

Application Guidelines for University of Fukui Student Exchange Program A 2021 October

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1. Outline of the program

- **Program Duration** (Either of the following)

October 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022 (one semester)

October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2022 (two semesters)

2021			2022								
Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
← Fall semester (Oct 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022) →						← Spring semester (April 1, – September 30, 2022) →					
				Spring Vacation Mid-Feb – 3/31						Summer Vacation Mid-Aug – 9/30	

■ Program Description

Eligibility	School/Graduate School	Student status at UF	Description
Undergraduate student	School of Education	Special Auditing Student with credit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Take Japanese-related Common Courses as well as Specialized Courses in English to earn credits ■ Register at least 10-class hour worth of courses per week*1
	School of Engineering		
	School of Global and Community Studies		
Graduate student	Graduate School of Engineering	Special Research Student with no credit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Receive research instruction in English without credits given. ● Study period is for 2 semesters (Research Students cannot choose 1 semester). ● <i>There are Japanese courses in 5 proficiency levels available for all international students. No credit given.</i>

*1 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.

Courses

Refer to **Program A 2021 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_2021_Catalog_February5.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. 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.
- 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 October 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 for 1 semester students or from October 1, 2021 to September 30, 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.
- 7) not belong to the armed services.

3. Calculation Method of GPA designed by JASSO

Use the following table 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直近一年間の成績評価係数が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 Evaluation 4段階評価	Pattern 1	—	Excellent 優	Good 良	Fair 可	Poor 不可
	Pattern 2	—	A	B	C	D
	Pattern 3	—	100-80	79-70	69-60	<59
5-leveled Evaluation 5段階評価	Pattern 4	100-90	89-80	79-70	69-60	<59
	Pattern 5	S	A	B	C	F
	Pattern 6	A	B	C	D	F
Grade Scale 評価点		3	3	2	1	0

Formula 計算式

$$\text{Grade Point Average} = \frac{(\# \text{ of "Grade Scale 3" credit} \times 3) + (\# \text{ of "Grade Scale 2" credit} \times 2) + (\# \text{ of "Grade Scale 1" credit} \times 1)}{\text{Total credits registered}}$$

$$\text{成績評価係数} = \frac{(\text{「評価点 3」の単位数} \times 3) + (\text{「評価点 2」の単位数} \times 2) + (\text{「評価点 1」の単位数} \times 1)}{\text{総登録単位数}}$$

4. Application Schedule

- Application Period: **February 12 (Fri) – March 31 (Wed), 2021**

* UF will decide whether to open our exchange program for Fall 2021 monitoring the situation before the end of March 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)	March 31 (Wed), 2021
Notification of acceptance	Mid-June, 2021
Certificate of Eligibility (COE) sent out	Mid-August, 2021
Application of entry visa (each applicant applies by him/herself)	August – September, 2021
Arrival in Japan (Dormitory move-in day)	September 24 (Fri) & 25 (Sat), 2021
Orientation	September 27 (Mon) – September 30 (Thur), 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.
<https://www.u-fukui.ac.jp/eng/international/study-at-fukui/programs/exchange-programs/application/>
- 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: Wednesday, March 31, 2021

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6. List of Application Documents

No.	Document	Note	Data Format
1	Form 1A: Program A Application Form	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This form should be directly typed on a computer. 	 MS Word
2	Form 2: Letter of Recommendation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A professor of the applicant's major at his/her home university must fill in the letter either in English or Japanese. This form should be directly typed on through a computer. After filling out the form, print it out and sign by hand where indicated. 	 (Scanned data)
3	Form 3: Certificate of Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please ask a medical institution to fill in the form. 	 (Scanned data)
4	Form 4: Certificate of Enrollment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This form needs to be issued by applicant's home university. <u>Exchange students must not graduate or earn a degree from his/her home university while enrolled at UF.</u> 	 (Scanned data)
5	Application for Certificate of Eligibility (CoE) for Applicants of UF Exchange Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This form is to apply for CoE. CoE is an official document necessary for the visa application. This Excel form should be directly typed on a computer. <u>Put your photograph on the 1st page.</u> 	 MS Excel
6	Bank Statement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note the name mentioned in this bank statement must be identical to the one you indicate in 26-3 in the above Application for CoE. Prepare your financial supporter's bank statement issued within the last 2 months. 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. 	 (Scanned data)
7	Academic Transcript	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. <u>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.</u> Example of grading system: A = 100-80, B = 79-70, etc. 	 (Scanned data)
8	Evidence of language proficiency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Submit a copy of an English test certificate equivalent to at least TOEFL PBT/ITP 500, iBT 61 or TOEiC 600.</u> 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. If you wish to take courses offered in Japanese at UF, also submit a certificate of JLPT N2. 	 (Scanned data)
9	Photograph (4cm x 3cm) of applicant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should be taken within 3 months, no hat, and no background. 	 (Image data)
10	Copy of applicants' passport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copy of the passport page with your photo. 	 (Scanned data)
11	<For Officer> Nomination Sheet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This form needs to be filled out by the officer. 	 (Scanned data)