General Information of Undergraduate Programs

Instruction is given in Japanese; no exception can be made for international students. Applicants should note that it is essential to achieve a sufficient mastery of the language before their admission. However, as for the Department of Integrated Global Studies (IGS), School of Integrated Arts and Sciences, instruction is given in English.

Regular Courses

Regular courses of study are for the duration of 4 years. However, in the cases of the Program of Medicine of the School of Medicine, the Program of Dentistry of the School of Dentistry, and the Program of Pharmaceutical Sciences of the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, the courses of study are for the duration of 6 years. Acquisition of the credits required entitles the student to a Bachelor degree.

Mainly, there are two ways to enroll in regular courses: 1. The General Entrance Exam (same exam administrated to Japanese students) and 2. Entrance Examination for International Applicants (the exam for privately-funded international students). Please choose one exam for the school of your choice.

Some of the schools offer an “AO (Admission Office) exam (Comprehensive evaluation)”, or “an AO (Admission Office) exam (Targeted evaluation; International Baccalaureate exam, Returnee Student exam, IGS exam)”.

https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/nyushi/yoko_doga/yoko (Japanese text only)

Regarding the “Exam for university transfer as a 3rd-year student”, please refer to the following URL for further information.

https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/nyushi/gakubu/gakubu_hennyu (Japanese text only)

The admission date for regular students is April (at the beginning of each academic year).

1. The General Entrance Exam

Application Eligibility

Applicants for admission as a first year undergraduate student must satisfy one of the following:

(1) Graduation or expected graduation from an upper secondary (senior high) school by March 31 of the year which the applicant wishes to enroll.

(2) Completion or expected completion of 12 years of regular curricular studies by March 31 of the year which the applicant wishes to enroll.

(3) Attainment of any other qualification recognized as equivalent or superior to one of the two requirements above by article 150 in Ordinance for Enforcement of the School Education Act by March 31 of the year the applicant wishes to enroll.

(Ex1) Completion of 12 years of formal education in abroad, expected completion by March 31 of the year of admission or recognition by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, as having completed the equivalent education.

(Ex2) Students possessing international qualifications such as the International Baccalaureate, the German Abitur, the French Baccalaureate and GCE A-Level qualifications.

Selection

Selection is based on the results of the examinations proctored by Hiroshima University and a review of each applicant’s school transcripts after having taken the National Center Test for University Entrance Admissions.

Inquiries

(1) Applications for the National Center Test for University Entrance Admissions will be accepted from the end of September until the beginning of October for the examination given in January of the following year. For details, please refer to the website of the National Center for University Entrance Examinations:

http://www.dnc.ac.jp/

2-19-13 Komaba, Meguro-ku, Tokyo 153-8501   Tel: +81-3-3465-8600

(2) Applications for the General Entrance Exam will be accepted in late January for the examination given in February (February term) and in March (March term). Not every faculty and department conduct the entrance examination for the March Term. Please check the General Exam Guidelines for details.

The General Exam Guidelines are available at the following website. No printed version available.

https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/nyushi/yoko_doga/yoko (Japanese text only)

1-3-2 Kagamiyama, Higashi-Hiroshima, 739-8511   Email: nyusi-group@office.hiroshima-u.ac.jp
2. Entrance Examination for International Applicants
(The Exam for Privately-Funded International Students)

Application Eligibility

Students who do not possess Japanese citizenship must take the “Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students in 2019 (EJU) (required subjects and designation of the question language vary according to the School)” and the “Designated Official English Proficiency Test” and must satisfy one of the necessary conditions as follows:

1. Completion of 12 years of formal education abroad, expected completion by March 31 of the year of admission or a recognition by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, as having completed the equivalent education.
2. Attainment of an International Baccalaureate by the International Bureau of Baccalaureate; must be 18 years old by March 31 of the year of admission.
3. Attainment of the qualification of Abitur; must be 18 years old by March 31 of the year of admission.
4. Attainment of the Baccalauréat de l’Enseignement du Second Degre; must be 18 years old by March 31 of the year of admission.
5. Attainment of the General Certificate of Education (GCE) Advanced Level (A-Level), which is recognized as entry qualification for universities in the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland; must be 18 years old by March 31 of the year of admission.
6. Completion of 12-year education curriculum in a school accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), or the European Council of International Schools (CIS); must be 18 years old by March 31 of the year of admission.

Students must fulfill the designated requirements of each school.

Note: It is required to submit an official score from one of the designated official English Proficiency Tests listed below. (This is subject to change from year to year.) Cambridge English, EIKEN, GTEC (CBT Type Only), IELTS (Academic Module), TEAP (4skills), TEAP CBT (4skills), TOEFL iBT®, TOEIC® L&R

Selection

Selection will be based on “Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU)” and “Designated Official English Proficiency Test” as well as the results of the examinations proctored by Hiroshima University and a review of the application documents.

The examination for the Department of Integrated Global Studies (IGS), School of Integrated Arts and Sciences will be given in July and February. Please refer to the following URL for details.

https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/igs/admissions

Inquiries

1. For details about the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU), please refer to the following website:
     4-5-29 Komaba, Meguro-ku Tokyo, 153-8503  Tel: +81-3-6407-7457

2. Applications for the Entrance Examination are accepted from the middle of December until the end of December for the examination given in February (February term) and in March (March term). Not every school and department conduct the entrance examination for the March Term. Please check the Exam Guidelines for details.

   The Exam Guidelines for Privately-Funded International Students are available at the following website. No printed version available.
   - https://www.hiroshima-u.ac.jp/nyushi/yoko_doga/yoko (Japanese text only)
     1-3-2 Kagamiyama, Higashi-Hiroshima 739-8511  Email: nyusi-group@office.hiroshima-u.ac.jp

Application for the Exams

Procedure for Online Application

Step1 Register as a member of UCARO.
Step2 Enter the required information from the website.
Step3 Upload a photo.
Step4 Pay the entrance examination fee.
   (For applications living outside Japan, only credit card payments will be accepted.)
Step6 Send the necessary documents (transcript etc.) by post.

<Nodel> Without completing all 6 steps, the application procedure will not be completed. The required documents must be sent by registered express mail (DHL, FedEx, OCS, EMS etc. for shipping from outside of Japan) by the application deadline.

Website “Admissions”

For details, please refer to the Application Guidelines for “The General Exam” or “Entrance Examination for International Applicants” (WEB version).