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Kyushu Dental University

Graduate School of Dentistry

Admission Guidelines for Applicants
Department of Dental Medicine

Doctoral Courses



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*Please read our Application Guidelines as well as our Admission Guidelines for Applicants to proceed with your application procedure.

Kyushu Dental University Charter

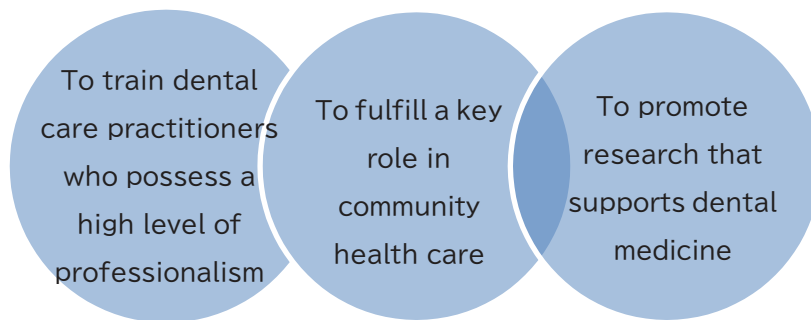
1. Preface

Marking our 100th anniversary in 2014, Kyushu Dental University renews its dedication to expanding our holistic dental and medical education activities, as we enter the next 100 years of educating practitioners that can provide patient-centered dental care.

The Kyushu Dental University Charter has been established as the first step towards creating a university that fulfills this vision. All students, teaching staff, and personnel at Kyushu Dental University are committed to, and aspire to, fulfill the mission of the KDU.

2. Mission

The mission of Kyushu Dental University is to train dental care practitioners who possess a high level of professionalism and expertise, fulfill key roles in community health care, and promote research that supports dental medicine. This mission explains the kind of professional training, social contributions, and research that we strive to achieve.



3. Education and Research Goals

Kyushu Dental University engages in the following types of educational and research activities to fulfill our mission.

- 1) Training for dental care practitioners that are highly professional, broadly educated, and possess a high level of expertise and skills
- 2) Training for dental care practitioners that can correctly interpret scientific information and undertake dental care activities based on scientific evidence
- 3) Training for dental care practitioners that can provide dental care from the perspective of holistic health and adapt to changes in society, such as demographic changes
- 4) Training for dental care practitioners that can coordinate with people in other professions and support the local and regional communities through dental care

- 5) Training for dental care practitioners who can strengthen international cooperation and exchange and undertake dental care activities from a global perspective
- 6) To develop and conduct international research that can contribute to the development of the local and regional communities in cooperation with other disciplines

Admission Policies – Qualities KDU Seeks in Applicants

Dental Medicine

1. Those who have a strong interest and ethical standards in life science research, particularly in the area of dentistry, and have the desire to actively conduct their own research in the local community
2. Those who can correctly interpret scientific information and have the desire to develop logical thinking skills that are grounded in scientific evidence
3. Those who view matters from the perspective of general health and have the desire to conduct research that is useful in any changes in the social structure
4. Those who have the desire to work with other interdisciplinary fields of study and to conduct research that contributes to local community development
5. Those who have the desire to conduct research that collaborates with various professions and contribute to the local community
6. Those who have the desire to promote research from an international perspective

<Basic policy for selecting applicants>

Those who have the desire to acquire logical thinking skills, basic skills needed to conduct research, and language skills are selected in accordance with the basic policy for selecting applicants to the Kyushu Dental University Graduate School of Dentistry.

Candidates are evaluated on the following valuable qualities in their written examination: "Interest and enthusiasm in research and clinical practice of their desired field of study," "knowledge and education," "thinking skills, problem-solving skills, self-expression," and their "interest in making local and international contributions." In an English examination, they are evaluated based on their "knowledge and education," "thinking skills, problem-solving skills, self-expression," and "language skills" needed to enter the graduate program. In an interview examination, they are evaluated based on their "interest and enthusiasm in research and clinical practice of their field of study," "thinking skills, problem-solving skills, self-expression," "language skills," "independence and cooperativeness," "ethics," and their "interest in making local and international contributions."

1. Department and Prescribed Number of Students

Department of Dental Medicine 25 persons *Includes Special Application for Working Adult (Refer to section “Notes” on page 1 of our Application Guidelines)

2. Qualified Applicants

Only those who fall under one of the following qualifications, or those expecting to qualify for one of the following categories by March 31, 2025 are eligible to apply for Doctoral Course.

- (1) Graduates from a university course in dentistry, medicine, pharmacology, or six-year veterinary science program
- (2) Applicants whose education has been recognized with a bachelor of science degree in medicine, dentistry, pharmacology, or veterinary science from the National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education, in accordance with Paragraph 7, Article 104 of the School Education Act
- (3) Applicants educated overseas who have completed 18 years of formal education, which includes completion of a course in dentistry, medicine, pharmacology, or veterinary science
- (4) Applicants who, while residing in Japan, have completed 18 years of education through correspondence courses offered by overseas educational institutions and completed a program in medicine, dentistry, pharmacology, or veterinary science
- (5) Applicants who, while residing in Japan, have completed a foreign university program (limited to programs for which graduates are deemed to have completed 18 years of education in that country, and culminating in the completion of a program in medicine, dentistry, pharmacology, or veterinary science) at an institution accredited in that country and authorized by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology
- (6) Applicants designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology
- (7) Applicants with a master's degree
- (8) Applicants with a degree equivalent to a master's degree from an overseas institution
- (9) Applicants who have received a degree equivalent to a master's degree from an overseas educational institution, which was granted on completion of correspondence education while in Japan

- (10) Applicants who have, in accordance with Paragraph 2, Article 102 of the School Education Act, previously entered a graduate school (limited to a program of medicine, dentistry, pharmacology, or veterinary science) and who have been determined by Kyushu Dental University Graduate School to have the necessary qualifications for study at this graduate school
- (11) Applicants at least 24 years of age who, in the judgment of this graduate school based on a separate assessment of qualifications, are determined to have academic abilities at or above the level of a master's degree holder, a graduate from a university program in medicine or dentistry, or a graduate from a six-year program in pharmacology or veterinary science

*Applicants that fall under either category (6), (10), or (11) must review "Verification of Qualifications for Submission" on page 2 of our Application Guidelines.

3. Application Period

First Batch: Monday, July 22, 2024, to Wednesday, August 7, 2024 (must arrive by 5pm)

Second Batch: Monday, November 11, 2024, to Monday, November 25, 2024 (must arrive by 5pm)

*Those wishing to receive explanations about research content before submitting the application must contact a supervisor in their desired field of research. Please contact the Secretariat if you're unsure of the supervisor's contact information. (Please refer to section "Contact Us" on page 5 of our Application Guidelines for contact information.)

4. Submission Procedures

Gather the following materials and send them to Kyushu Dental University Secretariat using international express mail service (EMS) within the application period. However, submit the digital data of the photograph of your face via email. Please refer to section “Contact Us” on page 5 of our Application Guidelines for the address.

(1) Materials to Be Submitted

Please download the format designated by our university from our university website. <https://www.kyu-dent.ac.jp/english/departments/gs/application>
Kyushu Dental University Top Page > Undergraduate and Graduate Schools > Graduate School of Dentistry > Application

Applicable Individuals: Everyone

- 1) Application Form: Format designated by our university [Format 1]. Print on white A4 paper
- 2) Official academic transcript [University (Faculty)]: Prepared and submitted in a sealed envelope by the president or dean of a university.
- 3) Certificate of graduation or expected graduation [University (Faculty)]: Prepared by the president or dean of a university.
- 4) Personal History: Format designated by our university [Format 2]
- 5) ID photo: Photograph of the applicant's head and upper body, front-facing, bareheaded with plain background. Taken within three months. (JPEG file, max 3MB). Submit digital data via email. Photograph taken with a smartphone is acceptable. Photograph of a printed photograph (duplication) taken with a smartphone, etc. is not acceptable. This photograph will be used to confirm the identity of the applicant on the day of the entrance examination. It will also be used for the applicant's post-admission student ID.
- 6) Document proving the payment of the application fee: Copy of the remittance form or document to prove its payment.
*For more information regarding the application fee, see the following page.
- 7) Identification: a copy of identification and photo page(s) from passport
- 8) A letter of Recommendation from the president of the applicant's present university or the university from which the applicant graduated
- 9) Documentation of financial support for the living expenses, etc. for 4 years of planned study.

Applicable Individuals: Only for those who are applicable

10) Those possessing qualification in dentistry

Certification of passing the state or national dentists' in the applicant's home country.

11) Those who have completed (or are expecting to complete) graduate school
Official academic transcript [University (Graduate School)]: Prepared and submitted in a sealed envelope by the president or dean of a university. Submit academic transcript from the graduate school from which the applicant graduated as well as academic transcript from the university (undergraduate) from which the applicant graduated. Prepared and submitted in a sealed envelope by the president (or dean) of the university from which the applicant graduated.

12) Those who have completed (or are expecting to complete) graduate school
Certificate of graduation or expected graduation [University (Graduate School)]: Prepared by the president or dean of a university.

13) Applicants of Special Application for Working Adults

Letter of consent from the employer or certificate of expected employment:
Format designated by our university [Format 3] or [Format 4]

14) Those whose name on the certificate to be submitted is different from the current name

Proof of name change: Submit one item: the official copy or photocopy of certificate issued by a public institution (a document that can be used to verify the name before and after the change, such as a photocopy of driver's license (both sides), photocopy of residence certificate, extract of family register, photocopy of passport, etc.)

15) Those who have previously been determined to meet the submission qualifications and have bypassed this year's verification procedure

The examination identification card or the official notice of qualification for application at the time

◎ If you cannot submit the official copy of a document that serves as a proof of graduating university, please submit a photocopy of a document issued by the source that verifies the content of the official copy. (An official seal of the source is required.)

◎ If the document is not in Japanese or English, please attach documents (1) and (2) (official copy) along with the proof of graduation.

(1) Japanese or English translation.

(2) Proof of translation (1). (Proof issued by a public institution, such as the embassy. Or, a proof with an official seal of a school or company of a Japanese language school or a translation company.)

(2) Application fee

Payment of ¥30,000 (in Japanese yen) for the application fee should be made to one of the following financial institutions using bank transfer.

Bank account Financial institution and account number	•Japan Post Bank 01740-2-62856 •The Bank of Fukuoka, Ltd., Minami Kokura Branch, Savings account, 1546991 •The Nishi-Nippon City Bank, Ltd., Minami Kokura Branch, Savings account, 3061525
Account holder	Kyushu Dental University, Chair of the Board of Directors, Shuji Awano
Important notice	•The payment must be made in the name of the applicant. •Bank transfer fee must be paid by the applicant. •Copy of the remittance form or document to prove its payment must be submitted with application materials.

5. Issuing the Examination Identification Card

Five days after the last day of the application period (excluding weekends and holidays), the PDF data of the examination identification card will be sent via e-mail.

Print the examination identification card on white A4 paper and bring it with you on the day of the examination.

If you do not hear from us even as late as 7 days before the date of the examination, please contact Kyushu Dental University Secretariat. (For our contact information, refer to section “Contact Us” on page 5 of our Application Guidelines.)

6. Dates and Locations of Entrance Examinations

Date	Examination Content	Time	Site
First Batch: Thursday, August 29, 2024	Written exam on the applicant's research	9:40 AM–10:40 AM	Kyushu Dental University
Second Batch: Tuesday, December 24, 2024	English	11:00 AM–12:00 PM	
	Interview	from 1 PM	

7. Method for Student Selection

Those who score 60 points or more on the written examination in the applicant's research field, the English examination, and an interview examination will be selected.

Examination Content	Cautionary Notes	Point allocation
Written examination in the applicant's research field	Subjects related to research (or clinical knowledge) of the applicant's desired field of interest will be presented.	100
English	Dictionaries may be used (but not electronic dictionaries)	100
Interview	If applicants are regarded as ineligible in the interview examination, they may not be accepted into the graduate school regardless of the results of the other examinations.	100

8. Announcement of Examination Results

You will be notified of the result via e-mail. Telephone requests for result disclosure are not accepted.

9. Enrollment Procedures

Those applicants who have received notification that he/she has been accepted into the graduate school must complete the required procedures, such as submitting the relevant documents and paying the entrance fees, before the specified deadlines. Details about these matters will be sent separately to successful applicants.