

EJU

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Independent Administrative Institution
Japan Student Services
Organization



About EJU

Examination for
Japanese University
Admission for
International Students

EJU is an exam designed for international students wishing to enroll and study at Japanese higher educational institutions on their Japanese language proficiency and basic academic abilities. More than 900 universities, professional and vocational universities, junior colleges, graduate schools, colleges of technology (KOSEN) and professional training colleges in Japan use EJU scores when screening applicants.

JASSO administers EJU with the cooperation of MEXT, MOFA and others.



No qualification is required to take EJU.
Anybody can take it a number of times!



Held twice a year (June / November).
Scores are valid for two years.



Pre-Arrival Admission using EJU



Applicants with excellent scores are
promised Scholarship.



Subjects

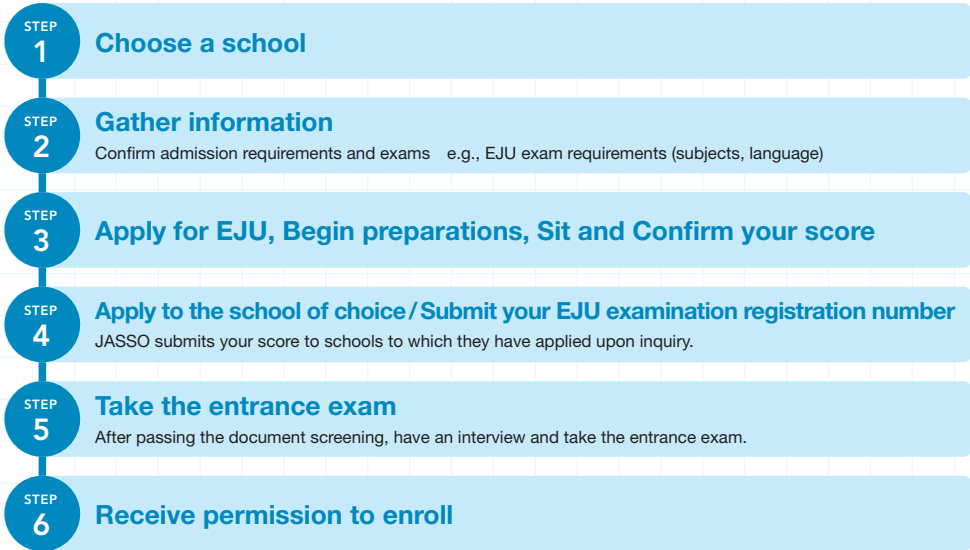



	Subjects	Time	Score range	Language used for exam
1st period	Japanese as a Foreign Language	125 min	Reading Comprehension, Listening and Listening-Reading Comprehension 0 ~ 400 points Writing 0 ~ 50 points	Japanese only
2nd period	Science Select two of the following : Physics, Chemistry or Biology or Japan and the World	80 min	0 ~ 200 points	Selective, either Japanese or English
3rd period	Mathematics Select one of the following : Course 1 (Basic) or Course 2 (Advanced)	80 min	0 ~ 200 points	



Applicants are requested to select and undergo testing in the subjects (from 1 subject to 3 subjects) indicated by their school of choice. Note that the "Science" and "Japan and the World" subjects cannot be taken at the same time.

Admissions process with EJU





Schedule



	1st session	2nd session
January		
February	Application	
March		
April		
May	Receipt of Examination Voucher*	
June	Exam Date	
July	Score Notification	Application
August		
September		
October		Receipt of Examination Voucher*
November		Exam Date
December		Score Notification

*In some countries, your Examination Voucher may be directly issued to you at the time you apply.

Location



Japan

17 prefectures

Outside Japan

17 overseas cities in 13 countries and regions

- Hong Kong
- India (New Delhi)
- Indonesia (Jakarta, Surabaya)
- Malaysia (Kuala Lumpur)
- Mongolia (Ulaanbaatar)
- Myanmar (Yangon)
- Philippines (Manila)
- Republic of Korea (Seoul, Busan)
- Singapore
- Sri Lanka (Colombo)
- Taiwan (Taipei)
- Thailand (Bangkok, Chiang Mai)
- Vietnam (Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City)



Application Method



Application procedure and exam fees used differ according to each site.
For details, contact the overseas representatives or visit following website.



How to apply for EJU

<https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/eju/examinee/procedure/application.html>



Contact

Taking EJU in Japan

EJU Uketsuke-Center (EJU Information Desk)

(+81) 045-620-7243

ēju@sdcj.co.jp

Taking EJU outside Japan

EJU Overseas Representatives

<https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/eju/examinee/contact/index.html>





Past exam questions

Question booklets of the past exams are sold at the Japanese language studies corner of major bookstores throughout Japan. They may also be viewed at EJU Overseas Representatives, JASSO Overseas Offices and Study in Japan Resource Facilities. Some of the past exam questions are published on JASSO' website.



Past exam questions

https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/eju/examinee/pastpaper_sample/index.html



JASSO Overseas Offices

Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Republic of Korea and Vietnam

https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/study_j/jeic/index.html



Study in Japan Resource Facilities

https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/study_j/openbase/index.html



How I prepared for EJU

Enkhbold Maralgua

Name of university : **Keio University**

National origin : **Mongolian**

EJU site : **Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia**

EJU subjects : **Japanese, Japan and the World, Mathematics**



For Mathematics, I began by answering the questions presented in “Chart-shiki Kiso karano Suugaku 1+A.” With the contents of the exam resembling the curriculum in Mongolia, I was also able to apply the details of my own classes while utilizing the aforementioned reference. In my opinion, rather than relying on a large number of reference texts, repeated use of a single reference to fully master the contents can be the key to scoring higher on the exam.

Next, in studying for the “Japan and the World” test, I relied upon the “EJU High Level Sougou-kamoku” workbook. However, because the contents of this subject are almost different from my curriculum in Mongolia, I advise applicants to begin their studies for this phase of the exam from early on. Finally, it is critical to review your reference texts over and over again.

International students achieving excellent scores in EJU will be selected as reservation holders of JASSO' Scholarship (Monbukagakusho Honors Scholarship for Privately-Financed International Students).

Monthly Stipend	Eligibility	Duration of Scholarship
JPY 48,000	Undergraduate, junior college, college of technology (3rd grade or upper) or professional training college in Japan	12 or 6 months Depends on the enrollment period.


Application Procedure

Applicants need to apply by the prescribed method at the time of application for EJU.

● Taking EJU in Japan

Check the designated button on EJU Online.

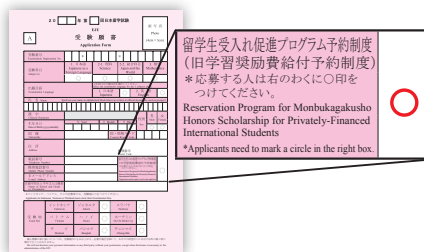
Reservation Program for Monbukagakusho Honors Scholarship for Privately-Financed International Students (Scholarship)

 Apply for the Reservation Program

● Taking EJU outside Japan

Mark a circle in the designated box on EJU application form.

*Apply online in some countries and regions.



Selection

Applicants whose EJU score is in the top rank among candidates will be selected as reservation holders for this scholarship.

Notification of the Selection Results

Applicants selected as reservation holders will be able to download Reservation Notice from “My Page” on EJU Online, from the end of August for the 1st session and the end of January for the 2nd session. JASSO will post the list of reservation holders on our website also.

Details of the Reservation Program

https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/scholarship_j/shoreihi/yoyaku_eju/index.html





Pre-Arrival Admission using EJU



The “Pre-arrival Admission” is a system to enable international students outside of Japan to secure admission to the higher educational institutions in Japan without having to go to Japan. Around 200 schools have introduced this system.

*Some schools conduct interviews and written examinations locally in the overseas countries and regions.

Applicants with superior scores at overseas exam sites will be selected as reservation holders with the qualification for potential extension of JASSO’ Scholarship duration.



Schools Offering Pre-arrival Admission

<https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/eju/examinee/prearrival/index.html>



Advantages of using the Pre-arrival Admission System

Han Eojin

Name of university : **Doshisha University**

National origin : **Korean**

EJU site : **Seoul, Republic of Korea**

EJU subjects: **Japanese, Japan and the World, Mathematics**



I used the Pre-arrival Admission application system to take EJU in my own country, and learned in advance whether I would be accepted to a school. This considerably shortened the period needed to prepare for studying overseas. Getting ready for going abroad naturally includes preparing to take EJU, while there are numerous documents and other materials that need to be collected and forwarded once you are accepted to a school.

If I had waited to prepare to study abroad until after arriving in Japan, it would have been necessary to live alone and study for the exam in a country where I had no acquaintances. This could have proved very stressful both mentally and economically. Taking advantage of the Pre-arrival Admission system eliminated such concerns, enabling me to concentrate on pursuing one of my main dreams in life to date – attending college in Japan.

Q & A

Q1. Is it necessary to take EJU for admission to Japanese schools?

- A. Each school determines whether it will use EJU in its own entrance selection process. Please refer to the Application Guide and directly confirm the school's website you wish to attend.

List of schools using EJU

<https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/eju/examinee/use/index.html>



Q2. What type of test subject is “Japan and the World”?

- A. It is a subject unique to EJU, consisting of questions selected from the “Civics” (primarily politics and economics), “Geography” and “History” courses taught at Japanese high schools.

EJU Syllabus

<https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/ryugaku/eju/examinee/syllabus/index.html>



Q3. Do I need to take EJU even if I passed level N1 (or N2) of JLPT?

- A. Even if you passed them, in cases when schools use EJU scores in their admissions processes, you will normally need to take EJU as well. For applicants who reside in countries or regions where EJU is not offered, certain schools use JLPT scores in place of EJU scores. Check the details in advance.

Q4. I have a disability, can I sit EJU?

- A. You can take the exam. Examinees wishing to request accommodation on taking EJU are requested to contact Application offices. Regarding the application procedures, submission of a physician's certificate or other document verifying the need for accommodation is required.

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