

Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU)

The Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU) is used to evaluate whether international students who wish to study at the undergraduate level at universities or other such higher educational institutions in Japan possess the Japanese language skills and the basic academic abilities needed to study at those institutions.

Number of schools using the EJU

Universities	438
Junior colleges	88
Graduate schools	59
Colleges of technology	51
Professional training colleges	134
Total	770

(As of December 2017)



A majority of universities (almost all national universities) and other educational institutions in Japan consider the EJU scores in their admission process.

Whether you may use the EJU as an entrance exam varies even within the same university depending on undergraduate department; check the website below to find out whether EJU is necessary for the undergraduate department you wish to enter.

List of schools using the EJU for screening

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

1 When does the exam take place?

June (first session) and November (second session)

2 Where does the exam take place?

Japan: 16 cities

Outside Japan: 17 cities in 14 countries and regions

Examination sites (outside Japan)

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

3 What subjects are on the test?

Students choose the subjects and languages specified by their universities of choice. Note that the Science and “Japan and the World” subjects cannot be taken at the same time.

Subjects	Purpose	Time	Score range	Selection of subjects	Examination language options
Japanese as a Foreign Language	Measurement of the Japanese language skills (academic Japanese) required for studying at Japanese universities.	125 minutes	Reading comprehension, listening comprehension, and listening-reading comprehension: 0–400 points Writing: 0–50 points	/	Japanese only
Basic academic abilities	Science	80 minutes	0–200 points		Select two of the following subjects: physics, chemistry or biology
	Japan and the World	80 minutes	0–200 points	/	
	Mathematics	80 minutes	0–200 points	Course 1, which is for those who will study liberal arts or sciences that require relatively minor proficiency in mathematics, or Course 2, which is for those who will study areas that require a high level of proficiency in mathematics	

Example: Application requirements for “A University” (designated EJU subjects)

Undergraduate department	Japanese as a Foreign Language	Japan and the World	Mathematics	Science				Examination language options (basic academic abilities)	Effective scores
				Physics	Chemistry	Biology	Selection of subjects		
Faculty of Law	○	○	Course 1					Japanese	Implemented in June or November 2018
Faculty of Engineering			Course 2	○			Free choice of one more science subject	English	Implemented in June 2018

4 Check the schedule

		1 st session	2 nd session	
1)	Application period	February–March	July	Obtain the bulletin of EJU, pay the exam fee and send out your application form. Note: Never fail to check the application period because it changes annually
2)	Examination voucher to examinee	May	October	The exam voucher will be sent out.
3)	Examination date	June	November	Sit for EJU
4)	Score report to examinee	July	December	The results will be notified to the examinees by JASSO. Then, JASSO submits the results of the examinees to the universities to which they have applied upon inquiry from those universities.

Note: Applications may be submitted via post or online depending on city. Please see the following website for details:

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

5 EJU merits

1) A reservation program for a scholarship

Privately financed international students who have achieved an excellent score on EJU and will enroll as regular students in universities (undergraduate program), junior colleges, colleges of technology (in the third year or above) or specialized training colleges (postsecondary course) are eligible to use a reservation program for Monbukagakusho Honors Scholarship for Privately-Financed International Students.

Monthly stipend (FY2018): JPY 48,000

Application method: Apply using the designated method at the time you apply for the EJU.

Screening method: The recipients of the scholarship reservation program will be selected from those who have achieved excellent scores on EJU.

http://www.jasso.go.jp/en/study_j/scholarships/scholarship/shoureihi/yoyakuseido/index.html

2) There is no limit to the number of times EJU can be taken, nor age. EJU scores remain valid for two years.

No matter how many times or how old you are, you can take EJU. EJU scores remain valid for two years so you can have up to four valid EJU scores, but you can only submit the test score of one session to each school. It is impossible to submit the scores of different sessions per subject. As many schools specify the EJU session that their applicants are required to take, please check the application guidebook of your school of choice to find out about their EJU requirements.

3) Schools Offering Pre-arrival Admission System

List of schools offering pre-arrival admission using EJU (approximately 160 schools)

http://www.jasso.go.jp/en/eju/examinee/prearrival/uni_national.html

6 Past EJU questions and answers

Sample questions and answers

http://www.jasso.go.jp/en/eju/examinee/pastpaper_sample.html



EJU Questions Booklet (with a CD containing listening and listening-reading comprehension questions)

Past year questions of EJU

Authored and edited: JASSO

Published: Bonjinsha Co., Ltd.

(sold in Japan and Republic of Korea)

Note: Available for browsing at Study in Japan Resource Facilities (see page 41)

Contact

Taking EJU outside Japan

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

(EJU Overseas Representatives)

Taking EJU in Japan

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