

# **Nagoya University International Programs for AY2024 Earth and Environmental Sciences Graduate Program (Master's Program) of the Graduate School of Environmental Studies**

## **Admission Requirements (October Admission)**

Nagoya University invites students to apply for the Academic Year 2024 admission to the Earth and Environmental Sciences Graduate Program, a Master's Degree Program with English as the medium of instruction, according to the terms and conditions below.

### Admission Policies

For Nagoya University's general admission policies, please see the following website:

[http://en.nagoya-u.ac.jp/about\\_nu/upload\\_images/admission\\_policy\\_en.pdf](http://en.nagoya-u.ac.jp/about_nu/upload_images/admission_policy_en.pdf)

## **I. Eligibility for Application**

To be eligible to apply for Nagoya University's International Programs, the applicant must satisfy any of the following criteria.

1. The applicant has completed a 16-year curriculum in an educational system(s) other than the Japanese, or is scheduled to complete such a curriculum by September 30, 2024 in an education institution located in a foreign country.
2. The applicant has been or will be granted, by September 30, 2024, a degree equivalent to a bachelor's degree upon completion of a program that consists of at least 3 years of study at an overseas university or other overseas schools (limited to those whose comprehensive situation of educational and research activities have either received evaluation from a person who was authorized by the corresponding country's government or related institutions, or which have been separately designated as being equivalent to such by the Minister of Education; Includes completing distance learning programs conducted by said overseas schools while living in Japan or completing programs conducted by educational institutions located in Japan that follow the same education system as the overseas schools and have been separately designated by the Minister of Education).
3. The applicant has graduated from a Japanese university or is scheduled to graduate by September 30, 2024; provided that this is limited to persons who have completed (or are scheduled to complete) their higher education curriculum (university curriculum) in the English language.
4. The applicant is deemed by the Graduate School to possess academic ability equivalent or superior to that of a university graduate, and to have received an education equivalent to 1. to 3. as stated above.

### **[Notes]**

- 1) Individuals wishing to apply under condition 3. of the terms of eligibility above must if they have any concerns about their education history up to undergraduate level, contact the University in advance, as indicated in the "IX. Contact" section.
- 2) Individuals wishing to apply under condition 4. of the terms of eligibility above must contact the University, as indicated in the "IX. Contact" section, at least one month prior to the application deadline for each round and complete the prescribed procedures for eligibility review.

## **II. Requirements for Application**

Applicants who have graduated from a university where the primary language of instruction is not English must satisfy one of the following requirements. However, those applicants who graduate from a university where the primary language of instruction is English and can submit official documents confirming this fact (e.g., certificate of expected graduation prepared in the format designated by Nagoya University), will be exempt from submitting a certificate showing their English proficiency test score.

English Language Proficiency Test	Qualification (Minimum)	Remark
IELTS	Overall band score of 6	
TOEFL	80 it 60 Paper-delivered Test	*TOEIC is not accepted
Duolingo English Test (DET)	110 and above	
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)	C1 and above	*Must be stated in official transcripts
If you have any other certificate of English proficiency test score which is equivalent to the above-mentioned tests, please consult the office of the school you apply to by email, referring to IX. Contact, in advance of application.		

### III. Number of Available Places

Program (Graduate School)	No. of Places
Earth and Environmental Sciences Graduate Program (Graduate School of Environmental Studies)	Limited

### IV. Application Procedure

#### 1. Important notes before you apply

Please refer to the tables containing the names of departments, research laboratories/research groups, research areas, research projects and faculty members on the website (<https://admissions.g30.nagoya-u.ac.jp>) and be sure to specify your first and second choice of preferred departments, research laboratories/research groups and supervisors on the Application Form.

#### \* **Inquiries regarding research projects prior to application**

The applicant must make a pre-application inquiry regarding research projects to potential supervisors. Please make sure to contact at least one potential supervisor prior to application.

If the applicant decides to apply to the University based on the information gained through this pre-application inquiry, he/she must submit all application documents (including application fee) to the appropriate address. Also, when submitting documents ii, iii, and xi of Documents and Other Materials, please make sure to submit original and/or certified copies.

(Please note: even if you have already submitted documents to your preferred laboratory/supervisor in the course of your pre-application inquiry, those documents may not be deemed to be the formal application documents, and thus cannot be accepted as your application.)

#### \* **Other inquiries**

For any other inquiries, please contact us via the contact information indicated in "IX. Contact."

#### 2. Application periods

Applicants must submit all the application documents and pay the application fee during the appropriate application period specified in the table below:

(The deadlines below apply to all required documents including those that must be submitted in hard copy.)

Recruitment Categories	Starting	Deadline
First Round	January 5, 2024 9:00 (Japan time)	January 16, 2024 16:00 (Japan time)

Rolling Admission	May 7, 2024 9:00 (Japan time)	May 23, 2024 16:00 (Japan time)
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- (1) At Nagoya University, the additional selection of applicants that may occur if quotas are not filled during the first round of admission is called Rolling Admission.
- (2) Each applicant may only apply once, for either the First Round or the Rolling Admission.
- (3) Programs conducting Rolling Admission will be announced on or after April 19, 2024 on the G30 website (<https://admissions.g30.nagoya-u.ac.jp>).  
Please note that even if it is indicated that the program as a whole conducts Rolling Admission, this may not be implemented by all laboratories.  
For a list of laboratories open for Rolling Admission, please contact the graduate school directly.
- (4) If a complete submission of the application fee and application documents is not made during the application period, the application will not be accepted.
- (5) Application documents that arrive after the submission deadline will not be accepted.
- (6) Original hard copies can be submitted before the application opens.

### 3. Application fee payment and application documents submission

To apply, please prepare and submit all required documents in accordance with the prescribed methods and be sure to pay the application fee by the deadline. The sender is responsible for the costs of the processing fee for the Bank Transfer of your application fee payment.

In case the application fee is paid via bank transfer, a receipt must be submitted which states the time of transfer. The time shall not be later than the stipulated deadline of the respective admission round. The receipt must be uploaded on the application system before the system closes at the deadline.

Please pay close attention to the notes below the table on the following page when preparing your documents.

#### < Application fee payment >

Application fee: JPY 5,000

Please pay via the Online Admissions System.

Note that the application fee is for the purpose of checking and screening the submitted documents, etc., and will not be refunded or returned once paid to the University.

However, in exceptional cases, as specified below, the application fee can be refunded at an applicant's request after any charges including miscellaneous fees paid on a refund transaction are deducted. For any details, please contact the Admissions Office.

- a. Duplicate payments are made.
- b. Payment is made after the application deadline.

The applicant will not be required to pay the application fee if he/she is, or will be accepted as, a Government- or MEXT-sponsored scholar at Nagoya University, at the moment of enrollment (the submission of a "MEXT Scholarship Certificate" or "Letter of Acceptance" as a MEXT scholar issued by the same faculty you are applying to, is required).

#### < Application documents submission >

Online Admissions System: <https://admissions.g30.nagoya-u.ac.jp>

Postal submission: International Admissions Office for the International Programs, Nagoya University, Furo-cho, Chikusa-ku, Nagoya 464-8601, JAPAN

E-mail: [apply@g30.nagoya-u.ac.jp](mailto:apply@g30.nagoya-u.ac.jp)

	<b>Documents and Other Materials</b>	<b>Notes</b>
i	Application Form	Please submit the application form via the Nagoya University Online Admissions System.

ii	Bachelor's Degree Diploma (or Prospective Bachelor's Degree Diploma) from Your University (Original Copy)	<p>The diploma, certificate of prospective graduation must include the date of graduation/ prospective graduation and the school's official seal or signature.</p> <p>*Please submit certificates pertaining to your Eligibility for Application.</p> <p>*Applicants applying under “<i>I. Eligibility for Application 3.</i>” must, in addition to their certificate of graduation (or prospective graduation), submit a certificate stating that the lectures etc. of the university in question were conducted principally in English. (No specified format)</p>
	Academic Transcript for Undergraduate Education (Original Copy)	<p>Academic transcripts must include the school's official seal or signature.</p> <p>*Be sure to also submit the grade assessment standards.</p>
iii	English Proficiency Test Scores (Original Copies)	<p>Please submit scores that certify your fulfillment of the English proficiency requirement.</p> <p>Make arrangements to have official scores sent directly from the testing institution by the deadline. (The institutional code for Nagoya University International Programs on the TOEFL is 7256.)</p> <p>*Please note that, in all cases, only the results of tests taken from January 2022 will be considered valid for the application.</p>
iv	Certified Score Report of the GRE (Original Copy)	<p>Submit a certified score report of the GRE, if available.</p> <p>*Please arrange to have official scores sent directly from the testing institution by the application deadline. (The institutional code for Nagoya University International Programs on the GRE is 7256.)</p>
v	Research Proposal	<p>A proposal for the research you want to pursue in the graduate school (Approx. two A4 (or letter size) pages).</p> <p>Please submit the document via the Nagoya University Online Admissions System.</p>
vi	Two Letters of Reference	<p>The reference letter must be submitted online directly by the referees themselves. Upon entering referee’s information on the Online Admissions System, it will automatically send an email to the email address of each referee you listed. Each referee should upload their letter according to instructions given in the email.</p> <p>The letter should be written on the referee's school or institution's letterhead paper, signed by the referee, printed out, scanned, and saved as a PDF file before submission. The email address of the referee that you register for through the Online Admissions System should be their work email address, which means containing a school- or an institution-managed email domain.</p> <p>If no invitation email is delivered to the registered address, please ask your referee to check their spam mail folder. If no invitation letter can be found, then the referee should send their letter (in PDF format) directly to the Admissions Office as an email attachment. The applicant's full name and applicant number starting with 'G' followed by a 6-digit number, must be displayed in the email subject line.</p> <p>Email to: <a href="mailto:apply@g30.nagoya-u.ac.jp">apply@g30.nagoya-u.ac.jp</a></p> <p>The letter must reach the Admissions Office before the prescribed deadline.</p>

vii	Summary of Undergraduate Graduation Research	Please submit a summary of your Undergraduate Dissertation in English by using the form available online at <a href="http://admissions.g30.nagoya-u.ac.jp">http://admissions.g30.nagoya-u.ac.jp</a> and uploading it via the Nagoya University Online Admissions System. If the research is currently in progress, please provide information regarding its status and the expected results. If the research has already been concluded, please also upload, and submit a copy of the dissertation. The dissertation itself does not need to be in English.
viii	Major Publications	If available, please upload up to three reprints/offprints of your major publications to the Online Admissions System.
ix	Documents Showing Other Strengths	If available, please upload these documents to the Online Admissions System.
x	Document Validating Your Nationality and Residence Status	This document may be, for example, a copy of your passport or a certificate issued by an embassy or consulate in Japan. The certificate should be prepared in English. Attach a translation if it is issued in any other language. If you reside in Japan, you must also submit a copy of your Residence Card. Please submit the document(s) via the Nagoya University Online Admissions System.
xi	Certificate of Enrollment (Only applicable to Nagoya University students)	Applicants who are research students or are due to graduate from Nagoya University need to upload a copy to the Online Admissions System. Japanese format of the certificate is also accepted.

**[Notes]**

- 1) Applications will be accepted only if all required documents for application are received by the deadline. It is recommended that you send documents by registered express mail or an equivalent air courier (e.g., Federal Express, DHL, UPS, etc.). **Incomplete applications cannot be considered for the selection processes.** No changes to any of the documents will be allowed after submission.
- 2) For non-English documents, the document-issuing school or authority must provide a corresponding English translation of the original language. If the school or authority does not provide such a service, the documents must be translated and verified by an outside translation organization and certified to be the same as those issued by the school or authority. Be sure to submit both the original documents and the certified translations.
- 3) For documents (v, vii, viii, ix and x) that are requested to be send via the Online Application System, no additional hardcopy version is required to be send via post. Overlapping hardcopies sent via post will not be included in the application.
- 4) If a subject title, an evaluation result, or any other information in the certificates requested in items ii and iv above contains codes or abbreviations, an explanation must be attached.
- 5) To calculate the applicant's GPA fairly, the grade assessment standards requested in item ii should include clear evaluation scales (e.g., S=90-100, A=80-89, B=70-79, C=60-69). If there are no evaluation scales and only raw scores are available, the information of full marks and the lowest raw score to get a course credit are required.
- 6) Application documents submitted will not be returned for any reason. Upon request, however, documents that cannot be reissued may be returned. Please attach a note to this effect if applicable.
- 7) If, after admission, it is discovered that any of the documents have been falsified or that any necessary details or documents have been omitted, admission will be revoked even in the event that the candidate has already been admitted to the University.
- 8) Applicants will be notified of the receipt of their application documents via the Online Admissions System's messaging function. If you are unable to check your messages, please send an e-mail to the

International Admissions Office.

- 9) Applicants who are due to graduate from Nagoya University do not need to submit x.
- 10) The prospective academic advisor/supervisor may contact you directly during the course of the screening regarding your "Research Proposal" submitted under v of Documents and Other Materials.

#### 4. Applicants with special needs

Applicants with special needs, who require special support in making their application, should consult Nagoya University before the submission of their admission application, as follows:

- (1) End of consultation period: **December 6, 2023**
- (2) Contact: International Admissions Office, Institute of International Education & Exchange, Nagoya University
- (3) Consultation Process: Please submit the following three documents. If necessary, the applicant or a representative of the school from which the applicant graduated or will graduate who can speak for the applicant will be interviewed by Nagoya University.
  - 1) A document stating the program to be applied for, the desired major, the nature of the applicant's special needs, the arrangements desired for examinations, and the applicant's contact details. (A4 (or letter) size paper. Any format may be used.)
  - 2) A doctor's diagnosis of the applicant's special needs, the written opinion of a social worker, etc. (a copy is acceptable), or a copy of a disability certificate or equivalent document.
  - 3) A document from an official of the school from which the applicant graduated or will graduate (document stating the nature of the arrangements made at the school for their classes and studies). (Please use A4 (or letter) size paper. Any format may be used.)
- (4) If you would like to consult with us regarding the admissions process or your studies after your enrollment, please inquire with us by the application deadline.

## V. Selection Method

1. Selection of successful applicants consists of a first (document) screening and second screening (oral examination: as a rule, applicants who do not reside in Japan will be interviewed via the Internet, for example using Zoom, etc.).
2. Results of the first (document) screening will be announced via e-mail by the graduate school you applied to.
3. Applicants who successfully pass the first (document) screening will also be informed of the date of the second (oral examination) screening in the aforementioned e-mail by the graduate school you applied to.
4. The second (oral examination) screening includes an oral examination on fundamental knowledge of your specialized field.

## VI. Announcement of Admission Results

Admission results will be announced via e-mail by the graduate school you applied to the address indicated in your Application Form by the date shown as the "Date of Notification of Selection Results" in the table below. Applicants on a wait list will be separately notified by e-mail. Admitted students may also verify their results by logging in to the Online Admissions System.

<b>Recruitment Categories</b>	<b>Announcement Date of Admission Results</b>
First Round	March 22, 2024
Rolling Admission	July 4, 2024

## VII. Admission Procedure

Documents and forms required for university enrollment will be sent to every successful applicant together with an admission offer letter. The registration fee payment must be made in accordance with the due date specified in the table below.

The registration fee will be waived for successful applicants who are Government (MEXT)-sponsored scholars.

### 1. Payment of the registration fee (JPY 282,000)

For details, please refer to the guidelines for enrollment procedures to be sent with the admission offer letter and be sure to complete the registration fee payment no later than the date below; the registration fee payment is required to secure your admission.

Recruitment Categories	Deadline for Payment of Registration Fee
First Round	April 4, 2024 by 16:00 (Japan Time)
Rolling Admission	July 11, 2024 by 16:00 (Japan Time)

### [Notes]

- (1) If the registration fee is revised by the time of enrollment, the new fee after revision will apply.
- (2) For details regarding the registration fee payment, please refer to the guidelines for enrollment procedures to be sent with the admission offer letter. The registration fee must be paid via the Online Admissions System by the date and time indicated in the table above. The sender is responsible for the costs of the processing fee for the Bank Transfer.
- (3) Registration fees will not be refunded once received by the University.  
However, in exceptional cases, as specified below, the registration fee can be refunded at an applicant's request after any charges including miscellaneous fees paid on a refund transaction are deducted. For any details, please contact the Admissions Office.
  - a. Duplicate payments are made.
  - b. Payment is made after the deadline.
- (4) If the payment of the registration fee is not completed by the stipulated deadline, the applicant will be regarded as withdrawing from admission to the University. **Please be particularly mindful of this point.**

### 2. Other fees required for admission (subject to change):

Program	Tuition Fees	Premium for Personal Accident Insurance for Students' Education and Research (Premium includes third party liability insurance)
Earth and Environmental Sciences Graduate Program	Per semester: JPY 267,900 (Per year: JPY 535,800)	JPY 2,430 (for 2 years)

### [Notes]

- (1) If tuition fees are revised at the time of enrollment or during enrollment in the University, the new fee after revision will apply from the time of revision.
- (2) Tuition fees payment must be made after the semester begins.
- (3) Please refer to the guidelines for enrollment procedures for any other details.

### 3. Reminder to applicants who are expected to graduate from/complete their university/graduate school but have not yet graduated from/completed at the time of application

Applicants who have not yet graduated from/completed their university/graduate school at the time of application must ensure that their certificates of graduation/completion and academic transcripts are sent from their school to the University by **August 1, 2024**.

Please note: if you are unable to submit the certificate by the above deadline, you must contact us in advance via the contact information indicated in "IX. Contact."



## VIII. Other

1. All personal information submitted to Nagoya University is appropriately managed in compliance with the "Act on the Protection of Personal Information Held by Independent Administrative Agencies" and the "Tokai National Higher Education and Research System Rules on the Protection of Personal Information" regulations.
2. The address, name, date of birth and other personal information of applicants obtained at the time of application will be used only for admissions, the announcement of results, enrollment, and related matters.
3. Furthermore, the personal details of applicants admitted to Nagoya University will also be used for i) academic affairs (student registration, academic advising, etc.), ii) student welfare services (health care, career services, tuition exemption, scholarship applications, etc.), and iii) collecting tuition fees.
4. All times and dates indicated in the Admission Requirements refer to Japan Standard Time (UTC+09).
5. Nagoya University has established the "Security Export Control Regulations for Tokai National Higher Education and Research System" in accordance with Japan's "Foreign Exchange Trade Act." The Security Export Control Office provides guidance and rigorously conducts necessary procedures when we accept international students.

Since November 2021, it has been clarified that the 'deemed export control' is also regulated and controlled by the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act ("FEFTA"), and thus transfer of controlled information, technology, software, and data to anyone even within the territory of Japan is also subject to the FEFTA. As such, to comply with export control regulations, each applicant must submit the 'self-declaration' form (known as 'Declaration of Applicable Specific Categories') through the Online Application System (<https://admissions.g30.nagoya-u.ac.jp>). In addition, some of those admitted might be required to submit the Pledge Form regarding export control compliance, as part of enrollment procedures. Moreover, your research might be regulated if it involves export controlled or restricted activities.

## IX. Contact

If contacting us from abroad, please make inquiries by e-mail.

For any questions concerning the admission requirements of the Earth and Environmental Sciences Graduate Program, please contact us at:

[Graduate School of Environmental Studies]  
Office of Student Affairs  
Graduate School of Environmental Studies, Nagoya University  
Furo-cho, Chikusa-ku, Nagoya 464-8601 JAPAN  
Tel: +81-52-789-4590/4272  
Fax: +81-52-789-3452  
E-mail: [env@t.mail.nagoya-u.ac.jp](mailto:env@t.mail.nagoya-u.ac.jp)

### [Notes]

For inquiries regarding how to use the Online Admissions System, please contact:  
International Admissions Office for the International Programs, Nagoya University  
Tel: +81-52-747-6556  
E-mail: [apply@g30.nagoya-u.ac.jp](mailto:apply@g30.nagoya-u.ac.jp)