

Ritsumeikan University Tuition Reduction Scholarship for International Students Regulations

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Ritsumeikan University Tuition Reduction Scholarship for International Students Regulations

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(Intent)

Article 1 These Regulations are intended to reduce the tuition for international students with superior grades for the purpose of relieving such students' financial burden in accordance with Article 65-2, Paragraph 2 of the Ritsumeikan University Regulations (hereinafter referred to as "University Regulations") and Article 87, Paragraph 2 of Ritsumeikan University Graduate School Regulations and provide for the handling thereof.

(Classifications and Amount of Reduction)

Article 2 The tuition for undergraduate students, as categorized below, will be reduced as follows:

- (1) Undergraduate Students Category I: 100% of tuition during the reduction period;
- (2) Undergraduate Students Category II: 50% of tuition during the reduction period;
- (3) Undergraduate Students Category III: 20% of tuition during the reduction period.

2 The tuition for graduate students, as categorized below, will be reduced as follows:

- (1) Graduate Students Category I: 100% of tuition during the reduction period;
- (2) Graduate Students Category II: 20% of tuition during the reduction period.

3 The entrance fee or the tuition for government-financed international students, international students admitted under the "Chinese Government Graduate Student Overseas Study Program" by the People's Republic of China, international students admitted under the Dual Undergraduate Degree Program, international students admitted under the Linkage Master's Program based on the Professional Human Resource Development Project Phase IV (PHRD-IV) (hereinafter referred to as the "Indonesia Linkage Master's Program"), or international students under an agreement, etc., between universities will also be reduced.

(Students Eligible for Tuition Reduction)

Article 3 Students at Ritsumeikan University, who have acquired or are expected to acquire the "college student" status of residence as stipulated in "the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act," will be eligible for the tuition reduction.

2 Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding Paragraph, students whose tuition is paid by the Japan International Cooperation Agency, the Asian Development Bank, or any other organization will not be eligible for this tuition reduction.

(Number of Recipients)

Article 4 With regard to the maximum number of undergraduate student recipients in their first year, the total in Undergraduate Students Category I and Undergraduate Students Category II shall be specified in Table 1 and the total in Undergraduate Students Category III shall be specified in Table 2, according to the entrance examination procedures.

2 With regard to the maximum number of undergraduate student recipients in their second year or later, the total in Undergraduate Students Category I and Undergraduate Students Category II shall be specified in Table 3 and the total in Undergraduate Students Category III shall be specified in Table 4, according to the entrance examination procedures.

3 The maximum number of Graduate Students Category I and Graduate Students Category II recipients in their first year shall be specified in Table 5.

4 The number of Graduate Students Category II recipients in their second year or later shall be the same as the number of applicants thereof.

(Reduction Period)

Article 5 The duration of the tuition reduction is as follows:

- (1) Undergraduate students in their first year: two consecutive semesters following enrollment;
- (2) Undergraduate students in their second year or later or Graduate Students Category II recipients, who entered in April: the spring semester and the fall semester immediately following;
- (3) Undergraduate students in their second year or later or Graduate Students Category II recipients, who entered in September: the fall semester and the spring semester immediately following;
- (4) Graduate Students Category I recipients: the standard number of years for program completion. The duration is four semesters for students entering the integrated doctoral program from the first year, however, and six semesters for students entering the integrated doctoral program from the third year.

2 Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding Paragraph, the duration of the tuition reduction for students who return to school after a leave of absence (excluding recipients under Graduate Students Category I) is as follows:

- (1) Students who entered in April and returned to school in the fall semester: the fall semester in which they returned;
- (2) Students who entered in September and returned to school in the spring semester: the spring semester in which they returned.

(Application)

Article 6 Students who wish to receive the tuition reduction must submit the designated forms to the Executive Director of the Division of International Affairs by the specified date.

2 With regard to the tuition reduction for undergraduate students, students who wish to receive the tuition reduction for their first year may only apply at the time of application for the entrance examination; students who entered in April and wish to receive the tuition reduction for their second year or later may only apply in April of each year; and students who entered in September and wish to receive the tuition reduction for their second year or later may only apply in October of each year.

3 With regard to the tuition reduction for graduate students, students who wish to receive the Graduate Students Category I tuition reduction may only apply at the time of enrollment following the announcement of the entrance examination results; students who entered in April and wish to receive the Graduate Students Category II tuition reduction may only apply in April of each year; and students who entered in September and wish to receive the Graduate Students Category II tuition reduction may only apply in October of each year.

4 Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding two paragraphs, students referred to in Article 5, Paragraph 2.1, who wish to receive the tuition reduction may only apply in October of each year and students referred to in Article 5, Paragraph 2.2, who wish to receive the tuition reduction may only apply in April of each year.

(Application Eligibility Requirements)

Article 7 To be eligible to apply for the undergraduate tuition reduction for their first year, applicants must take any of the following entrance examinations:

- (1) Entrance examination for international students (spring semester/fall semester);
- (2) Entrance examination with recommendation for international students (Japanese language schools);
- (3) Study abroad entrance examination with recommendation (phase I/phase II);
- (4) AO (admission office) entrance examination (English basis);
- (5) Entrance examination with recommendation (English basis).

2 To be eligible to apply for the undergraduate tuition reduction in their second year or later, applicants must meet any of the following criteria; provided, however, that if a student transferred or moved in (hereinafter referred to as "Transfer, etc.") to Ritsumeikan University in their second year or later, and applies for the tuition reduction for the year in which they Transferred, etc., then the applicant must meet all of the following criteria:

(1) earned 10 or more total credits in the two semesters immediately preceding the semester in which an application is made (hereinafter referred to as "Standard Number of Credits.");

(2) earned 1/8 or more of the number of credits required for graduation multiplied by the number of semesters completed, up until the end of the semester immediately preceding the semester in which an application is made.

3 To be eligible to apply for the Graduate Students Category I tuition reduction, applicants must take the entrance examination specified in the entrance examination procedures of each graduate course.

4 To be eligible to apply for the Graduate Students Category II tuition reduction, applicants must not be Graduate Students Category I recipients.

(Application Limit)

Article 8 Students who have received a tuition reduction may apply again after their reduction period ends; provided, however, that they may not apply for the tuition reduction for the period cumulatively.

2 If applying for the tuition reduction two or more times, undergraduate students may only apply through the end of their program duration stipulated in Article 17 of the University Regulations, and graduate students may only apply until the end of their standard program duration, with the exception of an absence period.

(Selection and Determination)

Article 9 Tuition reduction recipients (hereinafter, referred to as "Recipients") and reduction categories shall be determined by the Executive Director of the Division of International Affairs based on the selection at the International Center Conference.

(Selection Method)

Article 10 The selection of undergraduate students who wish to receive the tuition reduction for their first year will be made following the entrance examinations referred to in Article 7, Paragraph 1 and they will be divided into Undergraduate Students Category I, Undergraduate Students Category II, and Undergraduate Students Category III, based on entrance examination scores.

2 The selection of undergraduate students who wish to receive the tuition reduction for their second year or later will be made in the following order:

(1) Undergraduate Students Category I

Students who have earned the Standard Number of Credits or more until the end of the semester immediately preceding the semester in which an application is made, and whose grades in these earned credits rank the highest;

(2) Undergraduate Students Category II

Students who have earned the Standard Number of Credits or more until the end of the semester immediately preceding the semester in which an application is made, and whose grades in these earned credits rank the highest among the next tier below Undergraduate Students Category I;

(3) Undergraduate Students Category III

Students who have acquired 10 or more total credits in the two semesters immediately preceding the semester in which an application is made, and whose grades in these earned credits rank the highest among the next tier below Undergraduate Students Category II.

3 The selection of undergraduate students in their first year referred to in Article 5, Paragraph 2 will be made separately from the selection referred to in Paragraph 1 and they will be divided into Undergraduate Students Category I, Undergraduate Students Category II, and Undergraduate Students Category III, based on entrance examination scores.

4 The selection of undergraduate students in their second year or later referred to in Article 5, Paragraph 2 will be made separately from the selection referred to in Paragraph 2, and students who have earned credits corresponding to the Standard Number of Credits until the end of the semester immediately preceding the semester in which they took a leave of absence from studies will be divided into Undergraduate Students Category I, Undergraduate Students Category II, and Undergraduate Students Category III, based on a ranking of their grades in their credits earned.

5 If students, who Transferred, etc. to Ritsumeikan University, apply for the tuition reduction for the year in which they Transferred, etc., "grades in their credits earned" referred to in the preceding Paragraph shall refer to grades calculated by converting credits earned prior to the enrollment into grading B.

6 The selection of Graduate Students Category I Recipients will be made based on entrance examination scores.

7 There is no selection process for Graduate Students Category II Recipients and all eligible students who have applied will receive the tuition reduction.

(Revocation of Receipt)

Article 11 Upon the occurrence of any of the following events on the part of Recipients, the Executive Director of the Division of International Affairs will revoke their tuition reduction for the semester in which such event occurred and beyond:

(1) Deliberate falsification or forgery of the application documents;

(2) Being no longer eligible for the tuition reduction referred to in Article 3;

(3) Taking a leave of absence from studies;

(4) Withdrawal or expulsion from the University;

(5) Receipt of disciplinary suspension for three months or more; or

(6) Other events determined by the Executive Director of the Division of International Affairs to be unbecoming of Recipients.

2 The provisions of Paragraph 1.3 shall not apply to Graduate Students Category I Recipients.

(Suspension of Receipt)

Article 12 Upon the occurrence of any of the following events on the part of Graduate Students Category I Recipients, the Executive Director of the Division of International Affairs will suspend their tuition reduction for the semester in which such event occurred:

(1) Taking a leave of absence from studies;

(2) Other events deemed by the Executive Director of the Division of International Affairs to warrant the suspension of tuition reduction.

2 If the events referred to in the preceding Paragraph no longer apply, Recipients may receive the tuition reduction again.

(Repayment)

Article 13 Students whose receipt of the tuition reduction is revoked in accordance with Article 11 must pay tuition equal to the amount of reduction for the corresponding semester(s). In this case, students must pay the tuition all at once, within two weeks from the date of receipt of the notice of revocation.

(Special Provisions for Government-financed International Students)

Article 14 Notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 3 through 13, government-financed international students who are admitted by the recommendation stipulated in Article 4, Paragraph 2 of the Implementation Guidelines for Government-financed International Students Program will receive the reduction of all of the entrance fee and the tuition in accordance with this Article.

2 The tuition reduction period shall be the semester(s) that the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology selects for government-financed international students.

3 If students, who received the reduction of all of the entrance fee and the tuition in accordance with Paragraph 1, are subject to any of the events referred to in Article 11, Paragraph 1, or are no longer government-financed international students, the Executive Director of the

Division of International Affairs will revoke their reduction. In this case, the provisions of Article 13 shall apply.

(Special Provisions for International Graduate Students Dispatched by Chinese Government)

Article 15 Notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 3 through 13, international students who are admitted under the “Chinese Government Graduate Student Overseas Study Program” by the People's Republic of China will receive the reduction of all of the entrance fee and the tuition in accordance with this Article.

2 The tuition reduction period shall be three years; provided, however, that if it is deemed that the period of attendance at the University should be extended, the period of the tuition reduction shall be specified by the University.

3 If students, who received the reduction of all of the entrance fee and the tuition in accordance with Paragraph 1, are subject to any of the events referred to in Article 11, Paragraph 1, the Executive Director of the Division of International Affairs will revoke their reduction. In this case, the provisions of Article 13 shall apply.

(Special Provisions for International Students Admitted under Indonesia Linkage Master's Program)

Article 16 Notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 3 through 13, international students who are admitted under the Indonesia Linkage Master's Program will have their entrance fee and tuition reduced by the amount paid by the Indonesian government, in accordance with this Article.

2 The tuition reduction period shall be one year.

3 If students, who received the entrance fee and tuition reductions in accordance with Paragraph 1, are subject to any of the events referred to in Article 11, Paragraph 1, the Executive Director of the Division of International Affairs will revoke their reduction. In this case, the provisions of Article 13 shall apply.

(Special Provisions for International Students Admitted under Dual Undergraduate Degree Program)

Article 17 Notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 3 through 13, international students who are admitted under a Dual Undergraduate Degree Program with foreign universities, etc., that have a tuition reduction agreement with the University, will receive this tuition reduction in accordance with this Article.

2 The tuition reduction period shall be two semesters from the date of admission; provided, however, that if it is deemed that the period of the tuition reduction should be extended, it may be extended for up to another four semesters.

3 The amount of the tuition reduction shall be as specified in Table 6-1 and Table 6-2.

4 In the case of the provisory clause in Paragraph 2, beginning with the third semester following the date of admission, a review of the tuition reduction extension for each semester shall be made at the start of the semester.

5 If students do not pass the review for the extension referred to in the preceding Paragraph, they will not receive the tuition reduction for that semester.

6 The requirement for the extension is that students must have a 3.0 GPA from the date of admission until the end of the preceding semester.

7 If students, who received the tuition reduction in accordance with Paragraph 1, are subject to any of the events referred to in Article 11, Paragraph 1, the Executive Director of the Division of International Affairs will revoke their reduction. In this case, the provisions of Article 13 shall apply.

(Special Provisions for International Students Admitted under Agreement, etc. between Universities)

Article 18 Notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 3 through 13, international students who are admitted under an agreement with foreign universities, etc. that determines the tuition reduction received will receive the reduction in accordance with this Article.

2 The tuition reduction period shall be as stipulated in the agreement.

3 The amount of the tuition reduction shall be as stipulated in the agreement.

4 If students, who received the tuition reduction in accordance with Paragraph 1, are subject to any of the events referred to in Article 11, Paragraph 1, the Executive Director of the Division of International Affairs will revoke their reduction. In this case, the provisions of Article 13 shall apply.

(Improvement or Removal)

Article 19 The Board of Executive Directors shall make an improvement to and/or elimination of these Regulations.

Supplementary Provisions

(Omitted)

Table 1 Number of Undergraduate Students Category I and Undergraduate Students Category II Recipients in their first year (cf. Article 4, Paragraph 1)

Category	Number of Recipients
Undergraduate Students Category I	10% of the total number of students recruited under the entrance procedures
Undergraduate Students Category II	10% of the total number of students recruited under the entrance procedures

Table 2 Number of Undergraduate Students Category III Recipients in their first year (cf. Article 4, Paragraph 1)

Entrance Examination	Number of Recipients
AO (admission office) entrance examination (English basis) and entrance examination with recommendation (English basis)	The number of students recruited under the entrance procedures who are neither Undergraduate Students Category I nor Undergraduate Students Category II Recipients as specified in Table 1
Entrance examination for international students (spring semester/fall semester), entrance examination with recommendation for international students (Japanese language schools), and study abroad entrance examination with recommendation (phase I/phase II)	50% of the total number of students recruited under the entrance procedures

Table 3 Number of Undergraduate Students Category I and Undergraduate Students Category II Recipients in their second year or later (cf. Article 4, Paragraph 2)

Category	Number of Recipients
Undergraduate Students Category I	10% of applicants
Undergraduate Students Category II	10% of applicants

Table 4 Number of Undergraduate Students Category III Recipients in their second year or later (cf. Article 4, Paragraph 2)

Entrance Examination	Number of Recipients
Students admitted under AO (admission office) entrance examination (English basis) or entrance examination with recommendation (English basis)	The number of applicants who are neither Undergraduate Students Category I nor Undergraduate Students Category II Recipients as specified in Table 3
Students not admitted under AO (admission office) entrance examination (English basis) or entrance examination with recommendation (English basis)	50% of applicants

Table 5 Number of Graduate Students Category I and Graduate Students Category II Recipients in their first year (cf. Article 4, Paragraph 3)

Category	Number of Recipients
Graduate Students Category I	20 total Recipients in the master's program, the earlier stage of the doctoral program, integrated doctoral program, and the professional degree program and 10 total Recipients in the later stage of the doctoral program and integrated doctoral program (equivalent to the later period) per admission year
Graduate Students Category II	Same as the number of applicants

Table 6-1 (Tuition reduction for international students admitted under Dual Undergraduate Degree Program - excluding College of Pharmaceutical Sciences) (cf. Article 17, Paragraph 3)
(Per semester)

Faculty and Department	Second Year to Fourth Year
College of Law	¥ 109,800
College of Economics (Department of Economics)	¥ 109,800
College of Economics (Department of International Economics)	¥ 124,050
College of Business Administration (Department of Business Administration)	¥ 109,800
College of Business Administration (Department of International Business Administration)	¥ 124,050
College of Social Sciences (excluding Sociology and Social Studies, and Children and Society)	¥ 129,600
College of Social Sciences (Sociology and Social Studies, and Children and Society)	¥ 137,250
College of Letters	¥ 126,300
College of Science and Engineering	¥ 164,700
College of International Relations	¥ 142,800
College of Policy Science	¥ 131,700
College of Information Science and Engineering	¥ 164,700
College of Image Arts and Sciences	¥ 197,700
College of Life Sciences	¥ 164,700
College of Sport and Health Science	¥ 137,250

Table 6-2 (Tuition reduction for international students admitted under Dual Undergraduate Degree Program - College of Pharmaceutical Sciences) (cf. Article 17, Paragraph 3)
(Per semester)

Faculty	Second Year to Sixth Year
College of Pharmaceutical Sciences	¥ 236,100