

Issuance of the “Letter of Provisional Acceptance for 2026” for Japanese Government (MONBUKAGAKUSHO: MEXT) Scholarship

International applicants who have passed the preliminary selection conducted by the Japanese Embassy and are interested in obtaining the “Letter of Provisional Acceptance for 2026” from the Graduate school of Agricultural and Life Sciences (GSALS) should follow the instructions below:

I. Documents to be submitted:

- 1. Letter from the Japanese Embassy informing you of passing the pre-selection exam (primary screening)**
- 2. All documents submitted to the embassy for Japanese Government (MONBUKAGAKUSHO: MEXT) Scholarship (complete set* including the photograph attached *Application Form, Field of Study and Study Program, Recommendation forms, Abstracts of theses*, etc.)**

*The Japanese Embassy returns a stamped copy of the application to the candidate along with the notification of passing the preliminary selection examination. Please send a copy of this stamped application received from the embassy. If you find the application forms (submitted to the embassy) incomplete, please fill out properly and completely before you send them to our faculty member.

- 3. Copy of the transcripts and degree certificates (originals not required).**

The latest certificates as of August 2025 must be submitted.

II. Submission methods and deadline:

In accordance with the “*Field of Study and Study Program*” submitted to the embassy along with the application, please identify the laboratory suitable for your research interest from the following websites:

GSALS: http://www.a.u-tokyo.ac.jp/english/departments/graduate_index.html

Faculty Search : <https://www.u-tokyo.ac.jp/focus/en/people/>

Please send the PDF files of these documents by email attachment to the laboratory (a prospective supervising professor, etc.) you wish to work with and request for a letter of provisional acceptance for 2026 (Cc: International Student Support Section ryugaku.a@gs.mail.u-tokyo.ac.jp) However, please refrain from contacting/ sending documents simultaneously to several professors and laboratories.

Deadline for requesting the “Letter of Provisional Acceptance for 2026”

International candidates (except Chinese)	Chinese candidates
<u>September 1, 2025 (Fri)</u>	<u>TBD</u> <u>(Information to be updated later)</u>

If you cannot find professor’s contact information or have not received the reply from the professor, please contact International Student Support Section (ryugaku.a@gs.mail.u-tokyo.ac.jp) in English or Japanese.

III. Upcoming Schedule and Communications:

	International candidates (except Chinese)	Chinese candidates
Issuing and sending “Letter of Provisional Acceptance for 2026”	By September 22, 2025 (Mon)	<u>TBD</u> <u>(Information to be updated later)</u>
Arrival in Japan: Enrollment as research students	April/October 2026	October 2026
Enrollment as regular students	April/October 2027	April 2027

- If your application is approved by our graduate school, our section will send a “Letter of Provisional Acceptance for 2026” via email.
- After MEXT finally decides the placement in our university, successful candidates will be separately requested to submit specified documents by our graduate school during the stipulated period in order to enter as a research student.
- Those who join our graduate school as a research student must pass the entrance exam. Only then you can enroll in the regular course (Master's or Doctoral) from April in the following year.
- The enrollment periods mentioned above are standard and may vary depending on the circumstances.
- If you wish to enter IPADS (Master's/Doctoral) , you must take the entrance exam for the course, and if you pass, you will enter the regular course in October 2027.

Japanese Government (MONBUKAGAKUSHO: MEXT) Scholarship for 2026:

https://www.mext.go.jp/content/20250327-mxt_kotokoku02-000034995-02.pdf

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