

Application Guidelines for the FY2024 Student Independent Project

The School of Integrated Arts and Sciences is pleased to invite research proposals for the FY2024 Student Independent Project. This program aims to stimulate ingenious activities (cross-disciplinary research projects, activities that promote cross-disciplinary learning, etc.) that conform to the School's educational principles of a cross-disciplinary, integrative, and creative approach to academic inquiry, and to that end, it is designed to support projects that students independently plan and execute. Details are provided below for your review. We look forward to your applications.

1. Overview

Student Independent Project

(1) Period of Support: June 2024 to March 2025

(2) Content of Support: Subsidy of up to 300,000 yen (may be used to cover consumables, materials, printing costs, remuneration, travel expenses [transportation and accommodation costs] and other relevant expenses)

(3) Eligibility Requirements:

- The project must be led by a student (in any year) who is enrolled in either of The School of Integrated Arts and Sciences, The Graduate School of Integrated Arts and Sciences, The Integrated Arts and Human Sciences Program of the Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences, The Transdisciplinary Science and Engineering Program of the Graduate School of Advanced Science and Engineering, The Program of Life and Environmental Sciences of the Graduate School of Integrated Sciences for Life, or The Program of Biomedical Science of the Graduate School of Integrated Sciences for Life and whose primary supervisor/tutor is a full-time faculty member at the School of Integrated Arts and Sciences.
- The project must be a joint project between two or more students (may be participated in by a student from another school or graduate school as a Co-Investigator).
- The project must be able to receive advice from its Supporting Faculty Members (there must be one or more, who do not need to be the primary supervisor/tutor of a project member) on the project planning and progress and subsidy utilization throughout the project period up until its completion.

(4) Number of Projects Sought: Several

2. Application Timelines

- Application documents due: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. without fail
- Documents screened (interview conducted as necessary): May 2024
- Decision made on applications: May 2024
- Projects commence (budget execution starts): June 2024

3. Application Documents

The application documents consist of two forms. Download the forms, Research Proposal Document (Word file) and Expenditure Plan (Excel file), and submit the completed forms by email as attachments to soukagaku-sien@office.hiroshima-u.ac.jp no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 30, 2024. (No signatures required for the electronic version.) In addition, submit the original form bearing signatures of the Project Supporting Faculty Members to the contact point at the Support Office for the fields of Integrated Arts and Sciences on the first floor.

(Points to note for application)

- You must thoroughly consult with your Project Supporting Faculty Members in advance.
- Signatures of your Project Supporting Faculty Members are required in the space for entering their names on the Research Proposal Document.

- All project members must notify their respective primary supervisors/tutors of their intention to participate in the project.
- The amount of the subsidy may be reduced depending on the content of your application.
- If you are in the process of applying for another subsidy, etc., state so on your application.
- The period of supporting projects will end on March 31, 2024. If your project members include students expected to graduate or complete their degrees in September 2023, seek advice from the Support Office for the fields of Integrated Arts and Sciences in advance.
- Should you need any clarification on matters other than the above in connection with the preparation of application documents, please feel free to contact and ask the Support Office for the fields of Integrated Arts and Sciences.

4. Report of Project Progress and Results

The project progress and results must be reported according to the following procedures.

- A presentation of the project progress on Homecoming Day (scheduled for early November 2024)
- A presentation of the project progress in the required subject "Introduction to Integrated Arts and Sciences" for the first year's students of the Faculty of Integrated Arts and Sciences (December 2024)
- A presentation at a results report meeting (scheduled for mid-March 2025)
- Preparation and submission of a results report (March 2025)
- (Next Year) A presentation of the project results in the required subject "Invitation to Integrated Arts and Sciences" for the first year's students of the Faculty of Integrated Arts and Sciences (June or July 2025; If members have graduated, the video recording from the results report meeting will be used.)

■ For inquiries and submission of application documents,
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