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Undergraduate Application Handbook

入学試験要項

[April / September 2026 Enrollment]

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Admissions for
Domestic Applicants

国内学生入学試験

(Japanese nationality・
Permanent residency status of Japan)
(日本国籍保持者・永住者)

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International Admissions

Office of International Admissions

Contact us using the inquiry form on the page linked below:
https://admissions.apu.ac.jp/contact_us

TEL : +81-977-78-1200
Hours : Monday-Friday 9:00-17:30 (Japan Time)
URL : <https://admissions.apu.ac.jp/?&lang=en>

Japanese/Domestic Applicants

Admission selection for Japanese nationals and permanent residents



Possess Japanese nationality, including Japanese dual nationality

or



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

If you are a Japanese/domestic applicant, use the information in this handbook

If you are in the process of renouncing your Japanese nationality, please contact the Admissions Office (International) before applying. If one of your parents has Japanese nationality, you may also have Japanese nationality. Please be sure to check in advance.

There is an entrance examination exclusively for international students that is not introduced in this Handbook.

If you hold a "student visa" you may be able to take the "Entrance Examination for International Students Living in Japan" or "Entrance Examination for International Students Living outside Japan".

Please refer to the following website for details of the scholarships such as the "APU Tuition Reduction Scholarship for International Students".

https://admissions.apu.ac.jp/material_download/

*If you are a member /or family member/ of the Armed Forces of the United States of America, please contact the Admissions Office (International) before applying, as it is necessary to determine the appropriate entrance examinations on a case-by-case basis.

Registration of students after enrollment based on nationality

- Those who have "Japanese nationality" and "Dual nationality" are registered as "Domestic students" at the University.
- If your visa status after enrollment will be "Student visa", please contact the Admissions Office prior to admission.

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/

〈Main target〉

- ① Those who have studied at a high school based on a school education system other than Japan.
- ② Those who are applying for Transfer admissions & Second Bachelor's Degree admission

Notes

- Applicants who submitted falsified documents, misrepresent information, or commit plagiarism will be disqualified and may be rejected from further application. In addition, if such misconduct is found after acceptance or enrollment, the applicant's acceptance or enrollment will be revoked.
- If a applicant who passed the entrance examination has not graduated, completed, passed, or obtained a degree from their previous educational institution by March 31, 2026 for April enrollment, or by September 20, 2026 for September enrollment, he/she will not be admitted to the university.
- Applications will be accepted upon Online application registration, payment of the application fee, and submission of all required documents. All the procedures must be completed by the application deadline. The application fee will not be refunded once it is paid.
- No changes can be made to the application after the application period has ended.
- The university will not be able to respond to any inquiries regarding the results of the application or the reasons for it.
- If the enrollment procedures fee is not paid by the due date, the applicant will not be admitted to the university. Once the application fee and AP House dormitory fee have been paid, those fees will not be refunded for any reason.
- The amounts of the Application fee, Enrollment procedures fee, Tuition fee, and other fees listed in this handbook are subject to change.

I. Admissions Overview

1. Procedures from application to announcement of results

This is a basic procedure showing the steps from application to the announcement of final results. Refer to the "Application & Entrance Examination Manual" for required documents by entrance examination method.

Step 1 Preparation of application documents See "Application & Entrance Examination Manual" for more details.

Step 2

Apply online through the applicant website "APUmate" and register your basic information.
<https://www.guide.52school.com/guidance/net-apu-en/>

- ①The application types Please check in advance whether you qualify to apply.
- ②Decide your preferred college Select one college per application
- ③Enrollment period Choose either April or September enrollment
Admissions taking place after April 2026 will be for September enrollment.
- ④Language basis Please select "Japanese-basis" or "English-basis". For details, see P.5
- ⑤AP House Residence Application All applicants can live in the dormitory. However, you cannot apply for a dormitory after you have been accepted.
For more information, please see below. (Japanese only)
<https://www.apumate.net/exploring/campuslife/aphouse/>
- ⑥Select your preference for the Domestic Students Academic Excellence Scholarship Please see page 30 for details.

Step 3

Payment of application fee Please pay by credit card, convenience store, financial institution ATM(Pay-easy or online banking).

Step 4

Upload required documents

Registration is available from 1:00 PM (Japan time) on the first day of each application period until 11:59 PM (Japan time) on the last day.

Step 5

Send original documents that need to be submitted.

Submission is not required after the second time.

Inside Japan : By post (Express mail/Registered mail)

Living abroad : By e-mail* or post the original documents directly from your school to APU)
(Using registered mail, EMS, FedEx or other service that keep a record of sending and delivery.)

Step 6

Take the exam on the specified date and time.

*The selection method and number of times vary depending on the application type.

Admissions for Returnee Students, Admissions for International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Students
Transfer admission · Second Bachelor's Degree admission

Video interview

Please submit the video interview by the deadline stated in the email you will receive after the end of application deadline.

Step 7

Check the results of the admissions and Domestic Students Academic Excellence Scholarship (only for those who have applied).

2. Admissions Quota

Depending on application numbers and screening results, the number of acceptances actually issued may be less than the number of students listed above.

Comprehensive Selection・ Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP)

	Admissions by Activity Evaluation	Admissions for Returnee Students	Admissions by School Recommendation	Total
			IBDP	
Language Basis	Japanese basis/English basis			
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
Total	147	41	21	209

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

In addition, we do not set limit for the number of applicants per application round or admissions language basis.

〈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
Language Basis	Japanese basis/English basis			
College of Asia Pacific Studies(APS)	5 [*]		5 [*]	
College of International Management(APM)	5 [*]		5 [*]	

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

*The above numbers are the total number of students to be enrolled in April and September.

Previous year entrance exam results https://www.apumate.net/admissions_guide/examination/data/results/

3. Language Basis

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

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4. APU Entrance Examination Calendar

For both April and September enrollments

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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 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.

5. Multiple applications system

- You can choose one college in one application round.
- You can apply and take the entrance examination more than once by changing the application round.
- If you wish to apply for more than one application type, you must register for each application.
- When applying for the second and subsequent times, **you do not need to resubmit** the original documents issued by the school once you have submitted them.

Selecting one college and one enrollment period in single application round			1st	2nd	3rd
Admissions by Activity Evaluation	April	○ APS* April 2026 Enrollment	○ ST* April 2026 Enrollment		
	September				○ APS* September 2026 Enrollment

1 Application round

If you meet the application requirements, you can apply for multiple entrance examination methods.

Multiple application types are possible even if the examination dates are on the same day. (The university will adjust the examination times to not overlap)		1st	2nd	3rd
Admissions for Returnee Students		○ ST	○ APS	
Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP)		○ APS		
Admissions by Activity Evaluation		○ APM		

APS: College of Asia Pacific Studies APM: College of International Management ST: College of Sustainability and Tourism

6. Application Qualifications

[Application Qualification 1] University Entrance Qualification

Applicants must fulfill one of the following conditions

***The entrance date is April 1, 2026 for April enrollment and September 21, 2026 for September enrollment.**

In addition, with regard to (1) through (3) below, if a applicant applies with the “expectation” of graduating, completing, passing, or obtaining a degree from their previous educational institution, and passes the entrance examination, but fails to graduate, complete, pass, or obtain a degree by the date of enrollment, he/she will not be accepted for enrollment in the university.

- ① Those who have graduated or are expected to graduate from a high school or secondary education school by the date of enrollment in the university.
- ② Those who completed (or scheduled to complete) the senior curriculum of a special needs school or the third year of a higher college of technology by the date of enrollment in the university.
- ③ Those who are recognized as possessing academic abilities equivalent or superior to that of a Japanese senior high school graduate pursuant to Article 150 of the School Education Act Enforcement Regulations, or those who are expected to meet this standard by the date of enrollment in the university.
 - a. Those who have completed 12 years of school education in a foreign country, or those who have been designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology as equivalent to such education, or those who are expected to have completed such education by the date of enrollment.
 - b. Those who have completed a course of study at an overseas educational institution accredited by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology as having a course of study equivalent to that of a high school course, or those who are expected to have completed the course by the date of enrollment.
 - c. Those who have completed, or are expected to complete a high school course (the period of study must be at least 3 years, and the applicant must meet other criteria specified by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) at a professional training college, which is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, on or after the date specified by the Minister by the date of enrollment.
 - d. Received an International Baccalaureate Diploma, Abitur, Baccalaureate Diploma, European Baccalaureate Diploma, International A Level results or GCE A Level results
 - e. Completed a 12-year standard education curriculum accredited by an international evaluation group (WASC, CIS, ACSI, NEASC, Cognia, NCA CASI, NWAC, SACS CASI, COBIS).
 - f. Those who have passed or are expected to pass the Upper Secondary School Equivalency Examination (including the former "University Entrance Qualification Examination" regulation) in accordance with the Regulations on Upper Secondary School Equivalency Examination, and will reach 18 years of age by the date of enrollment.
 - g. Those who have been admitted to a university pursuant to the provisions of Article 90, Paragraph 2 of the School Education Act, and have been recognized by the University as having the academic ability suitable for receiving an education at a university.
 - h. Be at least 18 years of age and have been recognized through an individual screening by APU as having an academic background equivalent to or higher than a high school graduate

[Application Qualification 2] Language requirement

English language proficiency must meet one of the following criteria

*For English proficiency requirement for Transfer admission & Second Bachelor's Degree admission, see page 27 for details.

Japanese basis 1st year enrollees: English proficiency is not required.

English basis ① Applicants must meet the following criteria with regard to 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 TM Scores.

*For IELTS and IELTS Online, applicants must have a minimum of 5.5 in each category for the 1st year English basis application and 6.0 in each category for the 2nd and 3rd year English basis application. One Skill Retake (IELTS One Skill Retake) will also be accepted.

*For TOEIC®(L&R/ S&W), the combined score is indicated by multiplying the TOEIC®S&W score by 2.5.

*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 Those who have obtained or expect to obtain an International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma in English.

③ Those who are recognized by APU as having sufficient English language skills, such as those who have taken all subjects (excluding language education subjects) in English in principle during the equivalent period of Japanese Junior high school and Senior high school, and those who are native speakers of English.

[Application Qualification 3] Application qualification for each entrance examination

See each entrance examination page

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7. Use of External English language Qualifications

If you hold at least the following scores, you will be eligible for a bonus evaluation in all entrance examination methods, regardless of the language basis. If you have the scores, please upload them to the application system. Please note that the test must be taken on or **after October 1, 2023**.

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

*This is not applicable to 2nd and 3rd year applicants, as each has its own language criteria for application eligibility.

*For TOEFL iBT® Test, TOEFL iBT® Home Edition is also possible. In addition to Test Date Scores, you may also apply using MyBestTM 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.

8. Examination Method

All entrance examinations can be taken online; you will need to prepare your own PC, tablet, smartphone, etc. Please refer to the "Application and Entrance Examination Manual" for details.

Examination type	Application type	Implementation method	Implementation period
Online Interview	Admissions by Activity Evaluation	Interviews conducted via Zoom using a PC or other device	To be designated by the university (To be notified after the 1st screening result announcement)
Video Interview	Admissions for Returnee Students Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP) 2nd 3rd Transfer admission* Second Bachelor's Degree admission	Interviews using the HireVue digital interview system. The applicant answers the questions displayed on the screen within a time limit.	To be submitted by the deadline designated by each application type

To those requiring special accommodation when taking domestic student entrance examinations

Special arrangements can be made for domestic applicants for admission to APU to accommodate disabilities and other conditions. If you require such arrangements in the course of applying, please submit a request form as instructed below.

Please note that depending on the examination format, it may not always be possible to make arrangements exactly as requested.

1. Examples of arrangements commonly granted

Enlargement of examination question and answer sheets/
Extended exam time/permitted use of hearing aid

2. How to apply

① Application documents

Download the application form via the web page "For Domestic Students who Require Special Accommodations in the Admissions Process" page on the APUMate.net

website (https://www.apumate.net/en/admissions_guide/examination/disability/),

fill out the required details and submit it to APU. In some cases you may be required to submit a doctor's certificate or other documentation. Please refer to the web page for details.

〈For those who require special accommodation when taking the Domestic Student Entrance Examinations〉

https://www.apumate.net/en/admissions_guide/examination/disability/

② Application deadline

Application forms must arrive at APU at least two weeks prior to the start of the application period.

③ Where to send the application

Entrance Examination Special Arrangement, Office of Domestic Admissions,
Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University 1-1

Jumonjibaru, Beppu, Oita 874-8577 JAPAN

Tel : 0977-78-1120 / Email : apumate@apu.ac.jp

Special consideration for students with disabilities (after enrollment)

The University provides academic counseling for students with disabilities. For details, please see the following web page.

<http://www.apu.ac.jp/academic/consultation/support/>

Contact : Student Office class-sp@apu.ac.jp

9. Application Fee

Application Type	Application fee per application
Admissions by Activity Evaluation	First Screening: 15,000 yen Second Screening: 20,000 yen
Admissions for Returnee Students Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP) 2nd 3rd Transfer admission• Second Bachelor's Degree admission	35,000 yen

- The deadline for payment is 11:59 pm on the payment due date for each application type.
- Once paid, the Application Fee cannot be refunded under any circumstances. However, there are certain cases in which they can be refunded. Please refer to the APUMate admissions website for details (Japanese only). https://www.apumate.net/admissions_guide/examination/reduction/
- Instructions for payment of the Application Fee for the second screening will be provided via the online application system to applicants successful in the first screening. https://www.apumate.net/admissions_guide/examination/special_measures/
- Special arrangements for the Application Fee may be available for students affected by disasters in eligible areas under the Disaster Relief Act. Please refer to the APUMate admissions website for details.

[Payment method]

Payment can only be done through Online application system.

For details, see "Application and Entrance Examination Manual"

The APU2030 Vision

APU Graduates possess the power to change our world.

In our global society of many different cultures and values, conflict and friction are bound to occur. APU strives to cultivate global citizens who will build a peaceful world by understanding and accepting cultural and historical differences. Fostering graduates with these abilities is at the core of APU's ideals of Freedom, Peace, and Humanity; International Mutual Understanding; and the Future Shape of the Asia Pacific Region.

APU Graduates will pursue freedom and peace with a deep respect for human dignity. By acting for the sake of both individuals and society, they can change the world.

Individuals who can change the world:

- Cooperate and overcome conflict through dialog for the benefit of society.
- Tolerate cultural differences and unfamiliar challenges.
- Create new values incorporating diverse perspectives and ideas.
- Envision their own goals and continue to grow as lifelong learners.

To cultivate such individuals, APU will:

- Further utilize its preeminently multicultural campus to immerse students in a Global Learning Community that provides them with opportunities to grow.
- Create a new Global Learning standard by pursuing internationally compatible education and research.
- Strengthen ties with its invaluable stakeholders, from the local community to alumni around the world, working together to design the University and its educational programs.

—Individuals who experience APU's unparalleled Global Learning Community will develop the power to change the world.

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 variety of methods.

II . Comprehensive Selection・ Admissions by School Recommendation (2026 April/September Enrollment)

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See the
"Application & Entrance Examination Manual" (PDF)
for the application and examination process.

1. Purpose of this Entrance Examination

The purpose of this entrance examination is to accept applicants who are highly interested in the academic fields of each college, highly motivated to study and have great potential for growth after entering the university.

- Those who are confident on their achievement of significant growth through activities they have been passionately involved in since graduating from junior high school.
- Those who have accomplished a high level of achievement or outstanding activities in a variety of fields since graduating from junior high school, such as study abroad or other international experience, language, inquiry-based learning activities, academics, culture, art, sports, volunteer work, etc.
- Those who wish to use the abilities and experience they have developed through their own efforts to enhance academic and extra-curricular activities after entering the university.

2. Number of Students to be Accepted into Each College

The number of students enrolled is the total number of students enrolled in April and September.

College	Number of Students Accepted
College of Asia Pacific Studies(APS)	51
College of International Management(APM)	48
College of Sustainability and Tourism(ST)	48

*Depending on application numbers and screening results, the number of acceptances actually issued may be less than the number of students listed above. In that case, the remaining spaces will be filled by accepted applicants from other application types.

3. Application Qualifications

Applicants must fulfill all of the conditions (1), (2) and (3) below. English-basis applicants must satisfy condition (4) below in addition to (1) to (3).

*Applicants may apply concurrently with other entrance examinations that meet the application qualifications (including those conducted on the same day).

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

(2) Those who meet the eligibility requirements on P7.

Among those who have applied and been admitted with the expectation of graduating/completing high school or passing the final exam, those who do not expect to 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.

(3) Applicants must have been involved in one or more of the following outstanding activities since graduating from junior high school.

(4) [Only for English basis applicants]

Applicants must meet the criteria for English language proficiency in Application Qualification 2 (see p.7).

〈Pre-Screening of Eligibility〉

If you are unsure whether or not you are qualified to apply, please undergo a Pre-Screening of Eligibility for Application. See the admissions website for details : https://www.apumate.net/admissions_guide/english/pre-screening.html

Evidence of Activities

〈Activity achievement certificates〉

- There is no limit to the number of activities that can be appealed. Up to three activities will be selected from those with the highest evaluation.
- The following 1-8 are only guidelines, so you may appeal for activities other than those listed below. We cannot answer how individual activities will be evaluated.
- It is also possible to appeal more than one type of activities from the same category. Activities after graduation of high school and work experience are also subject to evaluation.
- There are four essential conditions for the proof of activity to be recognized.. For details, please refer to “Conditions for Activity Achievements to be recognized” in the “Application and Entrance Examination Manual” (p.10).

field		The level of activity achievements and achievements that the university expects of enrollees (reference)																						
1	International experience such as studying abroad	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•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 ※	<p>The following criteria must be fulfilled※</p> <table><tr><td>TOEFL iBT®</td><td>IELTS (Academic Module)</td><td>TOEIC® (L&R/S&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> <p>【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.</p>					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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•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)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Passed Fundamental Information Technology Engineer Examination, Possess Official Busi-ness 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® 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.

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4. Screening Method

(1) First screening: Evaluation of submitted application documents

Contents	Main evaluation points
Application essay, Essays, Other documents to be submitted	Based on your application documents, we will evaluate the level of the activities you have undertaken and whether or not you have grown or achieved results through these activities, as well as your interest in the college you are applying to, your motivation and enthusiasm for your studies after enrollment, your language ability, and the logic and persuasiveness of your writing.

* Please prepare your Application Essay and Essay in the basis language (English or Japanese) you select at the time of application.

* For other documents, refer "Application and Entrance Examination Manual" Page 4.

(2) Second screening(Final): Live interview/Online

Contents	Main evaluation points	Time
Question and answer session based on the application documents (including appeal regarding activities you have been involved in so far)	"The potential to demonstrate achievements after enrollment, the desire to learn, and the potential for growth at APU"	20 minutes

* The live interview will be conducted in Japanese for Japanese-basis applicants and in English for English-basis applicants.

* The date, time, and method of interview will be announced at the time of notification of result of the first selection.

(3) Determination of Final Results

Applicants will be judged comprehensively based on the results of both the first and second screening.

If you do not take the interview, you will be considered to have “ withdrawn from the examination” and will be judged to have failed the examination.

5. Screening Schedule

(1) First Screening

Enrollment Period	Application Round	Application Period	1st screening Online application ticket issuance date	First Screening Results Notification
April/ September 2026	1st round	Sep 1, 2025(Mon)~ Sep 11,2025(Thu)	Not issued	Oct 10, 2025 (Fri)
	2nd round	Nov 1, 2025(Sat)~ Nov 10,2025(Mon)		Nov 28, 2025 (Fri)
	3rd round	Dec 1, 2025(Mon)~ Dec 15, 2025(Mon)		Dec 25, 2025 (Thu)
September 2026	4th round	Mar 12, 2026(Thu)~ Mar 25,2026(Wed)		Apr 10, 2026 (Fri)

• The time for application and screening is as follows. (Japan Standard Time)

【Start of application】 1:00 p.m. on the application start date

【Application deadline】 11:59 p.m. on the application closing date

【Documents sent by post】 Postmark valid until the application closing date

【Notification of results】 1:00 p.m. on the day of the results notification

(2) Second [Final] Screening

Enrollment Period	Application Round	Application Period	2nd screening Online application ticket issuance date	Examination date	Final results announcement
April/ September 2026	1st round	Oct 10, 2025(Fri)~ Oct 16,2025(Thu)	Available online from 1:00 p.m. on the day of the results notification	Oct 18, 2025 (Sat) or Oct 19, 2025 (Sun)	Nov 4, 2025 (Tue)
	2nd round	Nov 28, 2025(Fri)~ Dec 4,2025(Thu)		Dec 6, 2025 (Sat) or Dec 7, 2025 (Sun)	Dec 12, 2025 (Fri)
	3rd round	Dec 25, 2025(Thu)~ Jan 8,2026(Thu)		Jan 10, 2026 (Sat)	Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)
September 2026	4th round	Apr 10, 2026(Fri)~ Apr 16, 2026(Thu)		Apr 18, 2026 (Sat)	Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)

- In order to take the second screening, you must complete the registration of the second screening and payment of the application fee for second screening by 23:59 [Japan time] pm of the application deadline. If you do not register your application within the application period, it will be considered as withdrawal of selection process.
- You will be able to confirm and print out the application ticket from the online application system during the application period for second screening. Please be sure to check the details regarding the examination dates for the second round of selection. Please note that the date and time of the test cannot be changed for any reason.
- Notification of results will be made via online pass/fail inquiry from 1:00 p.m.[Japan time]. on the above-mentioned result notification date.
See page 16 on "Application and Entrance Examination Manual" for information on how to check the application ticket.

〈Multiple applications〉

- You can apply and take the entrance examination more than once by changing the application round.
- If you wish to apply for more than one application types, you must register for each application.
- For the second and subsequent applications, only documents issued once by the school are not required to be submitted again. However, documents such as External English language proficiency scores and Application Essay must be uploaded each time.

For application registration, refer "Application and Entrance Examination Manual"

Activities after Admission

*If you wish to continue your activities in any of the University's clubs or circles after admission, please be sure to confirm with the Outreach Research Office (TEL:0977-78-1104) the activities, practice and facility conditions, etc. of each club or circle before submitting your application

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1. Purpose of this Entrance Examination

The purpose of this entrance examination is to accept applicants who are highly interested in the academic fields of each college, highly motivated to study and have great potential for growth after entering the university.

- 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 extra-curricular activities after entering the university.

2. Number of Students to be Accepted into Each College

The number of students enrolled is the total number of students enrolled in April and September.

College	Number of Students Accepted
College of Asia Pacific Studies(APS)	15
College of International Management(APM)	13
College of Sustainability and Tourism(ST)	13

*Depending on application numbers and screening results, the number of acceptances actually issued may be less than the number of students listed above. In that case, the remaining spaces will be filled by accepted applicants from other application types.

3. Application Qualifications

Applicants must fulfill all of the conditions (1), (2) and (3) below.

English-basis applicants must satisfy condition (4) below in addition to (1) to (3).

*Applicants may apply concurrently with other entrance examinations that meet the application qualifications

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

(2) Those who meet the application qualifications on P7.

Among those who have applied and been admitted with the expectation of graduating/completing high school or passing the final exam, those who do not expect to 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.

(3) Must have undergone a cumulative total of at least 2 years of education (or is expected to do so) outside Japan in a curriculum which forms part of a formal education system at a level equivalent to junior high school / senior high school in Japan (Grade 7 and above).

〈Reference〉If any of the following are marked with a “○”, the applicant is eligible for this entrance examination.	
Those who live and educated outside of Japan	○
Those who live in Japan and were educated in abroad	×

(4) [Only for English basis applicants]

Applicants must meet the criteria for English language proficiency in Application Qualification 2 (see p.7).

〈Pre-Screening of Eligibility〉

If you are unsure whether or not you are qualified to apply, please undergo a Pre-Screening of Eligibility for Application. See the admissions website for details : https://www.apumate.net/admissions_guide/english/pre-screening.html

4. Screening Method[One-step selection]

(1) Submit within the application period

【Screening based on application documents】

Contents	Main evaluation points
Application essay, Essays, Other documents to be submitted	In addition to the richness and growth of your experiences abroad and the results you have achieved, we will also evaluate your interest in the faculty you are applying to, your motivation and enthusiasm for your studies after enrollment, your level of language proficiency, and the logic and persuasiveness of your writing.

*Please prepare your Application Essay and Essay in the basis language (English or Japanese) you select at the time of application.

*For other documents, refer "Application and Entrance Examination Manual"

〈(Optional) Evaluation of External English language proficiency scores〉

Applicants who have a score above a certain level in the External English language qualification are eligible for extra points. Please refer to page 8 for details.

〈(Optional) Evaluation of Activities Report (Form C)〉

Those who have been engaged in outstanding activities since their graduation from junior high school will receive extra points. Please refer to P.17 for the activities guidelines

(2) Submit within the period specified by the university, after the application period ends

【Recorded interviews】

Contents	Main evaluation points	Time
Digital interview system will be used	Potential to demonstrate results of activities after enrollment, willingness to study, and potential for growth at APU	30-40 minutes

*The Recorded interviews will be conducted in Japanese for Japanese-basis and in English for English-basis.

*The day after the application period ends (excluding weekends and holidays), we will send you an email with information about the video interview to the email address registered in the application system.

(3) Determination of Final Results

Applicants will be judged comprehensively based on the results of both the first screening and second screening.

If you do not take the interview, you will be considered to have "withdrawn from the examination" and will be judged to have failed the examination.

5. Screening Schedule

(1) First Screening[Final]

Enrollment period	Application round	Application period	Video interview submission period	Online application ticket issuance date	Final results notification
April/ September 2026	1st round	Sep 12, 2025 (Fri) - Sep 24, 2025 (Wed)	Sep 25, 2025 (Thu) - Sep 29, 2025 (Mon)	Not issued	Nov 4, 2025 (Tue)
	2nd round	Dec 1, 2025 (Mon) - Dec 15, 2025 (Mon)	Dec 16, 2025 (Tue) - Dec 19, 2025 (Fri)		Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)
September 2026	3rd round	Mar 12, 2026 (Thu) Mar 25, 2026 (Wed)	Mar 26, 2026 (Thu) - Mar 30, 2026 (Mon)		Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)

• The time for application and screening is as follows. (Japan Standard Time)

【Start of application】 1:00 p.m. on the application start date

【Application deadline】 11:59 p.m. on the application closing date

【Documents sent by post】 Postmark valid until the application closing date

【Video interview】 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the submission period

【Notification of results】 Online results will be available from 1:00 p.m. on the day of the results notification

〈Multiple applications〉

- You can apply and take the entrance examination more than once by changing the application round.
- If you meet the application qualifications, you can also apply for the Admissions by Activity Evaluation, etc.
- If you wish to apply for more than one application types, you must register for each application.
- For the second and subsequent applications, only documents issued once by the school are not required to be submitted again. However, documents such as External English language proficiency scores and Application Essay must be uploaded each time.

For application registration, refer "Application and Entrance Examination Manual"

April / September Enrollment

Admissions by School Recommendation (IBDP)

Japanese-basis English-basis

1. Purpose of this Entrance Examination

The purpose of this entrance examination is to accept applicants who are highly interested in the academic fields of each college, highly motivated to study and have great potential for growth after entering the university.

- 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 extra-curricular activities after enrollment.

2. Number of Students to be Accepted into Each College

The number of students enrolled is the total number of students enrolled in April and September.

College	Number of Students Accepted
College of Asia Pacific Studies(APS)	7
College of International Management(APM)	7
College of Sustainability and Tourism(ST)	7

*Depending on application numbers and screening results, the number of acceptances actually issued may be less than the number of students listed above. In that case, the remaining spaces will be filled by accepted applicants from other application types.

3. Application Qualifications

Applicants must fulfill all of the conditions (1), (2) and (3) below. English-basis applicants must satisfy condition (4) below in addition to (1) to (3).

*Applicants may apply concurrently with other entrance examinations that meet the application qualifications.

(1) Applicants must have an interest and eagerness to study at the preferred College.

(2) Applicants must be enrolled in Grade 12 (third year of senior high school) between April 1, 2025 and March 31, 2026 for April Enrollment and between September 21, 2025 and September 20, 2026 for September Enrollment, and must have obtained or expected to obtain the IBDP (regardless of score).

(3) Applicants who receive a recommendation from the principal of the school in which they are enrolled in the third year of senior high school (Grade 12)

*In addition to high schools based on the Japanese educational system, courses approved by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology are included.

(4) [English basis applicants only]

Applicants must meet the criteria for English language proficiency in Application Qualification 2 (see p.7).

Among those who have applied and been admitted with the expectation of graduating/completing high school or passing the final exam, those who do not expect to 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.

〈Pre-Screening of Eligibility〉

If you are unsure whether or not you are qualified to apply, please undergo a Pre-Screening of Eligibility for Application. See the admissions website for details : https://www.apumate.net/admissions_guide/english/pre-screening.html

4. Screening Method[One-step selection]

(1) Submit within the application period

【Screening based on application documents】

Submitted documents	Main evaluation points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Application essay •IB Predicted Score (officially sealed) or IB Diploma •Recommendation letter from the principal of high school (officially sealed) •Other documents to be submitted 	The evaluation will include the degree of mastery of the International Baccalaureate program, interest in the desired college, motivation and enthusiasm for post-enrollment studies, English language proficiency, and the ability to write logically and persuasively in English.

〈(Optional) Evaluation of External English language proficiency scores〉

Applicants who have a score above a certain level in the External English language qualification are eligible for extra points. Please refer to page 8 for details.

〈(Optional) Evaluation of Activities Report (Form C)〉

Those who have been engaged in outstanding activities since their graduation from junior high school will receive extra points. Please refer to P.17 for the activities guidelines

*Please prepare your Application Essay and Essay in the basis language (English or Japanese) you select at the time of application.

*For other documents, refer "Application and Entrance Examination Manual"

(2) Submit within the period specified by the university, after the application period ends

【Video Interview】

Contents	Main evaluation points	Time
Digital interview system will be used	Students will be evaluated on their ability to actively utilize APU's multicultural education, living environment and resources to learn and grow, as well as their ability on inquiry-based learning.	30-40 minutes

*Recorded Interviews are conducted in Japanese for Japanese-basis applicants and English for English-basis applicants.

*The day after the application period ends (excluding weekends and holidays), we will send you an email with information about the recorded interview to the email address registered in the application system.

(3) Determination of Final Results

A comprehensive assessment will be made based on document review and a Video interview to determine whether or not the applicant has been accepted.

If you do not take the interview, you will be considered to have "withdrawn from the examination" and will be judged to have failed the examination.

5. Screening Schedule

(1) First Screening[FINAL]

Enrollment period	Application round	Application period	Video interview submission period	Online application ticket issuance date	Final results notification
April/September 2026	1st round	Dec 1, 2025 (Mon) - Dec 15, 2025 (Mon)	Dec 16, 2025 (Tue) - Dec 19, 2025 (Fri)	Not issued	Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)
September 2026	2nd round	Mar 12, 2026 (Thu) - Mar 25, 2026 (Wed)	Mar 26, 2026 (Thu) - Mar 30, 2026 (Mon)		Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)

•The time for application and screening is as follows. (Japan Standard Time)

【Start of application】 1:00 p.m. on the application start date

【Application deadline】 11:59 p.m. on the application closing date

【Documents sent by post】 Postmark valid until the application closing date

【Video interview】 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the submission period

【Notification of results】 Online results will be available from 1:00 p.m. on the day of the results notification

•Registration number can be checked online from 1:00 p.m. on the day of the results notification.

〈Multiple applications〉

•You can apply and take the entrance examination more than once by changing the application round.

•If you wish to apply for more than one application types, you must register for each application.

•For the second and subsequent applications, only documents issued once by the school are not required to be submitted again. However, documents such as External English language proficiency scores and Application Essay must be uploaded each time.

For application registration, refer "Application and Entrance Examination Manual"

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Differences between the admissions:

- Transfer (from junior college/higher professional school)
- Transfer (from university)
- Second Bachelor's degree admissions

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Application qualifications

After the acceptance

Transfer from junior college/ higher professional school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduation or expected graduation from a junior college or higher professional school • Year of Intended Enrollment • Language proficiency requirements by enrollment language basis 	Transfer to APU's 2nd and 3rd year enrollment after graduation from junior college or higher professional school
Transfer from university	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently enrolled in a 4-year university (cannot apply if you have dropped out of school) • Year of intended enrollment • Earned credit requirements by the enrollment language basis • Language Proficiency Requirements 	Withdraw from previous university and transfer to APU's 2nd and 3rd year enrollment
Second Bachelor's Degree admission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion or expected completion of a bachelor's degree by the date of enrollment • Year of intended enrollment • Language proficiency requirements by enrollment language basis 	Enroll in APU's 2nd and 3rd year enrollment after graduating from a 4-year university

For details on application qualifications, see following pages.

〈Pre-Screening of Eligibility〉

If you are unsure whether or not you are qualified to apply, please undergo a Pre-Screening of Eligibility for Application. See the admissions website for details : https://www.apumate.net/admissions_guide/english/pre-screening.html

■ Credit Transfer

Second year transfer students may transfer up to 30 credits and third year transfer students may transfer up to 62 credits depending on the credit transfer carried out at the time of enrollment.

In order to request an approval of credit transfer, please refer to the “Major Education Subjects” section on the “Curriculum Outline” on our APUmate admissions website’s “Second/ Third Year Transfer Enrollment” page. https://www.apumate.net/en/admissions_guide/examination/h_t/

At the time of application Submit transcripts and syllabus from higher education institutions.

▼ Submissions are reviewed by the university

Announcement of results

The number of transfer credits approved will be determined after a review of academic transcript and syllabi of higher education institution. You will be notified of the number of transfer credits approved when you receive your enrollment procedure documents. Please note that we can not notify you beforehand.

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Enrollment Procedures

If you are still taking courses at the time of application, please make sure to submit the final results (official transcript) of these courses to the Office of Domestic Admissions once they have been acquired before enrollment.
*Your eligibility to enroll at APU may be revoked if you do not submit the final academic transcript.

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After enrollment Please note that students must complete a total of 124 credits to graduate from APU.

■ Application to transfer Major Credits (Applicable to Third Year Transfer Students Only)

To Transfer Credits as APU Major Subjects

For details on what to submit, please see the "Application & Entrance Examination Manual" (PDF).

Examples of submissions:

- ☐ The Application to Transfer Credits as APU Major Subjects ☐ The academic transcript
☐ syllabus of the courses you wish to have approved for credit transfer. etc

Instructions for submission

- Syllabus is a document that outlines the goals and content students will be studying in a specific course. It includes information such as course name, course overview, evaluation criteria, goals, length and number of classes, textbooks used for the course, etc. If these information are not included on the syllabus, please submit other documents which have these information.
- If the syllabus is written in a language other than English or Japanese, you must submit an English or Japanese translation together with the original syllabus. Only translations from organization issuing the syllabus, a translation company, or a qualified individual translator will be accepted. Please make sure that the official seal of the translation company or the individual translator's name, address, contact information, and signature (or stamp) are clearly stated in the translation document before submitting.
- If you are transferring to the College of International Management (APM) from an institution accredited by AACSB, EQUIS, AMBA or EPAS, you do not need to submit a syllabus. Instead, please submit a document stating that the institution has received an accreditation (a copy of the relevant section of the institution's homepage is sufficient).

Notes

Considering the unique education and job hunting system in Japan, there are cases when second year transfer is more desirable although a student has completed two years of study at a higher education institution before enrolling at APU. Please make sure that you plan thoroughly about your study and job hunting before you apply, taking into consideration the following points.

In general, it is desirable for third year transfer students to have at least ten credits approved as major education subjects. However, even under this condition, considering the limited time available to spend on clubs, part time jobs, job hunting and other non study activities, it may still be difficult for students to acquire the necessary credits for graduation within two years.

Usually, job hunting starts from the second half of the third year and may continue until the fourth year. If you wish to do job hunting in Japan, you will need to devote a certain amount of time to job hunting and may therefore be unable to take classes and earn credits necessary to graduate in two years. Considering these points, we strongly recommend that you apply as second year transfer student if you wish to seek employment in Japan.

Although it is not mandatory for third year transfer students to take Japanese (for English basis students) or English (for Japanese basis students), you can register for these courses if you wish. However, as language subjects require a considerable amount of study time, taking these subjects alongside your major courses may make it difficult for you to graduate within two years. Considering this point, we strongly recommend that you apply as second year transfer student if you would like to take language subjects.

2nd 3rd Transfer admission • Japanese-basis English-basis

Second Bachelor's Degree admission

1. Purpose of this Entrance Examination

The purpose of this entrance examination is to accept applicants who are highly interested in the academic fields of each college, highly motivated to study and have great potential for growth after entering the university.

- Those who have achieved growth through their studies in their previous or current educational programs in which they enrolled.
- Students who are ready to make appropriate plans and be motivated to enhance their academic and extra-curricular activities after enrollment, based on their past activities and learning in the educational programs.

2. Admissions Quota

College	Transfer (from junior college/higher professional school)		Transfer admissions (from university)/ 2nd Bachelor's degree admissions	
	2nd year	3rd year	2nd year	3rd year
Admissions language basis	Japanese/English			
College of Asia Pacific Studies (APS)	5 [※]		5 [※]	
College of International Management (APM)	5 [※]		5 [※]	

※ Depending on the number of applications and the results of the selection process, the number of successful applicants may be less than the admissions quota.

※ The College of Sustainability and Tourism will not accept applications.

3. Application Qualifications

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

(1) Academic background

Transfer
[from higher professional school or junior college]

It means that a person is a school graduate who omits part of his or her educational program and enrolls in another type of school in the middle of the program (mid-year enrollment).

2nd & 3rd Transfer admission

Those who meet either ① or ② of the following criteria:

- 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.

Transfer
(from university)

It means that a person omits a part of the educational program of the school he/she is currently attending and enrolls in the same type of school in the middle of the program. If a student currently enrolled in a bachelor's degree program enrolls in the middle of a year at our university, it is considered a transfer (from university) enrollment, and if a student who has completed a Second Bachelor's Degree admission in the middle of a year at our university, it is considered a bachelor's degree enrollment. **You cannot apply if you have dropped out of the university.**

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.

3rd year

Transfer 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.

Second Bachelor's Degree admission*

The program for bachelor's degree holders to enroll in the second or third year of study.

2nd & 3rd year

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*.

(2) Language proficiency

Applicants should fulfill below language requirements at the time of application to APU.

※See page 7 for the precautions for each scores.

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

※Applicants who are recognized by the University as having sufficient English language proficiency, such as those who have attended a regular course of school education in English for the last six years or those who are native speakers of English, may not be required to submit a certificate of test results.

4. Screening Method[One-step selection]

(1) Submit within the application period

【Screening based on application documents】

Contents	Main evaluation points
•Essay •Other documents	Motivation to study after enrollment, interest in the specialized field, academic performance at the higher education institution, level of language ability, etc.

※If you are applying in English-basis, please write the essay in English.

※For other documents, refer "Application and Entrance Examination Manual"

(2) Submit within the period specified by the university, after the application period ends

【Recorded interviews】

Contents	Main evaluation points	Time
Digital interview system will be used	Motivation and accuracy of responses regarding student life including studies after enrollment and extracurricular activities	30-40 minutes

※Video Interviews are conducted in Japanese for Japanese-basis applicants and English for English-basis applicants.

※The day after the application period ends (excluding weekends and holidays), we will send you an email with information about the recorded interview to the email address registered in the application system.

(3) Determination of Final Results

A comprehensive assessment will be made based on document review and a Video interview to determine whether or not the applicant has been accepted.

If you do not take the interview, you will be considered to have "withdrawn from the examination" and will be judged to have failed the examination.

5. Screening Schedule

(1) First Screening[FINAL]

Enrollment Period	Application Round	Application Period	Video interview submission period	Online application ticket issuance date	Final results announcement
April/September 2026	1st round	Sep 12, 2025 (Fri)- Sep 24, 2025 (Wed)	Sep 25, 2025 (Thu) - Sep 29, 2025 (Mon)	Not issued	Nov 4, 2025 (Tue)
September 2026	2nd round	Mar 12, 2026 (Thu)- Mar 25, 2026 (Wed)	Mar 26, 2026 (Thu)- Mar 30, 2026 (Mon)		Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)

•The time for application and screening is as follows.[Japan time]

【Start of application】 1:00 p.m. on the application start date

【Application deadline】 11:59 p.m. on the application closing date

【Documents sent by post】 Postmark valid until the application closing date

【Video interview】 11:59 p.m. on the last day of the submission period

【Notification of results】 Online results will be available from 1:00 p.m. on the day of the results notification

〈Multiple applications〉

- You can apply and take the entrance examination more than once by changing the application round.
- For the second and subsequent applications, only documents issued once by the school are not required to be submitted again. However, documents such as External English language proficiency scores and Essay must be uploaded each time.

For application registration, refer "Application and Entrance Examination Manual"

IV. Enrollment procedures/Payments etc.

1. Announcement of the Result

(1) <Admissions by Activity Evaluation, Comprehensive Evaluation・Data Analysis>

Result of the First Screening (All times are Japan time)

- ① Please check your result by clicking on “Check Admission Result Online” from 1:00pm on the result notification date. To log in to the application system, you will need your application number, security number, etc. You can check your exam number after logging in.
- ② If you are successful in the first screening, please go to the guidance page of the online application system site for instructions on how to register for Second screening and pay your application fee (the amount varies according to your application type).

(2) Announcement of the Final Result [Japan time]

- ① Please check your result by clicking on “Check Admission Result Online” from 1:00 pm on the result notification date. You can also check the result of “Domestic Student Academic Excellence Scholarship” from this screen.
[How to check your Application number]
Your Application number will be displayed on the online application system at 13:00 (Japan time) on the day the results are announced. Please check your Application number displayed on the site and check your results online.
 - ▶ Application system login: Kana, date of birth, application number, security code
 - ▶ Online result inquiry login: Examination number, date of birth
- ② Documents regarding enrollment procedures will be sent to successful applicants in the afternoon of the result notification date.

<https://www.guide.52school.com/guidance/net-apu-jp/result/>

*We cannot respond to inquiries regarding the results of your application via telephone, e-mail, postal mail, etc.

2. Enrollment Procedures

Admission procedures must be completed by implementing the following three items within the specified period on the online admission procedure site. Admission procedures beyond the designated period will not be accepted, and admission will not be permitted. The details of the admission procedures will be announced in the Admission Procedures Guidelines (published online).

(1) Registration of online enrollment procedures

① Register online enrollment procedure information

Please check the details in the Enrollment Procedures Handbook and fill-in the information within the prescribed period. You can proceed on the system **after 1:00 p.m. on the next day of the final results announcement day.**

② Payment of the Enrollment procedures fee (to be paid though online enrollment procedures system)

[Payment of the first installment of enrollment procedures fee (Admission fee)]

Please pay the admission fee of 200,000 yen within the first enrollment procedure period.

*Please note that the admission fee once paid is non-refundable.

[Payment of the second installment of enrollment procedure fees]

Please pay your tuition fee of First semester, miscellaneous membership fees) /
AP House entrance fee during the second enrollment procedure period.

*Except for the admission fee, the tuition and fees (first semester tuition and dormitory advance payment, various fees) will be refunded later only if you decline admission by following the prescribed procedures of the university within the following period. However, applications made after the deadline will not be accepted. [April enrollment] March 31, 2026 (Thu), [September enrollment] September 20, 2026 (Sun)

③ Submission of Enrollment Documents

Please submit the original “high school graduation certificate” or “certificate of residence” by the due date of the enrollment procedure.

(2) Dormitory entrance procedures (only for dormitory residents)

Applicants wishing to enroll in the AP House dormitory must complete the payment of the specified advance dormitory fee within the following period and complete the admission procedures for the university. Enrollment into AP House is permitted only if both the advance dormitory fee payment and university admission procedures are completed. No enrollment procedures, either for the dormitory or the university, will be accepted after the specified period.

For an overview of AP House, please refer to the website : <https://www.apumate.net/exploring/campuslife/aphouse/>

① AP House Entrance Fee payment period

……Second enrollment procedure payment period for each entrance examination method

② AP House Entrance Fee……234,000yen(April admission/September admission)

Applicable to April enrollees, September enrollees, dormitory fee reduction recipients (Including AP House Entrance Fee users)	
Moving-in Fee	32,000yen
Security Deposit ※1	98,000yen
Rent of April & May (2 months) ※2	104,000yen
total	234,000yen

*1 Security Deposit is required for living in the dormitory. If you fail to pay dormitory fees, or if repairs for intentionally caused damage are necessary, the deposit will be used to cover those costs. Any remaining balance will be refunded.

*2 Rent of April & May (2 months) : This includes April or September rent (52,000 yen) and May or October rent (52,000 yen). As this fee is based on the New AP House rent fee, if you are going to reside in AP House 1 or 2, the difference will be deducted.

If you have any questions about the dormitory or concerns about life, please do not hesitate to contact the following:

Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University AP House Office

Email: aph-mi@apu.ac.jp

Tel. 0977-78-1901 (9:00-17:30 excluding weekends and holidays)

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Category	Application Type	Application Round	Final results announcement	Payment period for first installment of enrollment procedure fees	Payment period for second installment of enrollment procedure fees (Dormitory residents: APHouse Entrance Fee)	Submission period for enrollment documents
Comprehensive Selection	Admissions by Activity Evaluation	1st	Nov 4, 2025 (Tue)	*1 ~ Nov 14, 2025 (Fri)	*1 ~ Jan 23, 2026 (Fri)	*1 ~ Mar 11, 2026 (Wed)*2
		2nd	Dec 12, 2025 (Fri)	*1 ~ Dec 22, 2025 (Mon)		
		3rd	Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)	*1 ~ Feb 2, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ Feb 20, 2026 (Fri)	
	Admissions for Returnee Students	1st	Nov 4, 2025 (Tue)	*1 ~ Nov 14, 2025 (Fri)	*1 ~ Jan 23, 2026 (Fri)	
		2nd	Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)	*1 ~ Feb 2, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ Feb 20, 2026 (Fri)	
Admissions by School Recommendation	IBDP	1st	Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)	*1 ~ Feb 2, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ Feb 20, 2026 (Fri)	*1 ~ Mar 11, 2026 (Wed)*2
	Designated Schools	1st	Dec 1, 2025 (Mon)	*1 ~ Dec 11, 2025 (Thu)	*1 ~ Jan 23, 2026 (Fri)	
		2nd	Jan 15, 2026 (Thu)	*1 ~ Jan 23, 2026 (Fri)	*1 ~ Feb 20, 2026 (Fri)	
	Affiliated Schools	1st	Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)	*1 ~ Feb 2, 2026 (Mon)		
	Partner Schools	1st				
General Selection (Paper test)	Common Test Method		Feb 17, 2026 (Tue)	*1 ~ Mar 2, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ Mar 23, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ Mar 11, 2026 (Wed)*2
	February Admissions (3 subject)					
	Common Test Method (2 subjects+Data Analysis)		Feb 20, 2026 (Fri)			
	English-Focused Method					
	Common Test Combined Method (3 subjects)					
	Common Test + Interview Method		Mar 17, 2026 (Tue)	*1 ~ Mar 23, 2026 (Mon) (Lump-sum payment of the 1st and 2nd enrollment procedures fee)	*1 ~ Mar 20, 2026 (Fri)*2	
	Common Test Method (March Admissions)					
	March Admissions					
2nd 3rd Transfer admission / Second Bachelor's Degree admission		1st	Nov 4, 2025 (Tue)	*1 ~ Nov 14, 2025 (Fri)	*1 ~ Jan 23, 2026 (Fri)	*1 ~ Mar 11, 2026 (Wed)*2

*1 The day after the results announced

*2 Only graduation certificates, transcripts, etc. will be accepted until March 20 (Fri.) if the application is submitted within the prescribed period.

September 2026 Enrollment Procedure Schedules

Category	Application Type	Application Round	Final results announcement	Payment period for first installment of enrollment procedure fees	Payment period for second installment of enrollment procedure fees (Dormitory residents: APHouse Entrance Fee)	Submission period for enrollment documents
Comprehensive Selection	Admissions by Activity Evaluation	1st	Nov 4, 2025 (Tue)	*1 ~ Nov 14, 2025 (Fri)	*1 ~ Feb 26, 2026 (Thu)	*1 ~ Apr 30, 2026 (Thu)*2
		2nd	Dec 12, 2025 (Fri)	*1 ~ Dec 22, 2025 (Mon)		
		3rd	Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)	*1 ~ Feb 2, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ Mar 31, 2026 (Tue)	
		4th	Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ May 8, 2026 (Fri)	*1 ~ Jun 26, 2026 (Fri)	*1 ~ Jun 26, 2026 (Fri) *2
	Admissions for Returnee Students	1st	Nov 4, 2025 (Tue)	*1 ~ Nov 14, 2025 (Fri)	*1 ~ Feb 26, 2026 (Thu)	*1 ~ Apr 30, 2026 (Thu)*2
		2nd	Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)	*1 ~ Feb 2, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ Mar 31, 2026 (Tue)	
		3rd	Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ May 8, 2026 (Fri)	*1 ~ Jun 26, 2026 (Fri)	*1 ~ Jun 26, 2026 (Fri)*2
Admissions by School Recommendation	IBDP	1st	Jan 22, 2026 (Thu)	*1 ~ Feb 2, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ Mar 31, 2026 (Tue)	*1 ~ Apr 30, 2026 (Thu)*2
		2nd	Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ May 8, 2026 (Fri)	*1 ~ Jun 26, 2026 (Fri)	*1 ~ Jun 26, 2026 (Fri)*2
	Designated Schools	2nd	Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ May 8, 2026 (Fri)		
2nd 3rd Transfer admission• Second Bachelor's Degree admission		1st	Nov 4, 2025 (Tue)	*1 ~ Nov 14, 2025 (Fri)	*1 ~ Feb 26, 2026 (Thu)	*1 ~ Apr 30, 2026 (Thu)*2
		2nd	Apr 27, 2026 (Mon)	*1 ~ May 8, 2026 (Fri)	*1 ~ Jun 26, 2026 (Fri)	*1 ~ Jun 26, 2026 (Fri)*2

*1 The day after the results announced

*2 Only graduation certificates, transcripts, etc. will be accepted until August 24 (Mon.) if the application is submitted within the prescribed period.

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3.Student Fees, dormitory fees, and other fees

The annual tuition fee amount is calculated by combining “Tuition A (common for all year levels)” with “Tuition B (varies depending on year level)”. The information shown below applies to all the Colleges.

(1) AY2026 Admission Fee and Tuition Fee and dormitory fees

① First year Student fees (tuition)

	Admission Fee	Tuition Fee				Total Fees (Admission Fee included)
		First Semester*		Second Semester*		
		Tuition A	Tuition B	Tuition A	Tuition B	
1st year students	200,000yen	380,000yen	270,000yen	380,000yen	270,000yen	1,500,000yen
Transfer Students	200,000yen	380,000yen	370,000yen	380,000yen	370,000yen	1,700,000yen

*First semester = April to September for April enrollees ; September to March for September enrollees

Second semester = September to March for April enrollees ; April to September for September enrollees

② Yearly tuition (estimated) until graduation for students enrolling in 2026 * For all undergraduate colleges

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

*Current tuition may be reviewed by changing social conditions.

*Not including admission fee and miscellaneous membership fees

③ AP House Entrance Fee and Dormitory Fee

If the first-year education dormitory AP House is desired at the time of application, it can be occupied for about one year from admission (about two years for third-year students). One out of nine domestic students resides in the dormitory. For details of procedures, please refer to the admission procedure guidelines.

AP House 1 and 2: 50,000 yen per month

AP House 5: 52,000 yen per month

*Since dormitory buildings are assigned by lottery, we do not accept requests for dormitory buildings.

*Dormitory fees are subject to review due to changes in social conditions.

④ Miscellaneous Membership Fees for students enrolling in 2025 * For all undergraduate colleges

APU Domestic Students' Parent and Family Association (payment for period of enrollment)	APU Alumni Association Lifetime Membership (one-time payment) Total	Total
20,000yen	20,000yen	40,000yen

•APU Domestic Student Support Association

The aims of APU Domestic Students' Parent and Family Association are 'to assist the development and enhancement of university programs and promote friendly exchange amongst members, through support for APU's educational activities and various cultural events.' The association holds social gatherings and offers student support. This organization consists of parents and other members of domestic students (excluding those who wish to enroll with a "Student" residence status).

Please refer to the APU Domestic Students' Parent and Family Association website (<https://www.apu.ac.jp/apufubo/>) for the regulations and details of its activities, etc.

The dates, times and details of the regular and regional meetings for AY 2026 will be posted on the website.

•APU Alumni Association

Aiming "to promote the development of Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University and to foster friendly relations amongst its members", the APU Alumni Association extends associate membership to current (pre-graduation) APU students. Paid members of the Association gain access to APU's global alumni network through tools such as online alumni search and member messaging services. For information on the activities of the APU Alumni Association, please visit the "APU Alumni Association" website.

(2) Payment schedule for tuition and fees after enrollment

Items	Payments Deadlines	
	April Enrollment	September Enrollment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Admission Fee • First Semester Tuition A & B • APU Domestic Student Support Association Fee • Parents Association Membership Fee • APU Alumni Association Lifetime Membership Fee 	Before enrollment	Before enrollment
• Second Semester Tuition A & B	November 30, 2026	May 31, 2027
• Dormitory fee (for residents only)	Monthly withdrawal from June 2026 <small>*Those who are eligible for the Dormitory fee reduction system will be notified separately.</small>	Monthly withdrawal from December 2026 <small>*Those who are eligible for the Dormitory fee reduction system will be notified separately.</small>

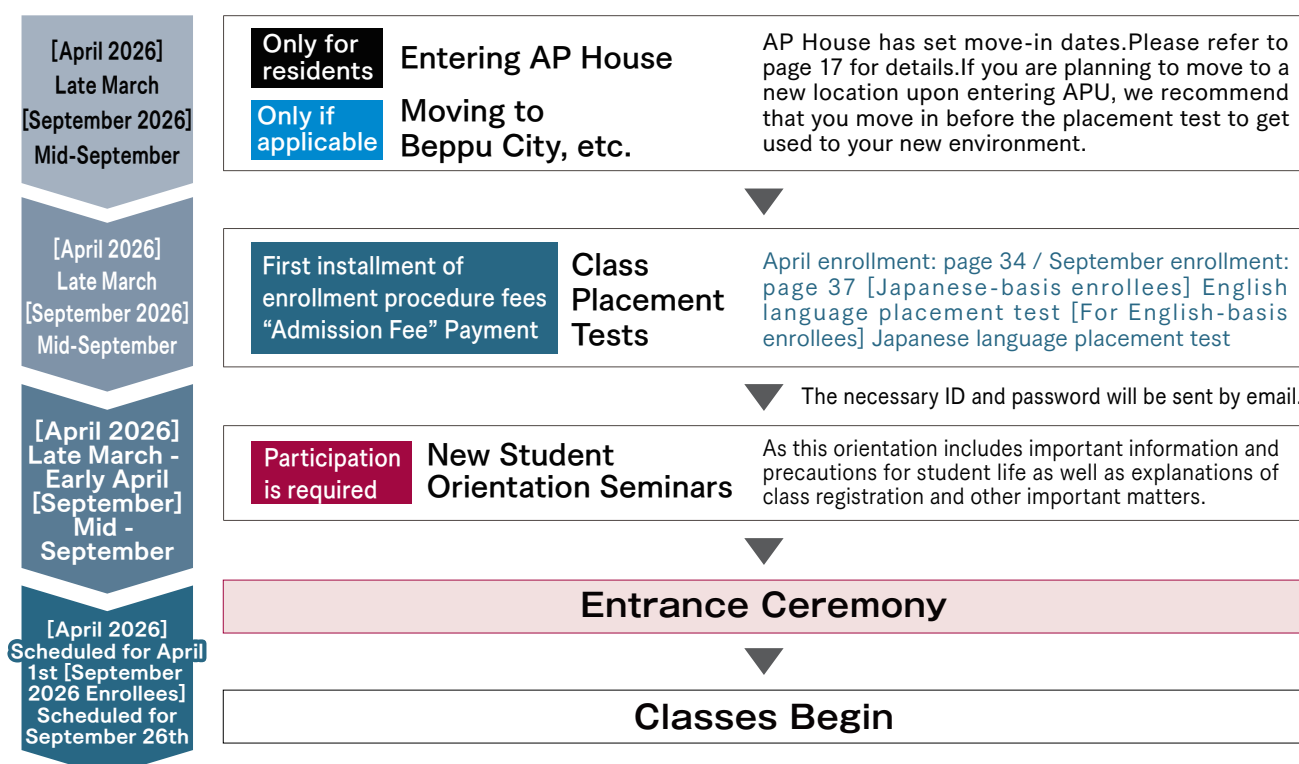
*If the payments deadlines fall on a holiday of a financial institution, the payments deadlines will be the next business day.

(3) Earning credits in excess of the minimum required for graduation

Students who exceed the minimum number of years required for graduation beyond will be charged one half of Tuition A plus per-credit tuition for every credit for which they register (22,500 yen×number of credits) .

4. Process from the completion of enrollment procedures to entrance

The following is the tentative schedule at this time. For details, please check the Enrollment Procedures Handbook after acceptance.



5.Scholarship

APU administers a variety of scholarship programs and scholarships offered by an organization such as Japan Student Services Organization and local government organizations. Each of these scholarships differ in terms of its aims, eligibility, award amounts, application systems and applications dates. Please apply after carefully checking the details of each scholarship programs and creating a solid financial plan for your student life.

The above scholarship information is current as of April 2025.
Please see the Student Office website for the latest information.

https://www.apu.ac.jp/studentsupport/scholarship_tuition/domestic/

(1)Our University's Unique Scholarship System

①Domestic Students Academic Excellence Scholarship Apply at the time of application to university

This scholarship is awarded to admitted students who are motivated to embody the APU 2030 Vision with high English proficiency and have the knowledge, skills, reasoning, judgement, expression, initiative, and capacity to collaborate with individuals from diverse backgrounds as mentioned in the Admission Policy.

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).

②Dormitory Fee Reduction System Common in April and September enrollments

Separate application required from the application to the university.

This is a system with the objective of providing post-enrollment financial aid to those who apply to APU and who wish to move into AP House (international education dormitory). **Individuals may apply after applying for admission as well as prior to applying for the dormitory.You must apply within the following period.**

Eligible for Support : Those wishing to move into APU House who have gone through the AY2026 domestic admissions process(firstyear 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]"**. (Loanbased 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.**

③Domestic Students Tuition Reduction To be applied after enrollment

This is a financial support scholarship which students can apply for after enrolling in APU. Provided independently by APU, the scholarship involves raising the value of the tuition reduction provided under the Japan Student Services Organization Scholarship Grant (hereafter the “JASSO Scholarship Grant”) to 50% of APU tuition. You can apply for the scholarship even if you are not eligible to apply for the JASSO Scholarship Grant

- Eligibility** : Students selected to receive the JASSO Scholarship Grant.
Students ineligible to apply for the JASSO Scholarship Grant (such as those whose status of residence is Family Member, those for whom more than two years have elapsed between high school graduation and university entrance, etc.).
*Students who do not meet the selection criteria for the JASSO Scholarship Grant because their household income exceeds the limits set by JASSO, etc. are not eligible for this scholarship.
- Value** : Up to the equivalent to 50% of tuition
*Please note that, students receiving a tuition reduction under the JASSO Scholarship Grant will receive only the difference between the value provided under this grant and the value of 50% of tuition: JASSO Scholarship Grant + APU Domestic Students Tuition Reduction = 50% of tuition
- Term of award** : Maximum 4 years (within the minimum period of study)
*Continuation review is conducted (once a year for academic and household finances)
- Payment method** : The scholarship amount will be offset against tuition fees when tuition fees are billed.
*Please note that in the semester when payments begin, recipients will need to pay the full semester tuition amount initially, with the amount of the scholarship refunded to them after scholarship awards are finalized (refunds are expected to be issued in mid-October for the Spring semester, and mid-February for the Fall semester).
- Application method** : Calls for applications are made after each enrollment period (April and October).
For more details, please wait for information to be provided after enrollment.

④Other APU Scholarships To be applied after enrollment

(details are subject to change without notice)

Name	Type	Eligibility	Awardees per year	Amount
ANDO Momofuku Award	Grant	①Outstanding academic record 500,000yen ②Distinguished performance in extracurricular activities	Up to 4	Up to 500,000yen
ANDO Momofuku Honor Prize	Grant	Students scheduled to graduate (students in their eighth semester)who have achieved outstanding performance in their studies and extracurricular activities and have positive goals for their future careers.	Up to 4	Up to 1 million yen
APU Academic Merit Scholarship	Grant	Students at each year level who have earned the prescribed number of credits and who have achieved the most outstanding grades in their respective colleges, years and semesters of enrollment for the semester concerned.	About 30 people	Up to 100,000yen
APU Incentive Scholarship for SelfMotivated Students	Grant	Individuals and groups that achieved outstanding results in selfmotivated activities.	Within the limits of the budget	Up to 100,000yen for groups Up to 50,000yen for individuals
Domestic Students Financial Support Tuition Reduction	Grant	Tuition reduction for those facing hardship in continuation of their studies due to death or unemployment of their household's major breadwinner.	Up to 20	50% tuition reduction For
APU Domestic Student Support Association Tuition Support Scholarship Students	Grant	Children of members of the APU Club Domestic Students' Parents Association who are selected for a Domestic Students Financial Support Tuition Reduction.	Up to 20	200,000yen

(2) Scholarships other than those of our university

① Scholarships offered by private scholarship foundations / Scholarships offered by local government bodies

For details of how to apply for the JASSO scholarships,
please refer to the information contained in the “Handbook of Enrollment Procedures”
sent to successful applicants.

Loan-type scholarships

Category 1 Scholarship	
Type	Loan type, interest-free
Amount	<p>Support Scholarship Students commuting from family home: Maximum of 54,000yen Sums available other than maximum : 20,000yen, 30,000yen, or 40,000yen</p> <p>Students living away from family home: Maximum of 64,000yen Sums available other than maximum : 20,000yen, 30,000yen, 40,000yen, 50,000yen</p>
Academic Standards Including combined loans	The average grade point average for the last two years of high school is 3.5 or higher (including those who have passed the high school graduation qualification exam and are deemed to be equivalent to the above) or those who have passed the high school graduation qualification exam
Loan Period	The minimum period of study from the loan start month until graduation.

Category 2 Scholarship								
Type	Loan type with interest (interest-free during the period of study, maximum interest rate is 3%)							
Amount	You can choose from amounts ranging from 20,000 yen to 120,000 yen (monthly) in increments of 10,000 yen.							
Upper limit of income	Number of people in household	Assumed household composition	(★) indicates households with salary income (annual income amount)			(★) indicates households with non-salary income (annual income amount)		
	1st Class		2st Class	Combined Loan	1st Class	2st Class	Combined Loan	
	4	You, Parent 1 (★), Parent 2 (★*), High school student	880	1,309	826	613	937	566
<p>* The maximum monthly amount is only available if you meet the household income criteria for combined loans.</p> <p>* The above table is taken from the 2024 "Scholarship Guide" published by the Japan Student Services Organization. The amount is a guideline and will vary depending on the number of family members and household situation.</p>								
Loan Period	The shortest period of study from the month the loan is granted until graduation. Receipt of the loan can begin as early as two months after application is completed.							

*Emergency / temporary awards: There are systems in place to accept applications at anytime from students whose household finances have changed suddenly and unexpectedly.

〈 Grant-based Scholarship 〉

Japanese Government Higher Education Student Assistance Program (JASSO Scholarship Grant)

- Eligibility** : Students who meet the standards prescribed by the Japan Student Services Association (JASSO) with regard to academic standards and household financial standards (please refer to the JASSO website for details).
- Scholarship Details** : ①Monthly stipend (value is determined by JASSO)
 [no repayment required] ②Tuition reduction(maximum amount last academic was 700,000 yen)
 *Recipients of the JASSO Scholarship Grant are also eligible to receive the Domestic Students Tuition Reduction outlined above (application is required). In the event that the tuition reduction provided under the JASSO Scholarship Grant does not equal 50% of APU tuition, APU will cover the shortfall. In other words: Grant + APU Domestic Students Tuition Reduction = 50% of tuition.
 *In the semester when payments begin, recipients will need to pay the full semester tuition amount themselves by the payment deadline, with the amount of the scholarship grant refunded to them after awards are finalized (refunds are expected to be issued in mid-October for the spring semester, and mid-February for the fall semester). From the second semester onward, an amount equal to the scholarship value is deducted from invoices for payment of tuition fees.
- ③Admission Fee (only for students whose scholarship grant payments commence in the month of enrollment)
- Term of award** : Maximum of 4 years (or minimum period required to graduate) .
 *Dependent on eligibility screenings (academic standards, household financial standards) conducted each year.
- Application method** : ①Apply for “pre-award” via your current senior high school, then complete full application procedures through APU when you enroll.
 ②Complete application procedures through APU after enrollment (there is also a system for accepting applications ad hoc from students whose household financial conditions change suddenly).
- Announcement of results** : Scholarship grants begin in a minimum of two months after application procedures are completed.
- Points to note** : Even if you have received notification that your “pre-award” application was successful (and you are therefore eligible for tuition reduction and admission fee exemption), you should go ahead and pay the enrollment procedure fees (admission fee, first semester tuition, association membership fees) by the required deadline. Procedures for tuition reduction and admission fee refund can only be completed after you are enrolled in APU. Please note that if you withdraw from enrollment in APU, you will no longer be eligible for this scholarship grant and your admission fee will not be refunded.

Japan student Services Organization website

<https://www.jasso.go.jp/shogakukin/>

②Scholarships offered by private scholarship foundations / Scholarships offered by local government bodies

- The content of each scholarship differs according to the scholarship foundation or local government body.
- Scholarships from these organizations will be listed on the Student Office website when APU is notified of a call for applications.

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Policy on Handling of Personal Information at Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University

Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (hereinafter called “the University”) handles personal information obtained by the University from prospective students as set forth below, in compliance with laws and regulations relating to the protection of personal information and the Ritsumeikan Trust Personal Information Protection Regulations.

(1) Purpose of Use

Personal information on students will be used for the following purposes:

- ① Provision of learning support for students, etc. including enrollment record control, registration control, performance control, and tuition fee information control
- ② Provision of living support for students, etc. including life consultation, after-school activity support, scholarship control, and health control
- ③ Provision of career and job students, etc. including career guidance, job search activity support, and career and job search information control
- ④ Consulting with guardians about registration, performance, and careers including notifying guardians of performance
- ⑤ Execution of entrance exam business and enrollment procedure business
 - ❶ Entrance examination
(application processing, sending of examination tickets, and entrance examination) and selection
 - ❷ Notification and announcement of results
 - ❸ Sending various questionnaires after entrance examinations
 - ❹ Sending enrollment procedure documents to successful applicants
 - ❺ Sending information about life after enrollment (housing arrangements, accident insurance, and consumer cooperatives) to successful applicants
 - ❻ Implementation of pre-enrollment “English class placement test” for successful applicants
 - ❼ Preparation of documents for obtaining and renewing status of residence
- ⑥ Sending various guides for Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University and other schools established by The Ritsumeikan Trust
- ⑦ Managing use and security control of school facilities and equipment
- ⑧ Issuance of certificates
- ⑨ Provision of necessary information to partner universities within Japan and overseas based on academic exchange agreements
 - List of Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University’s Partner Universities and Institutions
<https://www.apu.ac.jp/abroad/search-university/>
- ⑩ Provision of necessary information to groups operating scholarship businesses
- ⑪ Provision of necessary information to the group consisting of graduates
(Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University Alumni Association)
- ⑫ Provision of necessary information to the group consisting of the parents of students
(APU-club Domestic Students’ Parents Association)
- ⑬ Provision of necessary information to groups permitted by the Ritsumeikan Trust Personal Information Protection Committee
- ⑭ University assessments (self-assessment, third-party assessment, accreditation, etc.), and statistical research
- ⑮ Education, research, and FD activities
- ⑯ Integrated educational guidance (including lifelong learning support) with each school established by the Ritsumeikan Trust, and statistical surveys and analysis
- ⑰ Other purposes related or incidental to each of the above

(2) Management of Personal Information

Personal information on students is securely managed in line with laws and regulations and the Ritsumeikan Trust Personal Information Protection Regulations so that it is not leaked, lost, or damaged.

(3) Outsourcing Services Associated with the Provision of Personal Data

The University may outsource certain work that includes the handling of personal data to a third-party entity having executed an agreement on the proper handling of personal information.

(4) Provision of Personal Data to Third Parties

The University does not provide personal data to groups other than The Ritsumeikan Trust without the prior consent of the subject; provided, however, that information may be provided without the consent of the subject in cases where appropriate provision is required under laws and regulations.

(5) Shared Use of Personal Data

The University, as the party responsible for the management of personal data by The Ritsumeikan Trust, may share personal data in the following cases. Other cases in which personal data is shared will be clearly indicated when collecting data.

Personal Data on Students and Parents (Guardian and Guarantor etc.)

Personal Data to be Shared	[Students] Name, student ID number, college, department, student year, semester, enrollment status classification, year enrolled, year graduated, year expect to graduate, decision on graduate, current address and telephone number, permanent address and telephone number, students [Guardian and Guarantor etc.] Name, address, telephone number and e-mail address
Scope of Shared Users	APU Domestic Student Support Association
Purpose of Use	To inform of activities by the parents association, to send out bulletins

Personal Data on Graduates (Alumni)

Personal Data to be Shared	Name, alumni number, permanent address and telephone number, current address and telephone number, year enrolled, college, year graduated, seminar group, club, nationality, gender
Scope of Shared Users	The Ritsumeikan Trust, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University Alumni Association
Purpose of Use	Alumni networking, including notification of activities by the alumni association and sending out bulletins

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