

**Guidelines for Admission to International Graduate Studentship under Leading Graduate School Program**  
**(Ph.D. Professional: Gateway to Success in Frontier Asia)**  
**[Academic Year of 2015 (H. 27)]**

The key theme of “Ph.D. Professional: Gateway to Success in Frontier Asia” is to nurture talents to become leading figures in a variety of fields: business administration and management, government, law, and politics, education and scientific research, mass media and communications, and for-profit or non-profit international organizations and other relevant fields. To raise those “professional Ph.D’s”, each candidate will be given lessons, seminars and opportunities for internship in order to gain and finesse abilities to communicate and discuss own ideas, to create and develop a project on one’s own, to solve and manage a problem as it arises, and to become a leading work force anywhere in a global market.

This Leading Graduate School Program, “Ph.D. Professional: Gateway to Success in Frontier Asia” (hereafter “the Ph.D. Professional program”), is designed as a set of five-year active learning courses and trainings in addition to regular master’s and doctoral curricula provided for earning both degrees in his or her own field of study. The Ph.D. Professional program is open to the first-year (master’s level) graduate students at Nagoya University [\*1].

\*1 As of April 2015, first-year graduate students in the division of Law School are not eligible to apply.

### **Eligibility for Application**

Those who meet all of the following qualifications are eligible to apply:

1. to be admitted or to be enrolled into a relevant master’s program at Nagoya University,
2. to be admitted as international student (stated in his or her visa stamp),
3. to plan to enter a doctoral program at Nagoya University in order to continue his/her studies upon completion of a master’s degree at Nagoya University,
4. to have strong desires to work in business, industries, government, or international organizations after completion of the program.

## Positions Available at Ph.D. Professional Program

The Ph.D. Professional Program for International Graduate Students:

~8 full-member positions available; a few affiliated-member positions may also be available

## Official Application Procedures

Full application packages are accepted by personnel in charge of educational and student affairs at each graduate school ( “gakumu” or “kyomu-gakusei-tantou” at “kaku-kenkyuka” ) until Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup> 2015, unless stated otherwise by a graduate school.

## Official Application Package

Any qualifying applicants should submit the following four materials to be considered as a candidate for the Ph.D. Professional program.

1. curriculum vitae,
2. short essay: please state in your own words what are the important or required qualities and abilities to be a leading figure to explore and to prosper in any uncharted fields and topics concerning the Frontier Asia [\*2],
3. recommendation letter from an academic advisor.
4. Proof for English proficiency (IELTS, TOEFL, or TOEIC scores, etc.) if English is not candidate's native language.

\*2 For essay, please keep it under two pages in A4 format; be sure to keep word counts under 700.

The forms for 1 and 3 are available upon request or through the web page for the Ph.D. Professional Program. In order to keep confidentiality, please seal the envelope containing the recommendation letter from an advisor.

## Selection Process

Each candidate will be evaluated based on the application materials by his or her respective graduate

school first; and then an interview will be given by the members of the Ph.D. Professional Office to those candidates who are highly recommended by their graduate schools. At the interview, each candidate is expected to present his or her own research work (or interest to be pursued) in ten minutes and to deliver his or her plans and purposes to achieve by joining this challenging academic program in five minutes (use of presentation softwares permitted and also recommended). Based on each candidate's performance, the prospective students for the program will be selected.

Interviews are to be scheduled in June 2015.

### **Result of the Interview**

The result will be notified via the web (<http://www.phdpro.leading.nagoya-u.ac.jp/eng/>); each candidate will also be notified of the result of the interview (and admission procedures to those who would be accepted) via postal mail or e-mail as well.

### **Enrollment Fee and Tuition**

Admission to the Ph.D. Professional program does not guarantee any waivers for enrollment fee and tuition at Nagoya University. However, there will be no additional cost for prospective students to participate in the Ph.D. Professional program.

### **Financial Support**

The recipients of full-member position will receive an academic scholarship as financial support. The amount of the stipend is 200,000 JPY per month starting in October 2015. Furthermore, housing support / subsidy may be available as well. Affiliated members will receive a stipend of 85,000 JPY per month. [\*3]

\*3 The scholarship may be renewable annually until the standard term limit for graduation (four academic years and one academic term for those who have enrolled the University in Spring term; five academic years for those who have enrolled in Fall term). The amount of financial support may also be subject to vary or to termination based on programmatic budgetary restriction.

### **Additional Notes**

1. No change in any of the document is permitted after submission.
2. Applicants may be requested to provide additional information upon request from our admission office.
3. If, after admission, it is discovered that any documents have been falsified, admission will be nullified.
4. Handling of Private Information: Applicants' personal information such as address, name, date of birth, etc., will be utilized only for the purpose of selection for admission, announcement of results, admission procedures and academic affairs. All personal information submitted is managed properly and shall not be used for any other purpose.
5. The Ph.D. Professional program will have a forum to introduce the program itself and its academic curriculum at 18:00 JST on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at E&S Hall (E&S Building).

### **Contact Information**

Should you have any question about admission process or about this international student program in general, prospective leading graduate students are encouraged to contact academic staff at the admission office of our Leading Graduate School Program (correspondence via mail/E-mail only; see the E-mail address below).

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