# Application Guidelines for University of Fukui Student Exchange Program A 2021 April

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# 1. Outline of the program

### Program Duration (Either of the following)

April 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021 (one semester)

April 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022 (two semesters)

2021									2022		
Apr.	May	Jun.	July	Aug	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Spring semester (April 1 – September 30, 2021)  Fall semester (October 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022)									22)		
	Summer Vacation Mid-Aug – 9/30									Vacation eb – 3/31	

# **■** Program Description

Eligibility	School/Graduate School	Student status at UF	Description			
Undergraduate	School of Education	Special Auditing Student	■ Take Japanese-related Common Courses as well as			
student	School of Engineering	with credit	Specialized Courses in English to earn credits			
	School of Global and Community Studies		■ Register at least 10-class hour worth of courses per week* <sup>1</sup>			
Graduate student	Graduate School of	Special Research Student	Receive research instruction in English without eredits			
	Engineering	with no credit	given.			
			Study period is for 2 semesters (Research Students cannot choose 1 semester).			
			● There are Japanese courses in 5 proficiency levels* <sup>2</sup> available for all international students. No credit given.			

<sup>\*1</sup> One course = 90 minutes. Foreign students studying in Japan on a student visas are required to register and take courses at least 10 hours per week.

\*2 Please refer to the following website for details:

<a href="https://www.u-fukui.ac.jp/eng/international/study-at-fukui/japanese-language-education/japanese-language-programs/inter-faculty-japanese-language-program/">https://www.u-fukui.ac.jp/eng/international/study-at-fukui/japanese-language-education/japanese-language-programs/inter-faculty-japanese-language-program/</a>

# Courses

Refer to *Program A 2020 Course Catalog* for the lists of courses and the required credits to complete the program.

https://www.u-fukui.ac.jp/wp/wp-content/uploads/Program-A\_2020\_Catalog\_July3rd.pdf

# 2. Qualifications for Application

To apply for the University of Fukui Student Exchange Program A, the applicant must:

- 1) be registered as a regular student (undergraduate or graduate) at one of the universities that have a student exchange agreement with the University of Fukui.
- 2) have a good academic standing and personal records at their home university, and have earned a grade point average (designated by JASSO) of at least 2.30 on a 3.0-scale in the previous academic year. Please see 3.Calculation Method of GPA designed by JASSO for your reference.
- 3) have sufficient English proficiency to take courses in English. <u>Note: Applicants are required to submit a language proficiency certificate which is equivalent to at least TOEFL PBT/ITP 500 or iBT 61 or TOEIC 600.</u>
- 4) have clear objectives and plans to study at UF and have no intention of withdrawal after receiving a letter of acceptance.

  Note: Applicants are not allowed to apply for another exchange program at other universities.
- 5) return to one's home university after completing the program at UF and continue studies to get a degree at the university.

  Note: Applicants are not able to graduate or to receive any degree from his/her home university while enrolled at the University of Fukui. The enrollment period is from April 1, 2021 to September 30, 2021 for 1 semester students or from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 for 2 semesters students.
- 6) be recommended by the President or the department head of one's home university along with a Letter of Recommendation written by a professor in his/her major.

# 3. Calculation Method of GPA designed by JASSO

Use the following able and formula to calculate your cumulative Grade Point Average at your home institution over the last one year.

Your Grade Point Average must be 2.30 or higher at the time of application. When there is no academic record for an entire year over the last one year, use the most recent one year-worth of academic record to calculate your latest Grade Point Average.

#### Note: Do not count pass/fail courses in the calculation.

次に定める方法で求められる、在籍大学における推薦時の<u>直近一年間の</u>成績評価係数が2.30以上であること。

一年間分の成績がない場合は、その前の学期にさかのぼり、一年間分の成績を算出するものとする。

注:成績のつかない「合格」「不合格」等の科目は算定しない。

# How to calculate 成績評価係数の算出方法

Use the following table to generate a grade point average for each course, and calculate the cumulative grade points by the formula. (Round off to three decimal places.)

下記の表により「成績評価ポイント」に換算し、計算式に当てはめて算出する。 (小数点第3位を四捨五入)

		Academic Record 成績評価						
4-leveled	Pattern 1	_	Excellent 優	Good 良	Fair 可	Poor 不可		
Evaluation 4段階評価	Pattern 2	_	A	В	С	D		
	Pattern 3	_	100-80	79-70	69-60	<59		
	Pattern 4	100-90	89-80	79-70	69-60	<59		
5-leveled Evaluation 5段階評価	Pattern 5	S	A	В	С	F		
21/AI IIII	Pattern 6	A	В	С	D	F		
Grade Scale 評価点		3	3	2	1	0		

Formula 計算式						
Grade	$ (\# \ of \ ``Grade \ Scale \ 3" \ credit \times 3) + (\# \ of \ ``Grade \ Scale \ 2" \ credit \times 2) + (\# \ of \ ``Grade \ Scale \ 1" \ credit \times 1) $					
Point = Average	Total credits registered					
-> ⟨+===  m  m  m  m  m  m  m  m  m  m  m  m  m	(「評価点 3」 の単位数 × 3) + (「評価点 2」の単位数 ×2) + (「評価点 1」の単位数 ×1)					
成績評価係数 =	総登録単位数					

# 4. Application Schedule

# ■ Application Period: <u>September 1 (Tue) – October 16 (Fri), 2020</u>

\*UF will decide whether to open our exchange program for Spring 2021 monitoring the situation at the end of October – beginning of November 2021.

■ Schedule from application to arrival (the schedule after June is subject to change.)

Internal application deadline (set by applicants' home universities to give enough time for nomination)	
Application deadline (Data submission by email)	October 16 (Fri), 2020
Notification of acceptance	End of December, 2020
Certificate of Eligibility (COE) sent out	Mid February, 2021
Application of entry visa (each applicant applies by him/herself)	February – March, 2021
Arrival in Japan (Dormitory move-in day)	March 26 (Fri) & 27 (Sat), 2021
Orientation	March 29 (Mon) – April 2 (Fri), 2021

# 5. Application Documents and Submission of the Application Data

- Please read the notes to documents 1-11 listed in the next page and prepare for the documents. Make sure to use the most updated version. <a href="https://www.u-fukui.ac.ip/eng/international/study-at-fukui/programs/exchange-programs/application/">https://www.u-fukui.ac.ip/eng/international/study-at-fukui/programs/exchange-programs/application/</a>
- Fill in Form 1A (1) and Application for CoE (5) on computer (no handwriting) and submit them in each data format as well.
- Form 2 (2) should be filled in on computer by the professor who recommends you for this program.
- All the application documents need to be submitted through the coordinator at your home university.
   We do not accept the application documents submitted directly by an applicant student.
- Inform the students to ask the questions through the coordinator.

Deadline: Friday, October 16, 2020 E-mail : <a href="mailto:inbound@ml.u-fukui.ac.jp">inbound@ml.u-fukui.ac.jp</a>

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# 6. List of Application Documents

No.	Document	Note	Data Format
1	Form 1A:Program A Application Form	This form should be directly typed on a computer.	MS Word
2	Form 2: Letter of Recommendation	<ul> <li>A professor of the applicant's major at his/her home university must fill in the letter either in English or Japanese.</li> <li>This form should be directly typed on through a computer. After filling out the form, print it out and sign by hand where indicated.</li> </ul>	PDF Adobe (Scanned data)
3	Form 3: Certificate of Health	Please ask a medical institution to fill in the form.	POF Adobe (Scanned data)
4	Form 4: Certificate of Enrollment	<ul> <li>This form needs to be issued by applicant's home university.</li> <li>Exchange students must not graduate or earn a degree from his/her home university while enrolled at UF.</li> </ul>	PDF Adobe (Scanned data)
5	Application for Certificate of Eligibility (CoE) for Applicants of UF Exchange Programs	<ul> <li>This form is to apply for CoE. CoE is an official document necessary for the visa application.</li> <li>This Excel form should be directly typed on a computer.</li> <li>Put your photograph on the 1<sup>st</sup> page.</li> </ul>	MS Excel
6	Bank Statement	<ul> <li>Note the name mentioned in this bank statement must be identical to the one you indicate in 26-3 in the above <i>Application for CoE</i>.</li> <li>Prepare your financial supporter's bank statement issued within the last 2 months.</li> <li>It is required that the balance be higher than the amount equivalent to 600,000JPY for 6-month and 1,100,000JPY for 12-month students.</li> </ul>	(Scanned data)
7	Academic Transcript	<ul> <li>Prepare a transcript currently issued by applicants' home university, including a list of courses taken, grades and credit of each course with semester/year indicated.</li> <li>If not mentioned in the transcript, attach a grading system or a table of criteria (written in Japanese or English) in order to convert the grades into the UF grading system for evaluation.</li> <li>Example of grading system: A = 100-80, B = 79-70, etc.</li> </ul>	(Scanned data)
8	Evidence of language proficiency	<ul> <li>Submit a copy of an English test certificate equivalent to at least TOEFL PBT/ITP 500, iBT 61 or TOEiC 600.</li> <li>In case you cannot submit a copy of the above certificate for relevant reasons, there is another document to substitute. Please consult with your home university exchange program officer.</li> <li>If you wish to take courses offered in Japanese at UF, also submit a certificate of JLPT N2.</li> </ul>	(Scanned data)
9	Photograph (4cm x 3cm) of applicant	Should be taken within 3 months, no hat, and no background.	(Image data)
10	Copy of applicants' passport	Copy of the passport page with your photo.	PDF Adobe (Scanned data)
11	< <u>For Officer&gt;</u> Nomination Sheet	This form needs to be filled out by the officer.	PDF Adobe (Scanned data)