

# Requirements for Completion of Courses and Degrees

## Master's Course

Those who have attended the master's course for more than 2 years, have completed 30 or more credits, have received the necessary research instruction, have passed the final examination and whose dissertation or research results on specific topics have been approved by the judging committee, will be approved as having completed the master's course. Those students who have accomplished significant academic achievement after just one year of research may also be conferred with a master's degree. Those who have completed the master's course will be conferred with a master's degree in either Science, Engineering, Environmental Science, Agriculture or Philosophy.

## Doctor's Course

Those who have attended the doctor's course for more than 3 years, have completed 12 or more credits, have received the necessary research instruction, have passed the final examination and whose dissertation has been approved by the judging committee, will be approved as having completed the doctor's course. Those students who have accomplished significant academic achievement after just one year of research may also be conferred with a doctor's degree. (or three completed the master's course in less than two years). Those who have completed the doctor's course will be conferred with a doctor's degree in either Science, Engineering, Environmental Science, Agriculture or Philosophy.

## Scholarship System

- Admission/Tuition fee exemption
- Scholarship system by municipal corporations and private sectors
- Various foundation supports for graduate students

### Some examples of Scholarship and Foundation for International Students

Scholarship's Name or Providing Group	Application Season	Monthly Amount (yen)	Providing Period
JASSO Honors Scholarship for Privately Financed International Students	April	48,000	6 months or 1 year
Yoneyama Rotary Scholarship	September	140,000	2 year
WESCO Foundation	April	50,000	1 year
Heiwa Nakajima foundation	September - October	100,000	1 year
Mitsubishi Corporation Scholarship for International Students	January	150,000	1 year

This is the data for 2017-2018 and the amount is subject to change.

## Teaching Assistant and Research Assistant Salary System

Excellent students at a graduate school are employed as TA(master's course. doctor's course) and RA (doctor's course) and can receive the salary for auxiliary works of education and research.

## Japanese Language Courses for International Students

A variety of Japanese language classes are offered for international students. In addition to the seven different levels of courses, classes that focus on specific language skills or specific topics are offered as well. In order to enroll in a Japanese class, you must register online and take the placement test at a designated computer room on the day indicated on the Homepage below.

Please refer to the Japanese Language Program Homepage for further information: <https://www.iess.ccsv.okayama-u.ac.jp/kikan/japanese/>

- For International Students
- Japanese Language Course

## Dormitory for International Students & Researchers

Okayama University has four dormitories dedicated to international students. One dormitory is for foreign researchers and international students. International students can live in this residence for six months to one year from their entrance to the university. When there are too many applicants for available places, the tenants are selected by lottery.

