Application Guidelines For Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption, Spring Semester 2024

1. Overview

Kyushu University (KU) provides an exemption system for Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption for students whose households have sudden financial situation changes due to the direct or indirect impact of COVID-19. After screening based on the submitted documents, students will receive a full, half, or quarter tuition fee exemption for the spring semester of 2024, depending on the level of financial need certified by KU.

While other tuition fee exemption screenings at KU review academic performance and the previous year's income, this system does not use academic performance but rather the student's financial situation based on their budget report.

2. Application Eligibility for International Students

Those eligible for support are undergraduate and graduate students who fall under 1 or 2, meet either of the requirements 3 or 4, and meet the criteria of the University's tuition fee exemption system. Those who repeat the year in school and exceed the years required for graduation may also apply, provided they meet the requirements. Privately financed international students may apply if they (and their spouse) fall under the below-mentioned eligible persons 1 or 2 and meet the requirements 3 or 4.

If the applicant's salary in 2024 from a part-time job, etc., in Japan is equal to that of the year before COVID-19 (any one year from 2019 to 2023), the applicant will meet the requirements for application.

Eligibility ①: Students who applied for an emergency tuition fee exemption in the fall semester of 2023 and were exempted from tuition fees and who continue to meet the criteria in 2024 and after that.

Eligibility ②: Students who were receiving support under the new study support system (in the case of a sudden change in household finances due to the effects of the new type of coronavirus infection) in FY2023 who will not be eligible for support under the new system in FY2024, and who meet the criteria.

Note: This is for Japanese students.

Requirement ③: Household supporter's* income by labor in 2024 is less than is less than half before the COVID-19 pandemic affected the household (any year from 2019 to 2023) due to COVID-19.

Requirement 4: Household supporter is taking or used to official financial support**from the Japanese national or local government because I am/was an eligible person because of

https://www.jasso.go.jp/shogakukin/kyufu/kakei kyuhen/coronavirus.html note: Not included support money 100,000JPY as following

- Special cash payments to citizens in 2020
- -Student Emergency Aid for Continuance of Studies 2020, 2021, and 2022 by Nation
- Student emergency support 2020, 2021, and 2022 by Kyushu University
- Student support by Fukuoka City and other association

^{*}For privately financed students, "household supporter" refers to the student or their spouse.

^{**}This financial support for measures COVID-19 is by national or local government agencies, which are listed on the URL as follows.

In Case of NOT Eligible

- If you are an international student and the income decrease is caused by the remittance from your family or your father and mother's income decreasing in your home country.
- If you are an international student and have not been living in Japan in/before December 31, 2023
- You are an international student living in Japan since/before December 31, 2023. However, you
 cannot prove your salary, wage, or business income by labor in Japan with official proof
 documents.

Regarding the reduction of income

January to March 2024 by 4.

- (1) The total income of the applicant and spouse will be used for privately financed international students.
- (2) If the "gross income (総所得金額 in Japanese)" is 0 yen, the amount of "salary income (給与収入 in Japanese)" will be used.
- (3) The estimated income for 2024 should be calculated as follows.
 If you work for a company, multiply the total amount of "salary payments" (after deductions) shown on your pay slips for January to March 2024 by 4.
 If you are self-employed, multiply your business income (business income minus expenses) for

3. Important Note

- (1) Students who have already applied for the regular tuition fee exemption for a whole year application in the spring or fall semester of 2024 are also eligible to apply for this emergency tuition fee exemption. However, it is not acceptable for dual applications, so if the student submits a new Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption application and is deemed eligible, the primary application will automatically cancel any previously submitted application. In such a case, even if you have applied for the regular tuition fee exemption for the full year, your application for both the spring and fall semesters will be declined. If you wish to apply for the regular tuition fee exemption in the fall semester, you must apply again during the fall semester application period.
- (2) We ask the applicant to submit additional documents to confirm the contents of the application, such as the number of family members, number of students, and income status. If we find any false declaration or omission in the application form, we reserve the right to withdraw the application.
- (3) Respond to e-mails and phone calls from KU staff. If the staff asks you to submit additional required documents or inquires questions, please deal with it immediately. We may not accept or withdraw your application if you do not respond.
- (4) For students who have applied for emergency tuition fee exemption, the tuition fee direct debit will be withheld until notification of the results of the selection process. Students selected for half of the tuition exemption, a quarter amount of the tuition exemption, or denied the exemption must pay the amount indicated on the Student Portal System by the deadline.
- (5) If the student takes a leave of absence or withdraws from the university in the middle of a semester, the application for a tuition fee exemption will become invalid, and students must pay the amount of tuition fees before the exemption is granted.
- (6) Please understand that we cannot necessarily exempt the tuition fee as requested, and consider how to pay the fee if your application needs approval. Furthermore, you will not appeal to compare a screening result you will get with other students' or a screening result of your past.
- (7) Emergency tuition exemption cannot be applied for the full year. If you wish to apply for emergency tuition exemption in the fall semester, you must apply again during the fall semester application period.

4. Application Period

Documents Submission April 3 (Wed) - April 16(Tue), 2024 Note: all documents must arrive within this period.

- Check the required documents on the checklist on page 4 and submit them by e-mail during the application period.
- It is necessary to resubmit the documents for this exemption, even if you have already submitted them for the regular tuition fee exemption.
- If you need help submitting any required documents before the deadline, please submit the available documents and inform us of the scheduled submission date for those you cannot submit.
- We will e-mail you confirmation of receipt of your application documents within the next business day (excluding weekends).

5. How to Apply

Please submit the required documents by e-mail during the application period.

- OMail To: Students' Payment Exemption Section
- OE-mail address: kinkyumenjyo@jimu.kyushu-u.ac.jp
- OSubject: "Application for Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption"
- OBody: Indicate the student's number and name of the student.
- When submitting by e-mail, please convert the certification documents into an image format file and send them to us. If we cannot verify the image, we will ask you to resubmit the documents.
- <u>Please use Kyushu University's Primary mail address (···@s.kyushu-u.ac.jp)</u>, and be sure to use the correct address and password for the data when sending the e-mail, as it contains personal information.

6. Result Notification

The result will be notified to you through "Messages For You" on the Student Portal System in **late July**.

• If the result of the selection is not a full exemption, please pay the tuition fee by the date indicated in the notification.

7. Inquiry

Students' Payment Exemption Section E-mail: kinkyumenjyo@jimu.kyushu-u.ac.jp

8. Privacy Policy

The information stated in your application form and submitted documents will be used only for exemption screening and other financial support by Kyushu University, not for other purposes.

Required Document Check List for International Students

The applicants need to show their income decreasing to use official documents. Therefore, please prepare and submit the application documents as follows.

Check Items		The Required documents (Copies are acceptable)
(1) I'd like to apply for this Emergency tuition fee exemption.	□Yes→	Required: Application Form of Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption *Please use the application form posted under "Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption" on the following website. https://www.kyushu-u.ac.jp/en/admission/fees/exempt02/
(2) I am an international student.	□Yes→	 Required: Both 1) and 2) as follows; 1) Budget Report (For Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption) 2) Room Rental Agreement* Submit page(s) of the room rental agreement showing the contractor's name, resident's name, contract period, and housing fee. If the room rental agreement doesn't show your (and your family member's) name, you need to submit your (and your family member's) residence card copy (copies). In case of room sharing, please submit "Form 7: Statement of room sharing" as well. Please use the form posted under "Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption" on the following website. https://www.kyushu-u.ac.jp/en/admission/fees/exempt02/
(3) Requirement (1): "The household supporter's expected income for the current year will decrease from any year from 202 to 2023.	□Yes→ Choose one of ①-④	①My income by labor not affected by COVID-19 is in 2019, and I would like to use it to compare with my income in 2024, which shows a decrease. Required: Applicant's (and spouse's) Income Tax Certificate 2020 · in Japanese: 令和 2 年度所得課税証明書 · Issued by ward office or city hall. · Even if it shows 0 JPY, it needs to be submitted. ②My income by labor not affected by COVID-19 is in 2020, and I would like to use it to compare with my 2024 income, showing diminution. Required: Applicant's (and spouse's) Income Tax Certificate 2021 · in Japanese: 令和 3 年度所得課税証明書 · Issued by ward office or city hall. · Even if it shows 0 JPY, it needs to be submitted. ③My income by labor not affected by COVID-19 is in 2021, and I would like to use it to compare with my 2024 income, showing diminution. Required: Applicant's (and spouse's) Income Tax Certificate 2022 · in Japanese: 令和 4 年度所得課税証明書 · Issued by ward office or city hall. · Even if it shows 0 JPY, it needs to be submitted. ④My income by labor not affected by COVID-19 is in 2022, and I would like to use it to compare with my 2024 income, showing diminution. Required: Applicant's (and spouse's) Income Tax Certificate 2023 · in Japanese: 令和 5 年度所得課税証明書 · Issued by ward office or city hall. · Even if it shows 0 JPY, it needs to be submitted.

		Required: the withholding tax certificate 2023 (for those with employment income). Note: - If your part-time employer did not issue a Certificate of Withholding Tax, please provide a copy of your pay slips from January to December 2023 or a copy of the section showing the status of payroll transfers Even if you and your spouse have no income, submit a copy of the income taxation certificate. <fyi> Income Tax Certificate in Japanese: 所得課税証明書 2019 = 令和元(1)年 2020 = 令和2年 2021 = 令和3年 2022 = 令和4年 2023 = 令和5年</fyi>
(4) I apply as Requirement②.	□Yes→	Required: Official Financial Support Beneficiary Certificate This financial support of measures COVID-19 is by a national or local government agency, listed on the URL as follows. https://www.jasso.go.jp/shogakukin/kyufu/kakei kyuhen/coronavirus.html
(5) I (and my spouse) have a salary and/or wage income from a part- time job in Japan now.	□Yes→	Required: Applicant's (and spouse's) salary/wage official proof document from January to March 2024 Example: Pay slips
(6) I (and my spouse) have/had run my own business in Japan.	□Yes→	Required: Applicant's (and spouse's) business income* official proof document from January to March 2024 *Deducted necessary expenses and showed income Example: Account book, Earnings statement
(7) My spouse or dependent is enrolled in a high school, technical college, junior college, university, or graduate school in Japan.	□Yes→	Required: Form 5-1: Certificate of Siblings' Enrollment Student ID card (copy of both sides) *within the expiration date *Please use the application form posted under "Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption" on the following website. https://www.kyushu-u.ac.jp/en/admission/fees/exempt02/

Example of required documents

- 1. The international student has been living in Japan since 2021 and earns a part-time income in 2021. However, due to COVID-19, this student's wages from the part-time job will decrease by less than half in 2024. This student has no spouse or children and shares a room with a friend.
 - (1) Application Form of Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption
 - (2) Form 1: Budget Report (Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption)
 - (3) Room Rental Agreement
 - (4) Form 7: Statement of room sharing
 - (5) Income Tax Certificate 2022
 - (6) Pay slips (Copy), January to March 2024
- 2. The international student has been living in Japan since 2022 and had wages from a part-time job in 2021, but after quitting his part-time job in December 2023, he expects a decrease of less than half in income in 2024 compared to 2022 due to the inability to find a new part-time job because of COVID-19. This student has a spouse and children and doesn't share a room with a friend.
 - (1) Application Form of Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption
 - (2) Form 1: Budget Report (Emergency Tuition Fee Exemption)
 - (3) Room Rental Agreement
 - (4) Income Tax Certificate 2023
 - (5) Form 5-1: Certificate of Siblings' Enrollment and Student ID card* (copy of both sides) *High school students only