

**[Summer Admission]**  
**Guidelines for Applicants to the Apr. 2022**  
**Master's Program**  
**Graduate School of Urban Innovation**  
**Yokohama National University**

The Graduate School and Faculty of Urban Innovation is committed to providing practical training geared toward developing highly-specialized future professionals, grounded both in architectural science and civil engineering, as well as in the humanities and social sciences, international social science, culture and the arts. Toward that end, we offer a multidisciplinary research environment that enables students to learn across numerous fields of study. Our ultimate aim is to educate global leaders of the next generation who are capable of drawing on diverse approaches in the realm of urban innovation.

**[Important]** These guidelines target applicants intending to enter the master's program in April 2022. Those intending to enter the program in October 2021 are to refer to the Guidelines for Applicants for the October 2021 Master's Program.

The methods of conducting the examination may be changed after the announcement of the Guidelines for Applicants, depending on future changes in circumstances related to the COVID-19 infection. For the latest information, please refer to the "Admissions" page on our website (<https://www.urban.ynu.ac.jp/>).

If you hope to apply to YNU Interfaculty Graduate School of Innovative and Practical Studies (IFGS), please refer to Contact Information for Administrative Inquiries on p.15 and the list of Faculty Member on p. 25 and apply separately.

## 1. Enrollment Capacity

### (1) Regular Admission

Check respective description of specializations for details about entrance examinations. (pp.16~24)

Apply using Form 1-1 and Form 1-2

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### (2) Special Admission for International Students

Check respective description of specializations for details about entrance examinations. (pp.16~24)

Apply using Form 2-1 and Form 2-2.

Department	Specialization	Apr. 2022 Enrollment Capacity	Description of specialization
Department of Architecture and Urban Culture	Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture (Architectural Field Only)	A few students	Page 16
	Specialization in Architecture (Y-GSA)	A few students	Page 18

Department of Infrastructure and Urban Society	Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society (Infrastructure Field Only)	A few students	Page 22
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Note: Candidates to the Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture [Urban Culture Field] or the Specialization in Culture (Y-GSC) or the Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society [Global Studies Field] have to take the regular admission.

## 2. Application Requirements

You are eligible to apply for admission as a master's degree student in the Graduate School of Urban Innovation if any of the following apply:

- (1) You are a university graduate pursuant to Article 83 of the School Education Act, or expect to have graduated by March 31, 2022.
- (2) You hold a Bachelor's degree as set forth under Article 104 (4) of the School Education Act, or expect to have earned such a degree by March 31, 2022. (Note 1)
- (3) You have completed a 16-year program of formal education overseas, or expect to have done so by March 31, 2022.
- (4) In Japan, you have completed a 16-year formal education curriculum through a correspondence course operated by an overseas school, or expect to have done so by March 31, 2022.
- (5) In Japan, you have completed a program of an overseas university that is an accredited institution in that country's formal education system (you must have completed a 16-year formal education curriculum of the overseas school), and is designated separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology ("Minister of MEXT"), or you expect to have done so by March 31, 2022.
  - (5)-2 At the relevant university or other overseas school (limited to institutions accredited by the party recognized by the country's government or relevant institutions, or those designated to be such by the Minister of MEXT, in regard to comprehensive education and research activities), you have received a degree corresponding to a bachelor's degree through the completion of three or more years of study (including the completion of the relevant study in Japan of correspondence courses from the relevant overseas schools and the completion of coursework at academic institutions positioned in the education system of the relevant country designated in the preceding item).
- (6) You have completed a specialized program of a vocational school (completion of which must require at least 4 years, and must satisfy additional requirements defined by the Minister of MEXT) designated separately by the Minister of MEXT, on or after the date stipulated by the Minister.
- (7) You have been designated as eligible by the Minister of MEXT (Ministry of Education, Science and Culture Proclamation No. 5, February 7, 1953).
- (8) You have completed three or more years of university as of March 31, 2022 and have been deemed to have received outstanding marks in credits designated by the Graduate School.
- (9) You have completed 15 years of coursework in overseas education and you expect to graduate by March 31, 2022, and you are deemed to have received outstanding marks in credits designated by the Graduate School.
- (10) You have completed 15 years of coursework in the relevant overseas education through the completion of coursework in Japan in a correspondence course conducted by an overseas school and expect to graduate by March 31, 2022, and you are deemed to have received outstanding marks in credits designated by the Graduate School.
- (11) You have completed the relevant coursework in Japan at an academic institution positioned in the education system of the relevant country that has the coursework of an overseas university

(limited to graduates who have completed 15 years of coursework in academic education in the relevant country) and has been designated separately by the Minister of MEXT and expect to graduate by March 31, 2022, and you are deemed to have received outstanding marks in credits designated by the Graduate School.

- (12) You have been recognized as demonstrating academic proficiency of no less than university graduate equivalency through individual assessment by the Graduate School of Urban Innovation, and are at least 22 years of age as of March 31, 2022. (Notes 2 & 3)

Note 1: To be deemed eligible to apply for admission on the basis of Application Requirement (2) as an individual expecting to acquire a bachelor's degree by March 31, 2022, you must expect to complete your major field of study at a certified junior college or tertiary college that has satisfied the requirements defined by the National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education, on the basis of Article 6-1 of rules governing degrees. You must also have submitted an application to the National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education for conferral of the degree by October 2021.

Note 2: You may seek eligibility to apply for admission on the basis of Application Requirement (12) only if you do not satisfy criteria set forth in any of the Application Requirements (1) through (11). You must be recognized as demonstrating academic proficiency of no less than university graduate equivalency through individual assessment by the Graduate School of Urban Innovation, and must have reached at least 22 years of age as of March 31, 2022. (Applies especially to: graduates of junior colleges, tertiary colleges, vocational schools, and other academic institutions or those who do not have university graduate qualifications, or graduates of overseas national universities that do not require 16 years until university graduation, who, after completion of education, are engaged as research students, researchers, or the like for a year or more, or those expecting to be engaged for a year or more by March 31, 2022, at a Japanese or overseas university, inter-university research institute, or any other equivalent institution.)

Note 3: If you intend to apply for admission on the basis of Application Requirement (5)-2 and (8) through (12), you must gain authorization for eligibility to make such application. To do so, you must first consult with a faculty member of the relevant department for which you seek admission, and then submit the seven documents listed below (documents 1 to 7) between the dates May 10, 2021 (Monday) and May 12, 2021 (Wednesday) at 17:00, either by postal mail or hand-delivered directly to the Graduate School of Urban Innovation. Emailed applications will not be accepted. The university will notify you of assessment results by postal mail, sent out on May 26, 2021 (Wednesday). If deemed eligible to apply for university admission, you must complete the application process during a specified period by "p.8 4. Application Procedures". (When applying for enrollment, you need not re-submit documents you have already provided to the university.)

1. Application to be granted eligibility to seek enrollment (Form 3)
2. Description of academic background to be granted eligibility to seek enrollment (Form 4)
3. Certificate of graduation (or expected graduation) from last school attended, or certificate attesting to dates of attendance (or expected attendance)
4. Academic transcript from last school attended
5. Record of Research Achievements (Form 5)
6. Research Proposal (Form 6)
7. Self-addressed stamped envelope (384 yen stamp for express delivery) for

returning documents (standard-size envelope, 12cm x 23.5cm)

Note: Application documents can be downloaded from the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website. Print out all pages of the application form on white A4 paper, one side only. If you make a mistake, put a double line through the incorrect information and write the correct information in the margin.

### **3. Selection Process**

Regular Admission and Special Admission for International Students are administered in order to select students for enrollment through either the Special Selection or the Written Exam Selection process. However, please be aware that Special Selection is not offered to applicants of Specialization in Architecture (Y-GSA) or the October enrollment. See the Description of Specializations on page 16 onwards for details regarding the test content.

#### **(1) Special Selection**

To be eligible to apply for admission on the basis of Special Selection, you must rank in the top 1/3 of your university of origin in terms of academic performance. If you are from a university that does not maintain student academic rankings, you must demonstrate that you scored 80 points or higher in over half of your evaluations from your total course credits earned. Also, you must contact a faculty member whom you wish to act as your academic advisor before applying for admission under this category.

##### **1. Determination of eligibility to take the admission**

Eligibility to apply for Graduate School admission through the Special Selection entrance exam option is determined on the basis of the documents submitted. Applicants will be notified as to whether or not they have been deemed eligible to take the entrance exam by postal mail sent out on June 18, 2021 (Friday).

##### **2. Screening of Special Selection candidates**

Applicants eligible to take the entrance exam are screened on the basis of oral exams, interviews and review of their application documents.

If you have been deemed eligible to apply for admission, yet ineligible to apply through the Special Selection process, or if you have not passed the Special Selection entrance exam, you may subsequently take the entrance exam offered through Written Examination Selection without having to resubmit application documents or pay additional exam fees.

#### **(2) Written Examination Selection**

Candidates applying through the Written Examination Selection process are selected on the basis of application documents and results of foreign language, specialized subject area, and oral exams, and other such criteria. See the Description of Specializations on page 16 onwards for details regarding the test content.

### **\*[Foreign Language Proficiency Exams]**

The foreign language testing component of the admissions score is calculated on the basis of either the TOEIC, TOEFL or IELTS English-language proficiency exam (1). However, if you opt to focus on Global Studies Field through the Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society of the Department of Infrastructure and Urban Society, depending on your choice of a research subject you may choose an alternate foreign language in lieu of English as detailed in section (2) which follows.

(1) English language proficiency tests (TOEIC, TOEFL and IELTS scores)

- ◆ Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture, Specialization in Architecture (Y-GSA), Specialization in Culture (Y-GSC) and Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society (Global Studies Field)

Test	Certificate of Proficiency to be submitted
TOEIC	Official Score Certificate
TOEFL (iBT)	Examinee Score Report or “Test Taker Score Report” for reports issued after August 1, 2019
TOEFL (iBT) (special) Home Edition	Test Taker Score Report
IELTS	Test Report Form

1. You must submit a Certificate of Proficiency showing test score results from one of the foreign language proficiency tests listed above (original only with your photograph attached, photocopies not accepted) with application documents or before the start of Academic Exam I. as required by the exam supervisor, etc. The examination date on the certificate should be within three years prior to the day of the Academic Exam. You will be deemed ineligible for admission if you fail to submit a qualified foreign language Certificate of Proficiency. The Graduate School will return the submitted Certificate of Proficiency at the time of your interview. Those intending to apply through the Special Selection process for Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture (Architectural Field) must include their Certificate of Proficiency (foreign language proficiency test scores) in their application documents or bring it on the day of special selection.

\* For this recruitment alone, the date of acceptance of the certificate may be within three years of the date of the exam.

2. The Graduate School does not recognize scores of institutional program tests such as the TOEIC-IP or TOEFL-ITP, nor does the university recognize the TOEIC Bridge or TOEIC S&W tests.
3. Means of converting respective foreign language assessment test scores into the equivalent foreign language test score for admissions are detailed as follow. The decimal score rounds it off.

TOEIC score

The foreign language (English) component of the graduate school admissions score is worth 100 points. TOEIC scores are accordingly converted to fit the 100-point scale for the admissions score as shown below.

Less than 350	0 points
350 to 500: $(\text{TOEIC} - 350)/3$	0 to 50 points
500 to 800: $(\text{TOEIC} - 500)/6 + 50$	50 to 100 points
More than 800	100 points

TOEFL score

- The foreign language proficiency score is calculated by converting the TOEFL-iBT or TOEFL (iBT) (special) Home Edition to fit the 100-point scale using the score conversion table below.

TOEFL -iBT	Foreign Language Proficiency	TOEFL -iBT	Foreign Language Proficiency	TOEFL -iBT	Foreign Language Proficiency	TOEFL -iBT	Foreign Language Proficiency	TOEFL -iBT	Foreign Language Proficiency
90~120	100	76	85	64	69	53	53	43	24
88~89	99	74~75	82	62~63	66	52	52	41~42	21

86~87	97	72~73	80	61	64	51	47	40	15
84~85	95	71	79	59~60	63	49~50	43	39	12
83	93	69~70	75	58	61	48	40	38	9
81~82	90	68	74	57	60	47	38	36~37	2
79~80	88	66~67	73	56	56	45~46	34	0~35	0
77~78	87	65	71	54~55	55	44	28		

Note: The score is rounded to the nearest whole number.

- For Summer Admission, Graduate School of Urban Innovation does not recognize “MyBest scores” written on “Test Taker Score Report” which will be issued after August 1, 2019.

#### IELTS score

IELTS scores are accordingly converted to fit the 100-point scale for the admissions score as shown below.

7 or higher	100 points
4 to 7	$(\text{IELTS} - 1) \times 50/3$ points
3 to 4	$(\text{IELTS} - 3) \times 50$ points
3 or lower	0 points

#### ◆ Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society (Urban Infrastructure Field) and Specialization in International Infrastructure (IGSI)

Test	Certificate of Proficiency to be submitted
TOEIC	Official Score Certificate
TOEFL (iBT)	Examinee Score Report or “Test Taker Score Report” for reports issued after August 1, 2019
TOEFL (iBT) (special) Home Edition	Test Taker Score Report
IELTS	Test Report Form

1. You must submit a Certificate of Proficiency showing test score results from one of the foreign language proficiency tests listed above (original only with your photograph attached, photocopies not accepted) with application documents or before the start of Academic Exam I, as required by the exam supervisor, etc. The examination date on the certificate should be within three years prior to the day of the Academic Exam. You will be deemed ineligible for admission if you fail to submit a qualified foreign language Certificate of Proficiency. The Graduate School will return the submitted Certificate of Proficiency at the time of your interview.  
\*For this recruitment alone, the date of acceptance of the certificate may be within three years of the date of the exam.
2. The Graduate School does not recognize scores of institutional program tests such as the TOEIC-IP or TOEFL-ITP, nor does the university recognize the TOEIC Bridge or TOEIC S&W tests.
3. Means of converting respective foreign language assessment test scores into the equivalent foreign language test score for admissions are detailed as follow. The decimal score rounds it off.

#### TOEIC score

The foreign language (English) component of the graduate school admissions score is worth 50 points. TOEIC scores are accordingly converted to fit the 50-point scale for the admissions score as shown below.

Less than 350	0 points
350 to 500: $[(\text{TOEIC} - 350)/3]/2$	0 to 25 points

500 to 800:  $[(\text{TOEIC} - 500)/6 + 50]/2$  25 to 50 points  
 More than 800 50 points

TOEFL score

• The foreign language proficiency score is calculated by converting the TOEFL-iBT or TOEFL (iBT) (special) Home Edition to fit the 50-point scale using the score conversion table below.

TOEFL -iBT	Foreign Language Proficiency	TOEFL -iBT	Foreign Language Proficiency	TOEFL -iBT	Foreign Language Proficiency	TOEFL -iBT	Foreign Language Proficiency	TOEFL -iBT	Foreign Language Proficiency
90~120	50	76	43	64	35	53	27	43	12
88~89	50	74~75	41	62~63	33	52	26	41~42	11
86~87	49	72~73	40	61	32	51	24	40	8
84~85	48	71	40	59~60	32	49~50	22	39	6
83	47	69~70	38	58	31	48	20	38	5
81~82	45	68	37	57	30	47	19	36~37	1
79~80	44	66~67	37	56	28	45~46	17	0~35	0
77~78	44	65	36	54~55	28	44	14		

IELTS score

IELTS scores are accordingly converted to fit the 50-point scale for the admissions score as shown below.

7 or higher	50 points
4 to 7	$[(\text{IELTS} - 1) \times 50/3]/2$ points
3 to 4	$[(\text{IELTS} - 3) \times 50]/2$ points
3 or lower	0 points

(2) Other languages — German, French, Russian, Spanish, Chinese and Korean

If you elect to focus on Global Studies Field through the Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society of the Department of Infrastructure and Urban Society, you may select one of the foreign languages listed above in lieu of English for admissions scoring. If you intend to do so, you need to first contact a faculty member who you wish to act as your academic advisor, and then select one of the foreign languages listed below for admissions scoring when application documents are submitted. (You must write the respective foreign language on the application documents.) However, if your native language is stated above, you may not choose your native language as a foreign language.

- 1) 1) If you select either German, French, Russian, or Spanish, for the foreign language admissions component, you must submit the exam results (certificates of proficiency showing test scores of one of the exams listed below) subject to admissions scoring (original Certificates of Proficiency only, no photocopies accepted) during your application period or the day of your first departmental exam (You must pass it before the exam starts as required by the exam supervisor, etc.). You will be deemed **ineligible for admission** if you fail to submit a foreign language Certificate of Proficiency with a passing score, issued within five years prior to the day of the departmental exam. The submitted Certificates of Proficiency will be returned at the time of your interview.
  - German: Zertifikat Deutsch, Goethe-Zertifikat, TestDaf, TELC, etc.
  - French: DALF, DELF, TCF, etc.
  - Russian: TRKI, etc.

- Spanish: DELE, Evaluación del Conocimiento de La Lengua Española (Seiken), etc.
- 2) If you select Chinese or Korean for the foreign language admissions component, you must submit the exam results (certificates of proficiency showing test scores of one of the exams listed below) subject to admissions scoring (original Certificates of Proficiency only, no photocopies accepted) during your application period or the day of your first departmental exam (You must pass it before the exam starts as required by the exam supervisor, etc.). You will be deemed **ineligible for admission** if you fail to submit a foreign language Certificate of Proficiency with a passing score, issued within three years prior to the day of the departmental exam. The submitted Certificates of Proficiency will be returned at the time of your interview.
- Chinese: Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK)
  - Korean: TOPIK II, Korean Language Proficiency Test

- 3) Scores of foreign language proficiency tests with CEFR score equivalents are converted to a score for the foreign language component of graduate school admissions based on the table below.

A1	10 points
A2	40 points
B1	70 points
B2	90 points
C1, C2	100 points

- 4) Chinese proficiency exam (Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK)) score conversion  
As above 3), the level will be converted to a score for the foreign language component of graduate school admissions.

A1	Level 1
A2	Level 2
B1	Level 3
B2	Level 4
C1, C2	Level 5 or 6

- 5) Korean proficiency exam score conversion

- Korean Language Proficiency Test

As above 3), the level will be converted to a score for the foreign language component of graduate school admissions.

A1	Level 4
A2	Level 3
B1	Level pre-2
B2	Level 2
C1	Level 1

- TOPIK II

Score will be converted to fit the score of the graduate school admissions score foreign language component as shown below.

(Score obtained+40) divided by 3. Decimal would be rounded off to the nearest integer.

Score over 250 would be equal to 100 points.

The university is not currently accepting TOPIK I.

#### 4. Application Procedures

- (1) Application documents must be sent by registered mail and must arrive at the Graduate School



during the period specified. Hand-delivered applications and those sent by email will not be accepted.

- (2) Application documents may be submitted during the following periods.
  1. Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture, Specialization in Culture (Y-GSC), Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society, Specialization in International Infrastructure (IGSI);  
From June 4, 2021 (Friday) to June 10, 2021 (Thursday)  
However, applications sent by registered express mail and postmarked on or before June 9, 2021 (Wednesday) will be accepted even if they arrive after the deadline.
  2. Specialization in Architecture (Y-GSA);  
From July 14, 2021 (Wednesday) to July 20, 2021 (Tuesday)  
However, applications sent by registered express mail and postmarked on or before July 19, 2021 (Monday) will be accepted even if they arrive after the deadline.
- (3) Send applications to: Graduate School of Urban Innovation, Yokohama National University, 79-5 Tokiwadai, Hodogaya-ku, Yokohama 240-8501, JAPAN  
(Applications should be mailed in a standard-sized 24cm × 33.2cm envelope with the university-designated label affixed.)

Note: If you reside overseas, you will need to enlist an individual based in Japan to send the application documents to the Graduate School by postal mail on your behalf. However, if you absolutely must send the application documents from an overseas location, send them by international express mail or some other service that allows mail to be tracked, so that they arrive not later than June 10, 2021 (Thursday). (Applicants for the Specialization in Architecture [Y-GSA] must ensure that their application arrives by July 20, 2021 (Tuesday).) If posting from outside Japan, they must arrive before the deadline even if the postmark date noted in (2)1. and (2)2. above is within the deadline, or your application documents will not be accepted. If you provide a self-addressed return envelope with a foreign address, you must also include an IRC (international reply coupon) sufficient to cover the cost of EMS delivery.

- (4) The Graduate School will send out the exam admission slip by special delivery mail to applicants as follows.
  1. Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture, Specialization in Culture (Y-GSC), Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society, Specialization in International Infrastructure (IGSI);  
The Graduate School will send out the exam admission slip early in July.
  2. Specialization in Architecture (Y-GSA);  
The Graduate School will send out the exam admission slip early in August.

## 5. Documents to Submit

Submit the following documents at application procedure. Your application documents will not be accepted if required information has been omitted from them or if they contain other deficiencies. Application documents can be downloaded from the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website. Print out all pages of the application form on white A4 paper, one side only. If you make a mistake, put a double line through the incorrect information and write the correct information in the margin.

Application documents	Submitted by	Details	Form no.
Application label	All applicants	<b><u>The label is available for download on the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website. Print out the label and affix to a standard-sized 24cm × 33.2cm envelope, then mail the documents listed below by registered mail.</u></b>	12
Documents to Submit Check List	All applicants	<b><u>The checklist is available for download on the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website. Application documents should be arranged in the order as specified in this checklist.</u></b>	0
Entrance examination fee	All applicants  International students on Japanese government scholarship (MEXT) are not required to pay this fee, but must include a Certificate of Japanese Government (Monbukagakusho) scholarship student with application documents.	<b><u>The form is available for download on the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website.</u></b> (1) Entrance exam fee: ¥30,000 (All fees associated with payments are to be paid by the individual seeking admission to the university.) (2) Pay the Entrance exam fee by a deadline for the application. (3) Pay the Entrance exam fee by either method of next 1~2 <b>[Applicants who are Japanese nationals and international students residing in Japan]</b> 1. Payment via convenience store • Payment can be made at 7-Eleven, Lawson, Ministop and FamilyMart convenience stores. • Refer to the guidelines on payment of entrance examination fees. <b>[Applicants residing overseas and international students residing in Japan]</b> 2. The university accepts payment by credit card (VISA, MasterCard, JCB, American Express, MUFG, DC, UFJ, NICOS) and by China UnionPay (CUP). Further details are available on the entrance examinations and school admissions page of the YNU website. ( <a href="https://www.ynu.ac.jp/exam/graduate/payment/index.html">https://www.ynu.ac.jp/exam/graduate/payment/index.html</a> ). (4) Attach to the space provided on Form 11 a certificate showing a certificate of payment or a hard copy of e-mail notification of full payment received or a hard copy of receipt (FamilyMart), and send Form 11 along with the rest of the application documents.	11
Application Form	All applicants	<b><u>The form is available for download on the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website.</u></b> Provide two ID photographs of your face and upper body with no hat on, height 4 cm x width 3 cm, taken within three months of application submission. Attach the photograph to the Enrollment Application. Do not use the erasable marking pen.	1-1 or 2-1

Application documents	Submitted by	Details	Form no.
Exam Admission Slip	All applicants	<p><b><u>The slip is available for download on the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website.</u></b></p> <p>Provide two ID photographs of your face and upper body with no hat on, height 4 cm x width 3 cm, taken within three months of application submission. Attach the photograph to the Exam Admission Slip. Do not use the erasable marking pen.</p>	1-2 or 2-2
Self-addressed envelope label	All applicants	<p><b><u>The label is available for download on the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website.</u></b></p> <p>Write down your name, address and zip code on the envelope with the university-designated label affixed. (This will be used by the Graduate School for communications other than the Exam Admission Slip.)</p>	13
Self-addressed envelope	All applicants	<p>Standard-sized 12cm × 23.5cm envelope with your name, address, zip code and an attached 384-yen stamp to cover express postage. (This will be used to mail out the Exam Admission Slip.)</p>	
Certificate of graduation (or expected graduation)	All applicants	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) The certificate must be an original prepared by your university of origin (home institution), no photocopies accepted. However, international students applying for admission may furnish a photocopy of the original certificate out of necessity, but must then show the original to Graduate School of Urban Innovation Section prior to sending application documents.</li> <li>(2) If you have graduated from an overseas university, your application documents must include degree certificates or other documents noting your academic credentials. (Such documentation is not needed if certificates submitted enable verification of academic credentials. Include an English or Japanese translation of documents rendered in other languages. Photocopies of certificate originals will not be accepted.)</li> <li>(3) If you are applying for admission on the basis of Application Requirement (2) and you have already earned a bachelor's degree, then you must submit a certificate of the degree issued by the National Institution for Academic Degrees and University Evaluation. Otherwise, if you have not yet earned a bachelor's degree but expect to do so, you must submit a certificate attesting to your expected graduation issued by the head of your home institution.</li> </ol>	
Academic transcript	All applicants	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) Document must be prepared by the president or an academic dean of the university of origin (home institution). Photocopies of originals will not be accepted.</li> <li>(2) Provide a Japanese or English translation if documentation is in another language.</li> </ol>	

Application documents	Submitted by	Details	Form no.
Research Proposal	Required applicants	<p><b><u>The form is available for download on the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website.</u></b></p> <p>Research proposals must be no longer than one A4-size page, and should specify your name, your desired specialization, and the name of a faculty member who wish to act as your academic advisor.</p> <p>Note: You do not need to submit a research proposal if you are applying for admission to the Architectural Field of the Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture or the Specialization in Architecture (Y-GSA).</p>	6
Curriculum vitae for international students	Non-Japanese applicants only Not required of those applying on the basis of Application Requirement (1)	<p><b><u>The form is available for download on the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website.</u></b></p> <p>Use the CV template furnished by YNU. It must be completed in Japanese or English.</p>	10
Certificate about residence status	Non-Japanese applicants only	<p>(1) Applicants who are non-Japanese citizens currently residing in Japan must submit a photocopy of the front and back of their residence card.</p> <p>(2) Non-Japanese citizens not currently residing in Japan must submit a photocopy of their passport.</p>	
Certificate of eligibility to apply for admission (copy)	Applicant on the basis of Application Requirement (5)-2, and (8) through (12)	Enclose “Certificate of eligibility to apply for admission (copy)” certified by Dean of Graduate School of Urban Innovation.	

Those intending to take the Special Selection must also submit the documents listed below, in addition to the documents listed above.

Documents	Details	Form no.
Certificate of eligibility to apply for admissions	<p><b><u>The form is available for download on the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website.</u></b></p> <p>Certificate indicating academic ranking or proportion of evaluations of 80 points or higher out of all credits earned. Use the form7, and deliver it to the Graduate School in a sealed envelope.</p>	7
Letter of Recommendation	<p><b><u>The form is available for download on the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website.</u></b></p> <p>Letter of recommendation in regard to taking the Special Selection. To be completed by an individual who knows the applicant well (such as an academic advisor). If absolutely necessary, a letter of self-recommendation will be accepted.</p>	8
Enrollment Pledge	<p><b><u>The form is available for download on the How to Apply (“Admissions”) page of the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website.</u></b></p>	9

You must submit the following documents with application documents or before the start of Academic Exam as required by the exam supervisor, etc.

**Those intending to apply through the Special Selection process for Specialization in Architecture**

**and Urban Culture (Architectural Field) must include the following in their application documents or bring them on the day of special selection.**

Documents	Submitted by	Details	Form no.
Foreign language proficiency test scores — Certificates of Proficiency	Required applicants	Please refer to page 4 for details. On the “Documents to Submit Check List”, indicate whether you are including the Certificate of Proficiency in your mailed documents or whether you will bring it on the day and submit it before the start of Academic Exam.	

Privately financed international students (via Regular Admission or the Special Admission for International Students process) and who wish to seek exemption from first year tuition fees should enclose the documents stipulated below.

Documents	Submitted by	Details	Form no.
YNU Tuition Waiver Program for Privately Financed International Students Application Form/ Expense Plan Form	Required applicants	For more information, refer to page 15 and the University website. Application forms are available for download on the University website ( <a href="https://www.ynu.ac.jp/english/student/tuition/waiver/">https://www.ynu.ac.jp/english/student/tuition/waiver/</a> ) .	

## 6. Exam Dates and Venues

### (1) Special Selection

Exams will be held from July 1, 2021 (Thursday) to July 2, 2021 (Friday). Notification of specific dates, times and venues will be sent out on June 18, 2021 (Friday).

### (2) Written Examination Selection

Exams will be held from August 23, 2021 (Monday) to August 24, 2021 (Tuesday). Schedules and venues for written exams and interviews will be posted on the Graduate School of Urban Innovation bulletin board between July 28, 2021 (Wednesday) at 15:00 and the date of the exam.

## 7. Notes

- (1) You are required to be in possession of the Exam Admission Slip on the day of the entrance exam.
- (2) The Graduate School does not allow changes to submitted documents after completion of the application process, nor does it return such documents.
- (3) The Graduate School will provide immediate notification regarding updates and other changes to the entrance exams.
- (4) You will be deemed ineligible for admission if you fail to take even a single component of the entrance exam (foreign language exam, academic exam, interview, etc.) required by the respective Specializations.-(If you fail to submit a qualified foreign language Certificate of Proficiency (TOEIC, TOEFL, IELTS, CEFR equivalents of foreign language proficiency test scores), you will be deemed ineligible for admission.)
- (5) When there was false mentioning on an application form, even after entering a school, the entrance is canceled.
- (6) In addition to being used for the admissions selection process, entrance examination results and personal information such as that provided in application documents may be used in student applications for enrollment fee waivers and other such benefits. They may also be used in surveys and research conducted by the school. However, the university takes steps to ensure that individuals cannot be identified in cases where such survey and research results are released. Personal information will not be used or provided for any other purpose.

## 8. Announcement of Examination Results

- (1) The Graduate School will send the Special Selection results by postal mail on July 9, 2021 (Friday). If you fail to gain admission through Special Selection, you have the option of subsequently taking the Written Examination Selection.
- (2) The Graduate School will announce the Written Examination Selection results by posting exam registration numbers of successful examinees to the Graduate School of Urban Innovation website (<https://www.urban.ynu.ac.jp/>) on September 2, 2021 (Thursday) at around 15:00, and also via postal mail sent out on September 2, 2021 (Thursday).
- (3) When a vacancy occurs in the Enrollment Capacity, the Graduate School may supplement it with additional successful examinees. The Graduate School will notify applicants on the waiting list who are later accepted for enrollment by postal mail and telephone, via the addresses and telephone numbers specified on their respective Enrollment Applications. The Graduate School will not accommodate inquiries regarding the admissions waiting list.
- (4) The Graduate School will not accommodate inquiries regarding entrance exam pass-fail results by telephone, fax, e-mail or other means of contact.

## 9. Enrollment Procedures

- (1) If you receive notification of acceptance for enrollment, you must complete the required enrollment procedures during the following period. Applicants who fail to complete the required procedures by the deadlines set will be refused admission.  
From March 7, 2022 (Monday) to March 10, 2022 (Thursday).  
However, applications sent by registered express mail and postmarked on or before March 9, 2022 (Wednesday) will be accepted even if they arrive after the deadline. Instructions provided regarding enrollment procedures sent by the Graduate School in early February 2022.
- (2) Payment required at time of enrollment (International students on Japanese government [MEXT])

scholarship will not be assessed these fees.)

1. Enrollment fee: 282,000 yen (currently)

2. Annual tuition: 535,800 yen (currently)

Please note that enrollment and tuition fees are subject to revision. If the tuition is revised while you are attending the university, the new tuition will apply to you.

- (3) Enrollment fees will not be refunded after completion of the enrollment process under any circumstances.
- (4) To obtain "Student" residence status, self-sponsored international students taking the entrance exam must be able to demonstrate that they possess sufficient economic resources to support themselves as a foreign student in Japan.
- (5) If you are currently employed by the government, a company or other such entity, you must submit a document indicating that you have approval of a manager or other representative of the employer to enroll in the university (format optional) during the enrollment process.
- (6) A post-enrollment financial aid program has been established, and provides enrollment and tuition fee waivers, scholarships and other such forms of assistance. For further details, check the scholarship and tuition/enrollment fee waiver section of the Student Affairs Department, Student Support Division website. (<https://www.ynu.ac.jp/english/student/>)  
Note that privately financed international students seeking exemption from first year tuition fees must submit the appropriate document together with their application. For more information refer to the University website (<https://www.ynu.ac.jp/english/student/tuition/waiver/>).
- (7) If you wish to live in a student dormitory, you may need to apply for a residence before the dates set for the enrollment process. As such, be sure to check the campus residency application guidelines section of the Student Affairs Department, Student Support Division website, and accordingly complete the dormitory application process by the deadline. (<https://www.ynu.ac.jp/english/student/>)

## **10. Contact Information for Administrative Inquiries**

Please make an inquiry below if you have any questions regarding the application requirements or application documents:

Graduate School of Urban Innovation Section, Yokohama National University,  
79-5 Tokiwadai, Hodogaya-ku, Yokohama 240-8501, JAPAN  
Tel. +81-45-339-3826  
E-mail [ses.daigakuin-urb@ynu.ac.jp](mailto:ses.daigakuin-urb@ynu.ac.jp)

If you have any questions about YNU Interfaculty Graduate School of Innovative and Practical Studies (IFGS):

IFGS Office, Yokohama National University,  
79-8 Tokiwadai, Hodogaya-ku, Yokohama 240-8501, Japan  
Email: [ifgs-jimu@ynu.ac.jp](mailto:ifgs-jimu@ynu.ac.jp)

# 11. Description of Specializations

## Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture

Department of Architecture and Urban Culture (Architectural Field and Urban Culture Field)

### 1. Academic proficiency testing: Special Selection and Written Examination Selection admissions categories

#### (1) Special Selection

Exam contents	Oral exam (test on basic knowledge of chosen subjects [may include foreign language proficiency], specialized subject areas, etc.)
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#### (2) Written Examination Selection

When applying for a Specialization, you may opt to focus on either Architectural Field or Urban Culture Field on the Academic Exam I

Foreign language proficiency	100 points	English (screening on the basis of scores of either TOEIC, TOEFL or IELTS)
Academic Exam I	300 points	<p><b>Architectural Field</b></p> <p>You are required to take a written exam. You must select six subjects from among ten subjects available. The subject of your academic advisor’s study field (pp.25-27) must be included:</p> <p>1) Architectural history, 2) Architecture and planning; 3) Urban planning, 4) Urban environmental engineering; 5) Architectural environmental engineering; 6) Building materials and construction system, 7) Structural mechanics of buildings; 8) Structural planning of buildings, 9)Architecture and urban planning for disaster risk reduction, 10) Essay</p> <p><u>* There are cases in which it is not possible to select the 10) Essay depending on the academic advisor’s discretion (pp.25-27). Make sure to check with your preferred academic advisor beforehand.</u></p>
		<p><b>Urban Culture Field</b></p> <p>Those who wish to apply for Specialization in Urban Culture Field must select subjects from the following 13 subjects:</p> <p>a) Two (2) subjects from subjects 10) to 13) (<b>300 points for two subjects</b>); or</p> <p>b) One (1) subject from subjects 10) to 13) (<b>150 points for one subject</b>), and two (2) subjects from subjects 1 to 9 (<b>150 points for two subjects</b>), totaling three (3) subjects.</p> <p>1) Architectural history, 2) Architecture and planning; 3) Urban planning, 4) Urban environmental engineering;5) Architectural environmental engineering; 6) Building materials and construction system, 7) Structural mechanics of buildings; 8) Structural planning of buildings, 9) Architecture and urban planning for disaster risk reduction,10) Art theory and criticism A, 11) Art theory and criticism B, 12) Theory and culture A, 13) Theory and culture B</p>
Academic Exam II	200 points	<p><b>Architectural Field</b></p> <p>You are required to take a written exam and are interviewed on one subject of your academic advisor’s study field, from among the areas of Architectural history, Architecture and planning, Urban planning, Urban environmental management and planning, Architectural environmental engineering, Building materials and construction system, Steel structures, and Reinforced concrete structures (pp.25-27).</p>



		<p><b>Urban Culture Field</b>  You are required to undergo interviews on specialized fields on the basis of your research proposals and other such pursuits.</p>
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## 2. Test content and dates

### (1) Special Selection

Exams will be held from July 1, 2021 (Thursday) to July 2, 2021 (Friday). Notification of specific dates, times and venues will be sent out on June 18, 2021 (Friday). The Graduate School will provide notification of exam results by postal mail sent out on July 9, 2021 (Friday).

### (2) Written Examination Selection

#### 1.) Architectural Field

Dates	Subjects/Tests	Time
August 23 (Mon.)	Foreign Language Proficiency (English)	/
	Academic Exam I	9:00 to 11:00
	Academic Exam II — written component	12:30 to 14:00
August 24 (Tue.)	Academic Exam II — interview	From 14:00

#### 2.) Urban Culture Field

Dates	Subjects/Tests	Time
August 23 (Mon.)	Foreign Language Proficiency (English)	/
	Academic Exam I	9:00 to 11:00
	Academic Exam II — interview	From 13:00

**\*Before submitting application documents, individuals applying for Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture must first consult with a faculty member whom they would like as an academic advisor or a faculty member who handles inquiries. If you wish to select an academic advisor marked with (\*) in the faculty members list on pp.25-31, be sure to contact them beforehand.**

[Notes]

- **Those intending to apply through the Special Selection process for Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture (Architectural Field) must include their Certificate of Proficiency (foreign language proficiency test scores) in their application documents or bring it on the day of special selection.**
- Examinees must enter the testing room at least 20 minutes prior to the start of the exam.
- Certificates of Proficiency showing TOEIC, TOEFL and IELTS scores will be collected before the start of Academic Exam I as required by the exam supervisor, etc. (For applicants who submitted it with application documents, it is necessary.). Certificates of foreign language proficiency will be returned at the interviews.
- Examinees may bring non-programmable scientific calculators for use in the written components of Academic Exam I and Academic Exam II.
- International student applicants may use dictionaries. However, electronic dictionaries are not allowed.
- Dictionaries cannot be used other than by international student applicants.
- Applicants of the Special Admission for International Students can use English to answer the entrance examinations.

**Specialization in Architecture (Y-GSA)**  
**Department of Architecture and Urban Culture**

**1. Academic proficiency test: Written Examination Selection**

(1) Written Examination Selection

Foreign language proficiency	100 points	English (screening on the basis of scores of either TOEIC, TOEFL or IELTS)
Academic Exam	200 points	You must select four subjects from among thirteen subjects available: 1) Architectural history, 2) Architecture and planning; 3) Urban planning, 4) Urban environmental engineering; 5) Architectural environmental engineering; 6) Building materials and construction system, 7) Structural mechanics of buildings; 8) Structural planning of buildings, 9) Architecture and urban planning for disaster risk reduction, 10) Art theory and criticism A, 11) Art theory and criticism B, 12) Theory and culture A, 13) Theory and culture B
		The applicant of the Special Admission for International Students can select an English short essay replacing with the above.
On-the-spot design	200 points	Presentation of design issue assigned to examinees, using an A1-size sheet of paper.
Portfolio and Interview	100 points	Examinees submit portfolios consisting of architectural works they have created, and undergo an oral assessment in that regard.

Note 1: Examinees are to submit portfolios comprised of two or more architectural works which they can prove as their own creation. <sup>1),2)</sup> Examinees are also to submit summaries pertaining to their portfolios. <sup>3)</sup>

- 1) Proof of original work: i) Certification by the faculty advisor to whom the design was submitted must be provided on the form specified by YNU (Form 14); ii) Official university seal proving submission of your work (affixed directly to architectural drawings, faculty advisor's signature, etc.); and iii) a copy of the application or the original certificate if entered into a competition, etc.
- 2) Examinees are to submit their portfolios in the form of a single A3-size clear file folder (with 20 or fewer folder pockets) showing their works and certificates (facing-page spreads will not be accepted). Examination numbers must be written on the front cover of the portfolios. The portfolios should also weigh lightly. (Recommended clear file folder: Kokuyo, A3-size, Clear book, carryall, fixed, ラ-583T)
- 3) Portfolio summary: Examinees are to provide a summary of their portfolio showing illustrations of two of their architectural works on a single A4-sized sheet of paper. The examination number must be written on the portfolio summary.

Note 2: With on-the-spot designs, examinees have five hours to prepare a design on a single sheet of A1-size Kent paper based on a challenge they have been given, and then make a presentation of their work.

- 1) Drawing boards, A1-size Kent paper and tracing paper will be provided at the testing site. Examinees are not allowed to bring their own paper (tracing paper, plotting paper, Kent paper, etc.).
- 2) Examinees may create free-hand drawings, but if necessary should bring their own T-square rulers, adjustable triangles, drafting tape and other such items. Presentation aids that do not cause a distraction to other examinees may also be used.
- 3) Examinees may not use parallel rulers, computers or printers.

## 2. Test content and dates

### (1) Written Examination Selection

Dates	Subjects/Tests	Time
August 23 (Mon.)	Foreign Language Proficiency (English)	
	Academic Exam	9:00 to 11:00
	On-the-spot design	12:30 to 17:30
August 24 (Tue.)	Portfolio and Interview	From 12:30

**\*Faculty members and Y-GSA candidate students are not required to meet before examinations. Y-GSA candidates do not need to write the name of their faculty advisor on application documents.**

[Notes]

- Examinees must enter the testing room at least 20 minutes prior to the start of the exam.
- Certificates of Proficiency showing TOEIC, TOEFL, and IELTS scores will be collected before the start of the 1st day of the Academic Exam as required by the exam supervisor, etc. (except those who have submitted their certificate during application). The certificates of foreign language proficiency will be returned at the interviews.
- Portfolios and portfolio summaries will be collected by the end of the 1st day of the Academic Exam.
- Examinees may bring non-programmable scientific calculators for use in the written components of Academic Exam.
- International student applicants may use dictionaries. However, electronic dictionaries are not allowed.
- Dictionaries cannot be used other than by international student applicants.
- Applicants of the Special Admission for International Students can use English to answer the entrance examination.

**Specialization in Culture (Y-GSC)**  
**Department of Architecture and Urban Culture**

**1. Academic proficiency testing:** Special Selection and Written Examination Selection admissions categories

(1) Special Selection

Exam contents	Oral exam (testing the basic knowledge of chosen subjects [may include foreign language proficiency], specialized subject areas, etc.)
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(2) Written Examination Selection

Foreign language proficiency	100 points	English (screening on the basis of scores of either TOEIC, TOEFL or IELTS)
Academic Exam I	200 points	<p>You must select two subjects from among thirteen subjects available. The subject of your study field must be included:</p> <p>a) Two (2) subjects from subjects 10) to 13) (<b>200 points for two subjects</b>); or</p> <p>b) One (1) subject from subjects 10) to 13) (<b>100 points for one subject</b>), and two (2) subjects from subjects 1 to 9 (<b>100 points for two subjects</b>), totaling three (3) subjects.</p> <p>1) Architectural history, 2) Architecture and planning; 3) Urban planning, 4) Urban environmental engineering; 5) Architectural environmental engineering; 6) Building materials and construction system, 7) Structural mechanics of buildings; 8) Structural planning of buildings, 9) Architecture and urban planning for disaster risk reduction, 10) Art theory and criticism A, 11) Art theory and criticism B, 12) Theory and culture A, 13) Theory and culture B</p>
Academic Exam II	300 points	<p>Examinees submit a portfolio showing their past activities and plans going forward, and undergo an oral assessment in that regard. The portfolios should include the following components.</p> <p>1) Proposal indicating plans for research and other activities in the Master's Program. (One single A4-size page)</p> <p>2) Record of past activities, research and works created</p>

Note 1: Examinees are to submit portfolios in the form of a single A4-size clear file folder, with examination numbers written on the front cover. If an examinee is unable to fit certain items in the record of his or her past activities, research, and created works in a clear file folder, then such items should be submitted as a separate attachment with the examinee's examination number indicated on each item submitted separately.

Note 2: The portfolios and attached items will be collected upon conclusion of Academic Exam I.

Note 3: Each item submitted in the portfolio must be accompanied by a separate Form 15 (available on the University website) proving that the item represents the applicant's own created work or output.

**2. Test content and dates**

(1) Special Selection

Exams will be held from July 1, 2021 (Thursday) to July 2, 2021 (Friday). Notification of specific dates, times and venues will be sent out on June 18, 2021 (Friday). The Graduate School will provide notification of exam results by postal mail sent out on July 9, 2021 (Friday). If you fail to gain admission through Special Selection, you have the option of subsequently taking the Written Examination Selection.

(2) Written Examination Selection

Dates	Subjects/Tests	Time
August 23 (Mon.)	Foreign Language Proficiency (English)	
	Academic Exam I	9:00 to 11:00
	Academic Exam II ( — oral assessment)	From 13:00

- \* **The Specialization in Culture (Y-GSC) concludes upon completion of student art and culture portfolios. Applicants opting to complete a thesis on arts and culture need to apply to the Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture (Urban Culture Field).**
- \* **Those applying to the Specialization in Culture (Y-GSC) may also apply to the Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture (specialization involving completion of a thesis) as a second option.**
- \* **Before submitting application documents, individuals applying for Specialization in Culture (Y-GSC) must first consult with a faculty member whom they would like as an academic advisor or a faculty member who handles inquiries.**

[Notes]

- Examinees must enter the testing room at least 20 minutes prior to the start of the exam.
- Certificates of Proficiency showing TOEIC, TOEFL and IELTS scores will be collected before the start of Academic Exam I as required by the exam supervisor, etc. (For applicants who submitted it with application documents, it is necessary.). Certificates of foreign language proficiency will be returned at the interviews.
- Portfolios and attached items will be collected upon completion of Academic Exam I.
- Examinees may bring non-programmable scientific calculators for use in the written components of Academic Exam I.
- International student applicants may use dictionaries. However, electronic dictionaries are not allowed.
- Dictionaries cannot be used other than by international student applicants.

**Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society**  
**Department of Infrastructure and Urban Society (Urban Infrastructure Field and Global Studies Field)**

**1. Academic proficiency testing:** Special Selection and Written Examination Selection admissions categories

(1) Special Selection

Exam contents	Oral exam (test on basic knowledge of chosen subjects [may include foreign language proficiency], specialized subject areas, etc.)
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(2) Written Examination Selection

Academic Exam I is given on either Urban Infrastructure Field or Global Studies Field. Applicants opting for this Specialization must select either of those two fields when applying to the program.

**Examination for the Urban Infrastructure Field will be carried out as follows.**

Foreign language proficiency	50 points	English (screening on the basis of scores of either TOEIC, TOEFL or IELTS)
Academic Exam I	250 points	Applicants electing to focus on Urban Infrastructure Field may opt for one mathematics segment, plus a total of four of the ten specialized subject segments (two each from the five fields of Structural Engineering, Hydraulic Engineering, Geotechnical Engineering, Infrastructure Planning, and Concrete Engineering).
Academic Exam II	200 points	Examinees undergo an oral assessment relating to a specialized field on the basis of their Research Proposals and other such pursuits.

**Examination for the Global Studies Field will be carried out as follows.**

Foreign language proficiency	100 points	English (screening on the basis of scores of either TOEIC, TOEFL or IELTS) Note: Applicants wishing to study Global Studies Field may, depending on their desired field of research, opt for one language from German, French, Russian, Chinese, Korean or Spanish.
Academic Exam I	200 points	Applicants wishing to study Global Studies Field may answer one question from among multiple questions in humanities and social sciences.
Academic Exam II	200 points	Examinees undergo an oral assessment relating to a specialized field on the basis of their Research Proposals and other such pursuits.

**2. Test content and dates**

(1) Special Selection

Exams will be held from July 1, 2021 (Thursday) to July 2, 2021 (Friday). Notification of specific dates, times and venues will be sent out on June 18, 2021 (Friday). The Graduate School will provide notification of exam results by postal mail sent out on July 9, 2021 (Friday). If you fail to gain admission through Special Selection, you have the option of subsequently taking the Written Examination Selection.

(2) Written Examination Selection

1) Candidates opting to focus on Urban Infrastructure Field

Dates	Subjects/Tests	Time
August 23 (Mon.)	Foreign Language Proficiency (English)	/
	Academic Exam I	9:00 to 11:00

August 24 (Tue.)	Academic Exam II ( — oral assessment)	To be announced
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2) Candidates opting to focus on Global Studies Field

Dates	Subjects/Tests	Time
August 23 (Mon.)	Foreign Language Proficiency (English)	
	Academic Exam I	9:00 to 11:00
	Academic Exam II ( — oral assessment)	To be announced

**\* Before submitting application documents, individuals applying for Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society must first consult with a faculty member whom they would like as an academic advisor or with a faculty member who handles inquiries.**

**\* Those applying to the Urban Infrastructure Field concentration may also apply to the Specialization in International Infrastructure (IGSI) as a second option.**

**[Notes]**

- Examinees must enter the testing room at least 20 minutes prior to the start of the exam.
- Certificates of Proficiency showing scores of TOEIC, TOEFL and IELTS scores, or such certificates showing CEFR equivalents of German, French, Russian, Chinese, Korean or Spanish proficiency tests will be collected before the start of Academic Exam I as required by the exam supervisor, etc. (Not required for applicants who submitted this with their application documents.) The certificates will be returned at the interviews.
- Examinees may bring non-programmable scientific calculators for use in the written components of Academic Exam I.
- Examinees may use language dictionaries for tests other than language proficiency exams. However, examinees may not use electronic dictionaries.
- Applicants of the Special Admission for International Students can use English to answer the entrance examinations.

## Specialization in International Infrastructure (IGSI) Department of Infrastructure and Urban Society

### 1. Academic proficiency testing: Special Selection and Written Examination Selection.

#### (1) Special Selection

Exam contents	Oral exam (test on basic knowledge of chosen subjects [may include foreign language proficiency], specialized subject areas, etc.)
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#### (2) Written Examination Selection

Foreign language proficiency	50 points	English (screening on the basis of scores of either TOEIC, TOEFL or IELTS)
Academic Exam I	250 points	Applicants electing to focus on Urban Infrastructure Field may opt for one mathematics segment, plus a total of four of the ten specialized subject segments (two each from the five fields of Structural Engineering, Hydraulic Engineering, Geotechnical Engineering, Infrastructure Planning, and Concrete Engineering).
Academic Exam II	200 points	Examinees undergo an oral assessment relating to a specialized field on the basis of their Research Proposals and other such pursuits.

### 2. Test content and dates

#### (1) Special Selection

Exams will be held from July 1, 2021 (Thursday) to July 2, 2021 (Friday). Notification of specific dates, times and venues will be sent out on June 18, 2021 (Friday). The Graduate School will provide notification of exam results by postal mail sent out on July 9, 2021 (Friday). If you fail to gain admission through Special Selection, you have the option of subsequently taking the Written Examination Selection.

#### (2) Written Examination Selection

Dates	Subjects/Tests	Time
August 23 (Mon.)	Foreign Language Proficiency (English)	/
	Academic Exam I	9:00 to 11:00
August 24 (Tue.)	Academic Exam II (— oral assessment)	To be announced

**\* All lectures, studio-teaching programs and Master's thesis guidance of the Specialization in International Infrastructure (IGSI) are conducted in English, and the Master's thesis is also to be written in English.**

**\* Before submitting application documents, individuals applying for Specialization in International Infrastructure (IGSI) must first consult with a faculty member whom they would like as an academic advisor or with a faculty member who handles inquiries.**

**\* Those applying to the Specialization in International Infrastructure (IGSI) may also apply to the Urban Infrastructure Field concentration of the Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society as a second option.**

#### [Notes]

- Examinees must enter the testing room at least 20 minutes prior to the start of the exam.
- Certificates of Proficiency showing TOEIC, TOEFL and IELTS scores will be collected before the start of Academic Exam I as required by the exam supervisor, etc. (For applicants who submitted it with application documents, it is necessary.). Certificates of foreign language proficiency will be returned at the interviews.
- Examinees may bring non-programmable scientific calculators for use in the written components of Academic Exam I.
- Examinees may use language dictionaries for tests other than language proficiency exams. However, examinees may not use electronic dictionaries.
- Applicants of the Special Admission for International Students can use English to answer the entrance examinations.



## 12. Faculty member

Before submitting your application documents, please be sure to discuss the research content with the faculty member whom you would like as your academic advisor or a faculty member who handles inquiries about your desired course. For details of research fields, please see the YNU Researchers database (<https://er-web.ynu.ac.jp>) or the “Faculty” page of the Institute of Urban Innovation website.

### Department of Architecture and Urban Culture

#### Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture

(advisor)

Specialization in Architecture and Urban Culture, Department of Architecture and Urban Culture

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#### Architectural Field

Name	Title	Subject of Study Field		Research Field
		Academic Exam I	Academic Exam II	
Satoshi Ono*	Professor	1) Architectural history	Architectural history	History of Japanese architecture . Research on the architectural style of Buddhist architecture, Shinto shrines and traditional folk houses. Theoretical research on preservation of historical architecture. Research on preservation succession of traditional construction technique.
Kazuoki Ohara	Professor	2) Architecture and planning	Architecture and planning	Planning Theory of Architecture and Built Environment. Planning and Environment-Behaviour studies of the living environment including housings, facilities for culture, wellbeing, healthcare and education in super-aged society. Environmental gerontology, human ecology, ecomuseology and participative design.
Masaya Kawabata	Professor	6) Building materials and construction system	Building materials and construction system	Structural design of membrane structures, lightweight structures and spatial structures, Structural engineering, Structure and form, Theoretical and analytical examination, Experimental verification,
Satoru Sadohara*	Professor	4) Urban environmental engineering, 9) Architecture and urban planning for disaster risk reduction *10) Essay	Urban environmental management and planning	Design and Management of Urban Environment, District Heating and Cooling, District Energy Systems, Urban Risk Management and Disaster Prevention, Safe and Environmental Friendly City Planning, Cities and Ecosystem Services, Geographic Information System
Minoru Takamizawa*	Professor	3) Urban planning	Urban planning	Urban Planning, Urban Planning System, District Planning and Town Management, Community Planning

Name	Title	Subject of Study Field		Research Field
		Academic Exam I	Academic Exam II	
Yuka Matsumoto	Professor	7) Structural mechanics of buildings, 8) Structural planning of buildings	Steel structure	Stability and seismic resistance of steel-framed buildings, Strength and ductility of structural components or structural frames, Demanded performance of structural components, Study on seismic damage of buildings
Takanori Ishida	Associate Professor	7) Structural mechanics of buildings, 8) Structural planning of buildings	Steel structure	Seismic Performance of Steel Building Structures, Development of Prediction Methods for Deformation Capacity of Steel Members and Connections, Improvement of Damage Evaluation Method for Steel Buildings Subjected to Seismic Loads, Study on Maintaining Functionality of Steel Buildings After Severe Earthquakes
Keiko Inagaki	Associate Professor	4) Urban environmental engineering, 9) Architecture and urban planning for disaster risk reduction *10) Essay	Urban environmental management and planning	Urban/Regional Disaster Management, Self-sufficient Buildings and Districts against Disaster, Safe and Secure Community Planning, Urban Spatial Analysis using GIS.
Toru Eguchi	Associate Professor	6) Building materials and construction system	Building materials and construction system	Building construction: building production and history of building construction of housing in Japan. Longevity of built environment: building industry and architectural professions in stock-oriented society.
Kuniyoshi Sugimoto	Associate Professor	7) Structural mechanics of buildings, 8) Structural planning of buildings	Reinforced concrete structures	Study on Earthquake Resistant Performance of RC Structures Study on Construction Method of High Rise RC Buildings Study on Retrofitting Method of Existing RC Structures Damage Investigation and Analysis of RC Structures by Earthquakes
Ineko Tanaka	Associate Professor	5) Architectural environmental engineering *10) Essay	Architectural environmental engineering	Thermal environment for building, Passive system, Energy saving methodology for architecture, Architectural environmental planning for children, Education for built environment
Taku Nohara*	Associate Professor	3) Urban planning	Urban planning	Urban design, Urban design management, Urban planning, Townscape management, Community development focus on how to use local and historical resources
Yasuhiro Fujioka*	Associate Professor	2) Architecture and planning	Architecture and planning	CoHousing for a sustainable society. Planning studies of the adequate housing in super-aged society. Research and practice on ways to involve children in architectural and urban planning.
Masashi Morita	Associate Professor	1) Architectural history	Architectural history	History of Islamic Architecture and City. History of Architecture and Urban History in the Mediterranean region. Research on succession of architectural culture through an interaction between Islam and Christianity, mainly in and around Turkey.
Satoshi Yoshida	Associate Professor	4) Urban environmental engineering,	Urban environmental management	Energy saving and low-carbon system for buildings and districts.

		9) Architecture and urban planning for disaster risk reduction	and planning	Planning technology, evaluation and management method, for the reduction of energy load, high efficient energy use, energy use with small environmental impact.
		*10) Essay		

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- Those who wish to apply for Specialization in Architectural Field must select one subject of your academic advisor's study field in Academic Exam II.
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#### Urban Culture Field

Name	Title	Research Field
Tomonori Kiyota	Professor	Subculture, Gender, Sexuality, Psychoanalysis, Literary Theory, Critical Theory of Culture and Politics
Norihisa Kurenuma	Professor	Philosophy of World History, Transhumanism (Issues of Biosphere, Mecosphere, etc.)
Akiko Sugawa	Professor	Anime and Manga Studies, Audience Studies (Cosplay, 2.5D Musicals, Contents Tourism)
Tomohiro Hikoe	Professor	French literature (20th century); contemporary literature, literary theory. My research and teaching interests focus on how literature can bring heterogeneous viewpoints on society and history.
Katsushi Nakagawa	Associate Professor	Audible Culture Studies: Experimental Music, Sound Art, Sound Technology History
Kei Hirakura*	Associate Professor	Modern and Contemporary Art and Theory, Theory of Moving Images. Especially interested in the technological aspects of art and perception-action coupling in art making.
Fabien Carpentras	Assistant Professor ※	Cinema Studies, particularly Japanese movies of the 1970-80s. Filmic expression, Cinema and Society, Cinema and Ideology.

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#### Specialization in Architecture (Y-GSA)

(advisor)

Specialization in Architecture (Y-GSA) , Department of Architecture and Urban Culture

- Mariko Terada, Associate Professor (ygsa@ynu.ac.jp)

Name	Title	Research Field
Kumiko Inui	Professor	Architectural Design, Urban Theory. Reassessment of the value of architecture in a range of cities and regions worldwide to find new ways to revitalize cities. Architectural design to create sustainable social environments.
Kazuyo Sejima	Professor	Architectural Design, Urban Theory. Cutting-edge, world-leading architectural design and urban theory. Expanding the possibilities of space creation in the 21st century.
Ryue Nishizawa	Professor	Architectural Design, Urban Theory. Methods for creative

		architectural design that include landscaping and regional planning. Critical thought methods and new environment creation to open up the future.
Mariko Terada	Associate Professor	Architectural and Urban Media Design, Urban Theory, Curation in the field of architecture and urbanism. Research on "commoning" thinking from collective form and common spaces in Environmental Habitats.
Teppey Fujiwara	Associate Professor	Architectural Design, Urban Theory. The role of architecture in the post-industrial age and mature societies. Overcoming social issues through architectural design that makes use of cultural diversity, regional history and other features.

## Specialization in Culture (Y-GSC)

(advisor)

Specialization in Culture (Y-GSC), Department of Architecture and Urban Culture

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Norihisa Kurenuma	Professor	Philosophy of World History, Transhumanism (Issues of Biosphere, Mecosphere, etc.)
Akiko Sugawa	Professor	Anime and Manga Studies, Audience Studies (Cosplay, 2.5D Musicals, Contents Tourism)
Tomohiro Hikoe	Professor	French literature (20th century); contemporary literature, literary theory. My research and teaching interests focus on how literature can bring heterogeneous viewpoints on society and history.
Katsushi Nakagawa	Associate Professor	Audible Culture Studies: Experimental Music, Sound Art, Sound Technology History
Kei Hirakura*	Associate Professor	Modern and Contemporary Art and Theory, Theory of Moving Images. Especially interested in the technological aspects of art and perception-action coupling in art making.
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Department of Infrastructure and Urban Society  
 Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society  
 (advisor)

Specialization in Infrastructure and Urban Society, Department of Infrastructure and Urban Society

- Urban Infrastructure Field: Hiroshi Tamura, Associate Professor ([tamura-hiroshi-jg@ynu.ac.jp](mailto:tamura-hiroshi-jg@ynu.ac.jp))
- Global Studies Field: Rinpei Miura, Associate Professor ([miura-rinpei-nj@ynu.ac.jp](mailto:miura-rinpei-nj@ynu.ac.jp))
- YNU Interfaculty Graduate School of Innovative and Practical Studies (IFGS): Masayasu Tawada, Professor ([tawada-masayasu-vj@ynu.ac.jp](mailto:tawada-masayasu-vj@ynu.ac.jp))

Name	Title	Research Field
Fumikazu Osuka	Professor	Philosophy (especially philosophy of language and ontology), Ethics (especially bioethics and social ethics)
Hiroshi Katsuchi	Professor	Structural dynamics, bridge aerodynamics, wind-tunnel testing, computational fluid dynamics, wind engineering, reliability-based analysis
Masayasu Komiya	Professor	Cultural and Social History of Middle Europe
Asato Saito*	Professor	Political Economy of Urban Policy and Urban Planning Research Topic: Urban Regeneration, Gentrification, State Theory Area specialization: Europe, North America, and East Asia.
Takayuki Suzuki	Professor	Coastal engineering, Hydraulic engineering, Sediment transport, Beach topography change, Coastal disaster, Coastal environment
Shinji Tanaka	Professor	Researches on traffic engineering; traffic control, operation and management; traffic simulation; utilization of existing transportation infrastructure; ITS (Intelligent Transport Systems)
Kimitoshi Hayano	Professor	Geotechnical engineering (Transportation geotechnics, Ground improvement, Geowaste technology, Soil investigation)
Yoko Fujikake*	Professor	Anthropology of Development, Gender and Development, Paraguay Studies, Qualitative Analysis
Akira Hosoda	Professor	Concrete engineering, durability and maintenance of concrete structures, construction management, design of infrastructure against earthquake and tsunami
Koichi Maekawa	Professor	Concrete engineering, durability and poromechanics, performance based design of reinforced concrete, maintenance and life cycle management, Productivity improvement of construction works
Hisashi Matsumoto*	Professor	Cultural Anthropology, My recent research topics are “culture and politics in contemporary African states” and “social network among African migrants in Japan”
Mihoko Matsuyuki	Professor	Urban Planning, Community Development, Urban Studies in Developing Countries. Especially public participation into planning process, consensus making, environmental consideration in planning, housing and urban/community planning in Asian developing countries.
Chie Yomota(Tarumi)	Professor	Focusing on Taiwanese literature during the colonial period. Cultural exchange of East Asia. Colonial representation in film and modern Japanese literature, and the representation of Japan in modern Taiwanese literature and film
Yuta Kamahara	Associate Professor	International Relations, Civil War Onset, Democratic Theory, Political Methodology.
Mamoru Kikumoto	Associate Professor	Geomechanics, Geoenvironmental engineering, Constitutive modeling of soils and rocks, Multiphase coupled phenomena, Computational geomechanics, Tunnel engineering, Foundation engineering
Ying Cui	Associate Professor	Geotechnical engineering, Geomechanics, Tunnel engineering, River structure (e.g. conduit, river embankment), Geo-disaster

Name	Title	Research Field
Mine Sato*	Associate Professor	Development Studies, Social Anthropology, Community Design. Conducting researches/practices regarding conditions for realizing people-oriented and sustainable societies under resource constraints, especially in developing countries and Japan.
Hiroshi Takahashi	Associate Professor	Journalism, Media studies. Recent research topics include the living conditions of Indo-Chinese refugees in Japan from the perspective of multicultural coexistence, and the differences in Japanese and American perceptions regarding the Atomic bomb.
Hiroshi Tamura	Associate Professor	Fracture mechanics, Seismic engineering, Structural inspection and Bridge engineering
Yamato Tsuji	Associate Professor	Yamato TSUJI specializes in the history of the international relationships of Chosŏn Korea. He is also interested in the modern development of historical contents using Korean sources.
Park Sang Mi	Associate Professor	Modern Japanese history, East Asian relations, colonial history, performance studies; Research interests in Showa Japan's cultural diplomacy and performance policies within a global context.
Hideki Hasegawa	Professor	Contemporary Francophone Cultural Studies(Corsica), French Sociology
Chikako Fujiyama	Associate Professor	Mechanics for reinforced concrete structure, pre-stressed concrete structure and steel-concrete composite structure, design and evaluation method of structural performance, i.e. bridge and wind turbine.
Rinpei Miura	Associate Professor	Urban sociology. My recent research topics are clarifying urban problems, and considering the conditions and issues to realize a better society. Main fields are urban redevelopment, community planning.

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### Specialization in International Infrastructure (IGSI) (advisor)

Specialization in International Infrastructure (IGSI) , Department of Infrastructure and Urban Society

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Hiroshi Katsuchi	Professor	Structural dynamics, bridge aerodynamics, wind-tunnel testing, computational fluid dynamics, wind engineering, reliability-based analysis
Takayuki Suzuki	Professor	Coastal engineering, Hydraulic engineering, Sediment transport, Beach topography change, Coastal disaster, Coastal environment
Shinji Tanaka	Professor	Researches on traffic engineering; traffic control, operation and management; traffic simulation; utilization of existing transportation infrastructure; ITS (Intelligent Transport Systems)
Kimitoshi Hayano	Professor	Geotechnical engineering (Transportation geotechnics, Ground improvement, Geowaste technology, Soil investigation)
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Mihoko Matsuyuki	Professor	Urban Planning, Community Development, Urban Studies in Developing Countries. Especially public participation into planning process, consensus making, environmental consideration in planning, housing and urban/community planning in Asian developing countries.
Mamoru Kikumoto	Associate Professor	Geomechanics, Geoenvironmental engineering, Constitutive modeling of soils and rocks, Multiphase coupled phenomena, Computational geomechanics, Tunnel engineering, Foundation engineering.
Ying Cui	Associate Professor	Geotechnical engineering, Geomechanics, Tunnel engineering, River structure (e.g. conduit, river embankment), Geo-disaster
Hiroshi Tamura	Associate Professor	Fracture mechanics, Seismic engineering, Structural inspection and Bridge engineering
Chikako Fujiyama	Associate Professor	Mechanics for reinforced concrete structure, pre-stressed concrete structure and steel-concrete composite structure, design and evaluation method of structural performance, i.e. bridge and wind turbine.

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### 13. National Security-Related Export Controls

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