

October 2014/April 2015 Entrance
Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies
(Master's Level Section)
Division of Law and Politics, Kanazawa University

Guidelines for Applicants

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**Entrance Examination in English for the Division of Law and Politics, Graduate
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The Division of Law and Politics of the Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies offers an entrance examination in English for foreign students applying to the master's degree program. By offering an examination in English, the Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies hopes to recruit a few talented and diligent students committed to pursuing a post graduate degree at a Japanese university, but whose level of Japanese proficiency remains insufficient to pass the regular entrance exam in Japanese. Applicants who successfully pass this entrance examination enter the Graduate School in October 2014 or April 2015.

1. Admission Policy

The Division of Law and Politics aims to analyze various ongoing legal, political and administrative phenomena concretely and empirically via precedent and case studies, and to ascertain the detailed characteristics of such phenomena through comparative international studies and historical and theoretical studies. Candidates for this course are required not only to master basic and technical knowledge in the areas they would like to major, as well as in related areas, but also to have a strong consciousness of the problems that society is facing now. Based on this background, all candidates for this course are evaluated not only on the degree of achievement of the above-mentioned *basic and technical knowledge* through a written examination of the specialized subjects, including those in the major subject area after admission, but also their level of consciousness of the problems of the public at large through an oral examination.

2. Available openings: A few students.

3. Qualifications for applying: The Applicant must be: (1) a graduate of an accredited university or an enrolled university student who has a reasonable expectation of graduating by September 30, 2014 (or by March 31, 2015 if the applicant will enter the Graduate School in April 2015); (2) a candidate recommended by the Japanese Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology; or (3) a candidate judged by the Graduate School to have received a level of education equaling or exceeding the above categories.

Note: Candidates who qualify by individual judgment under (3) are as follows: Those who qualify for special admission to the third year of universities, twenty-two years old or older at the time of entrance, and either of the following:

- (a) Have studied at a non-degree graduate program at a junior college or technical college, etc., after qualifying to the special admission year of universities;
- (b) Have experience of practical business affairs in international organizations abroad, etc.; or
- (c) Are affiliated with the Graduate School as a research student or with the School of Law as a non-matriculating undergraduate student for at least one semester and who is judged by the Graduate School to be sufficiently knowledgeable.

4. Prior Judgment of Qualifications: Those who would like to apply for a prior judgment of qualifications under 3. (3)(a), (b), or (c) must send all of the following materials by registered mail, with the "Application for a Prior Judgment of Qualifications, the Graduate School of

Human and Socio-Environmental Studies” written in red on the front of the envelope, to the same address as for the Application below (see 6. (2)) by June 5, 2014. The Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies will make prior judgments individually based on the following:

- (1) Application for a Prior Judgment of Qualifications (Provided upon request by e-mail below at 13. (1)).
- (2) Graduation certificate or a testimony of expected graduation issued by the applicant’s last school.
- (3) Academic transcript (listing “grades” or “marks”) issued by the applicant’s last school.
- (4) Rules and syllabus of the applicant’s last school or copies of equivalent documents.
- (5) Curriculum vitae of the applicant (free form).
- (6) A document demonstrating that the applicant has experience in practical business affairs or activity (if applying under 3. (3) (b)) (free form).
- (7) A document of the content of the experience or activity (written by the supervisors for the activity if applying under 3. (3) (b)) (free form).
- (8) Research plan: Explanation of the applicant’s research plan at the Graduate School and its relationship to the applicant’s past experience or activity, hope for the future, etc. (Provided upon request by e-mail).
- (9) Return envelope (235 mm × 120 mm, self-addressed and, in the case of domestic applicants, self-stamped with 792 yen in postage).

Note 1: Results will be sent by the middle of June 2014. The material submitted will not be returned.

Note 2: Certificates and documents from foreign schools and bodies must be submitted with their translation into Japanese or English and must include appropriate explanation.

5. Admission Procedures: Applicants must complete all of the following in English:

- (1) Admissions Application Package. (Provided upon request. Applicants residing overseas can download the application package by visiting the Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies’ homepage: <http://human-socio.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/>)
- (2) Academic transcript (listing “grades” or “marks”) issued by the applicant’s university.
- (3) Graduation Certificate or a Testimony of Expected Graduation, issued by the applicant’s university or academic supervisor.
- (4) Research plan: Covering the applicant’s education history and what he/she intends to study at the Graduate School.
- (5) Letter of Recommendation written by the university president or the student’s academic supervisor.
- (6) Copy of Residence Card (for foreigners who are already in Japan).
- (7) Two photos (alone, no hat, taken in the preceding 3 months, passport size) to be attached to the Application.
- (8) Certificate of Remittance: When overseas remittances are planned, you must ask us by the E-mail early. Pay the application fee (30,000 yen) through a bank transfer (telegraphic). Use the designated form and fill out the necessary items (do not separate). Then, take it to the window of banking facilities that deal with telegraphic transfers. (Post office is not available.)

After the payment, applicants will receive a Receipt and Certificate of Remittance. Please check the reception stamps of the banking facilities and send the Certificate of Remittance together with the other application documents. Applicants should keep the

receipt as a record.

The handling charge should be paid by the applicant. In the case of transfer from the head office or branch office of our designated bank, a handling charge will be unnecessary.

Application fees, once paid, are nonrefundable and will not be returned for any reason. However, if, after the application fee has been paid, the applicant wishes to terminate his/her application, procedures for the return of the fee can be made by contacting the office listed below. Additionally, at the time of the return of the fee, both a receipt (「領収書(本人控)」) and a certificate of remittance (「振込金証明書(提出用)」) documenting submission are required.

Department in Charge:

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- (9) Return envelope (235 mm × 120 mm) (self-addressed and, in the case of domestic applicants, self-stamped with 362 yen in postage).

Note: Applicants qualifying under category 3. (3) (c) need not submit the above listed items for 5. (2), (3), and (6).

6. Procedures for Filing an Application

- (1) All application materials should be submitted together.
- (2) If mailed, the Application should be sent by registered mail with “Application for Graduate School” written in red on the front of the envelope.

Applications should be sent to:

Office of Student Affairs, Section for Law & Economics

Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies, Kanazawa University

Kakuma-machi, Kanazawa, 920-1192 Japan

Applications will be accepted by mail or by delivery in person June 12-19, 2014. Applications delivered in person will be accepted from 9:00 to 17:00, Monday through Friday.

- (3) Incomplete Applications will not be accepted.
- (4) Personal information is used only for the purpose of this entrance examination.

7. Selection Procedure

- (1) Written examination: The examination is conducted in English. It consists of answering questions on the subject chosen by the examinee from among the following: Commercial Law; Foreign Law (Anglo-American Law); History of Political Thought; Intellectual Property Law; International Law; Jurisprudence; Political Communication and Private International Law/International business Law.¹

If successful, the subject chosen by the examinee will become his/her major in the Graduate School. The examinee may bring one or more dictionaries for use during the exam.

¹ While these subjects will be taught in English, other subjects may not be taught in English. The Master's Thesis may be written in English.

- (2) Oral examination: Conducted in English, this exam covers the subject chosen by the examinee and the research plan he/she submitted.

8. Application for Short-term Visa

If applicants apply for a short-term visa in order to take the entrance exam, please pay special attention to the following:

- (1) The Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies cannot issue documents such as a letter of guarantee, a schedule of stay, a letter of reason for the invitation, nor act as a guarantor for a certificate of employment, etc.
- (2) If an applicant is not able to acquire a short-term visa for the examination following the exam-application procedure, the Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies will not be able to return the examination fee. Please confirm the short-term visa requirements with the Japanese Embassy or Japanese Consulate well in advance of the exam.

9. Examination Time and Place

- (1) Time: 10:00–12:00 (written exam) and 15:30 – (oral exam), July 21, 2014.
- (2) Place:

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10. Announcement of Results

Results will be announced on August 5, 2014 at 10:00 at the School of Law. Successful applicants will also be notified by mail and the results will be listed on our homepage: <http://human-socio.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/>. Applicants are not permitted, by any means, to inquire about their results.

11. Admission and Tuition Fees

- (1) Admission Fee: ¥282,000; Tuition: ¥267,900 (for the first semester or ¥535,800 for two semesters); and Accident Insurance: ¥1,750 (for two years). Admission and Tuition Fees may change in accordance with circumstances.
- (2) Notice: Following submission, applications cannot be modified or withdrawn and fees are nonrefundable. If an application is found to contain false statements, admission may be canceled. In that case, admission fees, once paid, are not refunded for any reason. Applicants are advised to make sure that the date for the admission procedures is strictly followed. If successful applicants fail to follow the admission procedures by that date, they will be considered to have declined their admission.

12. Scholarship programs by Kanazawa University

Kanazawa University disburses following 2 scholarships.

Kanazawa University screens applicants and select scholars.

Start-up Scholarship of Acanthus Support System	
Eligibility	Past participants of short-term study at Kanazawa University who enter the university again as degree students.
Grant amount	Maximum 250,000 yen.
Award payment duration	Grant shall be given one time during enrollment period.

[Kanazawa University Foundation] 150 th Foundation Anniversary Study Grant for Privately Financed International Student	
Eligibility	Privately financed foreign students who enroll at Kanazawa University one semester or longer and are excellent in both academic and personality.
Grant amount	180,000 yen per year or 90,000 yen per semester.
Award payment duration	During enrollment period.

For more information, please refer to the following website.

<http://www.adm.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/ie/e/abroad/scholarship.html>

13. Inquiries

- (1) For more information, please send inquiries by regular mail along with an enclosed self-addressed and stamped envelope (letters originating from overseas do not need to include return postage). Inquiries may also be sent by e-mail to n-hkgaku@adm.kanazawa-u.ac.jp. Inquiries by telephone will not be accepted.
- (2) To request an Admissions Application Package, please send a self-addressed and self-stamped (205 yen, domestic) envelope (A-4 size: 240 mm × 332 mm). Letters originating from overseas need not include return postage. Overseas applicants may also download the application package by visiting the Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies' homepage: <http://human-socio.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp>
- (3) Inquiries and application requests by mail should be addressed to:
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Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies, Kanazawa University
Kakuma-machi, Kanazawa, 920-1192 Japan

Outline of Master's Degree qualification requirements

The Division of Law and Politics of the Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies consists of four programs: Basic Science of Law; Public and Social Law; Private Law; and Politics. The student must select the program in which his/her major is included.

The master's degree is awarded to a student who has satisfied the following requirements:

1. At least two years in residence in the master's course;
2. Acquisition of the credits set out below (Tables 1 and 2); and
3. An acceptable master's thesis written under the guidance of a faculty member.

Table 1: Curriculum

Program	Groups of subjects	Subjects	Credits	Year	Semester	Faculty Member (Listing as of April 1, 2014)
	Common Subjects	Information Science for Document Retrieval (Law)	2	1	S	
		Information Science for Document Retrieval (Politics)	2	1	S	
		Introduction to Japanese Law (J)	2	1	S	
		*Introduction to Japanese Law (E)	2	1	W	
		Basic Lecture I	4	1	S, W	
		Basic Lecture II	4	1	S and W	
		Basic Lecture III	2	1	S, W	
		Directed Group Study	2	1	S, W	
		Internship	2	1	S, W	
		Supervised Independent Study and Research I	2	1	S, W	(Supervisor)
		Supervised Independent Study and Research II	2	1	S, W	
		Supervised Independent Study and Research III	2	2	S, W	
		Supervised Independent Study and Research IV	2	2	S, W	
		Basic Science of Law Program	Restricted Electives	*Jurisprudence (SL) I	2	1
*Jurisprudence (Seminar) I	2			1	W	
*Jurisprudence (SL) II	2			2	S	
*Jurisprudence (Seminar) II	2			2	W	
Japanese Legal History (SL) I	2			1	S	Marumoto, Yumiko
Japanese Legal History (Seminar) I	2			1	W	
Japanese Legal History (SL) II	2			2	S	

		Japanese Legal History (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		European Legal History (SL) I	2	1	S	Sakurai, Toshio
		European Legal History (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		European Legal History (SL) II	2	2	S	
		European Legal History (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Asian Legal History (SL) I	2	1	S	
		Asian Legal History (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Asian Legal History (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Asian Legal History (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		*Foreign Law (SL) I	2	1	S	Higashikawa, Koji
		*Foreign Law (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		*Foreign Law (SL) II	2	2	S	
		*Foreign Law (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		History of Legal Thought (SL) I	2	1	S	Aono, Toru
		History of Legal Thought (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		History of Legal Thought (SL) II	2	2	S	
		History of Legal Thought (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
Public and Social Law Program	Restricted Electives	Constitutional Law (SL) I	2	1	S	Yamazaki, Tomoya
		Constitutional Law (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Constitutional Law (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Constitutional Law (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Administrative Law (SL) I	2	1	S	Osanai, Hiroki
		Administrative Law (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Administrative Law (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Administrative Law (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Tax Law (SL) I	2	1	S	Hirakawa, Eiko
		Tax Law (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Tax Law (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Tax Law (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		*International Law (SL) I	2	1	S	Inazumi, Mitsue
		*International Law (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		*International Law (SL) II	2	2	S	

		*International Law (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Criminal Law (SL) I	2	1	S	Nagai, Yoshiyuki
		Criminal Law (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Criminal Law (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Criminal Law (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Criminal Procedure (SL) I	2	1	S	Ogai, Aoi
		Criminal Procedure (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Criminal Procedure (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Criminal Procedure (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Labor Law (SL) I	2	1	S	Nako, Michitaka
		Labor Law (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Labor Law (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Labor Law (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Social Security Law (SL) I	2	1	S	Ishida, Michihiko
		Social Security Law (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Social Security Law (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Social Security Law (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
Private Law Program	Restricted Electives	Civil Law 1 (SL) I	2	1	S	Kou, Hidenari
		Civil Law 1 (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Civil Law 1 (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Civil Law 1 (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Civil Law 2 (SL) I	2	1	S	Goda, Atsuko
		Civil Law 2 (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Civil Law 2 (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Civil Law 2 (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Civil Procedure (SL) I	2	1	S	Fukamoto, Tomoyuki
		Civil Procedure (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Civil Procedure (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Civil Procedure (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Commercial Law 1 (SL) I	2	1	S	Murakami, Hiroshi
		Commercial Law 1 (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Commercial Law 1 (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Commercial Law 1 (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		*Commercial Law 2 (SL) I	2	1	S	Nagae, Watarau

		*Commercial Law 2 (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Commercial Law 2 (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Commercial Law 2 (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Economic Law (SL) I	2	1	S	Saito, Takahiro
		Economic Law (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Economic Law (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Economic Law (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		*Private International Law (SL)	2	1	S	Haga, Yuriko
		*Private International Law (Seminar)	2	2	S	
		*International Business Law (SL)	2	1	W	
		*International Business Law (Seminar)	2	2	W	
		*Intellectual Property Law (SL) I	2	1	S	Otomo, Nobuhide
		*Intellectual Property Law (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		*Intellectual Property Law (SL) II	2	2	S	
		*Intellectual Property Law (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
Politics Program	Restricted Electives	Public Policy (SL) I	2	1	S	Kimura, Takahiro
		Public Policy (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Public Policy (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Public Policy (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Political Sociology (SL) I	2	1	S	Nishimura, Shigeru
		Political Sociology (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Political Sociology (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Political Sociology (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Theories of Policy-Making Process (SL) I	2	1	S	Nishioka, Susumu
		Theories of Policy-Making Process (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Theories of Policy-Making Process (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Theories of Policy-Making Process (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		Polimetrics (SL) I	2	1	S	Okada, Hiroshi
		Polimetrics (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		Polimetrics (SL) II	2	2	S	
		Polimetrics (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		*History of Political Thought (SL) I	2	1	S	Nakamasa, Masaki

		*History of Political Thought (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		*History of Political Thought (SL) II	2	2	S	
		*History of Political Thought (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
		*Political Communication (SL) I	2	1	S	Yamamoto, Tatsuhiko
		*Political Communication (Seminar) I	2	1	W	
		*Political Communication (SL) II	2	2	S	
		*Political Communication (Seminar) II	2	2	W	
	Colloquia	Basic Science of Law Research I	2	1	S, W	
		Basic Science of Law Research II	2	2	S, W	
		Public Law Research I	2	1	S, W	
		Public Law Research II	2	2	S, W	
		Civil Law Research I	2	1	S, W	
		Civil Law Research II	2	2	S, W	
		Public System Research I	2	1	S, W	
		Public System Research II	2	2	S, W	
	Electives	Special Study on Environmental Policy	2	1	S or W	
		Special Study on Social Welfare Policy	2	1	S or W	
		Lecture on International Relations I	2	1	S or W	
		Lecture on History of Modern East Asia I	2	1	S or W	
		Lecture on History of Modern West Asia I	2	1	S or W	
		Lecture on Comparative Politics I	2	1	S or W	
		Lecture on Asian Politics I	2	1	S or W	
		Public Law (AL) I	2	1	S, W	
		Public Law (AL) II	2	1	S, W	
		Criminal Law (AL) I	2	1	S, W	
		Criminal Law (AL) II	2	1	S, W	
		Civil Law (AL) I	2	1	S, W	
		Civil Law (AL) II	2	1	S, W	

SL: Special Lecture

AL: Advanced Lecture

S: Summer Semester (April to September)

W: Winter Semester (October to March)

* Subject will be taught in English. Other subjects are taught in Japanese.

Table 2: Required Credits

Groups of Subjects	Credits	Conditions
Common Subjects	Minimum 8 credits	Supervised Independent Study and Research I, II, III, and IV are compulsory.
Restricted Electives	Minimum 8 credits	Four subjects (8 credits) of the program selected by the student are compulsory.
Colloquia	Minimum 4 credits	Basic Science of Law Program: Basic Science of Law Research I and II are compulsory.
		Public and Social Law Program: Public Law Research I and II are compulsory.
		Private Law Program: Civil Law Research I and II are compulsory.
		Politics Program: Public System Research I and II are compulsory.
Electives	Subjects taught in another division of the Graduate School of Human and Socio-Environmental Studies may be included.	
Total	Minimum 30 credits	

Degree Options

Basic Science of Law Program	Master of Law
Public and Social Law Program	
Private Law Program	
Politics Program	Master of Politics