

## Comparison table of three admission options for international students

\*This is for reference. Please visit each program's website for details.

	(1) NIG Global Scholar (NIG-GS)	(2) Embassy Recommendation	(3) General Admission
Website	<a href="https://www.nig.ac.jp/nig/phd-program/admissions-top/admissions/nig-gs">https://www.nig.ac.jp/nig/phd-program/admissions-top/admissions/nig-gs</a>	<a href="https://www.nig.ac.jp/nig/phd-program/admissions-top/admissions/government-scholarship">https://www.nig.ac.jp/nig/phd-program/admissions-top/admissions/government-scholarship</a>	<a href="https://www.nig.ac.jp/nig/phd-program/admissions-top/admissions/general-admissions">https://www.nig.ac.jp/nig/phd-program/admissions-top/admissions/general-admissions</a>
Available Program	5-year PhD program only	5-year or 3-year PhD program	5-year or 3-year PhD program
Note	<p>This application process is for those who choose the Department of Genetics, SOKENDAI as their first-choice for graduate studies.</p> <p>Those who have already obtained a master's degree are also welcome to apply through this application process. (See FAQ, Q2 in the instructions)</p>	<p>This application process differs for each Japanese embassy. For details, please inquire at the Japanese embassy or consulate general in your country. List of websites of Japanese Embassies, Consulates and Permanent Missions:</p> <p><a href="https://www.mofa.go.jp/about/emb_cons/mofaserv.html">https://www.mofa.go.jp/about/emb_cons/mofaserv.html</a></p>	<p>This admission process is basically for, but not limited to, applicants who already reside in Japan.</p>
Nationality	Any nationality of a country that has diplomatic relations with the Japanese government and Taiwanese.	Please inquire at the Japanese embassy or consulate general in your country.	It is open to every applicant, regardless of nationality or place of residence.
Timing of Examination	Once a year (see below)	Depends on the Japanese embassy or consulate general in your country. Please refer to the following website for procedures:	Twice a year: in summer (early August) and in winter (late January - early February)
Application Deadline and Enrollment	<p>Application Deadline: early November 2020</p> <p>Enrollment: October 2021</p>	<p><a href="https://www.soken.ac.jp/en/admission/mextscholarship/scholarship_jpn/">https://www.soken.ac.jp/en/admission/mextscholarship/scholarship_jpn/</a></p>	<p>Application Deadline: early July for summer, early December for winter examination</p> <p>*Earlier deadlines are set for those requiring the Qualification Screening for Application.</p> <p>Enrollment: (summer exam) October 2020 or April 2021 / (winter exam) April 2021 or October 2021</p>
Before On-site Examination	Online screening	Initial screening through the Japanese embassy or consulate general in your country.	Qualification Screening for Application may be required in advance.
On-site Examination	Selected applicants will be invited to NIG (Mishima, Japan) for a short stay and will take an on-site exam. Their travel expenses will be fully supported by NIG.	After passing the initial screening, selected students will enroll as research students in a non-degree program of the Department of Genetics. Travel expenses to Japan will be supported by the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship. To be admitted to a PhD program, research students must take and pass an on-site exam.	Applicants will take an on-site exam held at NIG (Mishima, Japan). Applicants must cover their own travel expenses to visit NIG.
Financial support during a Ph.D. program	<p>A limited number of successful applicants who are selected as MEXT scholarship recipients will receive a monthly stipend and airfare to/from Japan for matriculation and upon completion by MEXT.</p> <p>Other successful students will receive support equivalent to students enrolled through General Admission.</p>	Students will be supported by the Japanese Government (MEXT) Scholarship.	<p>Students will be offered a monthly stipend of approx. 60,000 JPY for working as a Research Assistant.</p> <p>Tuition may be waived if students with financial difficulties and outstanding academic records pass the screening.</p>
Others	All international graduate students are provided with free Japanese lessons (usually two hours/month). The NIG dormitories are available for students.		