time of application.

#### Japanese-basis

In the first year, students will take mainly common education courses and major subjects which are taught in Japanese. **At the same time, students take the English language course** and aim to take major subjects offered in English, **gradually increasing the number of courses offered in English as their English proficiency improves**. For Japanese language basis domestic students, the graduation requirement is 20 credits or more required in common education courses or major subjects in English. (Number of credits required for graduation: 124)

#### Level of English language proficiency required at the time of admission (as a guideline)

- ☐ TOEFL iBT® Test Approximately 45 to 61 points
- ☐ IELTS(Academic Module) Approximately 5.0~5.5
- ☐ EIKEN® CSE Score Approximately 1980 points or higher

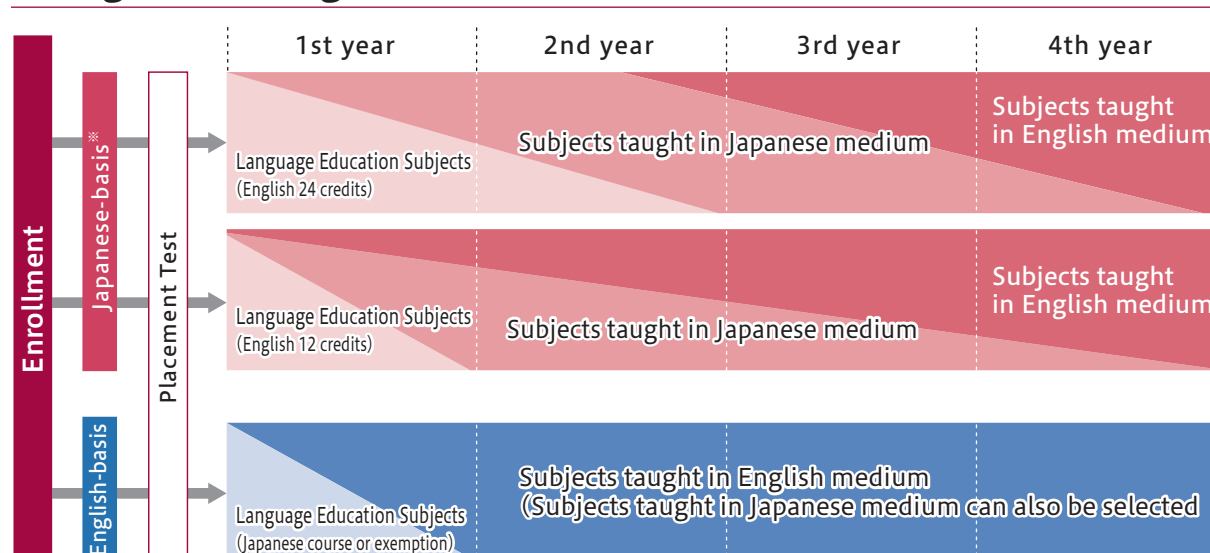
#### English-basis

Students will take common education courses and major subjects in English **from their 1st year**. This program is suitable for students who have received education in English at the equivalent of junior or senior high school, or who have studied abroad in an English speaking country for an extended period of time. The English language course is not required, but some English courses may be taken as electives.

#### Level of English language proficiency required at the time of admission (as a guideline)

- ☐ TOEFL iBT® Test 75 points or above
- ☐ IELTS(Academic Module) Approximately 6.0-6.5
- ☐ EIKEN® CSE Score 2304 points or more

## Japanese basis students are required to take "English courses"! Image of the English course track



※Students with Japanese basis can also take classes in English medium from the beginning if they start with a Pre-Advanced English language as their language education subject (equivalent to IELTS 6.0)

# Application Fee/Payment of Enrollment Procedure Fees/ Tuition Fee/AP House Entrance Fee

## Application Fee

Application fees vary depending on the application type

Application Type	Entrance Examination Method		Application fee per application
Admissions for Comprehensive Selection Transfer Enrollment Admissions by School Recommendation	application Admissions by activity evaluation		FeeFirst Screening: 15,000yen Second Screening: 20,000yen
	Admissions for Returnee Students, Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP)、 2nd 3rd Transfer admission・Second Bachelor's Degree admission		35,000 yen
General Selection (Paper test)	February Admissions(3 subject) ,English-Focused Method, Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects), Common Test Method (2 subjects+Data Analysis), Common Test + Interview Method		35,000 yen
	March Admissions	First Application	35,000 yen
		Subsequent Applications	In addition to the above, 10,000 yen per application
	Common Test Method (including the March Application Type)	First Application	18,000 yen
		Subsequent Applications	In addition to the above, 10,000 yen per application

## Payment of the enrollment procedures fee [Common in 1st year new enrollees]

Enrollment procedures are completed by registering enrollment information through the online enrollment procedures website, paying the enrollment fee within the prescribed period, and submitting the required documents. See the Enrollment Procedures Handbook for details.

Common for April 2025 and September 2025 Enrollees			For applicants accepted under the following application types: • March Admissions • Common Test + Interview Method • Common Test Method (March Admissions-5 subjects) (March Admissions-3 subjects)	
the first installment of enrollment procedure fees	Payment period for second installment of enrollment procedure fees		First Installment and Second Installment of Enrollment Procedure Fees and Miscellaneous Membership Fees Paid together	
Admission Fee	Not living in AP House	AP House Residents	Not living in AP House	AP House Residents
	First Semester Tuition A Tuition B miscellaneous membership fees	First Semester Tuition A Tuition B Dues the AP House Entrance Fee	Admission Fee First Semester Tuition A Tuition B miscellaneous membership fees	Admission Fee First Semester Tuition A Tuition B miscellaneous membership fees the AP House Entrance Fee
200,000yen		690,000yen	924,000yen	
			890,000yen	1,124,000yen

※Miscellaneous fees total 40,000 yen, which includes the APU Domestic Student Support Association fee and the APU Alumni Association fee.

## Tuition Fee

1st year student tuition fee  
(2026 Enrollment)  
\*Common in all Colleges

Admission fee  
¥200,000

1st year tuition fee  
¥1,300,000

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First Semester  
Tuition A ¥380,000  
+  
Tuition B ¥270,000

+

Second Semester  
Tuition A ¥380,000  
+  
Tuition B ¥270,000

April enrollment:  
payment at the end of November  
September enrollment:  
payment at the end of May

Second enrollment procedure fee

### Yearly tuition (estimated) until graduation

	First year	Second year	Third year	Forth year
1st year Students	1,300,000 yen	1,500,000 yen	1,500,000 yen	1,500,000 yen
2nd year Students	—	1,500,000 yen	1,500,000 yen	1,500,000 yen
3rd year Students	—	—	1,500,000 yen	1,500,000 yen

If you are in a 5th year or above after exceeding the minimum term of studyFirst Tuition for students who have exceeded the minimum required number of years of study and are in their fifth year or higher will be half of Tuition A plus tuition for the number of credits for which the student has registered (22,500 yen x number of credits registered)

## Dormitory fee

\*Dormitory fee is subject to revision

- AP House 1 & 2: 50,000 yen/month (Housing fee, common service charge, utilities, bedding rental fee, and Wi-Fi included.)
- AP House 5: 52,000 yen/month (As dormitory housing is allocated by lottery, we do not accept requests to select a dormitory building.)

# APU's Scholarship System

Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University offers its own scholarships as well as scholarships from organizations such as the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) Scholarship and local government scholarship. There are differences in purpose, target students, amount, availability, and application period. Those hoping to receive a scholarship should thoroughly understand the content of the various systems and make a solid plan for their student life before applying.

Please check the Student Office website for the latest information.

[https://en.apu.ac.jp/studentsupport/scholarship\\_tuition/domestic/](https://en.apu.ac.jp/studentsupport/scholarship_tuition/domestic/)



## (1) Scholarships provided by APU

A scholarship awarded to students who pass the entrance exam and who have excellent grades and submitted documents.

### Domestic Students Academic Excellence Scholarship To be declared when applying

Eligible entrance examinations : April and September 2026 admissions (first year students) \*Transfer entrance examinations are not eligible.

Number of students accepted : Up to 37 (previous academic year result)

Amount : Equivalent to the full amount of tuition

Period of allowance : Four years (subject to a continuing review each semester)

Payment method : Allocated to the amount of tuition payment

Application method : Applicants must declare their intention to receive the scholarship when applying for the entrance examination.

Results : Applicants will be selected based on their application documents and entrance examination results, in addition to a comprehensive review of their English language proficiency, and will be notified at the same time as the announcement of entrance examination results.

This cannot be provided in conjunction with the Domestic Student Financial Support Tuition Exemption (Sudden Change in Household Income). \*For details, please check the undergraduate application handbook

System Scholarships to provide financial support to AP House residents after enrollment (applications must be made within the application period listed below, separate from the application)

### Dormitory Fee Reduction System Submit a separate application

Eligible for Support : Those wishing to move into APU House who have gone through the AY2026 domestic admissions process (first year students who are new enrollees).

Application Qualifications : **Applied for the Japan Student Services Organization Benefit Scholarship Reservation Program and in receipt of a "Notification of Decision for Candidate Awarded a University Scholarship for AY2026 [Reiwa 8]"**. (Loan-based employment is not eligible)

Number of Awardees : 60 \*Note: we may not be able to make awards to all benefit scholarship recipients.

Details of Support : Half of the monthly AP House dormitory fees for 11 months will be waived. For those enrolling in the fall, half of the monthly fees for 11.5 months will be waived.

Application period : Monday, December 1, 2025 – Friday, January 30, 2026 \*Same for April and September enrollment

How to Apply : Please see the application requirements published on APUMate, the applicant website.

※High schools outside of Japan may not be accepting reservation applications.

Financial support scholarships that can be applied for after enrollment

### Domestic Students Tuition Reduction To be applied after enrollment

Eligibility : Current students who meet the required application requirements (household income, academic performance, etc.)

\*However, if you receive a tuition fee reduction or exemption under the national higher education support system, the amount of the reduction or exemption that falls short of the above amount will be reduced or exempted.

Payment period : Maximum 4 years (within the minimum period of study) \*However, there is a review for continuation once a year

Payment method : The scholarship amount will be offset against tuition fees when tuition fees are billed.

How to apply : There will be an application period after enrollment (April and October). Please wait for further information after enrollment.

## Application preparation



## Q&A About the Entrance Examination

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**Q1** I studied abroad at a school in a foreign country during my high school. Is there an application type that allows students to take advantage of their overseas experience?

**A1** Yes, "Admissions for Returnee Students" is designed for students with experience studying outside Japan (returnee students). You can also use "Admissions by Activity Evaluation" as this application type also evaluates international experiences such as study abroad. As both of these application types accept April and September admissions, you can choose the timing that best suits you.

**Q2** Does the acceptance rate differ depending on the enrollment period (April or September)?

**A2** There is no relation between the acceptance rate and enrollment period. So, please choose the enrollment period you prefer.

**Q3** Is the probability of being accepted higher for the English basis admissions? I would like to know if there is a fixed number of applicants/quota/ for each language basis.

**A3** There is no limit to the number of applicants according to language basis. Please apply in the language you are most comfortable with.

**Q4** Are there any standards for the school's internal examination score (grade point average : GPA)?

**A4** There is no criterion for the grade point average (GPA) in the Comprehensive Selection and the Admissions by School Recommendation.

**Q5** Is it possible to take the examination of other universities at the same time?

**A5** It is possible to apply to other universities for the methods listed in this booklet. However, for the Admissions by School Recommendation (Designated Schools), it is an exclusive application, so it is not possible to apply to other universities at the same time.

**Q6** Even if the only thing that can be appealed is the English proficiency score because there are no certifications from the institutions related, etc. in the Admissions by Activity Evaluation, will it still be evaluated based on other submitted documents?

**A6** In the Comprehensive Selection, the evaluation is based on the total score, so if other documents have a high evaluation, you can pass the examination.

**Q7** The Comprehensive Selection is offered up to 3rd rounds. If I fail the 1st round, can I continue to apply for the 2nd and 3rd round?

**A7** Yes, you can.

**Q8** Is it possible to submit a certificate of completion for a program organized by APU with an Admissions by Activity Evaluation?

**A8** We cannot answer whether or not they are eligible for individual evaluation, but you can submit whatever you wish to appeal.

**Q9** Are the questions in the recorded interview the same for everyone?

**A9** It varies from person to person and from round to round. The number of answers and response time also vary depending on the question.

**Q10** Are there any working adults who take the entrance exam?

**A10** Several working professionals are admitted every year. The Admissions by Activity Evaluation also includes work experience as a subject of evaluation.

**Q11** I am not sure if my high school is eligible for my application to APU.

**A11** If you are not sure whether you are eligible to apply for Transfer Admission or Admissions for Returnee Students, you can use Pre-Screening of Eligibility for Application. Please see below for details  
[https://www.apumate.net/en/admissions\\_guide/examination/pre\\_exam/](https://www.apumate.net/en/admissions_guide/examination/pre_exam/)

**Q12** I have not yet passed the English Proficiency Test /EIKEN/ Level 2. Can I still pass the entrance examination?

**A12** Please be assured that there are many students who pass the exam even if they do not have EIKEN Level 2, by appealing through Admissions by Activity Evaluation or by using Comprehensive Evaluation・Data Analysis.

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See here for other FAQ:





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