Flowchart for Entering Hiroshima University as a Graduate Student

1. Look for a professor who studies an area or areas of your interest through Hiroshima University website, etc. (Refer to Search for “Profiles of Faculty and Research Scholars”)

2. Inquire of the support office of the graduate school concerned, or of the professor directly about possibility of studying under his/her supervision as *a research student, preferably by e-mail.

3. Receive a positive response from the professor.
   - Apply for admission as a research student in the graduate school concerned.
     - October admission → Apply by May
     - April admission → Apply by November
     ※ Generally, the application must be made about 4 months before the date of admission.

4. Receive a negative or no response from the professor.
   - Look for another professor.

5. Apply for admission as a research student in the graduate school concerned.
   - October admission → Apply by May
   - April admission → Apply by November
   ※ Generally, the application must be made about 4 months before the date of admission.

6. Accepted as a Research Student for a period of 6 to 12 months.

7. Apply to take the entrance examination for the graduate school concerned.
   - (April admission → Examination period: January to February)
   - (October admission → Examination period: August to September)

8. Accepted
   - Congratulations! You are now officially a graduate student in Hiroshima University.
   - Good luck and work hard on your research!!

9. Not Accepted
   - Please enter some keywords related to your research field and click the “Search” button.

NOTE:
Those who do not pay the admission fee will not be granted permission to enroll as a research student.

*In Japanese, the Chinese letters “研究生” are defined as a “non-full-time student”. The main purpose of “研究生” is to deepen your knowledge of the research topic. Those who have a Chinese cultural background, seeking for a credit or a degree, please note that the letters of “研究生” are NOT considered as a “full-time graduate student.”

※ This flowchart is a typical example, does not apply every single case.