

This document summarizes the key information regarding the Medical Life Sciences Program (Doctoral Course), Graduate School of Medicine and Pharmaceutical Sciences (General Admission). Please refer to the application guidelines for information common to all applicants, including application procedures. In addition, for information on prospective supervisors, please consult the “List of Research Areas of Academic Supervisors” (available in either Excel or PDF format) on the same page as the application guidelines.

[Application guideline](#)

Number of Students to be Admitted

graduate schools, etc.	Program	Number of Students to be Admitted
Graduate School of Medicine and Pharmaceutical Sciences	Medical Life Sciences Program	30

Schedule of Entrance Examination

※All times listed are in Japan Standard Time (JST).

October 2026 Enrollment

Items	General Admission
Deadline for pre-consultation for applicants with disabilities	2026/6/25 4:00 PM
Deadline for inquiry regarding eligibility screening for applicants(for applicable applicants only)	2026/7/2 4:00 PM
Notification of Eligibility Screening Results(for applicable applicants only)	Notification will be sent to the applicant by the day before the start of the application period.
Application Period	2026/7/10～2026/7/17 5:00 PM
Scheduled Issuance Date of Admission Tickets, etc.※Print from the online application system	2026/8/5 3:00 PM
Examination Date	2026/8/21
Announcement of Successful Applicants	2026/9/1 3:00 PM
Deadline for Enrollment Procedures	Must be received by 2026/9/11 4:00PM

April 2027 Enrollment

Items	【First round】 General Admission	【Second round】 General Admission
Deadline for pre-consultation for applicants with disabilities	2026/6/25 4:00 PM	2026/11/27 4:00 PM
Deadline for inquiry regarding eligibility screening for applicants(for applicable applicants only)	2026/7/2 4:00 PM	2026/12/4 4:00 PM
Notification of Eligibility Screening Results(for applicable applicants only)	Notification will be sent to the applicant by the day before the start of the application period.	
Application Period	2026/7/10～2026/7/17 5:00 PM	2026/12/14～2026/12/21 5:00 PM
Scheduled Issuance Date of Admission Tickets, etc.※Print from the online application system	2026/8/5 3:00 PM	2027/2/5 3:00 PM
Examination Date	2026/8/21	2027/2/18
Announcement of Successful Applicants	2026/9/1 3:00 PM	2027/3/5 3:00 PM
Deadline for Enrollment Procedures	Must be received by 2026/9/11 4:00PM	Must be received by 2027/3/12 4:00PM

Eligibility for Application

【Graduate School of Medicine and Pharmaceutical Sciences (Medical Life Sciences Program)】

Applicants shall meet one or more of the following requirements.

- (1) Applicants who have graduated from a university (limited to programs in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy with a standard duration of six years, or veterinary medicine), or who are expected to graduate by the end of the month preceding the month of desired enrollment.
- (2) Applicants who have been awarded a bachelor's degree by the National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education in accordance with Article 104, Paragraph 7 of the School Education Act (limited to those who have studied medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, or veterinary medicine), or who are expected to be awarded such a degree by the end of the month preceding the month of desired enrollment.
- (3) Applicants who have completed 18 years of school education in a foreign country (limited

to programs in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy with a standard duration of six years, or veterinary medicine), or who are expected to complete such education by the end of the month preceding the month of desired enrollment.

(4) Applicants who have completed 18 years of school education in a foreign country (limited to programs in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy with a standard duration of six years, or veterinary medicine) by completing course subjects through distance education provided by a foreign school while residing in Japan, or who are expected to complete such education by the end of the month preceding the month of desired enrollment.

(5) Applicants who have completed a program at an educational institution in Japan that is recognized within the foreign country's school education system as offering a curriculum of a foreign university whose completion is regarded as completion of an 18-year school education program (limited to programs in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy with a standard duration of six years, or veterinary medicine), and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, or who are expected to complete such a program by the end of the month preceding the month of desired enrollment.

(6) Applicants who have been awarded a degree equivalent to a bachelor's degree by completing a program with a standard duration of five years or more (limited to programs in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, or veterinary medicine) at a foreign university or other foreign educational institution (limited to institutions evaluated by an entity certified by the relevant foreign government or related organizations, or otherwise designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology as equivalent), including completion via distance education conducted in Japan or at a designated educational institution as referred to in item (5), or who are expected to be awarded such a degree by the end of the month preceding the month of desired enrollment.

(7) Applicants designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (Ministry of Education Notification No. 39 of 1955):

① Applicants who completed a program in medicine or dentistry and graduated from a university under the former University Ordinance (Imperial Ordinance No. 388 of 1918);

② Applicants who graduated from the National Defense Medical College established under the Defense Agency Establishment Act (Act No. 164 of 1954);

③ Applicants who fall under any of the following categories and are recognized as having academic ability equal to or greater than that of a graduate of a university program in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, or veterinary medicine:

i . Applicants who have completed a master's program (in science, engineering, etc.) or are eligible for the award of a master's degree (in science, engineering, etc.);

ii . Applicants who have been enrolled in a doctoral program without division into a first two-year stage and a latter three-year stage for at least two years, have earned at least 30 credits, and have received necessary research supervision (including those specified in Article 6, item

(1) of the former Degree Regulations prior to amendment);

iii. Applicants who, after graduating from a university (excluding programs in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, or veterinary medicine) or completing 16 years of school education in a foreign country, have engaged in research at a university, research institute, etc. for at least two years and are recognized by the graduate school or advanced course as having equivalent or higher academic ability based on the results of such research.

(8) Applicants who were admitted to another university's doctoral program (limited to those with a standard duration of four years) under Article 102, Paragraph 2 of the School Education Act and are recognized by this graduate school as having appropriate academic ability to receive graduate education.

(9) Applicants who, through an individual screening of admission eligibility conducted by the graduate school, are recognized as having academic ability equal to or greater than that of a graduate of a university (limited to programs in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy with a standard duration of six years, or veterinary medicine), and who have reached the age of 24 at the time of enrollment.

(10) Applicants who have been enrolled in a university (limited to programs in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy with a standard duration of six years, or veterinary medicine) for at least four years (including those recognized as equivalent by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) and are recognized by the graduate school as having earned the required credits with excellent academic performance.

Notes

Note1: Applicants who fall under eligibility (1) and have graduated from a faculty of medicine, dentistry, or pharmacy are expected to hold a license as a physician, dentist, or pharmacist.

Note2: Applicants intending to apply under eligibility (6) must contact the Sugitani Area Administration Department, Sugitani Campus, in advance.

Note3: Among those under eligibility (7), there are applicants such as those who have completed a master's program and are recognized by the graduate school. For details, please contact the Sugitani Area Administration Department, Sugitani Campus (see the application guidelines "G. Contact Information").

Note4: Among those under eligibility (10), there are applicants who have completed equivalent programs abroad. For details, please contact the Sugitani Area Administration Department, Sugitani Campus.

Note5: Applicants intending to apply under eligibility (7)–(10) must undergo a preliminary eligibility screening. Refer to the application guidelines "3. Preliminary Screening of Application Eligibility" and complete the required procedures.

Selection Methods

【Medical Life Sciences Program】

Selection of applicants is based on a comprehensive evaluation of the English language

examination (see the application guidelines “Use of External English Tests”), oral examination, and academic transcripts, in order to assess academic ability equivalent to completion of a six-year medical program, as well as motivation and overall competence.

① Oral Examination

Questions will focus on the applicant’s intended field of specialization and area of study.

Examination Subjects and Schedule

Category	Medical Life Sciences Program
Oral Examination	From 13:00 ※
Examination Venue	Sugitani Campus, Faculty of Medical and Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Toyama

※The starting time of the oral examination may be changed depending on the number of applicants. Any changes will be announced when the examination admission ticket is issued.

※Applicants must bring a printed copy of their examination admission ticket on the day of the examination. Please also review the instructions for examinees in advance.

Admission Decision Criteria

【Medical Life Sciences Program】

Selection will be based on the evaluation of the English language examination and the oral examination, among other components.

Applicants who score less than 60 out of 100 points on the English language examination will be deemed unsuccessful.

Application Documents

Applicants must submit all required documents in an envelope with the Address Sheet affixed.

When submitting by post, please use registered express mail (or, if sent from overseas, a trackable service such as EMS).

Required documents available on the online application system can be printed only after payment of the application examination fee has been completed.

Graduate School of Medicine and Pharmaceutical Sciences

• Medical Life Sciences Program

No.	Document	Remarks
1	Application Form	Print in A4 size, in color, from the online application system. Printing will be enabled after payment of the examination fee. Be sure to check that all printed information is correct.
2	Address Sheet	Print in A4 size, in color, from the online

		application system. Affix securely to a commercially available Kaku-2 envelope (240 mm × 332 mm). Confirm that all printed information is correct.
3	Pledge for the Security Export Control and Confirmation Letter regarding the Applicability of the Specific Categories for Compliance with Article 25 (1) and (2) of the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act	Print in A4 size from the online application system. After reviewing item “10. Security Export Control” under “F. General Procedure of Application” in this application guide, as well as the contents of the pledge, the applicant must personally sign and submit the document.
4	Certificate of Completion (Expected)	Issued by the president of the applicant’s former university or the head of the graduate school. Applicants who have completed or are expected to complete a Master’s Course at University of Toyama are not required to submit this document. International students who are unable to submit this document must present the original certificate in advance at the application office and submit a copy.
5	Academic Transcript (Graduate School)	Issued and sealed by the president of the applicant’s former university or the head of the graduate school. Sealing is not required if anti-forgery paper is used.
6	Academic Transcript (Undergraduate Program)	Issued and sealed by the president or dean of the applicant’s former university/faculty. Sealing is not required if anti-forgery paper is used.
7	Approval to Take the Examination	[Applicants who are currently enrolled in another graduate school or employed by a government agency, company, or other organization] The document must be prepared by the head of the relevant graduate school or the head of the affiliated organization.
8	TOEFL / TOEIC / IELTS Score Sheet (Copy) <i>(if applicable)</i>	Submit a copy of the score sheet for one of the following tests. If the score sheet cannot be submitted at the time of application, submit documentation proving that the test has been taken or is scheduled, and submit the score sheet

		copy by the examination day. ① TOEFL iBT Examinee Score Report ② TOEFL ITP Score Report ③ TOEIC Listening & Reading Official Score Certificate ④ TOEIC L&R-IP Score Report ⑤ IELTS Test Report Form (TRF) Scores must be from a test taken within four years prior to the examination date. (For the Medical Life Sciences Program, there is no restriction on test dates.) Applicants whose converted score is below the threshold indicated below will be deemed unsuccessful. • Medical Life Sciences Program: below 60 points The original must be brought on the examination day for verification. Alternatively, a printed PDF of the TOEIC L&R digital official certificate or direct score submission of TOEFL iBT via ETS (DI code: G256) is accepted. When arranging for TOEFL iBT scores to be sent directly, please indicate this in the margin of the application form.
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Examination Fee: ¥30,000

Please complete the payment procedure for the application examination fee (¥30,000) through the online application system.

In Japan, payment may be made via convenience store, credit card, internet banking, or Pay-easy-compatible post office/bank ATM.

Outside Japan, payment must be made by credit card. Additional handling fees apply.

Contact Information

Graduate School /Programs	Responsible Department	Address	Website
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