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Kyushu Dental University

Graduate School of Dentistry

Admission Guidelines for Applicants
Department of Oral Health Sciences

Master's Courses



Kyushu Dental University

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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

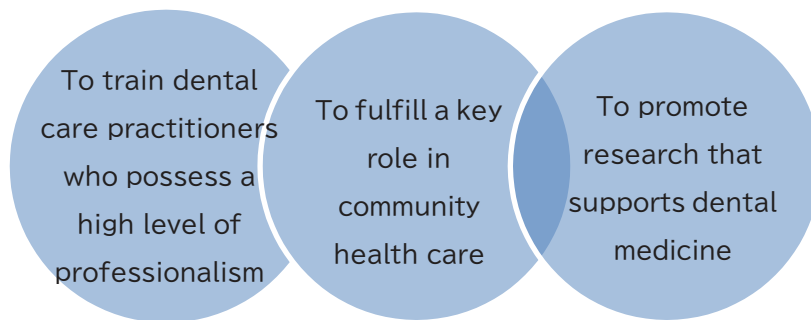
1. Preface

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

Oral Health Sciences

1. Those who have a strong interest in oral health science research, and have the desire to actively conduct their own research in the local community with high ethical standards
2. Those who aspire to become dental hygienists, educators, or researchers who possess a high level of specialized knowledge and skills
3. Those who understand the significance of research that supports scientific evidence and have the desire to develop logical thinking skills
4. Those who have the desire to contribute to general health while enriching the oral health of people of all ages
5. Those who can display the kind of cooperativeness needed when developing research that collaborates with various professions
6. Those who desire to learn methods to conduct research from an international perspective and to make the most of these methods in various research

<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: "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," "independence and cooperativeness," "ethics," and their "interest in making local and international contributions."

1. Department and Prescribed Number of Students

Department of Oral Health Sciences 3 persons *Includes Special Application for Working Adult (Refer to section “Notes” on page 1 of our Application Guidelines)

2. Qualified Applicants

Only those who possess one of the following qualifications, or those expecting to possess one of the following qualifications by March 31, 2025 are eligible to apply for Master’s Course.

- (1) Graduates from a university (excluding junior colleges)
- (2) Applicants whose education has been recognized with a bachelor of science degree 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 (legislative act No. 26 of 1947, hereafter referred to as the Education Act)
- (3) Applicants educated overseas who have completed 16 years of formal education
- (4) Applicants who, while residing in Japan, have completed 16 years of education through correspondence courses offered by overseas educational institutions
- (5) Applicants who, while residing in Japan, have completed a foreign university program (limited to programs for which graduates are deemed to have completed 16 years of education in that country) at an institution accredited in that country and authorized by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology in Japan.
- (6) Applicants who have completed a specialized course of study at a technical school designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (limited to four-year courses or longer courses that meet other standards stipulated by the Minister) after the date specified by the minister in Japan.
- (7) Applicants designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology in Japan.
- (8) Applicants who have previously entered a graduate school, in accordance with the Paragraph 2, Article 102 of the Education Act, and who have been determined by Kyushu Dental University Graduate School to have the necessary qualifications for study at this graduate school
- (9) Applicants at least 22 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 university graduate

(10) Applicants enrolled in a university for three years or more (or those considered by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology to be of an equivalent level) who are determined by Kyushu Dental University Graduate School to have completed the number of credits specified by this graduate school and have an outstanding academic record (specifically, having completed 80% or more of the course credits required for university graduation by the end of his or her third year with grades of excellent or higher in at least 90% of the courses)

*Applicants that fall under either category (8), (9), or (10) must review “Verification of Qualifications for Submission” on page 2 of our Application Guidelines.

3. Application Period

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) Reasons for applying (including research areas of interest, research plans, and future goals, etc.): Format designated by our university [Format 5]
- 6) 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.
- 7) 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.
- 8) Identification: a copy of identification and photo page(s) from passport
- 9) A letter of Recommendation from the president of the applicant's present university or the university from which the applicant graduated
- 10) Documentation of financial support for the living expenses, etc. for 2 years of planned study.

Applicable Individuals: Only for those who are applicable

- 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
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- ◎ 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
Tuesday, December 24, 2024	English	11:00 AM–12:00 PM	Kyushu Dental University
	Interview	from 1 PM	

7. Method for Student Selection

Those who score 60 points or more on the English examination and an interview examination will be selected.

Examination Content	Cautionary Notes	Point allocation
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.