APPLICATION GUIDE FOR THE AY 2026 UNIVERSITY OF AIZU RESEARCH STUDENT ADMISSION

1. Admission Capacity

A select number

2. Application Qualifications

Individuals who have graduated from a university provided for in Article 83 of the School Education Law of Japan, those who are expected to graduate from one by March 31, 2026, or those who have been recognized by the President of the University of Aizu as having scholastic ability equivalent to or higher than that of university graduates.

- * Foreign nationals must also meet one of the following conditions.
 - Those who have or can obtain a "Student" status of residence.
 - Those who have a status of residence other than "Student" that does not hinder admission to the university.
- * With regard to applicants for the AY 2026 October Admission, the date, "March 31, 2026", shall be read as "September 30, 2026" in the application qualifications described above.

3. Application Procedures

(1) Application Method

Applications must be submitted by postal service or in person.

In the case that you will bring the applications directly to the University, please submit the documents to the Student Recruiting Section of the Student Affairs Division. Applications will be accepted from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (excluding non-working days for the University).

When applying from outside Japan, electronic files of the application documents must be sent via e-mail to receive confirmation from the University, and send all the original hardcopies by a traceable method so that they arrive at the University by the deadline.

(2) Deadlines for Completion of Application Procedures

(Applicants residing in Japan)

April Admission: Friday, February 6, 2026 (as postmarked on the envelope)
October Admission: Friday, August 7, 2026 (as postmarked on the envelope)

(Applicants residing outside Japan)

April Admission: Friday, October 17, 2025 October Admission: Friday, April 17, 2026

(3) Applications must be sent to:

The same address given in "8. Contact."

(4) Application Documents (Fill in the provided forms clearly either in Japanese or in English.)

1	Application Documents	Applicants	Description
1	Admission Application Form	All	Fill in the provided form Your name must be entered as it appears on your passport.
2	Research Plan	All	Fill in the provided form
3	Application Fee 9,800 yen	All	(Transfer in Japan) The application fee must be paid to the following bank account and a proof of payment must be included in the application documents. Bank Name: Toho Bank, Aizu Main Office (Branch Number: 401) Account Number: 2268703 Account Holder: The University of Aizu (Transfer from outside Japan) The application fee must be paid via Flywire and a copy of the email notification of payment completion must be included in the application documents. https://landing-pages.flywire.com/landing/u-aizu-app-land If you are unable to use Flywire, the application fee must be paid to the following bank account and a proof of payment must be included in the application documents. * Please refer to item a. of (5) "Points to note" below. Bank Name: Mizuho Bank, LTD., Aizu Branch (Branch Number: 725) SWIFT code: MHCBJPJT Account Number:1178709 Account Holder: The University of Aizu * The application fee for AY 2026 (the amount and the method of payment) is subject to change.
4	Academic Transcript and (Expected) Graduation Certificate	All	An official certificate issued by the highest educational institution in which the applicant is or has been enrolled. An applicant from a foreign university must also submit a Certificate of (Expected) Bachelor's Degree . *Not required for those expected to graduate from the University of Aizu by the end of March 2026 (or by the end of September 2026 for applicants seeking October admission).
5	Curriculum Vitae	All	Fill in the provided form *Not required for those expected to graduate from the University of Aizu by the end of March 2026 (or by the end of September 2026 for applicants seeking October admission).

6	Official Test Score for English Proficiency	All	A copy of an official certificate of English proficiency test (TOEIC, TOEFL, IELTS or Duolingo) from within two years of the application deadline * The requirement does not apply to native speakers of English or to those whose education was conducted in English. However, in the latter case, applicants must submit a document issued by the highest educational institution verifying that English was the official language of instruction.
7	Photocopy of Passport (Resident card)	Applicants of foreign nationality	A photocopy of the applicant's passport (the page displaying name, birth date, and nationality). If the applicant does not possess a passport, they should provide a photocopy of their personal identification showing the same details. Additionally, individuals holding a resident card in Japan should submit a photocopy of both sides of the card.
8	Letter of Recommendation	Applicants of foreign nationality	The letter should be prepared in English, in any format, and placed in an envelope sealed by the recommender. The recommender should be a faculty advisor or another individual who can objectively attest to the applicant's academic abilities and achievements.

(5) Points to note

- a. When paying by international remittance, please assure that the remitter name is identical to the applicant name, that the sender must pay all the remittance/transfer charges, and that the amount deposited in the designated account becomes exactly 9,800 yen.
- b. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Once received, any change in the contents of the application documents will not be accepted.
 - In the case of a change in applicant's address or contact address, an applicant should report this information immediately to Student Recruiting Section of the University of Aizu.
- c. Late applications will not be accepted.
- d. Once received, the application documents and application fee will not be returned under any circumstances.
- e. Should any false statements be discovered in the application documents, admission may be denied, even if admission has been approved.
- f. Documents in any other languages should be translated into English or Japanese. Translations, which can be made by the applicant, must be accompanied by an official seal of approval from an educational institute, an embassy, a public notary, or a government-approved institution.
- g. Applicants with handicaps who may require special considerations to be given for studying at the University must submit a consultation application (no prescribed form) that describes the items listed below to the Student Affairs Division of the University of Aizu.
 - Applicant's name and address (including applicant's contact telephone number)
 - The name of the educational institute from which the applicant graduated

- Types and seriousness of disability (those who receive medical treatment must attach a medical certificate.)
- Specific items requiring special considerations for studying at the University
- Special measures that had been taken at the educational institute, etc. from which the applicant graduated
- The applicant's state in daily life

4. Selection Method

Successful applicants shall be selected based on screening of documents submitted. If there is something unclear about the documents, applicants may be asked detailed questions by e-mail or online interview.

5. Announcement of Successful Applicants

A notification shall be made to each successful applicant after the selection.

6. Admission Procedures

- (1) Admission Procedures and the Period for Completion of Admission Procedures
 - Admission procedures and the period for completion of admission procedures will be notified when the successful notification is sent to each successful applicant.
 - Should any individual fail to complete the admission procedure by the prescribed date, the individual shall be regarded as having declined enrollment in the University.
- (2) Admission Fee: 84,600 yen (for AY 2025)
 - Admission fees must be paid to the designated bank account by the deadline.
- (3) Tuition: 28,900 yen per month (for AY 2025)
 - Students will be requested to pay the tuition in one lump sum for their planned research period by the last day of the month they are admitted to the University.
- * The admission fee and tuition for AY 2026 (amounts and method of payment) are subject to change.
- * Once received, admission documents will not be returned under any circumstances.
- * Once received, admission fees will not be returned in principle.
- * If an applicant who applies with "expected to graduate" becomes unable to fulfill the qualification requirement, their admission will be revoked.
- * If an applicant is unable to receive a certificate of eligibility for residence in Japan due to reasons such as their lack of ability to pay their expenses, their admission will be revoked.

7. Other

(1) Living Expenses

Approximately 100,000 yen per month is necessary for living expenses, excluding tuition.

(2) Handling of Personal Information

Personal information shall be handled in accordance with the "Act on the Protection of Personal Information" and the "Regulation on the Protection, Etc. of Personal Information Handled by The Public University Corporation, The University of Aizu."

Personal information provided by applicants including their names, addresses, etc. shall be used for clerical works related to selection of successful applicants, announcement of successful applicants, and admission procedures. It may also be used for the purpose of creating study materials for future admission selection methods.

Additionally, with regard to enrolled students, personal information acquired upon receipt of applications shall be used for the purposes of academic affairs (learning guidance, etc.), student support (enrollment, health management, tuition waiver, scholarship applications, selection of dormitory residents, etc.), and collection of tuition.

8. Contact

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