

Application Guidelines for Exchange Students to Ochanomizu University (Fiscal Year 2021)

A. Educational Characteristics

The most distinguishing feature of the educational programs Ochanomizu University offers is the adoption of highly advanced curriculums taught in small class units. In the specialized education curriculum in particular, the intellectual capacity that each student aims for is cultivated through small seminars, labs and practical training. Another pivotal focus of the university's educational platform is "leader education" firmly grounded into the current trend toward globalization. In the quest to foster international caliber knowledge and abilities, we make keen efforts to instill superior language skills and cultural literacy applicable on the global front, in tandem with the development and practical application of educational research keyed to the lifestyle of modern women.

True to our mission statement to excel as "a place where all women who are motivated to learn can realize their earnest dreams", Ochanomizu University will continue to fulfill our role as an institution of higher education.

B. Academic Calendar

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| Period of Study/Research | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First (Spring) Semester (April 2021~ September 2021) • Second (Fall) Semester (October 2021 ~ March 2022) |
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C. Admission

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| Number of exchange students from your University | <p>Pursuant to the Memorandum for Student Exchange.</p> <p>We accept both one semester and one year students within limit.</p> |
| Application Deadline | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October 18, 2020 for the first semester 2021 (April entry) • April 17, 2021 for the second semester 2021 (October entry) |
| Application Requirement | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants should be female or women identified students only. • Exchange students are expected to have the Japanese language capability necessary to participate in lectures, seminars and tutorials at Ochanomizu University. • Exchange students should return and graduate from the home university after their period of study/research at Ochanomizu University. |
| Required Documents | <p>Please send the below items by e-mail.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application for Exchange Students (Form 1) • Recommendation Letter (Form 2) • Study/research plan (Form 3) • Photocopy of Passport (ID page) • Academic transcript • One printed photo (40mm×30mm) for Application for Certificate of Eligibility <p>*Health Certificate is not required</p> |
| Selection and Notification | <p>The result of selection will be sent to a partner university in around two months after each application deadline.</p> |

D. Curriculum

Language of Instruction Japanese

Number of Required Classes Minimum: 8 classes per week (includes Japanese language classes)

Credit System Based on a credit unit system

Grading System Your academic achievements are evaluated by S, A, B, C or D grades although S is applicable only to the Undergraduate Courses not to the Graduate Courses. Grade of "S" is given for excellent performance, "A" for good performance, "B" is for above average, "C" for average and "D" for failure.

Areas of Majors Undergraduate Courses
<http://www.ocha.ac.jp/en/education/index.html>

Graduate Courses (Master's Program and Doctoral Program)
<http://www.ocha.ac.jp/en/education/index.html>

Language Classes (Open to Exchange Students) The Japanese language classes are optional. There are two classes, "Seminar: Japanese" and "Seminar: Japanese Culture", each of which corresponds to 2 credits and is offered at 5 different levels from beginning to advance. There are also Tokusetsu Nihongo (literally translated as "Special Japanese") classes, such as "Introductory Japanese", "Intermediate Japanese", "Advanced Japanese", "Advanced Japanese Reading", "Advanced Japanese Writing", "Chinese Character", and "Japanese Language Proficiency Test". Students will be advised to take classes based on the result of a placement test at the beginning of the semester.

E. Scholarship

Scholarships for exchange students under inter-university exchange agreements are very limited, so they are expected to support themselves while they stay in Japan.

F. Accommodations

Ochanomizu University has an International Student House outside the campus where international and Japanese students live. All the rooms are single and furnished with a bed, a desk, a fridge, an air conditioner, etc. Dining kitchens and shower rooms are mutual facilities. It is self-catering and the cost of meals differs individually.

Room rent fee: 4,700 yen a month

Maintenance fee: 1,000 yen a month

Residents' association fee: 5,000 yen

Utilities: differs individually

Total cost: approximately 17,000 yen -20,000yen a month, meals are not included

G. Others

Living in Japan For details, please refer to the link below, you can find "Student Guide to Japan" which is a multilingual guidebook for international students planning to study in Japan published by Japan Student Services Organization(JASSO).
https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/study_j/sgtj.html

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