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Application Guidebook for Admission
Double Degree Program for Master's Degree
Graduate School of Agriculture, Kagawa University
&
Graduate School of Agriculture, Chiang Mai University
Graduate School of Agro-Industry, Chiang Mai University

The international graduate degree program of the Graduate School of Agriculture, Kagawa University, accepts applications from international students through a double degree program agreement with Chiang Mai University. Students admitted under this exchange agreement receive the privilege of matriculating in both universities at the same time and obtaining double degrees. Students are able to earn a master's degree from both universities through the rare opportunity to study and conduct research under the supervision of faculty members of both universities.

The Master's Program of the Graduate School of Agriculture, Kagawa University focuses on studies on functions of animals, plants and microorganisms, academic development in advanced biochemistry, and provides advanced education and supervised research to develop of practical technology related to the effective utilization of resources. The agricultural sciences have taken a leading role in these issues with the goal of understanding and encouraging a "symbiosis of nature and humanity". Agricultural sciences have expanded in scope to encompass a wide range of research in production, utilization, and processing of food and valuable biomaterials, as well as life sciences and the global environment. The Faculty of Agriculture provides a high standard of education and research opportunities to those who wish to study agricultural sciences. The Master's Program of the Graduate School of Agriculture, Kagawa University has established four study courses: Advanced Rare Sugar Science, Environmental and Agricultural Science, Biological Chemistry And Food Science Course, and Applied Life Science Course, which are Advanced Rare Sugar Science Course, Environmental and Agricultural Science Course, Biological Chemistry And Food Science, and Applied Life Science Course based on the educational principles of our division, "Division of Applied Biological and Rare Sugar Sciences".

Additionally, this unique educational opportunity for international collaborative graduate education in advanced science and technology provided for by the double degree master's program is designed to cultivate highly creative individuals who possess broad perspectives and excellent research abilities in the fields of science, engineering, and agriculture, and who will participate in the development of society and industries.

Applicants for the Double Degree Program must be proficient in English, as the common language at both institutions. Applicants are required to demonstrate an appropriately high level of English before admission. Exchange students are also encouraged to learn the language and culture of their host country through academic and social activities.

The guidelines and manuals stipulate the admission procedures and regulations for

those who wish to pursue the master's degree in the double degree program provided by the Graduate School of Agriculture, Kagawa University. Successful applicants from Chiang Mai University will be admitted to matriculate formally, as regular students.

1. Capacity of Admission

Not fixed (up to 3 persons)

2. Eligibility

Applicants must have already enrolled in or have been admitted to the master's program, or equivalent, of the Graduate School of Agriculture or the Graduate School of Agro-Industry, Chiang Mai University, or must have received a recommendation from Chiang Mai University

3. Method of Application

(1) Application Deadline

Your supervisor is in charge of coordinating the application procedures, and all application documents must be submitted to your supervisor. Please confirm the deadline for submission with your supervisor. All application documents must be mailed by your university, and must be received by the Academic Affairs Division, the Graduate School of Agriculture, Kagawa University between Monday, June 6, 2022 and Friday, June 17, 2022 (17:00, Japan Standard Time). Applicants are strongly advised to prepare and submit all application documents well in advance.

(2) Application Documents and Forms

All forms must be completed in English.

Documents and Forms	Brief guide
① Application form for admission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the attached application form in the Application Guidebook. • Affix an identification photograph (4cm×3cm), showing the applicant's full face view with no hat or head cover, directly facing the camera. • Submit the copy of the results of an English proficiency test such as TOEFL, TOEIC or IELTS.
② Certificate of graduation and certificate of entrance of master's program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit the certificate of graduation issued by the applicant's university. • Submit the certificate of entrance of master's program issued by the applicant's university.

③ Academic record	Submit the academic record issued by the applicant's university. It must bear the seal of the institution and the signature of the registrar or appropriate official.
④ Letters of recommendation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No specific format required. • Letters of recommendation should be written and stamped by the Dean and the applicant's supervisor of the Graduate School of Agriculture or the Graduate School of Agro-Industry, Chiang Mai University and addressed to the President of Kagawa University. Each letter must include the name, date of birth, and nationality of the applicant. It must also indicate whether the applicant is already enrolled or plans to enroll in a master's program at Chiang Mai University. The recommendation must also address the intellectual ability, personality, and leadership potential of the applicant. If there is more than one applicant (up to 3), the participating university is requested to have the persons providing the recommendation letters, to also provide an overall comparative rank of all the applicants.
⑤ Overview of thesis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No specific format required. • Submit an overview of a thesis or the overview of research progress and achievement of the applicant's research project.
⑥ Overview of research achievement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No specific format required. • Submit a list of the applicant's scholarly publications, attaching with offprints of research papers and presentations. If a patent has been granted, attach a photocopy and abstract (150 words or less).
⑦ Study and research plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No specific format required. • Applicants must find and confer with his or her prospective supervisor at the Graduate School of Agriculture, Kagawa University prior to admission. Based on the supervisor's guidance, the applicant should clearly indicate his or her research theme, objectives, methodologies, research framework, etc.

4. Method of Admission Selection

Admission selection shall be made upon review of application documents and an interview.

Note: The interview will be arranged in the form of face-to-face either on site or by internet video chat applications in English. The interview shall consist of a presentation made by the applicant and questions on the applicant's thesis (if not completed yet), or other research achievements, research plan and statement of purpose.

5. Interview Date

Interviews will be scheduled after only upon receipt of all completed application documents.

For applicants interviewing by interactive voice and visual communication through the internet, interviews will be from Friday, July 8, 2022 to Wednesday, July 20, 2022, between 10:00 and 16:00 (JST). Individual times will be based upon coordination between the applicant and the Graduate School of Agriculture, Kagawa University. For applicants interviewing in person, interview times will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

6. Announcement of Admission Decision

The official admission decision shall be announced at 10:00 on Friday, September 9, 2022 (JST).

Individual applicants and the deans of their institutions will be informed of admission results by mail.

7. School fees and Insurance

Successful applicants shall be exempt from tuition, registration, and entrance examination fees of the Graduate School of Agriculture, Kagawa University.

The cost for the personal accident insurance for students pursuing education and research is JPY 1,340 for one year.

8. Registration Period

8:30 on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 to 17:00 on Monday, September 26, 2022 (JST)

9. Enrollment Date

Saturday, October 1, 2022

10. Cancellation of Admission

(1) The Graduate School of Agriculture, Kagawa University is entitled to cancel admission awarded to any candidate who fails to submit proof of admission to the master's program or full-time student status in the master's program at the Graduate School of Agriculture

or the Graduate School of Agro-Industry, Chiang Mai University, at the time of the matriculation procedure.

- (2) Failure to fulfill the eligibility required to enter the master's program at the Graduate School of Agriculture, Kagawa University, prior to matriculation, shall result in cancellation of admission.
- (3) Kagawa University is entitled to void admission even after matriculation, if fraudulent information or documents were used for the purpose of admission and matriculation.

★ Academic schedule for Chiang Mai University students													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	
2022													
										CMU first semester			
						Application→Interview→Announcement of Admission Decision				Enrollment in Kagawa University			
2023	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	
	CMU second semester						KU second semester						
	KU Taking classes						Arrival in Japan						
							the third quarter						
2024	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	
	KU first semester						CMU						
							Graduation from Kagawa University						
	KU Taking classes						the first quarter	the second quarter	presentation of graduation theses(KU)				