



# SCHOOL OF GLOBAL STUDIES AND COLLABORATION (GSC) AOYAMA GAKUIN UNIVERSITY (AGU) Spring 2017 Application Instructions for Exchange Students

Please read the instructions below before applying to the School of Global Studies and Collaboration, Exchange Program of Aoyama Gakuin University.

## 1. Eligibility

In order to apply to the School of Global Studies and Collaboration, Exchange Program, you must:

- (1) be a student at one of Aoyama Gakuin University's partner institutions;
- (2) have a 2.5 G.P.A. or higher (4.0 scale)

## 2. Required Language Ability

GSC requires exchange students to have the language ability equivalent to either of the below:

- (1) have studied Japanese for more than 1 year, and have Japanese language ability equivalent to N5 Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT)
- (2) IELTS 5.5 or TOEFL iBT 68 or above;
- (3) Native English speaker

Note: GSC (Sagamihara campus) provides "Japan Studies Program" (from Fall, 2015) with Japanese language classes for beginners and Japan studies courses in English. For this program, Japanese language requirement will be removed (under the condition that the student has adequate English language ability written above).

## 3. Application Materials

When you apply to GSC Exchange Program, you must submit all the following materials. You need to submit the Application for Certificate of Eligibility via e-mail.

- Application for Exchange Students\*
- Letter of recommendation
- Evaluation of Japanese Language Proficiency\* (if applicable)
- Photocopy of score report of Japanese Language Proficiency Test (if applicable)
- Photocopy of score report of TOEFL or IELTS (if applicable)
- Official transcript of home university
- Statement of Academic Objectives (More than a page of A4 size. Preferably in Japanese but English is acceptable.)
- Certificate of Physical Condition\*
- Application for Certificate of Eligibility\*

**Note: Please see the sample for each page when filling out the form. It MUST be submitted by email attachment to [exchange@gsc.aoyama.ac.jp](mailto:exchange@gsc.aoyama.ac.jp).**

- Original Official Bank Statement or Certificate of Scholarship  
※It requires more than 800,000JPY to stay 1 year (400,000JPY to stay 6 months).
- Photocopy of valid passport
- 5 ID photos (4 cm x 3 cm) taken in the last 6 months (Color photocopies are not acceptable. One photo should be pasted on the first page of this application form.)
- Dormitory Application\* (The dormitory specified by GSC.)
- Information for Tutors\*

\*available at the international office of your home institution



#### **4. Certificate of Eligibility (CoE)**

AGU will, on behalf of Exchange Students, apply to the Tokyo Immigration Bureau for the Certificate of Eligibility (CoE). As soon as the CoE is issued, it will be sent to your home university. You will need to bring the CoE to your local Japanese embassy or consulate and obtain a student visa.

#### **5. Dormitory Information and Applying for the Dormitory**

GSC will require exchange students to live in the dormitory specified by the school. (Monthly rent for the accommodation will be waived depending on the agreements between universities.) Further details of the dormitory will be forwarded to your home university separately.

The deadline for the dormitory application is the same as the exchange student application deadline.

#### **6. Timeline for Admission**

<b>Spring Semester (April)</b>	
November 15, 2016	Deadline for submission of application materials and dormitory application
Late December, 2016	Notification of admission to all the accepted exchange students (by e-mail)
Late February, 2017	A Welcome Package, including the Certificate of Eligibility (COE)* and the detailed information about orientation week, is sent to your home university. *You will need to bring the COE and other necessary documents to your local Japanese embassy or consulate and obtain a student visa.
March 24, 2017	Orientations for Exchange Students
April 7, 2017	Classes begin

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