

Changes to the Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies
(Master's Program) Entrance Examinations
for Enrollment in October 2025 (Reiwa 7) and April 2026 (Reiwa 8)

The entrance examination method for the Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environment Studies (Master's Program) for October 2025 (Reiwa 7) and April 2026 (Reiwa 8) enrollment will change as follows.

For more information, please refer to the application guidelines to be announced in early May 2025 (Reiwa 7).

Changes to the examination:

(1) Special selection by Recommendation for Applicants within the School implemented in all Divisions

The special selection by Recommendation for Applicants within the School will be available to all Divisions (the Division of Humanities, Division of Economics, Division of Regional Development Studies, and Division of International Studies).

(2) Expansion of Examination for Applicants Residing Overseas

The "Examination for Applicants Residing Overseas" will be changed to "Remote Special Selection for "Overseas-Resident" Applicants".

The eligibility will change from "graduates or prospective graduates of a university to which our collaborative professor belongs, or a university that has an exchange agreement with our university or graduate school" to "individuals (including Japanese nationals) whose highest level of education was at a foreign university or other foreign school and who reside outside of Japan".

This special selection will be made by document screening and online.

(3) Changes in recruitment method [General Selection, Special Selection for Working Adults, Special Selection for International Students, Selection for the Short-term(1 Year) enrollment-type System, Special Selection by Recommendation for Applicants within the School]

Previously, the recruitment quota was divided into two periods, the first and second, but the quota will no longer be divided. If the quota is reached in the first recruitment, second recruitment may not take place.

For the second batch of applications, the application guidelines will be announced in early September 2025. The examination date for the second batch of applicants is scheduled for late December.

(4) Admissions for the newly established "Data Privacy Expert Development Program"

In conjunction with the establishment of a new Course, general selection will take place in the entrance examination for April 2026 enrollment. More information about the "Data Privacy Expert Development Program" will be posted on the website at a later date.

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○About the Data Privacy Expert Development Program

In April 2026, the Digital Humanities Study Course in the Division of Humanities, the Digital Economics Course in the Division of Economics, the Digital Regional Development Course in the Division of Regional Development Studies, and the Digital International Course in the Division of International Studies will be newly established in order to launch the Data Privacy Expert Development Program. In addition to the existing courses in each Division, students in this program will learn practical techniques and legal systems for investigating and analyzing data while protecting privacy. We are looking for highly motivated individuals who are experts in data privacy, who are willing to support the social information infrastructure, who are willing to collect data through surveys if necessary for verification, and who have the intellectual courage to challenge the compatibility between the human right to privacy and the social benefits of data analysis.

○Application Documents

A certificate of survey statistician or a certificate related to social statistician must be submitted.

A certificate of survey statistician:

A copy of the examination result report presented immediately after the examination or a copy of the “Passing Certificate” sent approximately 4 to 6 weeks after the examination date.

Certificate for Social Statistician: Certificate of Social Statistician (Candidate)