

Medical Education in Japan

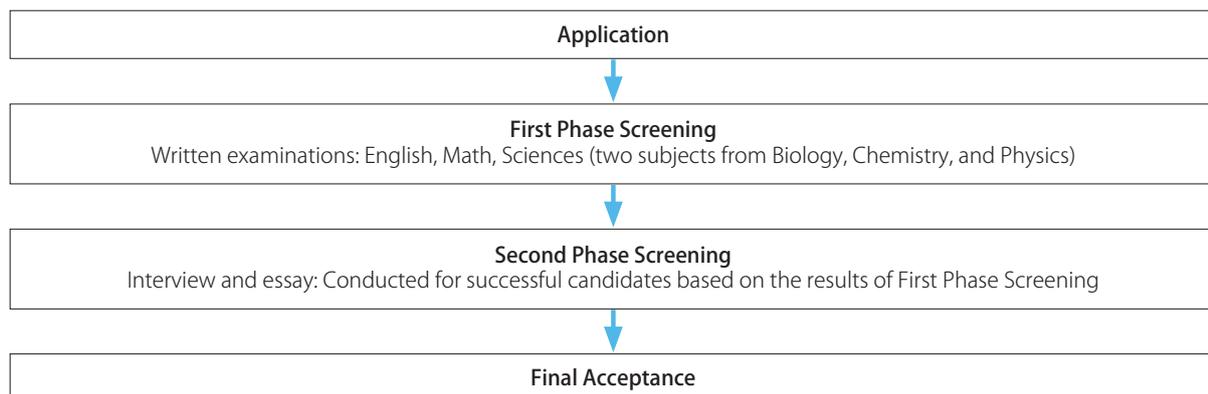
Basic Information

| School of Medicine in Japan |

- ◆ The period of studying at schools of medicine in Japan spans six years.
※In Japan, undergraduate degree programs which require six years include medicine, dentistry, and veterinary. The rest of the undergraduate programs span four years.
- ◆ Each academic year (school year) begins in April and ends in March.
- ◆ Most of the schools of medicine accept approximately 100 students each academic year.
- ◆ There are 81 universities as a total that have a school of medicine, consisting of 51 national (public) universities and 30 private universities.
- ◆ Average tuition fees (for six years) for private schools of medicine cost approximately 33,000,000 Yen (*US\$311,320) with some additional expenses for textbooks and studying materials (lab coats, stethoscope, etc.) which may cost approximately 100,000 Yen (*US\$943) per year.
※In this regard, the total tuition fee for IUHW newly establishing school of medicine for six years will be set to be 18,500,000 Yen (*US\$174,528) which is the lowest among all of the private schools of medicine in Japan.

| Entrance Examination for School of Medicine in Japan |

- ◆ Typical Example of Admission Procedure
Admission procedure for entering school of medicine in Japan varies across different universities, but a typical example generally follows the steps below.



- ◆ Eligible candidates are those who have completed 12-year education or equivalent education.
- ◆ Entering school of medicine in Japan is very competitive. In academic year of 2016, there were 9,262 capacity for entering school of medicine in Japan, corresponding to less than 1% of 1.2 million 18-year-old population.

| National Medical Practitioners Qualifying Examination |

- ◆ Medical doctors are registered through a licensing system in Japan by passing the national licensing examination conducted in Japanese language.
 - Only students, who are expected to be graduated can take the national licensing examination. And they need to pass the national licensing examination in order to become a medical practitioner.
(In principle, it is essential to graduate from Japanese school of medicine in order to become a doctor in Japan.)
- ◆ Pass rate for the national licensing examination is 94% (March 2016 figure).
- ◆ After successful completion of the school of medicine and registration as medical doctors, graduates will be required to go through two-year clinical training as medical interns. Their average monthly salary will be approximately 200,000~400,000yen (*US\$ 1,886 ~3,773).
*US\$=106 yen as of June 2016 (truncated to integer).



Curriculum of IUHW School of Medicine

Year 1	Medical professionalism	Medical interviews / physical examinations	Medical English / English language	Introduction to medicine / Anatomy and dissection training	Global health / Overseas medical exposure	Liberal arts
				Medical biology, etc.		
				Basic theories of medicine		
				Occurrence / Childbirth		
				Statistics		
Year 2	Medical professionalism	Medical interviews / physical examinations	Medical English / English language	Organ-specific integrated lectures	Global health / Overseas medical exposure	Liberal arts
				Pediatrics, infectious diseases, tumors and clinical medicine		
				Human anatomy training		
Year 3	Medical professionalism	Medical interviews / physical examinations	Medical English / English language	First-aid / anesthesia, preventive medicine / behavioral science, geriatrics	Global health / Overseas medical exposure	Liberal arts
				Social medicine (Including public health, forensics, and clinical epidemiology)		
Year 3	Medical professionalism	Medical interviews / physical examinations	Medical English / English language	Integrated clinical medicine, introduction to clinical diagnosis, symptoms and clinical deductions	Global health / Overseas medical exposure	Liberal arts
				Common examination (CBT★ / OSCE (Objective Structured Clinical Examination))		
Year 4		Inter-professional collaboration education (Lectures and practical training)		Basic clinical training		
Year 5				Basic clinical training		
Year 6				Elective clinical training / Overseas clinical training		
				OSCE at graduation / International clinical skills evaluation test		
				Summary lecture		
Year 6				Graduation examination		

Characteristics of the Curriculum

- ◆ Medical students will take a subject called 'International Medicine and Health' as one of the compulsory subjects in order to understand medical circumstances in Asian countries. Taking this subject will offer students to learn and get an idea of latest trends in international health care environments such as concepts of global health, tropical medicine, and furthermore educational systems of international health and medicine.
- ◆ In Year 6, students will take 'Overseas Clinical Training' as a compulsory subject in order to learn and experience clinical trainings at medical facilities outside of Japan for at least four weeks.
- ◆ Students will take Medical English classes so that they will be able to conduct medical consultation and examination in English.
- ◆ Students can also choose to take foreign languages other than English among widely used languages such as Spanish and French as well as languages in Asian countries, as a second language.
- ◆ One of the world's largest medical education simulation centers with a site area of over 5,000m² will be established and intensively used for medical education as well as for research and development activities throughout six-year medical education.

Support for International Students

- ◆ 'IUHW Intensive Japanese Language Program – preparation to enter IUHW School of Medicine' will be established for students wishing to improve their Japanese language skills prior to entering Narita School of Medicine.
- ◆ An international exchange center will provide a wide range of vital support for international students, offering continuous assistance for improving Japanese language skills as well as assistance for getting familiarized with Japanese customs and culture.
- ◆ There will be a university dormitory for international students admitted to IUHW School of Medicine.