

Third-Year Undergraduate Program in 2026
Selection Examination for the Twinning program of the School of
International Studies, College of Human and Social Science,
Kanazawa University

Application Guidelines

(Note)

The applicant is responsible for confirming all information included in the Guidelines for Applicants for his/her entrance examination category by careful reading.

August 2025



Schedule

Item	April Admission	October Admission
Application Period	Tue., October 14, 2025 – 17:00 on Mon., October 20, 2025 【must arrive by post】	Mon., April 6, 2026– 17:00 on Fri., April 10, 2026 【must arrive by post】
Examination date	To be held by Fri., November 21, 2025	To be held by Fri., May 15, 2026
Announcement of Successful Applicants	Thu., December 25, 2025 (Scheduled for 16:00)	Thu., July 2, 2026 (Scheduled for 16:00)
Deadline for submitting the Confirmation of Enrollment	Fri., January 23, 2026	Mon., August 3, 2026

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Guidelines for Applications to the Third-Year Undergraduate Program in 2026
(Selection Examination for the Twinning program of the School of International Studies,
College of Human and Social Science, Kanazawa University)

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The applicant is responsible for confirming all the information (for his/her specific examination category) included in the Guidelines for Applicants.

Introduction

In accordance with the Twinning Program, the School of International Studies, College of Human and Social Science, Kanazawa University accepts students from our partner institution, Pukyong National University in South Korea.

The period of the Twinning Program is for four years. After education in English, Japanese and/or Liberal Arts at their home university for the first two years, students of the Twinning Program can meet the eligibility requirements for the examination that allows them to be admitted in the third year to Kanazawa University. The students who pass the examination mainly attend specialized core subjects related to international studies at Kanazawa University for two years. Those who complete the Twinning Program will be able to acquire the bachelor's degree of "Bachelor of International Studies" (Bachelor of Arts).

It might be helpful for participants to take courses taught in Japanese as well. That way they can set a smooth schedule up to graduation.

Within the School of International Studies, students learn about the global community and gain basic knowledge about international society and Japanese society, develop a broad understanding of international relations on the basis of the actual situations in each of the specified regions, and receive professional training necessary for acquiring practical knowledge about those particular regions. The aim of the program is to provide students with an understanding of the true essence of our globalizing society in the 21st century, to assist them in acquiring a high level of language ability (including English and Japanese useful for their international careers, and to foster talented individuals who are genuinely capable of harmonious coexistence with people from other cultures.

1. Number to be Admitted

College	School	Number of Students
Human and Social Science	International Studies	A few

2. Qualifications for Application

A student who falls into all categories listed below:

- (1) An individual who is a student of Pukyong National University is expected to earn all the necessary credits to complete the first half of the Twinning Program.
- (2) An individual who has received the recommendation of the President of home university, or an individual who will receive the recommendation after being successfully selected.
- (3) An individual who has taken and successfully passed the N2 or N1 Level of the Japanese- Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) provided by Japan Foundation and Japan Educational Exchanges and Services (JEES).
- (4) An individual who has taken TOEFL-iBT (including "Home Edition"), TOEIC (L&R), or IELTS.

3. Application Procedures

- (1) Periods of Enrollment
April or October of 2026

- (2) Application Period

April Admission	Tue., October 14, 2025 – Mon., October 20, 2025, 17:00 【must arrive by post】
October Admission	Mon., April 6, 2026 – Fri., April 10, 2026, 17:00 【must arrive by post】

- (3) Documents Required for Application

Document	Note
1. Application for Admission	Required fields must be filled out by the student himself/herself in Japanese. The photo that can be identified as the applicant. Color, upper body, unedited, uncovered head, facing straight ahead, with a plain background, (length 4 cm x width 3 cm), taken within the last 3 months prior to the application. Paste the photo in the designated section.
2. Admission Card for Examination	
3. Letter of Recommendation	A letter of recommendation from the President of the student's home university (this may be submitted after successful selection).
4. Transcript	Issued by the student's home university (in the English language).
5. A copy of TOEFL-iBT (including "Home Edition"), TOEIC (L&R), or IELTS Test Report Form	A photocopy of the Score Report of TOEFL-iBT (including "Home Edition"), TOEIC (L&R) Official Score Certificate, Digital Official Score Certificate (issued by Educational Testing Service) or the Test Report Form of IELTS Note: Scores must be within two years of the last day of the application period. A printed score confirmation screen from the internet is not acceptable. However, copies of digital official score certificates are accepted.
6. A copy of the "Japanese-Language Proficiency Test Certificate of Result and Scores"	A photocopy of "Japanese-Language Proficiency Test Certificate of Result and Scores" with N1 or N2 level issued by Japan Foundation and Japan Educational Exchanges and Services (JEES). Note: Date of test is not considered.
7. A copy of your passport and residence card	Write your name on the application documents as shown in these certificates. A photocopy of the page in your passport in which your nationality, name, date of birth, and passport number are written. Applicants residing in Japan should also submit a copy of their Residence card (front and back).

- (4) Submission of Required Documents

After confirming that the required documents are complete, please mail them through the person in charge at Pukyong University so that they arrive at the "Inquiries about the Entrance Examination" listed in 9(3) within the application period.

- (5) Entrance Examination Fee
The fee is waived.

- (6) Admission Card for Examination
The Admission Card for the Examination will be sent by email after the receipt of application documents.

4. Procedures for Entrance Examination

The entrance examination will involve selection by documents and oral examination. Applicants must use a webcam for the oral examination so that their identity can be confirmed. Interviews are conducted online. Please obtain a webcam in advance.

5. Date and Location of the Entrance Examination

Faculty member in charge of the examination will contact the applicants using the contact information provided on the application for admission. The online oral examination will be held by the following date, with scheduling arrangements made in advance via email between applicants and the faculty member.

April Admission	To be held by Fri., November 21, 2025
October Admission	To be held by Fri., May 15, 2026

6. Announcement of Successful Applicants

April Admission	Thu., December 25, 2025 (Scheduled for 16:00)
October Admission	Thu., July 2, 2026 (Scheduled for 16:00)

Successful applicants will receive a "Letter of Acceptance (PDF)" by e-mail.

The original "Letter of Acceptance" will be given to successful applicants after admission.

Also, the examinee's number of successful applicants will be posted on the School of International Studies website.

School of International Studies Website

<https://sis.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/en/>



7. Entrance Procedures

- (1) Submission of Confirmation of Enrollment

Successful applicants are required to submit the "Letter of Confirmation of Enrollment" in PDF format to the Dean of the College of Human and Social Science by e-mail to the address 9(3) Inquiries about the entrance examination. After confirmation, "Certificate of Admission" (PDF) will be sent to you by e-mail.

Deadline for submitting the "Confirmation of Enrollment" is as follows.

April Admission	Fri., January 23, 2026
October Admission	Mon., August 3, 2026

Successful applicants will find out about the period and method of entrance procedures through Individual notification that will be sent at the end of February for April admissions or at the end of August for October admissions. Successful applicants are required to submit a bank account balance certificate (showing a balance of 1 million yen or more) so that Kanazawa University can apply for a Certificate of Eligibility (CoE) on behalf of them.

(2) Fees

Admission Fee: waived

Tuition Fee (annual amount): 267,900 JPY (projected amount)

First Term:133,950 JPY, Second Term:133,950 JPY

The above payment amounts are estimated amounts, and if the admission and tuition fees are revised at the time of admission or while the student is enrolled, the new amounts will be applied from the time of revision.

(3) Insurance

Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research (Gakkensai)” and “Comprehensive Insurance for Students Lives Coupled with Gakkensai for International Students” (Inbound Futai Gakuso) 5,010 yen (2years)*(FY2025 actual) Varies by plan.

Kanazawa University requires that students purchase “Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research (Gakkensai)” and “Comprehensive Insurance for Students Lives Coupled with Gakkensai for International Students” (Inbound Futai-Gakuso) in case of possible accidents during your student life. Both types of insurance are for students of universities and colleges throughout Japan and are provided by Japan Educational Exchanges and Services. Students who do not have insurance may not be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities, educational training, internships, etc.

Please refer to the admission procedure guidelines to be announced at a later date.

8. Scholarship

Kanazawa University offers a number of scholarship application opportunities for international students.

For more information, please refer to the following Kanazawa University website.

<https://intl-support.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/tuition/>



9. Others

(1) Kanazawa University Web Site

Guides to Kanazawa University and Guides to the School of International Studies are available in addition to this Guideline.

【Kanazawa University website】

<https://www.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/en/> (English)

<https://www.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/> (Japanese)

English

Japanese



【 College of Human and Social Science, School of International Studies website】

<https://sis.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/en/> (English)

<http://sis.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/index.html> (Japanese)

English

Japanese



(2) Housing

The website link below provides information regarding accommodation options for new international students coming to Kanazawa University. The period of residence shall not be less than six months and no more than one year in principle. Students must move into private apartments by the end of the period of residence.

For more information, please refer to the following website.

<https://intl-support.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/campuslife/>



(3) Inquiries about the Entrance Examination

If special considerations are needed in taking the examination or when studying at Kanazawa University, or if there are questions about the application, etc., feel free to consult the staff in charge at your home university to make an inquiry prior to submitting an application.

For Inquiries

Admission team, Student Affairs Division, Human and Social Administration Department, Kanazawa University
Kakuma-machi, Kanazawa, Ishikawa, 920-1192 JAPAN

TEL: +81-76-264-5600 FAX: +81-76-234-4167

E-Mail: nnyusi@adm.kanazawa-u.ac.jp

10. Protection of Personal Information

Kanazawa University has established regulations on personal information management to properly manage and protect the information it holds.

All personal information obtained by the University at the time of admission selection, during the admission process, and after enrollment will be used for the following purposes, etc:

- (1) Operations related to candidate selection and enrollment
- (2) Operations related to enrollment management, study instructions, and health management such as medical examinations after admission
- (3) Operations related to on-campus services such as the University's portal site, campus LAN, library, and borrowing library books after enrollment
- (4) Services related to school support such as entrance fee reduction, tuition fee reduction, and scholarship procedures, etc.
- (5) Operations related to the payment of admission fees, tuition, and the operations of the financial institution to which the University outsources payment collection
- (6) Statistical processing, research work, and presentations at academic conferences for the purpose of contributing to entrance examination and educational reforms in a form that does not identify individuals
- (7) Operations related to PR targeting students and their families, and related to funds (donations)
- (8) Operations related to outcome assessments for the graduates and those related to alumni relations, and information services through Kanazawa University
- (9) Services related to emergency response for the protection of individuals, etc.
- (10) Statistical work conducted in such a way that no individuals can be identified