

## **April 2026 Admission Information**

### **School of Japan Studies**

### **Entrance Examination (English-Speaker Track)**

### **<with Japanese Government (MEXT) scholarship opportunity>**

The School of Japan Studies offers students the opportunity to study Japan from a multi-disciplinary, international perspective. The program is unique in that it enables Japanese and international students to take the same courses and learn in a shared environment. Students will learn innovative problem-solving skills, which will prepare them for life in an increasingly diverse and globalized world. Students who enter the School of Japan Studies will take classes from TUFS' Global Liberal Arts Program and Core Seminar Program, while receiving intensive training in Japanese. Upon graduation, students will be awarded a Bachelor's degree in Language and Area Studies. To graduate, students must complete 125 credits and submit a graduation project thesis or equivalent project. Theses may be written in English or Japanese.

#### ■ Outline

Admission Date	1st April, 2026
Study Period	April 2026 – March 2030
Application Fee	JPY 17,000
Admission Fee	JPY 282,000 (as of 2025 academic year)
Tuition	JPY 535,800 per year (as of 2025 academic year) Pay in two installments: JPY 267,900 due in May; and the same amount due in October
Graduation Requirements	125 Credits (including a graduation project)
Language of Instruction	English and Japanese
Intake	10 Students
Degree Granted	Bachelor of Arts (Language and Area Studies)

#### ■ Admission Policy

##### (1) Our Mission

The mission of the Tokyo University of Foreign Studies is to better equip students with the skills and knowledge they will require to cooperate within the context of value systems and cultures that differ from their own to address the challenges confronting global society. The diverse education offered at TUFS in the languages, cultures, and societies of various regions of the world provides a nurturing environment that instills in students a deeper understanding in and refined sensitivity for their chosen field, enhanced communication skills, and broader perspectives.

## (2) The Type of Student We Seek

The undergraduate programs at TUFS offer basic grounding in a range of academic disciplines related to the languages, cultures, and societies of diverse regions of the world, as well as in fields that provide a cross-disciplinary perspective on diverse international problems and issues.

TUFS seeks students who have acquired a comprehensive and thorough basic high school education, either in Japan or elsewhere; who are able to think critically, make informed decisions, and express themselves articulately; who have inquiring minds and a thirst for knowledge; who support the University's mission; and who are eager to work together with people of diverse cultural backgrounds to tackle global problems and issues. The School of Japan Studies welcomes those who desire to study Japan from an international perspective to become global leaders with a deep understanding of Japan, or who seek to contribute to the advancement of multilingual and multicultural societies in Japan and elsewhere.

Future career opportunities are to be found in global corporations, Japanese companies seeking to expand globally, municipal, national, and international organizations, as well as in interpreting and translation, tourism and transport, publishing, media-related corporations, educational and research institutions involved in teaching Japanese language and culture, and as a teacher of the Japanese language in junior and senior high schools. Students may also elect to continue their studies at graduate school to pursue careers in research.

## (3) Selection Policy (School of Japan Studies Entrance Examination (English-Speaker Track))

- This examination is for students seeking to enter the School of Japan Studies.
- This examination is for applicants who have completed secondary school and wish to enter the School of Japan Studies but are not yet proficient in Japanese.
- During the selection process, significant weight will be given to recommendations from overseas high schools.
- The selection process is comprised of a first and second screening. The first screening will be conducted using documents submitted by the applicant, such as academic transcripts and English proficiency scores. Those who pass the initial screening will advance to the second screening, which is carried out in the form of an online interview. During each screening, faculty members will assess applicants' desire to study at TUFS, basic academic skills, and ability to think critically, make informed decisions, and explain their ideas with clarity and precision.

## ■ Eligibility

Applicants must possess a non-Japanese nationality. In addition, they must meet ONE of the following conditions and ALL of the following qualifications:

### 1. Conditions

Applicants must meet one of the following conditions.

- (1) Have completed or are expected to complete 12 years of formal education (excluding university education) in foreign countries by March 31, 2026 or are considered to have completed an equivalent education by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology – Japan (MEXT). (See (Note 1) and (Note 2) below.)

- (2) Have obtained or are expected to obtain an overseas qualification for university admission, such as an International Baccalaureate, Abitur, Baccalaureate, GCE A level, International A level, or European Baccalaureate in a foreign country by March 31, 2026.
- (3) Have completed or are expected to complete 12 years of education at a WASC, CIS, ACSI, NEASC, Cognia (NCA CASI, NWAC, SACS CASI), or COBIS-accredited international school by March 31, 2026.
- (4) Have been screened individually for eligibility and deemed by TUFS to possess the academic ability required to satisfy conditions (1) ~ (3), and will be aged 18 or over as of March 31, 2026. (See (Note 3) below.)

(Note 1) Those who have completed or are expected to complete less than 12 years of formal education in foreign countries that require at least 12 years of formal education for university entrance, by skipping grades etc. are included.

(Note 2) Those who are considered to have completed an equivalent education by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology – Japan (MEXT)” are;

- ① Those who have passed an accreditation examination in a foreign country (including examinations that are equivalent to national examinations), which tests whether or not an applicant has an academic capacity equivalent to or higher than that of a student who has completed 12 years of formal education in that country and is aged 18 or over as of March 31, 2026.
- ② Those who have completed a school education equivalent to a high school education in a foreign country (including those who have passed the accreditation examination (including examinations that are equivalent to national examinations), which tests whether or not an applicant has an academic capacity equivalent to or higher than that of a student who has completed high school education in that country), and has completed or are expected to complete the MEXT-designated preparatory education for those seeking admission in Japan by March 31, 2026.
- ③ Those who have completed or are expected to complete their compulsory education by March 31, 2026 in a foreign country in which high school requires less than 12 years to complete. Individuals in this category are expected to have completed a course of a formal education, which is separately designated by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology – Japan (MEXT). This restriction applies only to individuals who have completed an education of at least 11 years in a country in which high school requires less than 12 years to complete and who have satisfied other conditions set by MEXT.

<https://www.mext.go.jp/en/policy/education/highered/title02/detail02/sdetail02/1395423.html>

(Note 3) Those who are considered to meet Condition (4) are individuals who do not meet Conditions (1) to (3). If you wish to check your eligibility for Condition (4), please contact the Global Admissions Office. When you contact the university, please observe the following guidelines.

1. Contact the University by Friday, July 25, 2025
2. Contact should be sent via e-mail. Send the following documents as an e-mail attachment to the Global Admissions Office ([gao@tufs.ac.jp](mailto:gao@tufs.ac.jp))
3. Documents to submit
  - A) Application Form (2026)

Fill out Page 2 and 3 of the “Application Form (2026).” The form may be downloaded from the following URL:  
[https://www.tufs.ac.jp/documents/english/admission/degree/undergraduate\\_program/J3\\_Application\\_Form\\_2026\\_3.pdf](https://www.tufs.ac.jp/documents/english/admission/degree/undergraduate_program/J3_Application_Form_2026_3.pdf)
  - B) Submit a document detailing the portion of the applicant’s academic history believed to be equivalent to a formal high school education, such as a transcript of academic grades.
  - C) If the applicant has work experience or/and possesses professional license(s), they should also submit relevant documentation. There is no particular requirement regarding the format.
4. The Global Admissions Office will inform the applicant of the results via e-mail.

## 2. Qualifications

Applicants must meet all of the following qualifications.

- (1) Excluding individuals whose first language is English or non-native speakers who received their entire high school education in English, applicants must submit proof that they possess at least a B2 level of English proficiency, as defined by the CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Language). They should submit a certificate provided by one of the specified English proficiency tests. For more information, please refer to the score comparison chart on the last page.
- (2) In accordance with the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act (Cabinet Order No. 319 of 1951), all applicants must possess or be able to obtain a visa to study in Japan.
- (3) Applicants must have an excellent academic record, be of excellent personal character, and have a strong desire to study at TUFS.
- (4) All applicants should obtain a Letter of Recommendation from their high school principal.

**Those who are interested in applying for a Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship should refer to pages 15-17.**

## ■ Screening

The First screening will be conducted on the basis of the application materials submitted by the applicant. Those who pass the first screening will then be required to undergo an online interview.

## ■ Application Schedule

Application Period	August 25- September 5, 2025
Submission Deadline of Letter of Recommendation by High School Representative	September 5, 2025
Announcement of the First Screening Results	October 3, 2025
Second Screening	Mid-late October, 2025
Announcement of the Admission Decisions - Successful applicants should then apply for a student visa.	November 21, 2025
Entrance Procedure	Late March-early April, 2026

## ■ Others

### 1. On-Campus Dormitory

Successful applicants may apply to live in an on-campus dormitory. However, those who apply are not guaranteed a place in the dorms. Even for those given rooms, the duration of residence is, in principle, limited to six months. If a dorm room is unavailable, TUFS will help students find off-campus accommodation.

### 2. Other Fees

- English examination fee (valid for 4 years) JPY 17,000
- Insurance (other than national health insurance) JPY 50,970 (as of 2025 academic year)

### 3. Handling of Personal Information

In accordance with the “Act on Protection of Personal Information held by Incorporated Administrative Agencies, etc.” and “Regulations on Personal Information Protection by National University Corporation, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies,” we handle personal information submitted by applicants at the time of application, such as an applicant’s name, address, phone number, academic grades, and test scores, as follows:

- Information provided by the applicants is used only for the purpose related to selection, admission, and enrollment.
- Information provided by successful applicants is used only for administrative matters, such as creating a student registry, student affairs, and collecting tuition.

**Please note:**

- (1) Applicants with special needs and those that require specialized health care for a disability or illness are advised to consult with us when they send an e-mail to the GAO.**
- (2) In case of inquiries regarding this entrance examination (English-Speaker Track), please make sure that the following keywords are included in the title of email so that GAO can distinguish from other inquiries.**

**e.g., “School of Japan Studies”, “undergraduate program”,  
or “English-Speaker Track”, etc.**

**Global Admissions Office (GAO)**

**E-mail: [gao@tufs.ac.jp](mailto:gao@tufs.ac.jp)**

## ■ Application Procedures

Definition of the following terms	
<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Person applying to study at TUFS</b>
<b>High School Representative</b>	<b>Person at the Applicant's high school who will submit the Applicant's Letter of Recommendation</b>

### 1. Request the high school to write and submit the Letter of Recommendation.

#### About the Letter of Recommendation:

- The Letter of Recommendation must be written in English or Japanese and signed by **the principal or school head** of the applicant's high school.
- The Letters of Recommendation must include the TUFS Cover Letter, which template is available on the application website.
- The Letter of Recommendation must be addressed to the president of TUFS. Detailed instructions for writing the Letter of Recommendation are provided on the Cover Letter form.

#### How to submit the Letter of Recommendation:

- The Applicant must arrange to have the Letter of Recommendation submitted by the high school.
- The Applicant must complete the "Letter of Recommendation Request Form" below to have the necessary information sent to the High School Representative.

TUFS may contact the High School Representative to confirm the information submitted using this form.

#### [Letter of Recommendation Request Form]

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- In addition, the Applicant must have all of the required fields in this form confirmed with the High School Representative before completing it.
- The information that the Applicant will enter in the "Letter of Recommendation Request Form" is as follows:

#### [Applicant's Information]

Name as it appears on the Applicant's passport, Date of Birth, and E-mail Address

#### [Institutional Information]

Official Name of the Applicant's High School, High School Location (Country), and School Website

#### [High School Representative's Information]

Legal Name, Position at High School, and Official E-mail Address (must be the official school domain account)

**Note:**

- Please make sure the High School Representative submits the Letter of Recommendation and the Cover Letter by the application deadline.
- TUFS will not accept the application if TUFS finds out that the Letter of Recommendation has been submitted by the Applicant.

**2. Payment of Application Fee (JPY 17,000)**

**<Flywire>**

Payment should be made using the Flywire application.

Access: <https://www.flywire.com/pay/tufs/>

Flywire is a system that allows easy payments from overseas eliminating the operational obstacles associated with international transfers.

After completing the payment, please download the “FLYWIRE PAYMENT CONFIRMATION” page and upload it on the designated “Online Application Form” in PDF format.

Download the Flywire instructions here:

[https://www.tufs.ac.jp/documents/english/admission/degree/undergraduate\\_program/J3\\_Flywire\\_Instruction\\_2026\\_2.pdf](https://www.tufs.ac.jp/documents/english/admission/degree/undergraduate_program/J3_Flywire_Instruction_2026_2.pdf)

\*Depending on the option you choose while using Flywire, a handling charge may be incurred. Such charges must be borne by the applicant.

**3. Enter all of the required fields in the “Online Application Form” and upload application documents using the form.**

**How to apply:**

- The Applicant must enter all of the required fields in the “Online Application Form” below and upload their application materials. They must be uploaded NO LATER than September 5, 2025.

**[Online Application Form]**

**IN PREPARATION**

Access Period: From Monday, August 25, 2025, 0:00AM (Japan Standard Time) to **Friday, September 5, 2025, 11:59 PM (Japan Standard Time)**

**Application Deadline: Friday, September 5, 2025, 11:59 PM (Japan Standard Time)**

**The Sample of “Online Application Form” is as follows.**

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**[Please note]**

- If the Letter of Recommendation is not uploaded by the High School Representative, TUFS cannot accept the application.
- As to whether the Letter of Recommendation has been uploaded or not to TUFS, Applicant must ask the High School Representative directly.

**Application Documents**

No.	Document	Notes
1	Photograph Data (For VISA application and Student ID Card)	<p>Photograph Data must</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Be 4cm by 3cm in size</li> <li>- Be portrait-style and front-facing with no hat or sunglasses</li> <li>- Have been taken within the last three months</li> </ul> <p><u>*Please do not edit your photograph. The person in the picture should look the same as the person who appears in the interview.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Upload it using the designated “Online Application Form” in “.jpeg”, “.jpg” or “.png” format.</li> </ul>
2	Application Checklist And Application Form	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Insert a Photograph Data in the photo field.</li> <li>- Fill out the Application Form and upload it using the designated “Online Application Form” in PDF format.</li> </ul>
3	Receipt of Application Fee (JPY 17,000)	After completing the payment, please download the “FLYWIRE PAYMENT CONFIRMATION” page and upload it using the designated “Online Application Form” in PDF format.
4	Personal Statement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 800-1,000 words in English.</li> <li>- Write your name on the front page.</li> <li>- Discuss your background, academic training, specific steps you have taken to prepare yourself for life in Japan, and goals you hope to achieve while at TUFS. During your discussion, please explain why you have chosen to apply to our university and the manner in which an education at TUFS can help you realize your future goals.</li> <li>- After writing the Personal Statement, upload it using the designated “Online Application Form” in PDF format.</li> </ul>
5	Academic Transcript(s) from every <b>high school</b> that you attended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Must be an original or a certified copy of the original.</li> <li>- <u>Transcript(s) should include all classes taken, credits and grades earned during each academic year, and your school’s grading scale. If the grading scale is not included, please obtain a document containing the relevant information from your high school.</u></li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If you attended multiple high schools, please submit transcripts from all of the schools that you attended.</li> <li>- If you skipped one or more grades, that information should be included on your transcript or Certificate of (Expected) Graduation. If it is not stated on either document, please ask your high school to issue a document bearing an official seal which lists the grade/grades skipped.</li> <li>- If the original document is written in a language other than Japanese or English, you must attach a <b><u>Japanese or English</u></b> translation.</li> <li>- If transcript is issued in paper form, scan it into PDF format.</li> <li>- Upload it using the designated “Online Application Form” in PDF format.</li> </ul> <p>*Please consult with the GAO before applying if you are having difficulty obtaining the necessary transcripts.</p>
6	Certificate of Graduation or Certificate of Expected Graduation from the <b><u>high school</u></b> you most recently attended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Must be an original or a certified copy of the original.</li> <li>- The certificate must show <b><u>the date of (expected) graduation (year and month)</u></b>. If the certification does not list the date of (expected) graduation, please ask your school to issue a document bearing an official seal containing the relevant information.</li> <li>- If the original document is written in a language other than Japanese or English, you must attach a <b><u>Japanese or English</u></b> translation.</li> <li>- If the certificate is issued in paper form, scan it into PDF format.</li> <li>- Upload it using the designated “Online Application Form” in PDF format.</li> <li>- <b>[Note]</b> Successful applicants who submitted the Certificate of Expected Graduation must submit the Certificate of Graduation when they arrive at TUFS in April.</li> </ul>
7	Evidence of English Proficiency (TOEFL iBT, IELTS, TOEIC L&R/TOEIC S&W or Cambridge English)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Applicants must submit an official score report certifying that they possess an English proficiency of CEFR B2 level or above. The official score must cover all “four English skills” (Listening, speaking, reading, and writing). Refer to the score comparison chart on the last page.</li> <li>- <b>The overall/total score as well as the score for each skill must correspond to CEFR B2 level or above for the MEXT scholarship requirements.</b></li> <li>- Applicants whose first language is English are exempted.</li> <li>- Applicants who are non-native speakers of English but have received their entire high school education in English are also exempted. <u>Applicants in the latter category must submit a document, such as their Academic Transcripts, Certificate of (Expected) Graduation, or a document bearing an official seal from their high school, indicating that they received their high school</u></li> </ul>

		<p><u>education entirely in English.</u></p> <p><b>&lt;How to Submit Your English Test Score&gt;</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Applicants must submit one of the following scores: TOEFL iBT, IELTS, TOEIC L&amp;R/TOEIC S&amp;W, or Cambridge English.</li> <li>- Applicants must possess a TOEFL iBT score of at least 72. If using another service, applicants must submit a score equivalent to a 72 on the TOEFL iBT test. Please refer to the score comparison chart on the last page for more information.</li> <li>- Applicants must upload an official score report on the designated “Online Application Form” in PDF format. (You may upload a scanned copy.)</li> <li>- In addition, be sure to submit the original certificate of your test score issued by the designated institutions so that it arrives at TUFS by the submission deadline.</li> <li>- The procedure to send your original certificate from the institutions to TUFS directly is as follows.</li> </ul> <p><b>TOEFL iBT</b></p> <p>Please have the TOEFL center send your “Official Score Report” directly to our Admissions Office. <u>TUFS’s Institution Code is 3059. Select any of the relevant Department Codes.</u> Note that we do not accept TOEFL ITP scores.</p> <p><b>IELTS (Academic Module)</b></p> <p>Please have IELTS center send your “Test Report Form” directly to our Admissions Office (TUFS is a listed IELTS organization).</p> <p><b>TOEIC L&amp;R/TOEIC S&amp;W</b></p> <p>Make sure you take both TOEIC L&amp;R and TOEIC S&amp;W, and send us both scores. The method of submission varies depending on the country where you took the TOEIC test.</p> <p>[Japan]</p> <p>If you took the test in Japan, please have the TOEIC center in Japan (IIBC) send your “Official Score Certificate” directly to our Admissions Office. Our address is “3-11-1 Asahi-cho, Fuchu-shi, Tokyo 183-8534 JAPAN”. Refer to the website below.</p> <p><a href="https://www.iibc-global.org/toEIC/test/lr/guide04/score/">https://www.iibc-global.org/toEIC/test/lr/guide04/score/</a></p> <p>[Outside Japan]</p> <p>If you took the test outside Japan, please have the TOEIC center in the country where you took the TOEIC test send your scores to you. If you pass this exam,</p>
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		<p>you need to submit the original “Official Score Certificate” at orientation for the entrance procedure after arriving in Japan.</p> <p><b>Cambridge English</b></p> <p>Please log into the “<a href="#">Results Service for Candidates website</a>” of Cambridge Assessment English and share your result with TUFS.</p> <p>Refer to the “<a href="#">How to send your exam results to an organization – a guide for candidates</a>”.</p>
8	Proof of Citizenship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A copy of your passport. The copy should include the photo page and page(s) indicating your name, passport number, and the passport’s date of expiry.</li> <li>- If you do not hold a passport, you must submit a copy of another government-issued identification, such as your family registry or citizenship registry. The document should include your name and Date of Birth. If the document is written in a language other than Japanese or English, you must attach a <b><u>Japanese or English</u></b> translation. Those admitted to the program who do not hold a passport must obtain one in order to travel to Japan.</li> <li>- Upload it using the designated “Online Application Form” in PDF format.</li> </ul>
<p>Applicants who have been enrolled or are currently enrolled in university and wish to apply for a MEXT scholarship must also submit document 9 and one of the following documents.</p> <p>Document 10(1) is for those who are currently university students.</p> <p>Document 10(2) is for those who have graduated from university.</p> <p>Document 10(3) is for those who have withdrawn from university.</p> <p>*Those who have never been enrolled in university do not need to submit any of the above documents even if they wish to apply for MEXT scholarship.</p>		
9	University Transcripts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Must be an original or a certified copy of the original.</li> <li>- Those who have been enrolled in university must submit an original or certified copy of their university transcripts. Transcripts should list <u>all the classes taken, credits and grades earned in the university, and the university’s <b>grading scale</b>. If the grading scale is not stated on the transcript(s), please obtain a document bearing an official seal containing the requisite information from your university.</u></li> <li>- If the original document is written in a language other than Japanese or English, you must attach a <b><u>Japanese or English</u></b> translation.</li> <li>- If transcript is issued in paper form, scan it into PDF format.</li> <li>- Upload them using the designated “Online Application Form” in PDF</li> </ul>

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10(1)	[Those who are currently university students only] Certificate of University Enrollment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Must be an original or a certified copy of the original.</li> <li>- Those who are currently enrolled in university must submit an original or certified document verifying their enrollment. If necessary, you should obtain a document bearing an official seal from your university before applying.</li> <li>- The certificate must show the date of entrance (year and month) and state that you are currently enrolled.</li> <li>- If the original document is written in a language other than Japanese or English, you must attach a <b><u>Japanese or English</u></b> translation.</li> <li>- If the certificate is issued in paper form, scan it into PDF format.</li> <li>- Upload it using the designated “Online Application Form” in PDF format.</li> </ul>
10(2)	[Those who have graduated from university only] Certificate of University Graduation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Must be an original or a certified copy of the original.</li> <li>- The certificate must show <b><u>the date of entrance (year and month) and date of graduation (year and month)</u></b>. If the certificate your university issues does not include the dates of entrance and graduation, please obtain a document bearing an official seal containing the requisite information from your university.</li> <li>- If the original document is written in a language other than Japanese or English, you must attach a <b><u>Japanese or English</u></b> translation.</li> <li>- If the certificate is issued in paper form, scan it into PDF format.</li> <li>- Upload it using the designated “Online Application Form” in PDF format.</li> </ul>
10(3)	[Those who have withdrawn from university only] Certificate of Withdrawal from University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Must be an original or a certified copy of the original.</li> <li>- The certificate must show <b><u>the date of entrance (year and month) and date of withdrawal (year and month)</u></b>. If the certificate your university issues does not include the dates of entrance and withdrawal, please obtain a document bearing an official seal containing the necessary information from your university.</li> <li>- If the original document is written in a language other than Japanese or English, you must attach a <b><u>Japanese or English</u></b> translation.</li> <li>- If the certificate is issued in paper form, scan it into PDF format.</li> <li>- Upload it using the designated “Online Application Form” in PDF format.</li> </ul>

**Once you have been accepted to the program, you will be asked to submit original application documents and a copy of your passport. Detailed instructions will be provided to you once you have been accepted.**

■ **Inquiries**

**Global Admissions Office (GAO)**

**Email: [gao@tufs.ac.jp](mailto:gao@tufs.ac.jp)**

## **Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship**

A scholarship provided by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology – Japan (MEXT) may be granted to some of those who apply for admission. Applicants who meet the following criteria will be considered for a scholarship.

If you wish to be considered for a MEXT scholarship, check the “Yes” box on page 1 of the Application Form.

■ **Number of Students Granted:** 8

■ **Duration of Scholarship:** Within the standard years of enrollment (4 years)

\* Students must fulfill the stated academic requirements each year

■ **Benefits for Scholarship Recipients (as of April 2025 admission)**

\*Subject to change for April 2026 admission

- (1) A monthly scholarship JPY120,000.
- (2) Exemption from Admission Fees and Tuition.
- (3) Travel Expenses to/from Japan (Return expenses will be provided once the student has graduated).

■ **Eligibility for the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship**

\*Subject to change for April 2026 admission

Candidates must satisfy all of the following conditions:

- (1) Must have average grade points of 2.30 or higher for the most recently attended degree program (for those who have already graduated) or degree program the applicant is currently attending (for those who are currently a student), and you are expected to maintain the same level during the duration of the scholarship.
- (2) Must have the nationality of a country with which Japan has diplomatic relations. An applicant who has Japanese nationality at the time of application is not eligible. However, persons with dual nationality who holds Japanese nationality and whose place of residence at the time of application is outside of Japan are eligible to apply as long as they choose the nationality of the foreign country and give up their Japanese nationality by the date of their arrival in Japan.
- (3) Must be born on or after April 2, 2001.
- (4) Must satisfy any one of the following conditions.
  - (a) have completed or be expected to complete 12 years of schooling in countries other than Japan by March 2026.
  - (b) have completed or be expected to complete their studies at a school equivalent to a Japanese upper secondary school in countries other than Japan by March 2026.
  - (c) Other than the above conditions, who are eligible for enrollment in a Japanese university at the time of enrollment.

- (5) Must satisfy any one of the following conditions in regards to language proficiency.
  - (a) Must hold the official score of English proficiency test of CEFR B2 level or above. Refer to the score comparison chart on the last page.
  - (b) Must have completed the high school education where the language of instruction was English.
  - (c) Must be approved by the university that the English Proficiency is the same or above (a).
- (6) Must submit a health certificate signed by a physician attesting that the applicant has no physical or mental conditions hindering the applicant's study in Japan.
- (7) Must be able to arrive in Japan between April 1, 2026, and April 7, 2026. Departure from the home residence should be on or after April 1, 2026.
- (8) Must newly obtain a "Student" visa at the Japanese Diplomatic mission located in the applicant's country of nationality, and enter Japan with the residence status of "Student." Accordingly, even if the applicant already has another residence status ("Permanent resident", "Long-term resident," etc.), the applicant must change it to the "Student" status and re-enter Japan. Moreover, the applicant should be aware that after expiration of the status as a MEXT Scholarship student and even if the student again applies for their original resident status of "Permanent resident" or "Long-term resident," such resident status might not be necessarily granted. The applicant should also be aware that the scholarship will be canceled if applicant arrived in Japan without a newly obtained "Student" visa.
- (9) Must be willing to contribute to the mutual understanding between Japan and their home country by participating in activities at schools and communities during their study in Japan while contributing to the internationalization of Japan. They shall also make efforts to promote relations between the home country and Japan by maintaining close relations with the university attended after graduation, cooperating with the conducting of surveys and questionnaires, and cooperating with relevant projects and events conducted by the Japanese diplomatic mission after they return to their home countries.
- (10) Those who meet any one of the following conditions are ineligible. If identified ineligible after being selected as a scholarship student, applicant must withdraw from the scholarship.
  - (a) Those who are military personnel or military civilian employees at the time of their arrival in Japan or during the period of the payment of the scholarship.
  - (b) Those who cannot arrive in Japan by the last date of the period specified by MEXT or the accepting university.
  - (c) Those who are previous grantees of the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship programs (including those who withdraw from the scholarship program after the arrival in Japan). However, the Monbukagakusho Honors Scholarship for Privately-Financed International Students is not included in the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship programs.
  - (d) Those who are currently also applying to another program under the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship system which starts in the 2026 academic year.
  - (e) Those who are already enrolled in a Japanese university or other institution with a residence status of "Student", or who are going to be enrolled, or plan to enroll, in a Japanese university or other institution as

a privately-financed international student from the time of application to the MEXT scholarship program in the applicant's country until the commencement of the period for payment of the MEXT scholarship.

- (f) Those who are expected to graduate at the time of application and cannot satisfy the condition of academic background by the deadline given.
- (g) Holders of dual nationality at the time of application who cannot verify that they will give up Japanese nationality by the time of the arrival in Japan.
- (h) Those who plan to, from the time of application for the MEXT scholarship program, engage in long-term research (such as fieldwork or internship) outside of Japan or plan to take a long-term leave of absence from the university.

■ **Others**      \*Subject to change for April 2026 admission

- Scholarship recipient's academic performance will be reviewed each year. Scholarship recipient's grade points will be calculated using a formula specified by MEXT. If a recipient's grade point falls below 2.30 (A perfect mark is 3.00), the student will lose their scholarship.
- Applicants who have been recommended for a MEXT scholarship will be asked to submit a Certificate of Health together with other required materials.
- Successful applicants who will be recommended to MEXT for the scholarship will be notified via email for further procedures to apply for the MEXT Scholarship.
- Successful applicants who will not be recommended for the MEXT Scholarship will receive an email with instructions on how to proceed as a privately-financed student.

■ **Schedule to Apply for the MEXT Scholarship**      \*Subject to change for April 2026 admission

Applicants seeking to apply for the scholarship must complete the following steps.

Application materials will be provided to successful applicants seeking to obtain a MEXT scholarship.	Early December, 2025
MEXT Application Deadline – Required documents must be submitted to TUFS	Mid-late December, 2025
Official Selection Notices will be sent to scholarship applicants.	Early March, 2026
Students will complete TUFS' required enrollment procedures.	Early April, 2026
Arrival in Japan	Early April, 2026

# CEFR Comparison Chart

CEFR	TOEFL iBT	IELTS	TOEIC L&R/ TOEIC S&W*1	Cambridge English
C2		8.5 - 9.0		200 - 230
C1	95 - 120	7.0 - 8.0	1845 - 1990	180 - 199
B2	72 - 94	5.5 - 6.5	1560 - 1840	160 - 179
B1	42 - 71	4.0 - 5.0	1150 - 1555	140 - 159
A2			625 - 1145	120 - 139
A1			320 - 620	100 - 119

**\*1 Your score = TOEIC L&R + ( TOEIC S&W × 2.5 )**

e.g) L&R=820, S&W=300

$820 + 300 \times 2.5 = 1,570 \rightarrow$  CEFR B2

※出典：各資格・検定試験とCEFRとの対照表（文部科学省、平成30年3月）