

2024

Graduate School of Sustainable Systems Science,

Komatsu University

(Master's Program)

Application Guidelines

Undergraduate Applicants

Employed / Professional Applicants

International Applicants



Schedule for the 2024 Entrance Examination (Master's Program)

Division of Production System Science

Category		Application Period and Deadlines	Examination Date	Announcement of Acceptance	Enrollment Period
1st Term Admission	Under-graduate Applicants ※1	2023 June 19 (Mon.) ~ June 23 (Fri.)	Examination 1 2023 July 8 (Sat.)	2024 July 21 (Fri.)	2024 February 22 (Thu.) ~ March 1 (Fri.)
			Examination 2 2023 August 28 (Mon.)	2023 September 8 (Fri.)	
	Employed / Professional Applicants		2023 August 26 (Sat.)		
	International Applicants ※2	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing

Division of Health Sciences

Category		Application Period and Deadlines	Examination Date	Announcement of Acceptance	Enrollment Period
1st Term Admission	Undergraduate Applicants	2023 August 4 (Fri.) ~ August 10 (Thu.)	2023 August 26 (Sat.)	2023 September 8 (Fri.)	2024 February 22 (Thu.) ~ March 1 (Fri.)
	Employed / Professional Applicants				
	International Applicants				
2nd Term Admission	Undergraduate Applicants	2024 February 28 (Wed.) ~ March 5 (Tue.)	2024 March 12 (Tue.)	2024 March 18 (Mon.)	2024 March 18 (Mon.) ~ March 25 (Mon.)
	Employed / Professional Applicants				
	International Applicants				

Division of Glocal Cultures

Category		Application Period and Deadlines	Examination Date	Announcement of Acceptance	Enrollment Period
1st Term Admission	Undergraduate Applicants	2023 July 10 (Mon.) ~ July 14 (Fri.)	2023 August 5 (Sat.)	2023 August 25 (Fri.)	2024 February 22 (Thu.) ~ March 1 (Fri.)
	Employed / Professional Applicants				
	International Applicants				
2nd Term Admission	Undergraduate Applicants	2024 January 29 (Mon.) ~ February 2 (Fri.)	2024 February 17 (Sat.)	2024 March 1 (Fri.)	2024 March 1 (Fri.) ~ March 8 (Fri.)
	Employed / Professional Applicants				
	International Applicants				

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1. Admissions Policy

Graduate School of Sustainable Systems Science

The Graduate School of Sustainable Systems Science seeks applicants with the following qualities:

- Applicants should have basic knowledge and skills in their respective subjects and should have completed practical training in the fundamentals of their specialty in Komatsu University's undergraduate Departments of Production Systems Engineering and Sciences, Nursing, Clinical Engineering, and Intercultural Communication. Alternatively, they should have a baccalaureate degree from an equivalent undergraduate program at an accredited university.
- Applicants should have high aspirations for regional and global sustainability, and a strong interest and desire to work within the field to develop approaches that can be applied beyond the framework of existing academia to realize a sustainable society. They should be interested in other fields as well as their own specialties and show a desire to discover and solve problems related to sustainability.
- Applicants should have the ability to communicate with domestic and international researchers to deepen their individual expertise and are willing to face challenges ethically with respect to life and humanity.

Division of Production System Science

The objective of this major is to nurture graduates who can contribute to local industries by utilizing their advanced expertise in engineering and by realizing sustainable production processes in the field of manufacturing. We seek applicants with the following abilities and qualities:

- Foundational knowledge of mechanical engineering and the various fields of mechanics within its framework.
- Eager to utilize information engineering and electrical/electronic engineering to realize sustainable production processes.
- Ability to work not only in their own specialty but also in active collaboration with experts in other fields to solve issues for sustainability.
- Ability to actively engage with local industries and play an active role in their development.

Division of Health Sciences

The objective of this major is to nurture individuals who can contribute to the creation of sustainable communities through the systematic establishment of community-based healthcare and the development of medical devices. We seek applicants with the following abilities and qualities:

- Obtained a bachelor's degree (nursing or clinical engineering) conferred by the Faculty of Health Sciences or have equivalent academic background and abilities.
- Ability to create and execute new ideas, cooperate with others, and take initiative to systematically build sustainable healthcare.

○Desire to contribute to people's health and well-being and have a clear vision of their future career path as an advanced healthcare professional, researcher, or educator.

Division of Glocal Cultures

The objective of this major is to nurture individuals who can work to resolve international and regional issues propose visionary and develop comprehensive paths to achieve a sustainable society from a humanities and social science perspective. We seek applicants with the following abilities and qualities:

- Obtained a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education and have knowledge of the fundamentals of a specialized field.
- Ability to use creativity and historical understanding to deepen their expertise in language and culture studies, political economy, and tourism studies, and propose visionary and comprehensive paths that are not bound by the existing frameworks within academia.
- Have the abilities and skills necessary to identify and resolve issues related to the sustainability of Minami-Kaga (the southern area of Ishikawa Prefecture), the Hokuriku region, and globally.
- Have pride in their own culture and the desire to cultivate the ability to explore cultural diversity in their local community.

2. Number of Applicants and Admission Periods

Division	Quotas for Admission	first term (e.g. of school)	
		1st Term Admission	2st Term Admission
Division of Production System Science	15	April	—
Division of Health Sciences	3 [2 individuals will be recruited in the first term and 1 in the second].	April	April · October
Division of Glocal Cultures	3 [2 individuals will be recruited in the first term and 1 in the second].	April	April · October
Total	21		

3. Application Qualifications

In addition to the general eligibility requirements, there are also some specific requirements that individual applications must meet. However, if you wish to enroll in October 2024, the date "March 31, 2024" in the following items shall be changed to "September 30, 2024. For details of the application conditions, please refer to the relevant page of each division's admission procedures. Applicants must meet one of the following criteria.

Applicants should:

- ① have graduated or are expected to graduate from a university as stipulated in Article 83 of the School Education Law (Law No. 26 of 1947) by March 31, 2024
- ② have been conferred a bachelor's degree pursuant to the provisions of Article 104, Paragraph 7 of the School Education Law, or individuals who are expected to receive a bachelor's degree by March 31, 2024
- ③ have completed or are expected to complete 16 years of school education in a foreign country by March 31, 2024
- ④ have completed or are expected to complete a course of study at an educational institution in Japan that has been designated separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology as having a foreign university curriculum by March 31, 2024
- ⑤ have completed or are expected to complete 16 years of school education in Japan via correspondence courses offered by a school abroad by March 31, 2024
- ⑥ have completed a course of three years or longer at a university or other foreign school (limited to those that have been evaluated by third party and is accredited by the government of the host country or a relevant organization regarding the comprehensive status of its educational and research activities, etc., or those designated separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology as being equivalent thereto) those who have received a degree equivalent to a bachelor's degree or are expected to receive a bachelor's degree by March 31, 2024.
- ⑦ be a person designated eligible by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology,
- ⑧ have completed or are expected to complete a specialized training college (limited to those that meet the criteria specified by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, such as a training period of 4 years or longer) by March 31, 2024
- ⑨ have been admitted to a graduate school other than this graduate school pursuant to the provisions of Article 102, Paragraph 2 of the School Education Law, and who are recognized by this graduate school as having the academic ability suitable for receiving education at the graduate level,
- ⑩ have attended or are expected to attend a university for three years or more by March 31,

2024, as stipulated by Article 83 of the School Education Law: applicants who have completed or are expected to complete a 15-year school education course in a different country or a 15-year school distance education course hosted in a different country by March 31, 2024

- ① have been individually screened by the Graduate School for eligibility and found to have the same or higher academic ability than the applicants in ① above, and who will reach 22 years of age by March 31, 2024.

4. Pre-screening of Application Eligibility

Those who wish to apply according to (6), (9), (10), or (11) of "3. Application Qualifications" must complete the eligibility screening prior to the application period and deadlines. Refer to (2) below for documents to be submitted. Documents (a) through (g) must be submitted by mail (registered express mail, Letter Pack, or EMS only) and must arrive no later than the last day of the application period deadline. However, registered express mail (excluding EMS) postmarked by the day before the last day of the application period deadline will be valid even if the documents arrive after the submission period.

※The application will not be accepted directly at the University's office.

【Mailing address】 Graduate School Office, Komatsu University Student Affairs Division
Shicho-machi, Nu 1-3, Komatsu, Ishikawa, 923-8511, Japan

(1) Submission period and notification of screening results

Division	Period/ Process	1st Term Admission	2nd Term Admission
		Undergraduate Applicants Employed / Professional Applicants International Applicants	Undergraduate Applicants Employed / Professional Applicants International Applicants
Division of Production System Science	Submission Period	2023 June 1 (Thu.) ~ June 6 (Tue.)	—
	Notification of Screening Results	2023 Mid-June	—
Division of Health Sciences	Submission Period	2023 July 14(Fri.) ~ July 21 (Fri.)	2024 January 29 (Mon.) ~ February 2(Fri.)
	Notification of Screening Results	2023 Early -August	2024 Late February
Division of Glocal Cultures	Submission Period	2023 June 19 (Mon.) ~ June 23 (Fri.)	2024 January 9 (Tue.) ~ January 12 (Fri.)
	Notification of Screening Results	2023 Early July	2024 Late January

Notes: Applicants will be notified of the screening results by mail.

(2) Documents to be submitted:

- (a) Application form for pre-screening of eligibility (designated form by the Graduate School)
- (b) Certificate of graduation (completion) or certificate of expected graduation (completion) from the most recent school attended (or the highest educational institution attended)
- (c) Transcript of academic records from the most recent school attended
- (d) A copy of the curriculum chart and syllabus or its equivalent from the most recent school attended
- (e) A statement of research achievements (on the form prescribed by the Graduate School)
- (f) A document indicating the details of work experience and research activities (any form, books, papers, letters of recommendation, etc.)
- (g) Return envelope for notification of screening results (long 3.5 x 3.5 envelope with name and place of receipt indicated), along with a 354 yen stamp attached to the envelope

Note: Certificates, and other official documents from non-English/Japanese speaking schools and institutions equivalent to (b) through (d), and (f) above should be accompanied by their Japanese or English translations and explanatory notes.

5. Application Period and Deadlines

Division	Application Period and Deadlines	
	1st Term Admission	2nd Term Admission
	Undergraduate Applicants Employed / Professional Applicants International Applicants	Undergraduate Applicants Employed / Professional Applicants International Applicants
Division of Production System Science	2023 June 19 (Mon.) ~ June 23 (Fri.)	—
Division of Health Sciences	2023 August 4 (Fri.) ~ August 10 (Thu.)	2024 February 28 (Wed.) ~ March 5 (Tue.)
Division of Glocal Cultures	2023 July 10 (Mon.) ~ July 14 (Fri.)	2024 January 29 (Mon.) ~ February 2 (Fri.)

Notes: Application documents must be sent by mail (registered express mail, Letter Pack, or EMS only) and must arrive no later than the last day of the application period.

6. Application Procedures

(1) Application procedure

Applicants are required to send the application documents in a single package attached to this application guideline to the following address by registered express mail, Letter Pack, or EMS within the application period.

※The application will not be accepted directly at the University's office.

※Incomplete application materials may not be accepted.

Mailing address: Graduate School Section, Student Affairs Division, Komatsu University
1-3, Shicho-machi Nu, Komatsu City, Ishikawa 923-8511, Japan

Please note that the University will not respond to inquiries regarding confirmation of the arrival of application materials sent by mail. Please confirm the arrival of your application materials by using the "Tracking Service" on the Japan Post website.

Once the application materials have been received, they will not be returned or changed for any reason. Admission may be revoked if any false information is found in the application materials.

When writing the application materials by hand, please use an indelible ballpoint pen.

(2) Application materials

① Documents common to all majors

Documents	Notes
Application Form	Applicants should fill out the attached form prescribed by the Graduate School themselves.
Photograph Slip	Applicants must affix a photograph (full-face, upper body, without a hat, taken within three months prior to the application, 4 cm X 3 cm, color or black-and-white, with the name of the applicant's major and name clearly written on the back) to the designated space on the attached photo slip.
Examination Voucher	Applicants should use the attached form prescribed by the University.
Entrance Examination Fee Transfer Money Certificate	After transferring the application fee, applicants should make sure that the seal of receipt from the financial institution is stamped on the "Certificate of Transfer of Funds (for submission)," and affix it to the designated space on the application form. Please keep the receipt in a safe place. For the payment, please refer to "(3) Payment of Application Fee" on page9 of this document.
Return Envelope for	Applicants should fill out the attached long 3/4-size envelope with a valid mailing address and affix a 354 yen stamp (including the express mail fee)

Examination Voucher with Official Numbering	on it.
Certificate of (expected) graduation	<p>Applicants should submit a certificate of (expected) graduation from a university that meets the qualifications for application to the Graduate School.</p> <p>In the case of a non-English/Japanese speaking university, submit a certificate of (expected) graduation in English or Japanese issued by the university.</p> <p>Applicants who are qualified to apply through the National Institution for Academic Degrees and University Reform should submit all certificates related to the acquisition of a degree, such as a certificate of degree conferment (certificate of acceptance of application for degree conferment).</p>
Transcript	<p>Applicants should submit academic transcripts (only those with finalized evaluations) from universities that meet the eligibility requirements for application to the Graduate School.</p> <p>In the case of a non-English/Japanese speaking university, submit a transcript in English or Japanese issued by the concerned university.</p> <p>Applicants who have transferred to a university should also submit a transcript from the school they attended immediately prior to the transfer, such as a junior college or a college of technology.</p>

② Documents required for individual divisions and majors

For the following majors, the documents listed in the table are required in addition to the documents common to all majors ①.

a) Division of Production System Science (Undergraduate applicants)

Documents	Notes
English Proficiency Test Scores	Please submit your score on the day of the examination. For information on scores, please refer to "Available English Language Proficiency Tests" on page 11 of this guideline.

b) Division of Production System Science (International applicants)

Division of Health Sciences (Undergraduate applicants, international applicants)

Division of Glocal Cultures (Undergraduate applicants, Employed / Professional Applicants , International applicants)

Documents	Notes
Copy of Bachelor's Thesis or Its Equivalent	<p>Please submit a copy of your bachelor's thesis or its equivalent. (*The equivalent of a bachelor's thesis can be completed using Appendix Form 1, "Summary of bachelor's Thesis.")</p> <p>Note:</p>

	If the thesis is written in a language other than Japanese or English, please submit an abstract in Japanese or English.
Research Plan	Describe your desired research theme on the form prescribed by the Graduate School (Appendix Form 2 "Research Plan").

Form 1 "Summary of bachelor's Thesis" and Form 2 "Research Plan" listed in the table above can also be prepared by using the Word format (electronic data) available on the University's website. They can be printed on an A4 size paper and submitted.

③The following documents should be submitted only if applicable.

Documents	Notes
Copy of Residence Card; Copy of Passport	Foreign nationals residing in Japan should submit a copy of their resident card (front and back) and a copy of their passport (page showing nationality, name, gender, and date of birth). International applicants who do not reside in Japan should submit a copy of their passport only. ※ Please use the name on the above certificates on the application form.
Official copy of part of family register	If the information on the transcripts or other documentation is different from that on the application due to a change of family name, etc., please submit one copy.

The following table shows the list of documents that must be submitted.

○ denotes required documents, ◎ denotes required documents for applicable applicants only.

Division	Category	Documents to be submitted					
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application form • Photographs • Examination voucher • Certificate of payment of the entrance examination fee • Envelope for sending examination voucher with official numbering • Certificate of (expected) graduation • Academic transcripts 	A copy of the bachelor's thesis or its equivalent	Research plan	Residence card copy and a copy of the passport	Official copy of part of family register	English proficiency test scores Note: Present the official score on the examination day.
Division of Production System Science	Undergraduate Applicants	○	-	-	◎ International Applicants	◎	○
	Employed / Professional Applicants	○	-	-	◎ International Applicants	◎	-
	International Applicants	○	○	○	○	◎	-
Division of Health Sciences	Undergraduate Applicants	○	○	○	◎ International Applicants	◎	-
	Employed / Professional Applicants	○	-	-	◎ International Applicants	◎	-
	International Applicants	○	○	○	○	◎	-
Division of Glocal Cultures	Undergraduate Applicants	○	○	○	◎ International Applicants	◎	-
	Employed / Professional Applicants	○	○	○	◎ International Applicants	◎	-
	International Applicants	○	○	○	○	◎	-

(3) Payment of application fee

The entrance examination fee is 30,000 yen.

Please fill out the bank transfer request form attached to this application guideline and make the transfer at a financial institution (bank, credit union, credit cooperative, agricultural cooperative, or fishery cooperative) that allows money transfers at the teller window. Applicants are required to pay the bank transfer fees.

Please note that financial institutions are closed on Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays. In addition, transfers from Japan Post Bank, post offices, ATMs (Automated Teller Machines), cell phones, and personal computers will not be accepted.

【Refund of application fee】

In principle, the application fee is not refundable after the application documents are received. However, applicants may apply for a refund, if you cancel your application after transferring the application fee. Please contact the university by Friday, September 29, 2023, for the first term admission and by Friday, March 8, 2024, for the second term admission. Please note that a "receipt (copy for the applicant)" and a "certificate of bank transfer (for submission)" will be required for the return procedure.

7. Admission Categories · Examination Schedule

Admission process of applicants includes a comprehensive evaluation of academic achievements, written and oral examinations, research proposals, and grades from the applicant's home university.

The selection method and examination dates for each major are as follows:

I. Undergraduate Applicants

《Division of Production System Science》

The admission process for the undergraduate applicants for the Division of Production System Science consists of Examination 1 and Examination 2.

Applicants who meet all the requirements for Examination 1, will be exempted from taking Examination 2, and will be evaluated by an oral examination and an external English Language proficiency test. Examination 2 procedures are discussed on page 3 of this guide and include an academic achievement test, oral examinations, and a review of an external English Language proficiency test score.

※If applicants are unsuccessful in Examination 1, they will be required to take Examination 2.

1. Requirements for Examination 1

Applicants who meet the following conditions described in (1) through (5) may take the examination.

Applicants must notify the Division Head before the application period and deadlines. (See page 21 of this document for contact information.)

(1) Applicants who are expected to graduate from a university by March 31, 2024, as stipulated in Article 83 of the School Education Law (Law No. 26, 1947).

(2) Applicants who are expected to receive a bachelor's degree by March 31, 2024, pursuant to Article 104, Paragraph 7 of the School Education Law.

(3) Applicants who have an excellent academic record (*1) and a good reputation in the department to which they belong.

(*1) A GPA of 2.4 or higher in principle, based on a 5-point scale with 4 being the highest score, or a grade average within the top 1/2 of the department in general.

(In case GPA is not available in the submitted transcripts, the GPA will be calculated based on the submitted data in accordance with Komatsu University's academic regulations.)

(4) Applicants who can commit to enrolling in the Graduate School program if accepted (A letter of commitment must be submitted by the designated date.)

(5) Applicants who have obtained permission to take Examination 1 from the Division Head before the application period and deadlines, by providing the following information:

(There is no standardized style. See page 21 of this manual for contact information.)

- ① Applicant's Name
- ② Affiliated university, faculty, and department
- ③ Title of graduation research or senior project
- ④ Name of faculty member the applicant wishes to have as his/her advisor after admission
- ⑤ GPA calculated on a 4-point scale or GPA calculated with 4 as the highest score (indicate which is being used.)
- ⑥ Contact telephone number and email address

2. Requirements for Examination 2

Applicants must meet one of the criteria listed in "3. Eligibility for Application" on page 3 of these guidelines. Applicants who were not permitted to take the Examination 1 by the Division Head including those who did not apply to the Division Head). Applicants who did not pass Examination 1.

3. Examination

Examinations	Exam Content
Achievement Test	Basic academic knowledge and skills will be examined through oral examinations in the following fields and subjects. Applicants must select two of the following fields: A (Strength of Materials, Vibration Engineering), B (Thermodynamics, Fluid Mechanics), C (Algorithm Theory, Artificial Intelligence), and D (Programming, Electric Circuits). Two fields are to be selected, and one subject is to be chosen from each of the two.
Oral Examination	Applicants' basic academic knowledge and skills ^{※1} will be evaluated, and their willingness to study and commitment to research.
English Proficiency Tests ※2	TOEIC or TOEFL scores will be evaluated.

※1 This is not included in the oral examination of Examination 2.

※2 Scores must be brought and presented on the day of examination. The original score presented will be returned after verification. It is not necessary to submit the original score at the time of application.

◆ Available English Language Proficiency Tests

Tests	Conditions	Notes
TOEIC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only TOEIC L&R is acceptable. (TOEIC—IP administered by Komatsu University is acceptable) 	Please present the original official score (the score that was mailed to you). (Photocopies or printouts of score confirmations, etc. from the Internet will not be accepted.)
TOEFL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOEFL-iBT (including Home Edition) • TOEFL-PBT is acceptable. • TOEFL TTP is not acceptable. • We only accept TestData scores. MyBest scores are not accepted 	<p>Scores that do not have a photograph of the applicant's face on them are not acceptable.</p> <p>Scores from tests taken within the past two years from the date of the examination of the Graduate School may be used.</p> <p>Multiple test scores of different types of tests may be submitted.</p>

Notes:

1. Results of the Examination 1 will be sent to examinees on Friday, July 21, 2023.
2. Successful applicants who pass Examination 1 will be considered as successful undergraduate applicants. Please submit the "Letter of Confirmation of Enrollment" by Friday, July 28, 2023.
(Forms will be sent with the notification of acceptance of Examination 1.)
3. Applicants who do not pass Examination 1 must take Examination 2 on Monday, August 28, 2023. When taking Examination 2, it is not necessary to resubmit the application documents or make an additional transfer of the application fee.

《Division of Health Sciences》

1. Application requirements

Applicants must meet one of the criteria listed in "3. Eligibility for Application" on page 3 of these guidelines.

2. Examination

The applicant's ability will be comprehensively evaluated through a document review, an oral examination, and an examination that tests the applicant's academic ability in the field of specialization and English language skills necessary for research in that field.

Procedures	Notes
Document Review	A copy of the bachelor's thesis or its equivalent and the applicant's research plan will be reviewed.
Written Examination	Questions will be based on their academic ability in a specialized field and foreign language skills necessary for research in that field.
Oral Examination	This exam evaluates applicant's expertise and willingness to study to solve problems facing healthcare and medical services.

《Division of Global Cultures》

1. Application requirements

Applicants must meet one of the criteria listed in "3. Eligibility for Application" on page 3 of these guidelines.

2. Examination

The applicant's ability will be evaluated comprehensively through a document review, an oral examination, and an examination that tests the applicant's academic ability in the field of specialization and foreign language skills necessary for research in the field.

Procedures	Notes
Document Review	A copy of the bachelor's thesis or its equivalent and the applicant's research plan will be reviewed.
Written Examination	Questions will be based on their academic ability in a specialized field and foreign language skills necessary for research in that field.
Oral Examination	This exam evaluates applicants' expertise and willingness to study to solve problems facing local and global communities.

For information on the type of foreign language, please contact the Division Head. (See page 21 of this guideline for contact information.)

Examination Dates, Subjects, and Examination venue (Undergraduate Applicants)

Division	Dates		Time	Examination Type(s)	Examination venue	
Division of Production System Science	1st Term Admission	Examination 1	Saturday, July 8, 2023	13:30~	Oral Examination	Awazu Campus
		Examination 2	Monday August 28, 2023	9:00~	Scholastic Ability Test and Oral Examination	
Division of Health Sciences	1st Term Admission	Saturday, August 26, 2023	9:00~10:00	Written Examination	Suehiro Campus	
			10:15~	Oral Examination		
	2nd Term Admission	Tuesday, March 12, 2024	9:00~10:00	Written Examination		
			10:15~	Oral Examination		
Division of Glocal Cultures	1st Term Admission	Saturday, August 5, 2023	9:00~10:30	Written Examination	Central Campus	
			10:45~	Oral Examination		
	2nd Term Admission	Saturday, February 17, 2024	9:00~10:30	Written Examination		
			10:45~	Oral Examination		

II. Employed / Professional Applicants

《Division of Production System Science》

1. Application requirements

Applicants must have at least two years of professional work experience at an educational or research institution, government office, or company at the time of their applications, and meet one of the conditions listed in the "Application Qualifications" section (see pages 3-4).

Applicants must notify the head of the division (see page 21) prior to application.

2. Examination

The applicant's competence and academic skills will be evaluated comprehensively based on oral examinations and academic transcripts.

Exam	Content
Oral Examination	This exam evaluates applicants' willingness to study and commitment to research based on their work experience

《Division of Health Sciences》

1. Application requirements

Applicant must have a total of three years of work experience by March 31, 2024. The period of attendance at schools (regular, evening, and correspondence schools), including universities, is not included in the years of experience as a working adult. Applicants must meet one of the conditions listed in the "Application Qualifications" section on pages 3 and 4. Applicants must notify the head of the division (see page 21) prior to application.

2. Examination

The applicant's competence and academic abilities will be comprehensively evaluated based on oral examinations and academic transcripts.

Exam	Content
Oral Examination	Applicants will be questioned on their willingness to study and commitment to research based on their work experience

《Division of Glocal Cultures》

1. Application requirements

Applicants must have a total of three years of work experience by March 31, 2024. The period of attendance at schools (regular, evening, and correspondence schools), including universities, is not included in the years of experience as a working adult.

Applicants must meet one of the conditions listed in the "Application Qualifications" section on pages 3 and 4. Applicants must notify the head of the division (see page 21) prior to application.

2. Examination

The applicant's competence and academic skills will be evaluated comprehensively based on oral examinations and academic transcripts.

Exam	Content
Oral Examination	The applicant's expertise, willingness, and ability to solve various problems facing the community will be comprehensively evaluated.

Examination Dates, Subjects, and Examination venue (Employed / professional applicants)

Division	Dates		Time	Examination Type(s)	Examination venue
Division of Production System Science	1st Term Admission	Saturday, August 26, 2023	13:30~	Oral Examination	Awazu Campus
Division of Health Sciences	1st Term Admission	Saturday, August 26, 2023	10:15~		Suehiro Campus
	2nd Term Admission	Tuesday, March 12, 2024			
Division of Glocal Cultures	1st Term Admission	Saturday, August 5, 2023	10:45~		Central Campus
	2nd Term Admission	Saturday, February 17, 2024			

III. International Applicants

《Division of Production System Science》

1. Application requirements

Applicants must not have Japanese nationality and must meet one of the conditions listed in the "Application Qualifications" section on pages 3 and 4. Applicants who are expected to graduate or have graduated from the Department of Production Systems Engineering and Sciences of Komatsu University are not eligible to apply. Applicants must notify the head of the division (see page 21) in advance of application.

2. Examination

The applicant's academic ability will be evaluated comprehensively through a document review, an oral examination, and an examination that assesses the applicant's academic ability in the field of specialization and the English and Japanese language skills necessary for research in that field.

Procedures	Notes
Document Review	Applicants must provide a copy of their bachelor's thesis or its equivalent and research plan for review.
Scholastic Ability Test and Oral Examination	Applicants' academic ability in their field of specialization and English and Japanese language skills necessary for research in the field will be evaluated. Applicant's willingness to study and conduct research will also be evaluated.

《Division of Health Sciences》

1. Application requirements

Applicants must not have Japanese nationality and must meet one of the conditions listed in the "Application Qualifications" section on pages 3 and 4.

Applicants must inform the head of the division (see page 21) before submitting their application.

2. Examination

Applicants' academic abilities will be evaluated comprehensively through a document review, an oral examination, and an examination that assesses the applicants' academic abilities in their field of specialization and the English and Japanese language skills necessary for research in that field.

Procedures	Notes
Document Review	Applicants must provide a copy of their bachelor's thesis or its equivalent and research plan for review.
Written or Oral Examination	Applicants' academic ability in their field of specialization and English and Japanese language skills necessary for research in the field will be evaluated. Applicant's willingness to study and conduct research will also be evaluated.

《Division of Glocal Cultures》

1. Application requirements

Applicants must not have Japanese nationality and must meet one of the conditions listed in the "Application Qualifications" section on pages 3 and 4. Applicants must inform the head of the division (see page 21) before submitting their application.

2. Examination

Applicants' academic abilities will be evaluated comprehensively through a document review, an oral examination, and an examination that assesses the applicants' academic abilities in their field of specialization and foreign and Japanese language skills necessary for research in that field.

Procedures	Notes
Document Review	Applicants must provide a copy of their bachelor's thesis or its equivalent and research plan for review.
Written or Oral Examination	Applicants' academic ability in their field of specialization and English and Japanese language skills necessary for research in the field will be evaluated. Applicant's willingness to study and conduct research will also be evaluated.

For information on foreign languages, please contact the Division Head.

Examination Dates, Subjects, and Examination venue (International applicants)

Division	Dates		Time	Examination Type(s)	Examination venue	
Division of Production System Science	1st Term Admission	Ongoing	Ongoing	Technical and Oral Examinations	Awazu Campus	
Division of Health Sciences	1st Term Admission	Saturday, August 26, 2023	10:15~	Written or Oral Examination	Suehiro Campus	
	2nd Term Admission	Tuesday, March 12, 2024				
Division of Glocal Cultures	1st Term Admission	Saturday, August 5, 2023	10:45~		Written or Oral Examination	Central Campus
	2nd Term Admission	Saturday, February 17, 2024				

8. Dispatch of Examination Voucher with Official Numbering

Division	Shipping Date	
	1st Term Admission	2nd Term Admission
Division of Production System Science	1st Term Admission	Around Friday, June 30, 2023
Division of Health Sciences	1st Term Admission	Around Friday, August 18, 2023
	2nd Term Admission	Around Thursday, March 7, 2024
Division of Production System Science	1st Term Admission	Around Friday, July 21, 2023
	2nd Term Admission	Around Friday, February 9, 2024

Notes:

1. Materials will be sent to international applicants applying to the Division of Production System Science approximately one week after the application is received (as needed).
2. Please be sure to bring your examination voucher with you on the day of the examination.
3. The examination number on the voucher is also required for admission procedures. Until then, please keep your examination voucher in a safe place.

9. Announcement of Successful Candidates

Division	Date of Acceptance Announcement	
	1st Term Admission	2nd Term Admission
	Undergraduate Applicants Employed / Professional Applicants International Applicants	Undergraduate Applicants Employed / Professional Applicants International Applicants
Division of Production System Science	July 21, 2023 (Friday) (Only Examination 1)	—
	September 8, 2023 (Friday)	
Division of Health Sciences	September 8, 2023 (Friday)	March 18, 2024 (Monday)
Division of Global Cultures	August 25, 2023 (Friday)	March 1, 2024 (Friday)

The numbers of successful applicants will be announced on the University's website, and notification of acceptance will be sent to them.

✂ Please note that the University will not respond to inquiries by telephone regarding the acceptance or rejection of applications.

Komatsu University Website: <https://www.komatsu-u.ac.jp/>

Note: Successful international applicants for the Division of Production System Science will be announced within two weeks of the examination date (as needed).

10. Admission Procedures

The period and method of admission procedures will be announced to successful applicants for the first term admission in late February, and to successful applicants for the second term admission at the time of notification of acceptance, together with the "Graduate School Admission Procedure Guidebook".

11. Admission Expenses and Fees

Komatsu City residents 282,000 yen

Non-Residents 423,000 yen

Notes:

1. The above amounts are estimated, and if the entrance fee is revised at the time of admission, the new entrance fee will be applied from the time of the revision.
2. There is a system for exemption and reduction of entrance fees.
3. "Komatsu City resident" refers to "the applicant who or whose guardian* has continuously resided in Komatsu City since before April 1 of the year prior to the year of admission.

*Guardians are parents or primary wage-earners.

12. Payment of Tuition and Other Fees

Tuition fees are paid by direct deposit account transfer, in which a bank designated by the university automatically transfers tuition fees from a bank account opened by the student. For details on the procedure, please refer to the "Payment of Tuition and Other Fees" which will be sent together with the "Graduate School Admission Procedure Guidebook".

Tuition (same amount for 1st and 2nd semester) 292,900 yen (annual tuition 585,800 yen)

Practical training fee (same amount for 1st and 2nd semester) 25,000 yen (annual fee for practical training: 50,000 yen) (Division of Production System Science and Division of Health Sciences)

Notes:

1. The above amounts are estimated, and if tuition fees are revised at the time of admission or during the student's enrollment, the new tuition fees will be applied from the time of the revision.
2. There are exemptions and reductions for tuition fees.
3. Practical training expenses are for research facilities, experiments, and practical training in education and research. Working uniforms(clothes), textbooks, etc. are not included.

13. Prior Consultation with Students who have Special Needs for Entrance Examination and Study

Applicants with special needs or considerations for examination and study should submit the following documents to the Graduate School Section, Student Affairs Division, Komatsu University, listed in "18. Inquiries"

Major/Division	Deadline for Prior Consultation	
	1st Term Admission	2nd Term Admission
Division of Production System Science	June 12, 2023 (Monday)	—
Division of Health Sciences	July 28, 2023 (Friday)	February 21, 2024 (Wednesday)
Division of Glocal Cultures	July 3, 2023 (Monday)	January 22, 2024 (Monday)

Notes:

1. Special Selection for international students in the Department of Production and System Sciences is available at any time.
2. Please submit the Advance Consultation Form in the format shown on the next page. If you have any reference documents, please attach them as well.

14. Privacy Policy

In accordance with the Act on the Protection of Personal Information Held by Independent Administrative Agencies, and the university's internal management regulations, Komatsu University is committed to the appropriate management and protection of personal information.

Concerning all personal information obtained by Komatsu University through the admission process of applicants and all personal information contained in documents submitted at the time of enrollment procedures, and otherwise specified in the application guidelines of the graduate school, the University will use personal information only for the following purposes. Applicants' personal information will not be used for any other purposes.

- (1) Evaluation of applicants for admission and admission procedures
- (2) Post-enrollment management, academic guidance, and health management such as medical checkups.
- (3) On-campus services such as the use of the university portal site, use of the university LAN, the use of the library, and the lending of books
- (4) Services to support students, such as entrance fee waivers, tuition fee waivers, scholarships, etc.
- (5) Services related to the payment of entrance and tuition fees, and necessary services at financial institutions to which the payment services are outsourced.
- (6) Research and surveys related to the applicants' admission in a form that does not allow individuals to be identified.
- (7) Public relations for current students and their families and operations related to the endowment fund (donations).
- (8) Services related to surveys of graduates' academic achievements, support for alumni associations and foundation activities, and the associated public relations through the University.
- (9) Other statistical analyses related to public activities that cannot be identified by an individual.

15. Prior Contact with Division Directors

Please note that applicants for the following categories must notify the head of the division to which they wish to apply before the application period.

- Undergraduate applicants (Examination 1)
- Employed / professional applicants
- International applicants

Contact Information

Division	Director	Phone Number	Email Address
Division of Production System Science	(Division Head) Professor Yoshio Iwata	0761-48-3136	yoshio.iwata@komatsu-u.ac.jp
Division of Health Sciences	(Acting Division Head) Professor Jun Hirayama	0761-48-3207	jun.hirayama@komatsu-u.ac.jp
Division of Glocal Cultures	(Division Head) Professor Toru Okamura	0761-48-3276	toru.okamura@komatsu-u.ac.jp

16. List of Faculty Members and their Research Fields [as of April 1, 2024]

Faculty members marked with (◆) cannot be selected as a primary supervisor.

Division of Production System Science

Field of Study	Academic Staff	Position	Research Interests
Energy and Engineering	Yoichi Utanohara	Professor	Energy Engineering
	Nobuyoshi Kawabata	Professor	Fluid Engineering, Safety Engineering
	Susumu Shinohara	Professor	Applied Physics, Physics
	Junichi Takayama	Professor	Civil Engineering (Transportation Engineering, Urban Planning)
	Hiroshi Tamura	Professor	Mathematical Physics
Materials and Processing	Hiroyuki Kagawa	Professor	Mechanical Engineering, Health, and Sports Science, Human and Medical Engineering
	Akira Hosokawa	Professor	Precision machining / Production engineering
	Motohiro Kasuya	Associate Professor	Surface and Interface Science, Tribology
Dynamics and Robotics	Yoshio Iwata	Professor	Dynamics of Machinery, Vibration Control, and Isolation
	Shinobu Sakai	Professor	Sports Science, Design Engineering, Strength of Materials
	Jin-Xing Shi	Associate Professor	Design Engineering, CAE, Computational Mechanics
	Masatoshi Hikitsu	Associate Professor	Mechatronics
Electrical and Electronic Engineering	Shinji Ikeda	Associate Professor	Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Nano and Micro Science
Information Science	Yoshihiro Ueda	Professor	Data Science, Knowledge Sharing
	Haruhiko Kimura	Professor	Human Informatics
	Tatsuto Murayama	Professor	Mathematical Informatics

	Yusuke Kajiwara	Associate Professor	Artificial Intelligence, Human Informatics, Human Biomedical Engineering
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Division of Health Sciences

Field of Study	Academic Staff	Position	Research Interests
Health Systems Science	Kazuyo Kitaoka	Professor	Nursing, Public Health, Psychology
	Hiroki Nakata	Professor	Basic Medicine
	Jun Hirayama	Professor	Basic Biology
Integrated Care Systems for older adults	Jongho Lee	Professor	Human Informatics, Human Medical Engineering, Life Sciences
	Yumi Koizumi	Professor	Nursing, Geriatrics
	Mayumi Tokuda	Professor	Nursing, Health Sciences
	Yasunari Hashimoto	Professor	Human Informatics, Human Medical Engineering, Brain Sciences
Bioengineering for Health	Sadahisa Yamaoka	Professor	Human Medical Engineering
	Yuko Matsui	Professor	Nursing, Health Sciences, Nursing Science and Engineering
	Kazuhisa Fujita	Associate Professor	Neuroscience, Human Informatics, Information Science
Medical Technologies Substituting Physiological Functions	Tetsuji Yamaoka	Professor	Biomedical Engineering, Biomaterials Science
	Hiroki Kitaura	Professor	Neuroscience, Basic Medicine, Clinical Medicine and Surgery
	Akihiro Yamada	Associate Professor	Human Medical Engineering, Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Clinical Surgery
Creation of Sustainable Societies	Yusuke Takagi	Professor	Public Health, Physiology, Nutrition
Other Related Fields	Shinichiro Morinaga ◆	Specially-Appointed Professor	Existential Ethics, Applied Ethics
	Terumi Ueda◆	Associate Professor	Nursing, Health Sciences, Nursing Science and Engineering

Division of Glocal Cultures

Field of Study	Academic Staff	Position	Research Interests
International Tourism and Regional Revitalization	Shigeki Shakuya	Professor	Anthropology of Tourism, Studies on Local Society Participation in Tourism Development of Maya Archaeological Parks
	Seiichi Nakamura	Professor	Archaeology, Cultural Resource Studies, Area Studies
	Fukiko Nakako	Professor	Tourism, Tourism Sociology, Accessible Tourism, Local Tourism Development, Social Capital
	Yuki Asakura	Associate Professor	Cultural Policy, International Comparison of Cultural Policy, Value of Arts and Culture
	Makoto Kimura	Associate Professor	Psychology, Psychological Influence with Rapid Social Development as Tourist Destination
	Takeharu Kiyoshi	Associate Professor	Regional Innovation System Regional Advantage in a Global Economy
Social Sciences	Tadayuki Ichinowatari	Associate Professor	International Political Economy and Trade Studies on Globalization and Emerging Economies
	Yushi Chiba	Associate Professor	Area Studies, Media Studies, Studies on Media, Politics, and Society in the Middle East
	Kaoru Nishijima	Lecturer	Area Studies, Cultural Anthropology, Political Anthropology
	Yijiang Zhong	Professor	Modern Japanese and East Asian History History and culture of Japan and East Asia
Arts and Humanities	Toru Okamura	Professor	Sociolinguistics, Pidgin and Creole Linguistics
	Bunei Kohara	Professor	Film Studies and Literature, Psychoanalytic, Aesthetic, and Historical Approaches to American Films
	Satoshi Nishimura	Professor	Japanese Literature, Japanese Classical Literature and History of <i>Noh</i>
	Naihua Liu	Professor	Chinese Linguistics, Chinese Historical Phonology
	Toshihiko Shimauchi	Professor	Linguistics, Research on English Teaching Based on Second Language Acquisition Theories
	Miyuki Nagatsuji	Associate Professor	Linguistics, Research on English and Japanese Clause-Linking Structures in Utterance Interpretation
	Takako Hashimoto	Associate Professor	Chinese Linguistics, Chinese Historical Phonology
	Dennis W. Harmon II	Associate Professor	Education, Educational Philosophy, Identity, Cross-Cultural Encounters

17. Map of Examination Venue

(1) Awazu Campus, Komatsu University

【address】 1-3, Shicho-machi Nu, Komatsu-shi, Ishikawa 923-8511, Japan

【Access】 About 12 minutes' walk from JR Awazu Station

【Major】 Division of Production System Science

(2) Suehiro Campus, Komatsu University Public

【address】 14-1, Mukaimotoori-machi, Komatsu-shi, Ishikawa 923-0961, Japan

【Access】 Take a local bus from JR Komatsu Station and get off at "Shimin Byoin" (about 7 minutes), about a 3-minute walk; about a 23-minute walk from JR Komatsu Station

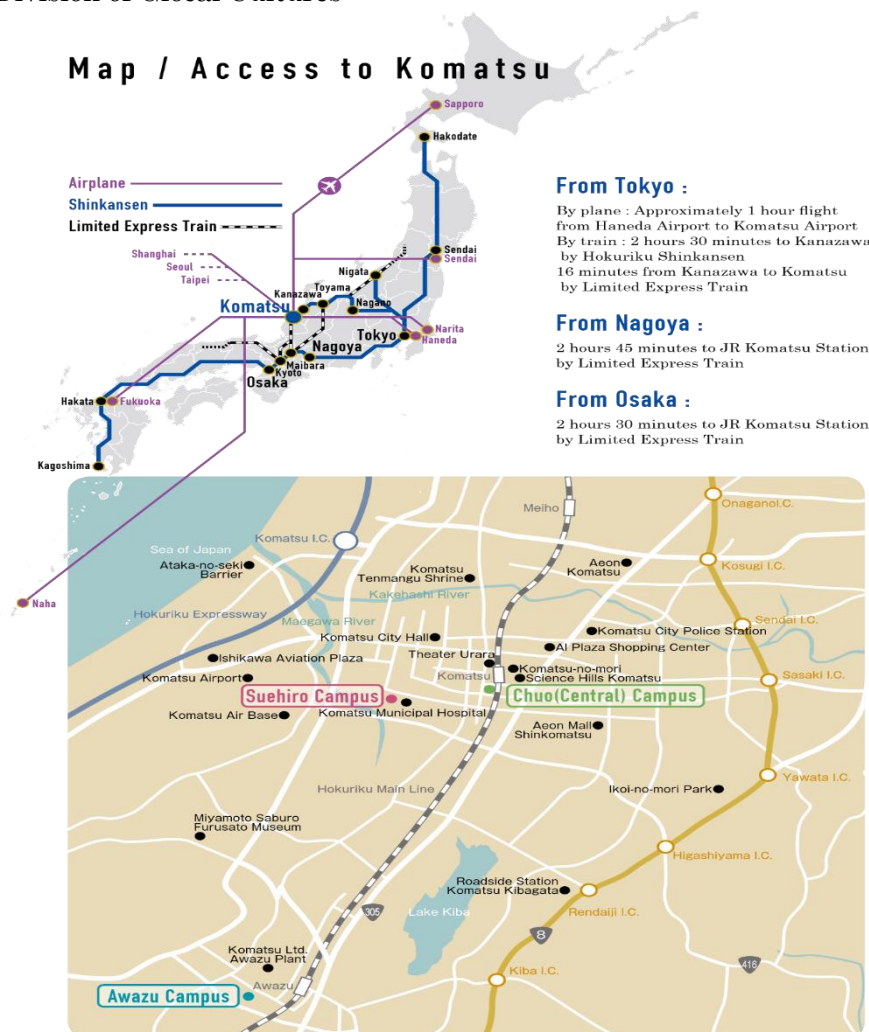
【Major】 Division of Health Sciences

(3) Komatsu University Central Public Campus

【address】 10-10, Doihara-cho, Komatsu-shi, Ishikawa 923-0921, Japan

【Access】 About 1 minute walk from JR Komatsu Station

【Major】 Division of Glocal Cultures



18. Inquiries

Monday through Friday (excluding national holidays) Operating Hours are between 9:00 a. m. and 5:00 p.m.

Komatsu University Student Affairs Division, Graduate School

1-3, shicho-machi Nu, Komatsu-shi, Ishikawa 923-8511, Japan (Awazu Campus)

Phone : 0761-41-6700 E-mail : daigakuin@komatsu-u.ac.jp

【Information in the event of unforeseen circumstances】

If the examination time, etc. is changed due to unforeseen circumstances, information will be posted on the University's website as needed.

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