# 2024 April Admission Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka University

# **Application Guidance for: Doctoral Course, Division of Medicine**

- \* This Application Guidance is a translation from the original and shall not be regarded as official documentation. The English text has been provided merely as a reference.

  Please note that any official rules are based solely on the Japanese text.
- \* Applicants should contact your prospective supervisor before application or you apply.
- \* In case of any changes or updated information will be announced on our website, please check it to obtain the latest information.

https://www.med.osaka-u.ac.jp/admission/admission doctor

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# **Admission Policy:**

#### [Ideal Student Profiles]

Based on Osaka University's Admission Policies, in order to nurture personnel suited to its education objectives, the Graduate School of Medicine is looking for individuals who:

- \* meet the knowledge requirements noted below and aim to contribute to the advancement in medicine, medical care, and life science.
- \* aim to secure quality of healthy life for the local community as medical professionals.
- \* hope to assist in nurturing excellent personnel responsible for the next generation.

The Doctoral course welcomes persons possessing the following qualities:

- (1) English proficiency capable of reading theses written by western researchers and writing theses in English.
- (2) An undergraduate level of knowledge, necessary for conducting research in medicine and life science as well as a master's course or higher level of basic knowledge in a specialized area.
- (3) An excellent sense of purpose and a sense of ethics, necessary for conducting medical research.

# [Selection Scheme]

Entrance examinations for Doctoral Course (April and October admissions) are conducted in order to accept the diverse students matches to our requirement.

[Evaluation points of above qualities and abilities]

(1) will be evaluated in the English examination. (2) and (3) will be evaluated in the major subject examination, interview, submitted documents and other.

#### 1. Admission Schedule:

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	Autumn Examination	Winter Examination
Application Period	August 21 (Mon), 2023 – August 25 (Fri), 2023	November 27 (Mon), 2023– November 30 (Thu), 2023
Period of Application Fee Payment	July 1 <sup>st</sup> (Sat), 2023, 9:00 A.M.(JST) — August 25 <sup>th</sup> (Fri), 2023, 5:00 P.M.(JST)	October 1 <sup>st</sup> (Sun), 2023, 9:00 A.M. (JST) – November 30 <sup>th</sup> (Thu), 2023, 5:00 P.M.(JST)
Examination Dates	Major Subject and Interview Your intended laboratory will conduct the exam by October 5 (Thu), 2023.	Major Subject and Interview Your intended laboratory will conduct the exam by January 6 (Sat), 2024.
and Locations	Reading and Essay Writing (English) October 5 (Thu), 2023 2: 00 p.m 3: 30 p.m. (At the Faculty of Medicine Lecture Building)	Reading and Essay Writing (English) January 6 (Sat), 2024 2: 00 p.m 3: 30 p.m. (At the Faculty of Medicine Lecture Building)

Submission Address Hand deliver or mail (registered	2-2 Yamadaoka, Suita, Osaka, JAPAN 565	•		
mail by Japan Post or International Courier Services from overseas)	11	or hand delivery] oplication Office Hours: 9: 00 a.m 12: 00 p.m., 1: 00 p.m 5: 00 p.m. *CLOSED: Saturday, Sunday, and National holidays		
	November 13 (Mon), 2023	February 14 (Wed), 2024		
Announcement of Successful Applicants	Posted on our website after 1:30 p.m.( <a href="https://www.u.ac.jp/admission/admission_doctor">https://www.u.ac.jp/admission/admission_doctor</a> . Successful acceptance letter.	w.med.osaka- applicants will also individually receive an		

[Applications send within Japan]

The application envelope must be postmarked (in Japan) no later than August 23 (Wed), 2023 for the Autumn Examination, or November 28 (Tue), 2023 for the Winter Examination.

[Applications send from overseas]

Only the application materials that have arrived during each application period will be accepted.

#### 2. Number to be Admitted:

Division	Medicine
Number to be Admitted	172

- \* "Graduate students holding jobs" are included in the number above.
- \* "Graduate students holding jobs" are defined as people who currently work at places such as government offices, research institutes, companies, and hospitals and will be still employed after enrollment in Osaka University.
- \* If you work at the time of application and quit your job by the time of enrollment, you must submit proof of resignation from your current place of employment at the time of enrollment.
- \* Admission of graduate students holding jobs is limited to certain laboratories. (Please refer to the "Graduate School of Medicine Course List.")
- \* Junior Residents in training are not allowed to be enrolled in the Graduate School of Medicine at Osaka University. Junior Residents are required to suspend or cancel their Senior Resident training before enrollment.

XApplicant who belong to the laboratory which marked with ● on the "Graduate School of Medicine Course List." are allowed to continue the training at Osaka University Hospital under certain conditions. Please consult to your intended laboratory.

# 3. Application Procedures:

- (1) On the application, applicants must select an intended laboratory from the "Graduate School of Medicine Course List."
- (2) Prior to applying, contact your intended academic supervisor and obtain his/her consent.
  - \*Please refer the website below for more information regarding laboratories:

(https://www.med.osaka-u.ac.jp/introduction/research)

(3) International students should apply through your intended laboratory.

#### 4. Qualifications:

Applicants must meet one of the following qualifications:

- (1) Individuals who have graduated or expect to graduate from a university course in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, or pharmacy (limited to course terms of six years, same as below) by March 31, 2024.
- (2) Individuals who have completed or expect to complete eighteen (18) years of formal education overseas by March 31, 2024.
- (3) Individuals who have completed or expect to complete the equivalent of eighteen (18) years of formal education overseas through the completion in Japan of a correspondence course offered by a school in that country by March 31, 2024.
- (4) Individuals who have completed, or expect to complete the relevant coursework designated separately by the Minister of Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) at an educational facility in Japan which ranks in a foreign country's educational system as providing the same level of curriculum as a university in that country (limited to those facilities recognized as providing the equivalent of eighteen (18) years of formal education in that country) by March 31, 2024.
- (5) Individuals who have received or expect to receive the equivalent of a bachelor's degree through the completion of coursework (\*1) which requires five (5) or more years of study at an overseas university or school (\*2) by March 31, 2024.
- (\*1) Including but not limited to the completion of a correspondence course in Japan offered by a school overseas and which ranks in an educational system overseas as providing the same level of curriculum as a university in that country designated by Item (4)
- (\*2) Limited to schools evaluated by organizations that are certified by overseas governments, or relevant agencies, on the comprehensive progress of their education and research, or schools which are designated separately by the Minister of MEXT).
- (6) Individuals who complete or expect to complete a master's course in Japan by March 31, 2024.
- (7) An applicant designated by the Minister of MEXT (as per Notification No. 39 of the Ministry of Education dated April 8, 1955 and No.118 dated September 1, 1989) [Refer to "5. Qualifying Review"].
- (8) Individuals who have been enrolled at a graduate school in Japan pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 2 of Article 102 of the School Education Law and who are recognized as having adequate academic skill to study at the Graduate School of Medicine [Refer to "5. Qualifying Review"].
- (9) Individuals who have been enrolled at a university course in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, or pharmacy in Japan for at least four (4) years—and who are recognized by the Graduate School of Medicine as having acquired the prescribed number of credits with exemplary grades [Refer to "5. Qualifying Review"].
- (10) Individuals who have completed sixteen (16) years of formal education overseas (limited to those individuals who have completed a course in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, or pharmacy); individuals who have completed sixteen (16) years of formal education overseas through completion in Japan of a correspondence course offered by a school in that country (limited to those individuals who have completed a course in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, or pharmacy); or individuals who have completed the relevant coursework designated separately by the Minister of MEXT at an educational facility in Japan which ranks in an overseas educational system as providing the same level of curriculum as a university in that country (limited to those facilities recognized as providing the equivalent of sixteen (16) years of formal education in that country; limited to those individuals who have completed a course in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, or pharmacy) who are recognized by the Graduate School of Medicine as having acquired the prescribed number of credits with exemplary grades [Refer to "5. Qualifying Review"].

(11) Individuals who are at least twenty-four (24) years of age at the time of March 31, 2024 and who are recognized by the Graduate School of Medicine as having academic capabilities equal to or exceeding those of an individual who has completed a course in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, or pharmacy, based on a separate admission qualification evaluation [Refer to "5. Qualifying Review"].

(Note) "Universities" in (1), (9), and (11) indicate universities in Japan as stipulated by Article 83 of the School Education Law.

# 5. Qualifying Review:

Among the Qualifications mentioned above, those who wish to apply under (7) ((A), Individuals who have been enrolled at a five-year doctoral course for at least two years, have obtained at least 30 credits, and had necessary research guidance, or (B), Individuals who have been engaged in research at a university or a laboratory at least two years after graduating from a university or completing sixteen years of formal education overseas.), (8), (9), (10), or (11) must undergo a "Qualifying Review" prior to the application period. Individuals who pass the review may apply for the doctoral entrance examination.

Individuals who require a "Qualifying Review" should download the "Application Documents for the Qualifying Review" from the website below:

(https://www.med.osaka-u.ac.jp/admission/admission\_doctor)

The documents must be submitted to GAKUSEISHIEN-KAKARI (Student Support, Educational Affairs Section), either hand-delivered or by mail (registered mail or EMS from overseas), during the application period for the review.

# Type of Qualifying Review

#### (1) Qualifications (7)-(A), (7)-(B), and (11)

The Qualifying Review assesses academic capabilities equal to or exceeding those of an individual who has graduated from a university course in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, or pharmacy or completed a master's program.

The criteria for academic background and research periods (years of experience) to apply for Qualifying Review fall under (7)-(B), and (11).

Qualifications	Educational background	Research period after the latest academic year (years of experience)
(7)-(B)	Graduate of a university (four-year undergraduate etc.) Those who completed 16 years of formal education overseas	2 years or more
	(a) Graduate of a junior college (two-year course)	4 years or more
(11)	(b) Graduate of a junior college (three-year course)	3 years or more
	(c) Graduate of a technical college	4 years or more
	(d) Graduate of a specialized course (two	More than the period calculated by subtracting
	years or more) of a specialized training	the term of study in a specialized training college
	college	(specialized course) from six years.

(e) Graduate of a Japanese campus of a foreign university, international school, subtracting 18 from the total years of form specialized training college (except education, including years expected to attenspecialized courses), or other schools and educational institutes in Japan and experience) * must be greater than the remaining overseas.  (e.g. If the total number of formal education is 1 (having completed high school), then the calculation is 18-12=6. The individual then must have a research period (years of experience) that exceeds 6 years.)
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(f) Individuals who withdrew from any The number of years can be calculated by
schools mentioned in (a)-(e) above. subtracting 18 from the total years of form
education until withdrawal. The individual
research period (years of experience) * must be
greater than the remaining number to be eligib
for a Qualifying Review.
(e.g. If the total number of formal education is 1
(having withdrawn from university in the 60
month of the 3rd year), then the calculation is 18
15.5=2.5. The individual then must have
research period (years of experience) * th
exceeds 2.5 years.)

<sup>\*</sup>Research period (years of experience) should be the total of all periods below: (Including an estimate of expected research periods until March 31, 2024)

- (A) Period of being enrolled in a university or junior college as a research student.
- (B) Period of being enrolled in an advanced course of junior college or a technical college.
- (C) Period of being employed as an educator or a researcher in the field of education or research at a place such as a university, junior college, government office, research institute, or company.
- (D) Other periods equivalent to (A), (B), and (C).

# (2) Qualification (8)

The Qualifying Review assesses whether academic skills are adequate for studying at the Graduate School of Medicine.

# (3) Qualification (9), (10)

The Qualifying Review assesses courses taken and the number of earned credits required for application.

# Qualifying Review Schedule

	Autumn Examination	Winter Examination		
Application Period	June 27 (Tue), 2023 – June 29 (Thu), 2023	October 4 (Wed), 2023 – October 6 (Fri), 2023		
Submission Address Hand deliver or mail	GAKUSEISHIEN-KAKARI, Graduate	•		
(registered mail by Japan Post or	[for hand delivery]			
International	Application Office Hours: 9: 00 a.m 12: 00 p.m., 1: 00 p.m 5: 00 p.m.			
Courier Services from overseas)	*CLOSED: Saturday, Sunday, and Nation	onal holidays		

#### \*[Applications within Japan]

The application envelope must be postmarked no later than June 27 (Tue), 2023 for the Autumn Examination, or October 4 (Wed), 2023 for the Winter Examination.

[Applications from overseas]

Only the application materials that have been delivered during an application period will be accepted.

- \*Write "Application for Qualifying Review" in red on the front of the envelop.
- \*The notification of the results will be sent to applicants by post.

We do not respond concerning the result by phone or email.

\*Those who passed the Qualifying Review but failed to pass the Autumn Examination are exempt from the Qualifying Review for the Winter Examination.

Qualifying Review Documents \*The submitted documents will NOT be returned.

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Necessary documents	(7)-(A)	(7)-(B)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	Remarks
Application for the Qualifying Review	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	prescribed form: https://www.med.osaka-u.a
Research Achievement List	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>				✓	c.jp/admission/admission_ doctor
Academic Papers, etc.	<b>✓</b>	<b>\</b>				✓	
Certificate of Graduation	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>				✓	
Academic Transcript	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	Certificate issued by the president of schools or institutes attended (in Japanese or English).
Certificate of Research Period	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>				✓	
Certificate of Enrollment Period	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓		
Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope (SASE) (for notification results)	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	Prepare an envelope (120mm x 235mm), with your postal address (Japan) and name on the front and affix a 404JPY stamp on the envelope.

# 6. Application Procedure:

Applicants should hand-deliver or mail (registered mail by Japan Post or EMS from overseas) the following documents to the Graduate School of Medicine's GAKUSEISHIEN-KAKARI (Student Support, Educational Affairs Section).

#### Note

\*Application forms (marked with \*) can be downloaded from the website.

https://www.med.osaka-u.ac.jp/admission/admission\_doctor
\*The forms should be printed on one side on plain white A4 paper.

#### \*All submitted documents must be original.

\*If you take a hand delivery option, you need to put all your application documents in an envelope, and affix the prescribed label with your address and name (no need to affix postal stamp).

\*Certificates in other than Japanese or English must be translated to either Japanese or English, and must have been proved as the notarial certificate with the original and official signature or stamps of the school authorities/Embassy/Consulate.

<sup>\*</sup>International students should apply through your intended laboratory.

<sup>\*</sup>The submitted documents will NOT be returned.

<sup>\*</sup>Please contact GAKUSEISHIEN-KAKARI (Student Support, Educational Affairs Section; i-kyomu-

gakuseishien@office.osaka-u.ac.jp) for your query.

\*If you wish to apply to the Winter Examination after failing the Autumn Examination, please submit the original application documents <u>again</u>. The submitted documents for the Autumn Examination cannot be reused for the Winter Examination.

Document	Remarks
Application Form	<pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>
Statement of Purpose	<pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>
Examination Slip and Photo Sheet	<pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>
Certificate of Graduation (expected) Certificate of Completion (expected) or Certificate of Enrollment	<ul> <li>Original Certificate issued by the president of schools attended. (written in Japanese or English) and must have either the original and official signature/stamps of the school authorities or with anti-counterfeiting paper.</li> <li>Individuals who have completed/are expected to complete more than one undergraduate or graduate program should submit certificates from each and every program.</li> <li>1* Certificates from Osaka University's Medical School or Graduate School of Medicine (Master's Program in Medical Sciences) are not required to be submitted.</li> <li>2* Certificates from any faculties, schools, or graduate schools of Osaka University other than those mentioned above (1*) are required to be submitted.</li> <li>For those who have completed undergraduate or graduate programs abroad, a degree certificate is also required if it is not included in the Certificate of Graduation /Completion.</li> </ul>
[If applicable] Certificate of Degree	Individuals who were conferred a bachelor's degree from the National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education (NIAD-QE) should submit a Certificate of Degree issued by NIAD-QE.
Academic Transcript	<ul> <li>Original Certificate issued by the president of schools attended. (written in Japanese or English) and must be either the original and official signature/stamps of the school authorities or with anti-counterfeiting paper.</li> <li>Individuals who have completed graduate programs should submit certificates from both undergraduate and graduate programs.</li> <li>Individuals who have completed more than one undergraduate or graduate program should submit certificates from each and every program.</li> <li>1* Certificates from Osaka University's Medical School or Graduate School of Medicine (Master's Program in Medical Sciences) are not required to be submitted.</li> <li>2* Certificates from any faculties, schools, or graduate schools of Osaka University other than those mentioned above (1*) are required to be submitted.</li> <li>Individuals who have transferred to other schools should submit certificates from each and every school. (Including the case of withdrawal from school.)</li> </ul>

Document	Remarks
	The application fee is 30,000 yen. Please make payment using the Application Fee Payment System.  Once the payment is completed, download the Receipt of Application Fee Payment from the Application Fee Payment System and submit it with other application documents.
	othe Application Fee Payment System <a href="https://e-apply.jp/n/osaka-u-payment">https://e-apply.jp/n/osaka-u-payment</a>
Receipt of Application Fee Payment	For the details how to pay the application fee by the Application Fee Payment System, please refer to the graduate school's website below.
	http://www.med.osaka-u.ac.jp/admission/admission_doctor
	System operation fee will be charged separately.  * Not required for those who will enroll as a Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship student.  * Not required for those who expect to complete a master's program at Osaka University in March 2024 and will continue studying at the doctoral level.
Address Labels	<pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><p< td=""></p<></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>
Self-addressed Stamped Envelope (SASE)	<pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>
Document Check list	<pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>
Application Envelope	<pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>
[If applicable]  Document Regarding  Applicant's Name	<ul> <li>(a) Individuals whose name on the application form and the one on any certification documents submitted are shown in different languages should attach a document that proves both are the name of the same person.</li> <li>(b) Individuals who have changed their own name and the documents submitted include two different names should attach public certifications, such as certificate of individual records, to prove the change.</li> </ul>
[If applicable] Copy of Passport and	Passport copy of the page(s) with the applicant's name, nationality, date of birth and photo. (Passport holders only)
Residence Card / Special Permanent Residents Certificate (both sides)	Foreigners (except Special Permanent Residents) who have registered as residents in Japan should submit a copy of their Residence Card / Special Permanent Resident Certificate that shows their Status of Residence and Period of Stay.

Document	Remarks
[If applicable] Certificate of MEXT Scholarship Student	Japanese government scholarship students (MEXT Scholarship Student) must submit their Certificate of MEXT Scholarship Student. (Students in Osaka University's Medical School or Graduate School of Medicine (Master's Program in Medical Sciences) need not submit this certificate.)
[If applicable] Certificate of Government Scholarship (other than Japan)	Individuals who receive foreign government scholarships must submit a certificate of the scholarship.
[If applicable] Permission Form (Approval Form)	<pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><pre><p< td=""></p<></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre></pre>

Note: Within the Graduate School of Medicine, admission of graduate students holding jobs is limited to certain laboratories. If you work at the time of application and wish to belong to a laboratory that is restricted for graduate students holding jobs, you must submit proof of resignation from your current place of employment at the time of enrollment.

# 7. Selection Method:

Successful applicants are selected on the basis of the overall judgement of the results of the entrance examination(s) (major subject, reading and essay writing (English), and interview) and applied materials.

Reading and essay writing (English) examination is not required for those who meet the one of the following conditions:

- (1) Individuals who expect to complete a master's program at Osaka University by 2024 March in the Division of Medical Sciences, Graduate School of Medicine.
  - •Successful applicants are selected on the basis of the overall judgement of the results of the entrance examination, major subject examination and interview, and applied materials.
  - •Check the box for < Applicant who expects to complete a master's program in the Division of Medical Sciences, Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka University > and fill in your Student ID in Application Form.
- (2) Individuals who have passed the reading and essay writing examination for a doctoral dissertation of medicine within five years.
  - •Successful applicants are selected on the basis of the overall judgement of the results of the entrance examination, major subject examination and interview, and applied materials.
  - •Check the box for <Applicant who has passed the exam for a dissertation > and fill in the passed date in Application Form.
- (3) Individuals who have minimum English proficiency of TOEFL iBT 80 or 6.5 in the IELTS academic module.
  - •Successful applicants are selected on the basis of the overall judgement of the results of the entrance examination, major subject examination and interview, and applied materials.
  - •The following documents are required to submit in addition to the documents listed in "6. Application Procedure":

- (a) One letter of recommendation (written in Japanese or English)
  - The letter should be written by the person who is equivalent to a professor in Japan and overseas, and content of the applicant's research must be included in the description of the recommendation letter.
- (b) An original copy of the TOEFL iBT Test Taker Score or of IELTS' Test Report Form
  - Only those from tests held during August 2021 to July 2023 (for the Autumn Examination) and during December 2021 to November 2023 (for the Winter Examination) are valid.
  - TOEFL MyBest Scores, TOEFL-ITP, TOEFL iBT Home Edition, IELTS General Training Module are invalid. Score sheets, downloaded/printed from your ETS account on the website are invalid.
- •Check the box for <Applicant who meets English score > in Application Form.
- •If any application material is not fully completed, applicants will not be exempted writing (English) examination.
- •Applicants who were exempted writing (English) examination for the Autumn Examination and failed the course, will be exempt writing (English) examination for the Winter Examination
- (4) A graduate of Osaka University's Medical School who has acquired credits from the "MD Researcher Education Program" or Individuals who expect to graduate from Osaka University's Medical School and have finished the final presentation in the "MD Researcher Education Program" before the Reading and Essay Writing (English) Examination , and wishes to belong to a laboratory marked with ⋄ on the "Graduate School of Medicine Course List".
  - •Successful applicants are selected on the basis of the overall judgement of the results of the entrance examination, major subject examination and interview, and applied materials.
  - •Check the box for <Applicant who has acquired or expect to acquire credits for the "MD Researcher Education Program at Osaka University"> and fill in your Student ID in Application Form.

# 8. Exam Subjects and Dates:

- (1) Major subject and Interview
  Exams will be conducted by the laboratory you wish to belong to. Please ask the laboratory for details regarding the date and the place of exams. (Main number: 06-6879-5111)
- (2) Reading and Essay writing (English)
  - Note1: Applicants are allowed to bring <u>a paper dictionary to the exam, limited to one language dictionary. Other dictionaries such as a medical dictionary or an electronic dictionary are not allowed.</u>
  - Note 2: Please meet at the Faculty of Medicine Lecture Building thirty minutes prior to the exam time and be seated in the designated place.
  - Note 3: <u>Please present your Examination Slip when you enter the place for examination.</u> Examination Slips will be sent out by registered mail on September 15 (Fri), 2023 (for the Autumn Examination) or on December 15 (Fri), 2023 (for the Winter Examination). Please contact the Graduate School of Medicine's GAKUSEISHIEN-KAKARI if you don't receive it within six days from the date above.

#### 9. Announcement of Successful Candidates:

Successful applicants will be posted on the Graduate School of Medicine's website (<a href="https://www.med.osaka-u.ac.jp/admission/admission\_doctor">https://www.med.osaka-u.ac.jp/admission/admission\_doctor</a>) after 1:30 p.m. on the date indicated on page 1. Successful applicants will also individually receive an acceptance letter. The letter will be sent by registered mail to the address on the label affixed to the SASE. If you need to change the address, please contact the Graduate School of Medicine's GAKUSEISHIEN-KAKARI 10 days prior to the announcement date.

(\*Only successful applicants will receive a letter individually.)

We do not respond concerning the result by phone or email.

#### 10. Enrollment Fee and Tuition Fee:

Enrollment Fee: 282,000yen

Tuition Fee: 267,900 yen/Semester (535,800 yen/year)

- \*Changes may occur to enrollment fee and tuition fee.
- \*Should tuition fees change while the student is attending the school, the new tuition fees will apply at the time of the change.
- \*An enrollment fee is not required for those who expect to complete the master's program at Osaka University in 2024 March and will continue studying at the Doctoral level.
- \*Japanese government scholarship students do not need to pay the enrollment fee or tuition fee.

Osaka University offers tuition waiver system (Tuition Waiver System for Honor International Students) for privately-funded international students who are recognized as excellent in the graduate school entrance examinations in order to further strengthen research capabilities and promote the acceptance of international students. This entrance examination is subject to the Tuition Waiver System for Honor International Students. The successful applicants for this program/course are eligible for the Tuition Waiver System.

#### 11. Admission Process:

The period for the admission process is planned for early March 2024. Documents relating to the admission process should be sent by registered mail by the middle of February 2024.

- \*Please fill in the address label (Address in Japan only). <u>Contact the Graduate School of Medicine's GAKUSEISHIEN-KAKARI immediately</u> if there is any address change after application.
- \*Failure to complete the admission procedures shall be regarded as refusal of admission.
- \*Junior Residents in training are not allowed to be enrolled in the Graduate School of Medicine at Osaka University. Junior Residents are required to suspend or cancel their Senior Resident training before enrollment. 

  \*\*Applicant who belong to the laboratory which marked with 
  on the "Graduate School of Medicine Course List." are allowed to continue the training at Osaka University Hospital under certain conditions. 
  Please consult to your intended laboratory.
- \*Individuals who are enrolled in other universities, other faculties of Osaka University, or other graduate schools of Osaka University (\*hereinafter referred to as "other universities") are not allowed to be enrolled in the Graduate School of Medicine at Osaka University. Please contact other universities to confirm the necessary procedure for unenrolling. A document to prove unenrollment such as a Certificate of Withdrawal or Certificate of Graduation is required to be submitted after entering the Graduate School of Medicine at Osaka University.

#### 12. Disclosure of Entrance Examination Results:

The score of the reading and essay writing (English) examination is disclosed upon request from the applicant.

Request period: \*Requests made outside of this period will not be accepted.

Autumn Examination: November 14 (Tue), 2023 – November 17 (Fri), 2023

[requests must be arrived no later than the deadline]

Winter Examination: February 27 (Tue), 2024 – March 1 (Fri), 2024

[requests must be arrived no later than the deadline]

#### How to request:

Please send the following documents to the Graduate School of Medicine's GAKUSEISHIEN-KAKARI. Write "Request for disclosure of the score of <Entrance Examination for Doctoral Course>" in red on the envelope. Please enclose:

- •The Disclosure of the Entrance Examination Results (prescribed form)

  Application form can be downloaded from the website. (To be published in late October 2023)

  <a href="https://www.med.osaka-u.ac.jp/admission/admission">https://www.med.osaka-u.ac.jp/admission/admission</a> doctor</a>
- •Examination slip
- •SASE envelope (120mm x 235mm) with a 404JPY stamp.

#### 13. Precautions:

- (1) Those who did not pass the Autumn Examination may apply for the Winter Examination.
- (2) If the application documents contain any falsifications, admission may be revoked even after being admitted to the university.
- (3) We do not accept the enrollment if the applicant fail to obtain qualification of the Application Eligibility by March 31, 2024.
- (4) If you require support or reasonable adjustments/accommodations due to disabilities etc., please make requests to the Graduate School of Medicine's GAKUSEISHIEN-KAKARI (Student Support, Educational Affairs Section) at least a week prior to the date of each application period.
- (5) Changes are not allowed to the application for admission after submission.
- (6) The application documents submitted are not returnable.
- (7) The application fee will not be returned after application submission, except for the following circumstances:
  - 1. An applicant applied but was not eligible to take the examination.
  - 2. The application arrived after the deadline and the application was not accepted.
  - 3. The application documents were incomplete and the application was not accepted.
  - 4. The application fee was paid, but the individual did not submit the application.
  - 5. The application fee was paid incorrectly and overlapping payments were sent.
  - \*If 4 or 5 mentioned above apply, please request reimbursement. The request form for application fee reimbursement may be requested from GAKUSEISHIEN-KAKARI (Student Support, Educational Affairs Section) within two weeks from the deadline of each application period.
- (8) Bring the examination slip on exam day. Keep the slip for the admission process (if the exam is passed).
- (9) We do not arrange accommodation for testing.
- (10) Cars, motorcycles (including motorized bikes) are not permitted on the campus.
- (11) Individuals who show outstanding achievements can complete a four-year doctoral course in three-years, following an approval by a faculty meeting.
- (12) Any schedule change due to disasters, flu, or other emergencies, will be announced on the website below. Please check the website to obtain the latest information.
- (13) Please visit our website below to request Past Entrance Exam Questions (2years). Read "How to request the past entrance exam questions", and send the request following the given instructions.
- (14) This Application Guidance is a translation from the original and shall not be regarded as official documentation. The English text has been provided merely as a reference. Please note that any official rules are based solely on the Japanese text.

# 14. Policy on Handling Personal Information:

- Names, addresses, and other personal information obtained through the application procedure will be used in the Entrance Examination Process, Announcement of the Successful Applicants, Admission Procedures, and to distribute program leaflets. Also, successful applicants' information is used for special registration course selection. For those admitted into Osaka University, personal information will also be used in academic-related matters (such as keeping academic and registration records), in student support matters (such as health care management, school fee remissions, scholarship applications, career support, etc.), and in school fee management.
- The information obtained through the entrance examination such as grade statistics and analysis will be used for research on admission methods. Also, successful applicants' information is used for special registration course selection.
- To process the admission, personal data obtained from the entrance examination process may be delegated to a third party with a contract to protect the information of individuals.