

Application Guidelines for Grant for Academic Excellence for Privately Financed International Students AY 2026

1. Eligibility (Applicants must meet all of the requirements below.)

Requirements	<p>(1) Students with high motivation, outstanding academic results</p> <p>(2) Privately financed international students enrolled in a regular course at Meiji University (excluding exchange students, MEXT scholarship students, JDS Fellows and those who were exempt tuition fee.)</p> <p>(3) Students who hold a valid “student” residence status as of April 24, 2026 (Friday) If you do not have a valid “student” residence status as of Friday, April 24, 2026, you must meet one of the following requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ※ Students who have applied for COE at the International Student Office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 24, 2026. ※ Students who have applied for the procedures to obtain “student” resident status by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 24, 2026. (Extension of Period of Stay, Change of Resident Status). <p>(4) Students who do not have “student” residence status due to participation in study abroad programs admitted by Meiji University are eligible.</p> <p>(5) <u>Students who attain scores for their latest cumulative GPA 3.00 or above.</u></p> <p>(6) Students who had spent more than 2 semesters prior to the application semester. (i.e., Applicants must be in their third semester or later at the time of application.)</p> <p>(7) Students who are not repeating a school year or not on a leave of absence in spring semester of AY 2026.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ※ Students who repeat a year due to a leave of absence in the previous academic year may be eligible. Please consult with the International Student Office <u>in advance</u>. ※ There will be an application process in September for students who are on a leave of absence from school in the spring semester and are re-enrolling in the fall semester of AY2026 and students who had admitted in September 2025. <p>(8) Students who are NOT subject to disciplinary action in AY2026</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ※ Students will lose eligibility when subjected to disciplinary action such as suspension, withdrawal, or expulsion in AY2026. Even if the expulsion gets cancelled, eligibility will be lost during AY 2026. <p>(9) The number of times an applicant receive grant is limited.</p>
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2. Application Period

Online Application Period	<p><u>[Online Application Period] April 15 (Wed), 9:00 ~ April 24 (Fri), 17:00 (JST)</u></p> <p>Online Application URL: https://forms.office.com/r/ScYKVSm0X0</p> <p>[Notes]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Applicants must complete and submit the application form during the above period. Please prepare for the application well in advance. ● Delays are unacceptable under any circumstances. ● If you are not able to apply online due to network issues, etc. please consult with the International Student Office <u>by e-mail</u> by 2 days prior to the above dead line. ● Online application can be submitted only once. Modifications cannot be made after the submission of a completed application, so please prepare your application well in advance. ● We will not accept inquiries about whether your application has been completed or not. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ※ If you receive an auto-reply e-mail after responding to the application form, your application is complete.
Frequently Asked Questions	<p>In the webpage below, you will find frequently asked questions regarding the application procedures for Grant for Academic Excellence from our website. → Link ←</p> <p>If you have any questions, not listed on this webpage, please consult with the International Student Office by e-mail (iso@mics.meiji.ac.jp). No queries will be accepted over the phone.</p> <p><u>The questions asked and answers given during online application period will be added to the Frequently Asked Questions webpage above, as needed.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ※ <u>Also, please be sure to check the webpage before asking questions to avoid repetition of questions already answered on the webpage.</u>

3. Documents to be submitted

Documents to be Submitted	<p>The following documents need to be submitted during online application. Please prepare in advance.</p> <p>If you have any documents that you cannot submit due to special circumstances, <u>please consult with the International Student Office in advance by e-mail (iso@mics.meiji.ac.jp)</u> and submit the document as instructed.</p> <p>(1) Documents proving your status of residence as a "Student". Please submit the following documents ① or ②.</p> <p>① Students who have valid "student" residence status as of April 24, 2026 (Fri.), need to upload a photocopy or scanned data of both sides of their residence card to the "International Student Submission" group on Oh-o Meiji.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Oh-o Meiji group direct Link: International Student Submission Available from Early April.</p> <p>② Students who do not have valid "student" residence status as of April 24, 2026 (Friday), need to enter the reason why you do not have a residence card with the status of "Student" on the application form".</p> <p>(2) Study/Research Plan ※Only for graduate school students on masters or doctoral courses [designated format] → Download the Study/Research Plan format from our website, fill in the form, and upload it on the application form. (Please prepare it in advance.)</p> <p>(3) Request for Bank Transfer [designated format] ※Only for students who schedule to graduate in September 2026.</p> <p>Students who are scheduled to graduate in September 2026 must notify the International Student Office of their graduation status after receiving the notice of selection.</p> <p>A designated bank transfer request form will be provided. Please submit this form together with a copy showing the cover and the first inside page of your bank passbook, with the images affixed as instructed.</p> <p>Students who do not have a bank account are required to open a bank account at any of Japanese bank.</p>
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3. Overview of Tuition Assistance Program

Outline and Purpose	In order to encourage academic achievement, the grant will be awarded to students who achieve excellent academic results after enrollment.		
Grant Amount	Amounts of grant are as shown in the table below.		
	School year	Decision criteria	Grant amount (JPY)
	M2 / D2 or above graduate students	GPA 3.00 or above	200,000 yen
	2nd year or above professional graduate students		
2nd year or above undergraduate students	GPA 3.50 or above	400,000 yen	
	GPA 3.00 ~ 3.49	300,000 yen	
How to receive Grant	Students enrolled throughout the year	The total amount of grant will be deducted from the fall semester's tuition payment slip.*Tuition payment slip will be sent in end of September.	
	Those graduating in September 2026	After graduation is confirmed in early-September, the amount of grant will be transferred to the submitted bank account by mid-September. ※ DO NOT close the bank account until the money gets transferred to the bank account.	

Cancellation of Grant	<p>Grant is canceled for any of the following reasons and when cancelled, the university may request a refund;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) When the recipient's student resident status changes to another status from "Student" (2) When false declarations are found (3) When the recipient is expelled from school or receives punishment from the university (4) When the recipient has a poor attendance record and low academic results, which may negatively affect his/her degree completion (5) When the recipient is deemed to be an inappropriate recipient for Grant for Academic Excellence for any other reason
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4. Screening

Screening Process	<p>Recipients will be decided on the basis of their scholastic performance within their school.</p> <p>※ Due to budgetary constraints, note that not all qualified applicants will be able to receive grant.</p>
Announcement of Results	<p>Notification will be sent to all applicants via Oh-o!Meiji in late June (tentative).</p>

5. Handling of Personal Information

Meiji University will use the submitted personal information only for the purpose of the grant related matters, including screening, the decision-making process, and related office work. This is in compliance with the Meiji University Educational Foundation Personal Information Protection Policy and the Personal Information Protection Law and Regulations. Any personal information will be provided to a third party in compliance with laws and regulations, and never be used for other purposes.

6. Notes

Notes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Any applicants who are found to be ineligible after completing the application procedure will be disqualified from the screening. (2) <u>Meiji University will contact students via the Oh-o! Meiji system. Please make sure to check it frequently.</u> (3) No reselection will be made under any circumstances.
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7. Inquiry

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