Meiji Pharmaceutical University
Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences
Life and Pharmaceutical Sciences Major (Master's Course)
2027 Guidelines for Overseas Applicants

1. **No. of slots available**: A few

2. **Laboratories offered :**

Course: Life and Pharmaceutical Sciences

Laboratory:

Organic and Medicinal Chemistry
Pharmaceutical Chemistry
Synthetic Organic Chemistry
Chemistry of Functional Molecules
Physical Chemistry
Molecular Pharmaceutics
CMC and Pharmaceutical Design Engineering
Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry
Biochemistry
RNA Pathobiology and Therapeutics
Analytical Biochemistry
Infection Control Science
Microbiology
Cellular and Molecular Pharmacology
Pharmacotherapy
Public Health and Epidemiology
Clinical Kampo Medicine
Biopharmaceutics
Pharmacometrics and Pharmacokinetics
Medical Molecular Informatics
Medication Use Analysis and Clinical Research
Pathophysiology
Environmental Toxicology
Functionarl Morphology
Clinical Pharmacodynamics and Toxicology Analytics
Education and Research Unit for Comprehensive Clinical Pharmacy/
(Department of Precision Oncology)
Education and Research Center for Pharmacy /Department of Regulatory Science

Note: Applications to Laboratory of Pharmacognosy and Phytochemistry,

Education and Research Unit for Comprehensive Clinical Pharmacy/ Department of Clinical Neuropharmacology are not accepted.

3. **Qualifications**

Those who have completed a 16-year education abroad, those graduating from a four-year university in Japan and majoring in a scientific field, or those having a similar academic background.

4. **Period and place of application**

(1) Period of application: Thursday, 5 November, 2026 to Tuesday, 24 November, 2026
(Saturdays, 7 November and 14 November are excluded)

(2) Place of application: Office of the Graduate School, from 9 am to 11 am, and from 1 pm to 4 pm (The office is open until noon on Saturdays. No applications are accepted on Sundays.)

5. **Application procedures**

The following documents must be submitted to the University. Documents submitted by post must be sent by registered mail and have "Graduate School Overseas Application" written in red on the front of the envelope.

(1) Application form (use the University's format)
(2) Diploma from last educational institution attended
(3) Transcript of records from last educational institution attended
(4) Medical examination certificate (The form is available from the University. To be completed by the examining physician within three months prior to application. In the event of doubt, the applicant may be required to undergo a re-examination at the University.)
(5) Two (2) photographs (upper body, full face without a hat, size: 4.5 cm x 3.5 cm, taken within three (3) months prior to application. To be affixed to the application form and the examination admission card.)
(6) Letter of recommendation from a supervisor/professor at the last educational institution attended (in English) and letter of approval from a professor or an associate professor at Meiji Pharmaceutical University
(7) Official certificate of proficiency in Japanese (Official certificates regarding the results and scores of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) taken on or after April 2024.)
(8) Letter of guarantee (Should be signed and sealed by the guarantor. The guarantor should be a resident of Japan and be responsible for guaranteeing the student's moral character and study expenses while in Japan.)
(9) Certificate of Items Stated in Resident Register, a Copy of Resident Card (or Alien Registration Card)
(If the applicant is a resident of Japan, the above should be submitted at the time of application. If the applicant is a non-resident, registration must be completed immediately after entering Japan and the certificate submitted.)
(Certificate of Items Stated in Resident Register: must include nationality, status of residence, period of stay, and date of expiration. Resident Card or Alien Registration Card: submit one copy each of front and back of the card.)

(10) Official certificate of proficiency in English (Optional Submission)

(Official certificates, such as the TOEIC Official Score Certificate, for examinations taken on or after April 2024. Submission of this certificate may grant you an exemption from the English language test depending on your score. Those who are exempted will be notified at the same time as the results of the first selection.)

6. **Examination fee**

30,000 yen (to be paid at the time of application for second selection)

7. **Selection method**

Selection shall be based on the overall results of foreign language examination, interview, transcript of records, medical examination, etc.

8. **Selection dates, examination subjects and venue**

(1) First selection

Date: mid-December, 2026

Subject: Screening of documents only

Venue: Meiji Pharmaceutical University

(2) Second selection

Date: Saturday, 13 February, 2027

Subject & examination time:

English language written examination 10:30 am to 11:00 am

Applicants are required to answer one question.

Interview (Oral test of Japanese proficiency and specialized knowledge of the subject that the applicant plans to major in) From 1:00 pm

Venue: Meiji Pharmaceutical University

9. **Notification of results**

(1) First selection: Applicants shall be notified in writing by the end of December, 2026.

(2) Second selection:Results shall be announced at 1:00 pm at the University on Monday, 15 February, 2027 and successful applicants shall be notified in writing.

10. **Entrance procedures**

After the applicant has been accepted for admission to the University, the applicant must provide the name of his/her guarantor, submit the required documents, and pay the fees no later than the designated date. Failure to do so will result in cancellation of admission to the University.

11. **Fees**

Those who have been accepted for admission to the university should pay the following fees after the receipt of notification of acceptance. Both tuition fee for the first semester and insurance fee should be paid in March 2027.

Admission fee: 200,000 yen

Tuition fee: 900,000 yen (payable in two installments of 450,000 yen each semester)

Insurance (as of 2026): 1,750 yen (two-year student insurance for education, accident, and injury or illness)

Additional insurance cost may be incurred if a student participates in special training programs outside the University.

Note that students may apply for tuition exemption for overseas students offered by Meiji Pharmaceutical University.

12. **Teaching Assistant system**

Students can apply for the position of Teaching Assistant at Meiji Pharmaceutical University.

13. **Special Examination Arrangements and Academic Accommodations**

Applicants requiring special examination arrangements due to physical reasons (such as illness, injury, or disability) must complete the prescribed application procedures with the Graduate School Office prior to submitting their application. Applicants are required to notify the Graduate School Office by email no later than one month before the application deadline. Based on the submitted request, the University will review and determine the appropriate arrangements and subsequently notify the applicant of the decision. Applicants must confirm the details of the arrangements before submitting their application.

Prior consultation regarding the application for special examination arrangements, as well as consultation concerning academic accommodations, must be conducted via email with the Graduate School Office before application submission, regardless of the aforementioned timeline.

Applicants intending to use assistive devices during the examination, such as hearing aids or wheelchairs, must also submit an application.

Please be advised that failure to submit the required application by the specified deadline may result in the inability to provide accommodations on the day of the examination. In cases of unavoidable or sudden circumstances, applicants must promptly contact the Graduate School Office.

(Important Notes)

Please note that the University may not be able to accommodate all requests.

Furthermore, examination fees will not be refunded even if an applicant withdraws their application due to dissatisfaction with the approved arrangements.

14. **Notes**:

(1) Applicants who pass the first selection are required to pay 30,000 yen as examination fee for the second selection.

(2) Applicants must consult in advance with the professor under whom they wish to study.

(3) Admission may be cancelled in the event of omission of important entries on the application form or the entry of false information.
(4) No documents shall be returned once submitted. No examination fees shall be refunded.
(5) Smoking is prohibited on the university premises and on surrounding roads, and a 'Non-Smoking Pledge' must be submitted at the time of enrollment procedures.
(6) Applicants with disabilities or chronic medical conditions may need to confirm in advance, depending on their individual circumstances, whether they can complete the curriculum. Applicants who require academic accommodations should contact the Office of the Graduate School as early as possible, preferably before submitting their application, to discuss their needs.

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