

**Ritsumeikan University 2009 Fall Semester Admission**  
**Chinese Government Graduate Student Overseas Study Program**  
**Guidelines by “The China Scholarship Council” for the university entrance exam and**  
**application recruitment support.**

中国国家留学基金「国家建设高水平大学公派研究生项目」

Based on the guidelines below, Ritsumeikan University is currently recruiting international students from China for the 2009 fall semester as part of The Chinese Government Graduate Student Overseas Study Program initiated by The China Scholarship Council: 中国国家留学基金「国家建设高水平大学公派研究生项目」.

**. Eligible graduate schools, majors, courses, programs, designated number of enrollees and candidates**

Graduate School	Major/Course	Program	Designated number of enrollees	Number of Accepted Students
Graduate School of Law	Law / Research Course	Doctoral Program	15	A limited number of students
		Non-Degree Student Doctoral Program		
Graduate School of Economics	Economics	Doctoral Program	10	
		Non-Degree Student Doctoral Program		
Graduate School of Business Administration	Corporate Management	Doctoral Program	15	
		Non-Degree Student Doctoral Program		
Graduate School of Sociology	Applied Sociology	Doctoral Program	15	
		Non-Degree Student Doctoral Program		
Graduate School of International Relations	International Relations	Doctoral Program	10	
		Non-Degree Student Doctoral Program		
Graduate School of Policy Science	Policy Science	Doctoral Program	15	

		Non-Degree Student Doctoral Program		
Graduate School of Letters	Humanities	Doctoral Program	35	
		Non-Degree Student Doctoral Program		
Graduate School of Science and Engineering	Integrated Science and Engineering	Doctoral Program	75	
		Non-Degree Student Doctoral Program		
Graduate School of CoreEthics and Frontier Sciences	CoreEthics and Frontier Sciences	5 Year Integrated Doctoral Program (starting in 3 <sup>rd</sup> year)	30	
		Non-Degree Student Doctoral Program		
Graduate School of Technology Management	Technology Management Research Course	Doctoral Program	5	
		Non-Degree Student Doctoral Program		

The number of accepted students represents the combined total for all graduate schools.

Based on application conditions and screening results, the number of applicants accepted may be less than the maximum allowable number of accepted students.

### . Application Requirements and Conditions

Candidates must fulfill all of the following requirements, (1) to (3):

(1) Eligible Home Institutions/Graduate Schools and Degrees

Students who have already completed and received credit for a master's degree at a high level university in China, including those universities that participated in the 2007 Forum for Japanese and Chinese University Presidents. Alternatively, those expecting to receive their master's degree from one of these universities by Sept. 25, 2009 are also eligible.

Students who are enrolled in a doctoral program at one of the universities listed in the paragraph above.

(2) Intend to enroll in one of the following Ritsumeikan University Graduate School programs:

Doctoral Program (seeking a Doctorate degree)

Enrollment period: 36 months

\* It may be possible to grant an extension of 12 months (Maximum duration of 48 months).

Doctoral Program (non-degree student)

Enrollment period: 6 to 24 months

\* The wishes of the applicant will be taken into consideration regarding the enrollment period, however, the period will be designated by the supervising faculty within the 6 to 24 month range.

### (3) Language used for Research Activities

Japanese or English will be used. Applications in Chinese may also be admitted in special circumstances.

## . Application Method

Applicants must submit the following documents to the person in charge of the Chinese Government Graduate Student Overseas Study Program (国家建設高水平大学公派研究生項目) at the university to which the applicant is affiliated and request that they mail the documents to the address indicated below [ – (2) Mailing Address for Application Documents]:

### <REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR ALL APPLICANTS>

As a rule, these documents should be filled out in English or Japanese. For documents ~ , applicants who wish to receive supervision in English should write in English, and those wish to receive supervision in Japanese should write in Japanese. For documents ~ , if they are not written in English or Japanese, please attach a Japanese or English translation.

2009 Ritsumeikan University Graduate School Doctoral Course Application Guideline: Chinese Government Graduate Student Overseas Study Program (国家建設高水平大学公派研究生項目)  
Application Form A ( Ritsumeikan University Prescribed Form)

2009 Ritsumeikan University Graduate School Doctoral Course Application Guideline: Chinese Government Graduate Student Overseas Study Program (国家建設高水平大学公派研究生項目)  
Application Form B (Ritsumeikan University Prescribed Form)

2009 Ritsumeikan University Graduate School Doctoral Course Application Guideline: Chinese Government Graduate Student Overseas Study Program (国家建設高水平大学公派研究生項目)  
Application Form C (Ritsumeikan University Prescribed Form)

Referral from the applicant's school or institution (Original document)

Academic Transcripts issued by the last institution attended (Original document)

Certificate of Completion (Graduation) or certificate of expected degree completion (Original document)

Undergraduate Academic Transcripts (Original document)

Undergraduate Certificate of Graduation (Original document)

### < DOCUMENTS FOR VOLUNTARY SUBMISSION>

Please submit the following if you possess these documents (As a rule, these should be written in English or Japanese). If these documents are not written in English or Japanese, please attach a Japanese or English translation.

Master's Thesis (Free format)

\* Regarding the Master's Thesis, a translation in Japanese or English of only the essential points is also acceptable.

Certificate of Japanese language proficiency (certificate of JLPT score, etc.)

(Copy acceptable)

Certificates of language proficiency for English or other languages (TOEIC®, TOEFL® or IELTS® certificates, etc.) (Copy acceptable)

**. Application Period and Mailing Address for Application Documents**

(1) Application Period for documents to be submitted:

**Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008 to Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

**(Documents must be received by Ritsumeikan University no later than Dec. 18, 2008)**

(2) Mailing Address for Application Documents:

(Chinese Government Graduate Student Overseas Study Program)  
International Center at Biwako-Kusatsu Campus  
Ritsumeikan University  
Noji Higashi 1-1-1  
Kusatsu-shi  
Shiga ken  
525-8577  
Japan

**. Selection Process and Announcement of Results**

Based on an examination of the above mentioned documents to be submitted, a decision will be made at Ritsumeikan University regarding acceptance/non-acceptance and applicants who have passed the first stage of the application process will be announced. A “conditional letter of acceptance” will be sent from Ritsumeikan University to applicants who have passed the first stage of the application process. Applicants who have passed the first stage of the application process and who have also been approved by the International Student Assistance Selection Committee of the China Scholarship Council 「中国国家留学基金援助留学生選考」, and whose scholarship funds have been set, will be deemed successful applicants (final stage). All correspondence will be sent through the university to which the applicant is affiliated.

Announcement of First Stage Results: January 21, 2009 (Wednesday)

Announcement of Final Stage Results: As soon as possible after the announcement of successful applicants by the International Student Assistance Selection Committee of the China Scholarship Council 「中国国家留学基金援助留学生選考」

**. Entrance Examination Fee / Matriculation Fee / Tuition**

Full exemption.

\* Except in cases where the study period exceeds the following designated program durations:

Doctoral Program (for students seeking a Doctorate degree) – maximum 48 months;

Doctoral Program (non-degree seeking students) – maximum 24 months. If these program durations are exceeded, tuition fees may apply.

**. Enrollment Procedures**

Once it has been determined that an applicant has passed the final stage, all necessary details regarding enrollment procedures (including visa formalities) will be mailed, as soon as possible, to the university in China to which the applicant is affiliated (to the attention of the applicant).

**. Further Notes Regarding Application**

- (1) Documents submitted with the application will not be returned to the applicant.
- (2) After submitting an application, changing the desired Graduate School is not permitted.
- (3) Your acceptance may be retroactively revoked if documents have been altered or falsified in any way.

**. Inquiries:**

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