

## Meiji Gakuin University Admission Instructions

Gather the materials below and send them to the UCEAP Systemwide Office by **October 15**. All documents (except #11-12) are required.

1. [MGU Health Form](#). Make your appointment now.
2. [Official UC transcript](#) (with spring 2018 grades), including grading scale.
3. [Buddy Program Application](#). This is mandatory as the MGU buddies are local students.
4. [Application for Certificate of Eligibility](#). The Certificate of Eligibility is needed to apply for a student visa.
  - Japanese passport holders are not required to submit this form.
  - **Review the [sample first](#)** as most of your questions will be answered.
  - If you have permanent residence status in the US, include a clear copy of your residence permit with your application.
5. [Financial Verification](#). The Japanese Government requires verification of financial support. You must show that you will have **4,000USD** or more in financial support during your stay in Japan. The Financial Verification is also used to obtain your Certificate of Eligibility. Financial Verification is required for all students, even if you are a Japanese passport holder. **Submit one of the following:**
  - A. [Confirmation of Financial Resources](#). This must be signed by a notary.
  - B. Original bank letter indicating available funds. Print the [sample bank letter](#) and take it to your bank. If your parents or someone else will support you, the account holder must match the Supporter name on the Certificate of Eligibility Application. If the account lists two names, then either person can be named on the Certificate of Eligibility Application.
  - C. Original Financial Aid letter. Take the [sample financial aid letter](#) to your campus Financial Aid Office. If the budget for your program is not available yet, the Financial Aid Office will use the previous year's budget for an estimated cost of the program to complete this letter.
6. [Statement of Purpose](#). Explain your reasons for wishing to study in the MGU-UC Global and International Studies Program and how they relate to your present studies and future plans (around 500 words). Please type. This letter will be closely reviewed by the MGU Review Committee. **Write a strong letter explaining why this program is the best academic fit for you and your major.**
7. [Information on Japanese Language](#). Complete this form to the best of your abilities. If you choose to take a language course, you will take a placement test after arrival.
8. [Passport Copy](#). Include only the page with your picture and biographical information.
9. [Housing Information](#). The payment due date is before financial aid disbursements and JASSO funding, so plan accordingly.
10. [Four \(4\) Photos](#). Please review the instructions carefully as they are not issued in proper size.
11. [Homestay Application](#) (optional). The International Center (IC) organizes homestays for a day or 1-2 nights with a Japanese family.
12. [JASSO Application](#) (optional).