

The University of Osaka (UOsaka)
Tuition Waiver System for Honor International Students

Doctoral Course Application Guidelines for 2026

1. Eligible Person

A student who falls under all of the following

- (i) Those whose status of residence is “Student”
- (ii) Those who do not receive tuition support, such as Japanese government scholarship student (MEXT student), foreign government-sponsored student and so on
- (iii) Those who have not received support equivalent to tuition fees for the purpose of tuition support by scholarship foundations

If any of (i) through (iii) is not applicable to you, please contact the following.

Graduate School of Medicine, Educational Affairs Section, The University of Osaka

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2. Number of applicants selected

4 slots

3. Application procedures

Applicants should check the appropriate box on the application form if they wish to be considered for a tuition waiver. In addition, applicants who are exempted from the English examination and who have not submitted scores from an external English proficiency test (e.g., prospective Master’s degree holders) and wish to be considered for a tuition waiver must submit an official score report from either TOEFL iBT or IELTS taken within two years of the application deadline.

4. Screening and notification for results

Screening will be made based on the results of the entrance examination and other factors. The result of the screening will be notified to all applicants by enclosing a notice to the acceptance letter. **If an applicant who has been selected for exemption declines after notification of the selection results, another selection will be made and only the applicant who has been selected for exemption will be notified of the results.**

5. Suspension of Tuition Fee Exemption

Tuition exemption will be canceled in the following cases.

- In the case of arriving in Japan without obtaining a "Student" status of residence or in the case that the status of residence of "Student" is changed to another status of residence.
- When it is confirmed that graduation/completion within the standard period of study is impossible.
- When disciplinary action such as suspension is received in accordance with the university rules.
- When you receive tuition exemption under another system.
- When the university determines that the student is not suitable for exemption under this system due to academic performance, etc.

6. Additional Information

- Students who are exempted from tuition fee under this system should not apply for another tuition exemption system which is mainly for students with financial difficulties.
- This system only covers tuition fees. If you wish to be exempted from paying enrollment fee or to be deferred the payment of enrollment fee, you must separately apply for the "Enrollment/Tuition Fee Exemption Program (Exemption Program at UOsaka)" which is mainly for students with financial difficulties. For details on application procedures for enrollment fee exemption, please check the enrollment information documents sent later.