

Hokuriku University Japanese Language Course Admission Procedures

1. Qualifications

- (1) A person who is not a Japanese citizen, and who satisfies one of the following requirements:
- ① has completed in a foreign country an equivalent to 12 years of formal education as recognized by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology in Japan;
 - ② with consideration to the applicant's age, is recognized by the University to be academically equivalent to at least a high school graduate.
- (2) A person whose Japanese language ability is at least equivalent to passing Level N5 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT), or at least Level 5 of the NAT Test, or at least Level E of J-TEST, or having completed at least 150 hours of Japanese studies.
- (3) A person who is at least 18 years old at the commencement of the course.

2. Admission Periods

Students can commence on September 16, 2025 or April 1, 2026

3. Number of applicants and examination procedure.

Number of applicants	Examination procedure		Examination contents
Japanese Language Course for Foreign Students (Pre-Education Course) 80	①	The examination will be held in the applicant's country (the examiner comes from Japan) if the number of applicants from one country/region is 10 people or more.	A written examination (questions equivalent to N3-N5 level of JLPT).
		The guarantor's presence on the examination day is required as the guarantor is also being interviewed.	Essay (in English or Japanese). Interview (in English or Japanese).
	②	The examination will be held in the format of an online interview (Zoom etc) if the number of applicants from one country/region is 10 people or less.	Application selection, Zoom interview with applicants and guarantors.

4. Application Requirements and Documents

- (1) Please send all forms to the International Exchange Centre at Hokuriku University by registered express mail.
- ① Application Form for Admission (Form A).
 - ② Certificate of Guarantee (Form B).
The guarantor must be willing to take full responsibility for the personal conduct and financial obligations of the student during his/her enrollment at the University (a non-Japanese citizen can be a guarantor however a student cannot).
 - ③ Certificate of Health (Form C).
 - ④ Certificate of graduation of highest level of education completed (high school or above) or a document proving that an applicant is a student at the moment.
 - ⑤ Transcript of results of highest level of education completed (high school or above).
 - ⑥ Certificate of Japanese language ability: JLPT N5 or above, NAT-Test Level 5 or above, J-TEST Level E or above. Or a certificate stating formal Japanese language studies.
 - ⑦ Resume (Prescribed form)
 - ⑧ Fee payment form (Prescribed form). The fee payer must sign this form.
 - ⑨ Proof of relationship between fee payer and student. For e.g. Official family register.
 - ⑩ Certificate of employment (fee payer). Management of business certificate (self-employed).
 - ⑪ Certificate of income (fee payer). For e.g. certificate of income for last 3-years or tax payment certificate.
 - ⑫ Certificate of Bank Balance of fee payer (Certificate of outstanding balance).
 - ⑬ Certificate of current deposit/Copies of bank book (Linked to bank certificates in ⑫)

- ⑭ Copy of passport
- ⑮ Three ID Photos (upper body, no hat, 4 cm high x 3 cm wide, taken within the last 3 months, applicant's name written on the back of each photo).
- ⑯ Address card (Form D). Please write an address to which the examination results and other documents can be sent.

※1 Applicants who do not meet the above requirements or applicants who provide false information within submitted documents will not be able to apply for admission.

※2 Any submitted documents and paid examination fees will not be returned to the applicant under any circumstances.

※3 Any documents submitted in a language apart from Japanese or English will require a Japanese or English translation to be submitted as well.

※4 Photocopies of Forms A to D may be used when submitting documents. The application forms may also be downloaded from the following address:

<https://www.hokuriku-u.ac.jp/department/jlc/>

※5 Please make a photocopy of all submitted documents for your record.

(2) Examination Fee: JPY10,000 yen

5. Examination schedule

Entrance	Application Period	Test Period	Announcement of Results	Enrollment Application Deadline
Sept. 2025	14 April 2025 ~ 30 May 2025	Beginning ~ Mid-June. 2025	Within 2 weeks of having taken the test	7 July 2025
April 2026	26 Sep. 2025 ~ 29 Oct. 2025	Beginning ~ Mid-Nov. 2025	Within 2 weeks of having taken the test	5 Dec. 2025
April 2026 *Additional admission	1 Nov. 2025 ~ 27 Dec. 2025	Beginning ~ Mid-Jan. 2026	Within 2 weeks of having taken the test	2 Feb. 2026

※Additional admission will be held if there are places left on the course.

6. Examination results.

The examination results will be sent to an address or e-mail written in the application form. The applicants can make inquiries by e-mail. Inquiries made by phone will not be accepted.

7. Admission Procedures

Successful applicants must submit the following documents and pay the admission fees by the deadline.

- ① Written Oath (Prescribed form)
- ② Personal Information Form (Prescribed form)
- ③ An official graduation (completion) certificate from high school or university.
*Students from outside mainland China are not required to submit this.
- ④ An academic transcript from high school or university.
*Students from outside mainland China are not required to submit this.
- ⑤ Any other documents requested by the Department of Immigration, Ministry of Justice of Japan.
※Any forms submitted in a language apart from Japanese or English must also contain a Japanese or English translation.

Course Fees

	April Enrollment	September Enrollment
Admission Fee	50,000 yen	50,000 yen
Tuition Fee (One-year course)	700,000 yen	700,000 yen
Personal Accident and Injury Insurance ※	1,000 yen	2,000 yen
Total	751,000 yen	752,000 yen

※ 1 Our school year starts in April, and students enrolling in September will be enrolled over two financial years requiring students to pay insurance premiums for two years.

※2 All course fees will be refunded (except for bank transfer fee) in the case of the student's application for Certificate of Enrolment (CoE) or visa has been denied.

8. How to pay Examination Fees and Tuition Fees

① Pay using the "Flywire" international payment service

*Only payments from overseas and over 10,000 JPY are accepted using the Flywire service.

Please access the website below and follow the on-screen instructions to proceed with the payment procedure. Please make sure that the examinee number, student's name, and remittance amount are correct before completing the payment. (If you are paying the examination fee, you can still make payment without the examinee number and leave this blank). There are no remittance fees when sending money using Flywire.

Hokuriku University dedicated Flywire site: Hokuriku-jl.flywire.com OR scan the QR code:



② Paying by Bank Transfer

Please make payment to the bank account below and make sure to pay any remittance fees. Also, please be sure to write the student's name in the correspondence field. In the case of currencies other than Japanese yen, the exchange rate on the day of arrival at the Japanese bank will be used. Any shortages or excess amounts will be settled after enrollment.

Account Name	HOKURIKU UNIVERSITY
Bank Name	SUMITOMO MITSUI BANKING CORPORATION
Branch Name	KANAZAWA BRANCH
Branch Address	7 SHIMOTSUTSUMI-CHO, KANAZAWA, ISHIKAWA, JAPAN 920-0917
Account Type	SAVINGS ACCOUNT
Account No.	366-6418614
Swift Code	SMBCJPJT
University Address	1-1 TAIYOGAOKA, KANAZAWA, ISHIKAWA, JAPAN 920-1180
University Tel. No.	+81-(0)76-229-2626

<Reference> Hokuriku University Address: 1-1 Taiyogaoka, Kanazawa, Ishikawa, Japan 920-1180

Hokuriku University phone number: +81-76-229-1161/+81-76-229-2626

③ You can also pay the examination fee at the test venue.

9. Admission Denial

- (1) Admission may be denied if the fees are not submitted in full by the deadline.
- (2) Admission will be denied if any submitted forms contain false information.

10. Cancellation Procedure

If a successful applicant decides to withdraw his/her admission, he/she should carry out the required procedures by the prescribed deadline. Any paid fees (except for bank transfer costs) will be refunded in full.

11. Application Submissions and Enquiries

Hokuriku University, International Exchange Center
1-1 Taiyogaoka, Kanazawa City, Ishikawa Prefecture, JAPAN 〒920-1180
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Links

Hokuriku University

<http://www.hokuriku-u.ac.jp/department/jlc/index.html>

Japanese Language Course for International Students

<http://www.hokuriku-u.ac.jp/department/jlc/index.html>

Kanazawa City (various languages)

<http://www4.city.kanazawa.lg.jp/kankou/index.html>

※International Exchange Center accepts inquiries in the Japanese, English and Chinese languages