

[Master's Course]

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◆ Admission Requirements

- 1) Applicants must be already graduated from university.
- 2) Applicants must hold a bachelor's degree in accordance with article 104,4 of the Japanese School Educational Law (Law Number 26, 1947)
- 3) Applicants have completed 16 years of school education outside Japan
- 4) Applicants have completed a correspondence course through a foreign school in Japan equivalent to 16 years of school education in the relevant country
- 5) Applicants who hold a university degree from a foreign university (restricted to those students who have completed the equivalent of 16 years of school education in the relevant country) and whose education institution has been designated as acceptable by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology.
- 6) Applicants who have received a bachelor's degree from a foreign university or other foreign school (limited to those received an evaluation on their comprehensive situation of education and research activities etc. by a person who received certification from the foreign government or the related agencies or the equivalent which meets other criteria established by the Minister of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) by completing the course of three or more years (including completing the course of the foreign university in Japan via correspondence education, and completing the course of educational facility positioned in the foreign school education system which meets other criteria established by the Minister of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology).
- 7) Applicants who completed an upper level course in a specialized training college designated by Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (minimum of four year program that meets the requirement given by the Minister) after the date given by the Minister. (Notification No. 169 of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, 2005)
- 8) Applicants designated as acceptable by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (refer to Notice Number 5, 1953, from the Ministry of Education)
- 9) Applicants who had entered a graduate school other than Graduate School of Environmental Science, Okayama University under the provision of the Article 102(2) of the School Education Act, and who was recognized by the Graduate School of Environmental Science, Okayama University to possess the academic ability to receive the graduate school education.
- 10) Applicants over 22 years old who are recognized to have equivalent academic competence to those who have graduated from university through an independent admission examination by the graduate school.
- 11) Applicants who have been at university for more than 3 years (this includes students deemed acceptable by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology), and who have received excellent academic results in their chosen courses.

◆ Examination Methods

- 1) Applicants are selected from the results of written and oral examinations, and an application form.
- 2) Special examinations are available for non-student working adults who wish to master a specific field of knowledge and/or to conduct research.
- 3) Special examinations are available for international students.

◆ Entrance Examination and Admission Period

Examinations for admission to the graduate school in October or in April of the following academic year take place in August. Secondary examinations for the following April admission take place in December.

◆ Tuition Regulation

- 1) A scholarship system is available for students who wish to apply for an exemption of admission and/or tuition fees.
- 2) Students who have completed a master's course at this graduate school are exempted from the admission and entrance examination fees.

[Doctor's Course]

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◆ Admission Requirements

- 1) Applicants must hold a Master's degree (or professional degree).
- 2) Applicants who hold a degree equivalent to a Master's (or professional degree).
- 3) Applicants who have completed a correspondence course through a foreign school in Japan and who hold a degree equivalent to a Master's degree (or professional degree).
- 4) Applicants who hold a graduate degree from a foreign university, whose education institution has been designated as acceptable by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, and whose Master's Degree is deemed to be sufficient by Faculty members in the applicant's field study.
- 5) Applicants who hold a degree equivalent to a master's degree at the United Nations University.
- 6) Applicants who have completed their formal education at a foreign school, an educational institution which has received the designation set forth in item 4) above, or the United Nations University; who have passed an examination or a screening equivalent to those stipulated by the regulations in Article 16.2 of Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools (a Qualifying Examination or equivalent assessment which replaces an examination or a screening of dissertation or research results on specific subjects); and thereby who are recognized to have an academic ability equivalent to or higher than those with a master's degree.
- 7) Applicants designated as acceptable by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (refer to Notice 118, 1989, the Ministry of Education). who have research experience in a university or research institute for more than two years after graduation from an undergraduate school, and have one of the following academic achievements that are equivalent to a Master's thesis; literary work, academic paper, academic lecture, academic report, or patent application.
 - (1) Applicants have graduated from university.
 - (2) Applicants have completed 16 years of education outside Japan or have completed a correspondence course through a foreign school in Japan equivalent to 16 years of education.
- 8) Applicants over 24 years old who are recognized by the graduate school to have an equivalent academic competence to those with a master's degree.

◆ Examination Methods

- 1) Evaluation for admission is made from the results of the oral examination and application form. The candidate will be examined on their Master's thesis and research protocol.
- 2) Applicants who hold a Master's degree from a university other than Okayama University, will be accepted.
- 3) Applicants who work and wish to enter the doctoral course will be evaluated on research works outside the university while maintaining his/her current professional position.
- 4) International students are actively encouraged with the exception of those with a learning disability.

◆ Entrance Examination and Admission Period

Examinations for admission to the doctoral course in October or in April of the following academic year take place in August. Secondary examinations for the following April admission take place in February.

◆ Tuition Regulation

- 1) A scholarship system is available for students who wish to apply for an exemption of admission and/or tuition fees.
- 2) Students who have completed a master's course at this graduate school are exempted from the admission and entrance examination fees.

Capacity of Admission

Division of Social Engineering and Environmental Management	30	Division of Environmental Science	22
Division of Biological and Human Environment	23		
Division of Sustainability of Resources	43		
Division of Science for Bioresources	25	Division of Agricultural and Life Science	20
Division of Science for Bio-Production	38		
total	159	total	42