

In Your Home Country

In Japan

Application and Exams

Submit the application forms for the school you're applying for in Japan and take any necessary tests. (If you are required to take any tests in person, you must come to Japan.)



**Educational Institution
(Your Study Abroad School)**

Receive Approval Letter

Required for visa application process. Please keep your letter in a safe place.



Sends Approval Letter

Your desired educational institution will send you your approval letter.

Applies for Certificate of Eligibility (COE)

Applicant or educational institution submits application for COE to the Regional Immigration Bureau.

Regional Immigration Bureau

Issues COE

The Regional Immigration Bureau will send your COE to a representative such as your desired educational institution.

Receive COE and Apply for a Visa

After you receive your COE, prepare necessary visa forms and apply for your visa at a Japanese embassy in your home country.



Sends COE

Once your COE is issued, your desired educational institution will send it to you.

**Japanese Embassy in
Your Home Country**

Apply for Permission to Land in Japan

You will need your passport, visa, and COE when you enter Japan. You may be asked to show your school approval letter as well. You will apply for permission to land in Japan at the airport before departure.



Regional Immigration Bureau

When you enter Japan through New Chitose, Narita, Haneda, Chubu, Kansai, Hiroshima, or Fukuoka Airport, you will receive a residence card if your stay will exceed 3 months.

**Your Life as an International
Student Begins!**