

2026 October enrollment

Graduate School of Sustainable Systems Science,

Komatsu University

(Master's Course)

Application Guidelines

Undergraduate Applicants

Employed / Professional Applicants

International Applicants



Schedule for the 2026 October Entrance Examination (Master's Course)

Division of Production System Science

Category	Application Period and Deadlines	Examination Date	Announcement of Acceptance	Enrollment Period
Undergraduate Applicants	2026 June 15 (Mon.) ~ June 19 (Fri.)	*Individualised by major.	Within 2 weeks of the test date	2026 Until early September
Employed/ Professional Applicants				
International Applicants	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing

Division of Health Sciences

Category	Application Period and Deadlines	Examination Date	Announcement of Acceptance	Enrollment Period
Undergraduate Applicants	2026 July 10 (Fri.) ~ July 16 (Thu.)	*Individualised by major.	Within 2 weeks of the test date	2026 Until early September
Employed/ Professional Applicants				
International Applicants				

Division of Glocal Cultures

Category	Application Period and Deadlines	Examination Date	Announcement of Acceptance	Enrollment Period
Undergraduate Applicants	2026 July 10 (Fri.) ~ July 16 (Thu.)	Indiv2026 August. 1 (Sat.)	Indiv2026 August. 21 (Fri.)	2026 Until early September
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

【Prospective student】

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:

(Knowledge and Skills)

1. who have acquired basic knowledge of the fundamental disciplines of mechanical engineering, information science, and electrical and electronic engineering, which are the fundamentals of manufacturing.

(Abilities to think, judge and express)

2. who are willing to utilize mechanical engineering, information science, and electrical and electronic engineering to realize sustainable production processes.

(Attitude to learn independently and collaboratively with diverse people)

3. who are willing and able to work not only in their own specialty but also actively collaborate with experts in other fields to solve issues for sustainability.
4. who are willing to be actively involved in local industries and play an active role in the development of local industries.

【Specific knowledge and skills recommended for acquisition by time of admission】

1. Basic knowledge required to accomplish the research project and research methods of related studies

Basic knowledge of materials mechanics, vibration engineering, thermodynamics, fluid engineering, etc. for mechanical engineering research projects, programming, algorithm theory, etc. for information science projects, and electric circuits, etc. for electrical and electronic engineering projects is essential. In addition, the ability to conduct literature research, such as searching for papers in the respective research fields, is required.

2. Interest in phenomena outside one's field of expertise and an attitude of self-directed learning

In order to conduct original research, one should have a broad interest in phenomena and knowledge outside one's field of expertise, and in order to make use of such knowledge in one's research, it is necessary to collect materials and papers and study them with an awareness of the issues.

3. Communication skills to enable the exchange of information with researchers in various fields

In order to enhance research content, it is important to have opportunities for discussion with researchers in other fields as well as in one's own research field, which requires a high level of communication skills.

【Admissions Policy】

[Undergraduate Applicants]

Comprehensive evaluation of abilities and qualities will be made based on an academic achievement examination (to examine basic and applied academic skills), an oral examination (to examine motivation for study and attitude toward research), an English language external examination (to examine the applicant's command of English), and a transcript of academic achievements. Applicants with outstanding academic records will be exempted from the academic achievement test, and the oral examination will include questions regarding basic academic skills in specialized fields.

[Employed / Professional Applicants]

Comprehensive evaluation of abilities and qualities will be made based on an oral examination (to evaluate the applicant's willingness to study and commitment to research based on his/her experience as a working adult) and academic transcripts.

[International Applicants]

Document examination (a copy of the bachelor's thesis or its equivalent and a research plan), oral examination, and an examination that evaluates the applicant's academic ability in the field of specialization and foreign language and Japanese language skills necessary for research in that field are required.

The oral examination is based on the applicant's academic transcripts and evaluates the applicant's willingness to study and attitude toward research.

Division of Health Sciences

【Prospective student】

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:

(Knowledge and Skills)

1. Obtained a bachelor's degree (nursing or clinical engineering) conferred by the Faculty of Health Sciences or have equivalent academic background and abilities.

(Abilities to think, judge and express)

2. Ability to create and execute new ideas, cooperate with others, and take initiative to systematically build sustainable healthcare.

(Attitude to learn independently and collaboratively with diverse people)

3. 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.

【Specific knowledge and skills recommended for acquisition by time of admission】

1. Solid basic academic skills in the various subjects studied in the undergraduate education program of a health/medical university

The natural sciences (knowledge of biology, chemistry, and physics related to health and medical care) studied in undergraduate education at health and medical care-related universities are necessary to understand events in the health and medical care fields from a scientific perspective and to develop solutions for problems in these fields. In addition, language skills such as English are required to collect, disseminate, and describe a variety of information in the health and medical fields. In addition, an attitude of actively learning about the humanities and society will lead to "understanding the activities of others," which is important in the field of medicine that deals with human subjects.

2. The ability to think independently and logically about events related to human life and medical care

In order to deal with issues in medicine and related fields, it is necessary to be able to investigate on one's own to solve questions, to tackle things with persistence, and to think logically by using the acquired knowledge.

3. Understanding the values of others and cooperating with consideration for them

To effectively address issues and propose solutions in healthcare and related fields, it is essential to clearly communicate one's ideas while understanding and respecting the values and perspectives of others. Furthermore, from the standpoint of "team medicine," which is crucial for delivering advanced and specialized medical care, the ability to collaborate with others is imperative.

【Admissions Policy】

In order to secure human resources based on the admission policy while ensuring transparency and fairness for a diverse range of applicants, the following categories of general selection, special selection for working adults, and special selection for international students will be established for the selection of students.

[Undergraduate Applicants]

The examination consists of a document review (a copy of the bachelor's thesis or its equivalent and a research plan), an oral examination, and a test of academic ability in the field of specialization and foreign language skills necessary for research in the field.

The oral examination is based on the applicant's academic transcripts and evaluates the applicant's expertise and willingness to study and develop solutions to various issues facing health and welfare.

[Employed / Professional Applicants]

Comprehensive evaluation of abilities and qualities will be made based on an oral examination (to evaluate the applicant's willingness to study and commitment to research based on his/her experience as a working adult) and academic transcripts.

[International Applicants]

Document examination (a copy of the bachelor's thesis or its equivalent and a research plan), oral examination, and an examination that tests the applicant's academic ability in the field of specialization and foreign language and Japanese language skills necessary for research in that field.

The oral examination will be based on the applicant's academic transcripts and will evaluate the applicant's willingness to study and commitment to research. Applicants with extremely low proficiency in English and Japanese may be subject to rejection.

Division of Glocal Cultures

【Prospective student】

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:

(Knowledge and Skills)

1. Obtained a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education and have knowledge of the fundamentals of a specialized field.

(Abilities to think, judge and express)

2. 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.

(Attitude to learn independently and collaboratively with diverse people)

3. 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.

【Specific knowledge and skills recommended for acquisition by time of admission】

1. Basic knowledge of own research field

Students should acquire the knowledge necessary to develop their research by reading introductory and overview books that are considered essential reading in their field of study.

2. Communication and respect for others

It is important to improve language skills as a tool for communication in order to engage in a cross-cultural society. It is also important to have respect for the "norm" that is different from our own.

3. Minimum language skills to take classes and present research

The students should make an effort to have enough language skills to cope with the graduate school's classes in Japanese.

【Admissions Policy】

[Undergraduate Applicants]

The examination consists of a document review (a copy of the bachelor's thesis or its equivalent and a research plan), an oral examination, and a test of academic ability in the field of specialization and foreign language skills necessary for research in the field.

The oral examination is based on the applicant's academic transcripts and evaluates the applicant's expertise and willingness to study to solve problems facing the community.

[Employed / Professional Applicants]

Based on an oral examination (which questions the applicant's willingness to study and attitude toward research based on his/her experience as a working adult) and academic transcripts, we will comprehensively evaluate the applicant's expertise, willingness and qualifications to develop solutions to various problems faced by the community.

[International Applicants]

Document examination (a copy of the bachelor's thesis or its equivalent and a research plan), oral examination, and an examination that tests the applicant's academic ability in the field of specialization and foreign language and Japanese language skills necessary for research in that field.

The oral examination is based on the applicant's academic transcripts and examines the applicant's expertise and willingness to study and solve various problems facing the region.

2. Number of Applicants and Admission Periods

Division	Quotas for Admission	Enrollment Period
Division of Production System Science	several	October 2026 enrollment
Division of Health Sciences	several	
Division of Glocal Cultures	several	
Total	several	

3. Application Qualifications

Applicants for each selection must meet one of the following criteria.

In addition to the application qualifications, some selections have specific application requirements. For details on application conditions, see the relevant page for each selection..

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 September 30, 2026.
- 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 September 30, 2026.
- ③ have completed or are expected to complete 16 years of school education in a foreign country by September 30, 2026.
- 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 September 30, 2026.
- ⑤ have completed or are expected to complete 16 years of school education in Japan via correspondence courses offered by a school abroad by September 30, 2026.
- 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 September 30, 2026.
- 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 September 30, 2026.
- 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 September 30, 2025, 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 September 30, 2026.
- ⑪ 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 September 30, 2026.

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	Undergraduate Applicants Employed / Professional Applicants International Applicants
Division of Production System Science	Submission Period	2026 May 29(Fri.) ~June 5(Fri.)
	Notification of Screening Results	2026 Mid-June
Division of Health Sciences	Submission Period	2026 June 22 (Mon.) ~June 26 (Fri.)
	Notification of Screening Results	2026 Early -July
Division of Glocal Cultures	Submission Period	2026 June 22 (Mon.) ~June 26 (Fri.)
	Notification of Screening Results	2026 Early -July

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 235×120 envelope with name and place of receipt indicated), along with a 410 yen ※¹ 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
	Undergraduate Applicants Employed / Professional Applicants International Applicants
Division of Production System Science	2026 June 15 (Mon.) ~ June 19(Fri.)
Division of Health Sciences	2026 July 10(Fri.) ~ July 16(Thu.)
Division of Glocal Cultures	2026 July 10(Fri.) ~ July 16(Thu.)

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

①Documents 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.
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 page 14 of this document.
Return Envelope for Examination Voucher with Official Numbering	Applicants should fill out the attached long 235×120 envelope with a valid mailing address and affix a 410yen stamp (including the express mail fee) on it.
Certificate of (expected) graduation	Applicants should submit a certificate of (expected) graduation from a university that meets the qualifications for application to the Graduate School. In the case of a non-English/Japanese speaking university, submit a certificate of (expected) graduation in English or Japanese issued by the university. 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).
Transcript	Applicants should submit academic transcripts (only those with finalized evaluations) from universities that meet the eligibility requirements for application to the Graduate School. In the case of a non-English/Japanese speaking university, submit a transcript in English or Japanese issued by the concerned university. 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.

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)
 Division of Health Sciences (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 15 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	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.") Note: 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.

③ The 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.
Application for Special Exception for Educational Methods under Article 14 of the Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools	Applicants for the Special Selection for Working Adults who wish to apply for the Special Exception for Educational Methods under Article 14 of the Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools must submit the attached form prescribed by the Graduate School.
Letter of permission for an examination	Those who wish to remain employed at a government agency, company, or organization must submit a letter of permission to take the examination prepared by their department head (or supervisor) using the attached form prescribed by the Graduate School.

Note: "Special Exception for Educational Programs Based on Article 14 of the Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools" system

The Graduate School of Education has established a system of "Special Exception for Educational Programs Based on Article 14 of the Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools" to facilitate graduate school study for those who need it, such as those who are currently employed.

This system allows students to study flexibly under the permission and guidance of their supervisor based on the curriculum stipulated in the graduate school regulations.

If you wish to apply for the system, please submit "Application for Special Exceptions to the Educational Programs Based on Article 14 of the Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools" at the time of application.

Reference: Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools (1974, Education Ministry Ordinance No. 28) [Extract].
Article 14 In a graduate course, education may be provided by appropriate methods such as holding classes or research guidance at night or at other specified times or periods, when deemed necessary for special educational purposes.

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 Global Cultures	Undergraduate Applicants	○	○	○	◎ International Applicants	◎	-
	Employed / Professional Applicants	○	○	○	◎ International Applicants	◎	-
	International Applicants	○	○	○	○	◎	-

Division	Category	Documents to be submitted	
		Application for Special Exception for Educational Methods under Article 14 of the Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools	Letter of permission for an examination
Division of Production System Science	Undergraduate Applicants	-	-
	Employed / Professional Applicants	◎	◎
	International Applicants	-	-
Division of Health Sciences	Undergraduate Applicants	-	-
	Employed / Professional Applicants	◎	◎
	International Applicants	-	-
Division of Global Cultures	Undergraduate Applicants	-	-
	Employed / Professional Applicants	◎	◎
	International Applicants	-	-

(3) Payment of application fee

The entrance examination fee is 30,000 yen.

No entrance examination fee is required for applicants under the Special Selection for International Students.

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. However, if you withdraw your application after transferring the application fee, you may return the fee by Friday, 25 September 2026. 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:

Applicants must notify the head of the department in advance of the application period (see page 25 of these guidelines for contact details).

I. Undergraduate Applicants

《Division of Production System Science》

1. Application requirements

Applicants must meet one of the criteria listed in "3. Application Qualifications" on page 6 of these guidelines.

2. 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	Questioning the willingness to study and engage in research.
English Proficiency Tests ※2	TOEIC, TOEFL and IELTS scores will be evaluated.

※1 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) 	<p>Scores must be presented in the form of original official transcripts (mailed scores) or printed digital official certificates (with QR codes) (*TOEIC only). (Not for photocopying. Printed copies of internet score confirmation screens etc. 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>
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 	
IELTS	—	

《Division of Health Sciences》

1. Application requirements

Applicants must meet one of the criteria listed in "3. Eligibility for Application" on page 6 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.
Oral Examination	We evaluate applicants' academic ability in their specialized field, as well as their specialized knowledge and motivation to engage in studies aimed at addressing various challenges in health and welfare. Applicants will undergo a general interview and a specialized interview. For the specialized interview, applicants must select one of the following fields: Field A (Life Sciences), Field B (Biomedical Engineering), Field C (Nursing), or Field D (Health Sciences).
English Proficiency Tests ※2	TOEIC , TOEFL and IELTS scores will be evaluated.

※1 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) 	<p>Scores must be presented in the form of original official transcripts (mailed scores) or printed digital official certificates (with QR codes) (*TOEIC only). (Not for photocopying. Printed copies of internet score confirmation screens etc. 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>
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 	
IELTS	—	

《Division of Glocal Cultures》

1. Application requirements

Applicants must meet one of the criteria listed in "3. Eligibility for Application" on page 6 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 page25 of this guideline for contact information.)

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

Division	Examination dates and times		Examination Type(s)	Examination venue
Division of Production System Science	Individually in the major vs.		Scholastic Ability Test and Oral Examination	Awazu Campus
Division of Health Sciences	Individually in the major vs.		Written Examination Oral Examination	Central Campus or Suehiro Campus
Division of Glocal Cultures	Saturday, August 1,2026	10:00~11:30	Written Examination	Central Campus
		11:45~	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 6-7).

Applicants must notify the head of the division (see page25) 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 September 30, 2026. 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 6 and 7. Applicants must notify the head of the division (see page 25) 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 September 30, 2026. 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 6 and 7. Applicants must notify the head of the division (see page25) 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	Examination dates and times		Examination Type(s)	Examination venue
Division of Production System Science	Individually in the major vs.		Oral Examination	Awazu Campus
Division of Health Sciences	Individually in the major vs.			Central Campus or Suehiro Campus
Division of Glocal Cultures	Saturday, August 1, 2026	10:00~		Central Campus

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 6 and 7. 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 25) 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 6 and 7.

Applicants must inform the head of the division (see page 25) 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 6 and 7. Applicants must inform the head of the division (see page 25) 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	Examination dates and times	Examination Type(s)	Examination venue
Division of Production System Science	Individually in the major vs.	Scholastic Ability Test and Oral Examination	Awazu Campus

Division of Health Sciences	Individually in the major vs.		Written Examination or Oral Examination	Central Campus or Suehiro Campus
Division of Glocal Cultures	Saturday, August 1, 2026	10:00~		Central Campus

8. Dispatch of Examination Voucher with Official Numbering

Division	Shipping Date
Division of Production System Science	Around Friday, June 26, 2026
Division of Health Sciences	Around Friday, July 24, 2026
Division of Production System Science	Around Friday, July 24, 2026

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
	Undergraduate Applicants Employed / Professional Applicants International Applicants
Division of Production System Science	Within 2 weeks of the test date
Division of Health Sciences	Within 2 weeks of the test date

Division of Glocal Cultures	Friday, August 21, 2026
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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/>

10. Admission Procedures

The period and method of enrolment procedures will be announced in the Graduate School Enrolment Handbook, which will be sent out by early September 2026. "

11. Admission and Tuition Fees

(1) Admission fee 282,000 yen

(2) Tuition fees

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

Admission Selection Category	Details of Exemption and Reduction of Entrance and Tuition Fees
Undergraduate applicant	Half of the tuition fee will be exempted. However, tax-exempt households are exempt from the full amount.
Employed/professional applicants	Half of the tuition will be exempted for students whose income is less than 5 million yen/year.
International applicant	The full amount of the entrance and tuition fees shall be exempted.

12. 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
Division of Production System Science	June 8, 2026 (Mon.)
Division of Health Sciences	July 3, 2026 (Fri.)
Division of Glocal Cultures	July 3, 2026 (Fri.)

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.

13. 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.

14. Long-term enrollment system

The long-term enrollment system allows students who face difficulties in studying due to occupational or other reasons to follow take a planned educational course over a period extending beyond the standard term of study. The Graduate School allows students to enroll in the program for a maximum of six years.

If approved at the time of admission, the total amount of tuition paid for the normal term of study (3 years) will be divided equally each semester during the approved extended period of study.

Those who are eligible to apply for the long-term enrollment are those who fall under any of the following conditions and have difficulty in completing their studies within the standard term of study.

- (1) Those who are employed
- (2) Those engaged in housework, childcare, nursing care, etc.
- (3) Persons with physical disabilities, intellectual disabilities, mental disabilities (including developmental disabilities)

If you would like to use the long-term enrollment system, please inform us of your interest in "18. Inquiries" on page 30 of this guidebook during the application period.

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	Email Address
Division of Production System Science	(Division Head) Professor Yoshihiro Ueda	yoshihiro.ueda@komatsu-u.ac.jp
Division of Health Sciences	(Division Head) Professor Kiyomi Hiko	kiyomi.hiko@komatsu-u.ac.jp
Division of Glocal Cultures	(Division Head) Professor Fukiko Nakako	fukiko.nakako@komatsu-u.ac.jp

16. List of Faculty Members and their Research Fields

[as of October 1, 2026]

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

Faculty members marked with (◇) are in charge of courses only.

Division of Production System Science

Field of Study	Academic Staff	Position	Research Interests
Energy and Engineering	Yoichi Utanohara	Professor	Energy Engineering
	Susumu Shinohara	Professor	Applied Physics, Physics
	Junichi Takayama	Professor	Civil Engineering (Transportation Engineering, Urban Planning)
	Akito Suzuki	Professor	Mathematical Physics
	Hajime Onishi	Associate Professor	Thermal Fluidic Devices
Materials and Processing 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	Professor	Surface and Interface Science, Tribology
	Hyung-Won Park	Associate Professor	Mechanical and Material Engineering
	Shinichi Funase	Associate Professor	Production Engineering, Machining
Dynamics and Robotics	Shinobu Sakai	Professor	Sports Science, Design Engineering, Strength of Materials
	Kiyoshi Hirose	Professor	Mechanical Dynamics, Measurement and Control, Sports Engineering
	Masatoshi Hikitsu	Associate Professor	Mechatronics
Electrical and Electronic Engineering	Shinji Ikeda	Associate Professor	Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Nano and Micro Science
	Kozo Yamashita	Associate Professor	Atmospheric Electricity
Information Science	Yoshihiro Ueda ◆	Professor	Data Science, Knowledge Sharing
	Tatsuto Murayama	Professor	Mathematical Informatics
	Yusuke Kajiwara	Professor	Artificial Intelligence, Human Informatics, Human Biomedical Engineering

Division of Health Sciences

Field of Study	Academic Staff	Position	Research Interests
Health Systems Science	Hiroki Nakata	Professor	Basic Medicine
	Michiko Ito	Professor	Infection Control Nursing, Fundamental Nursing, Nursing Education
	Kiyomi Hiko	Professor	Nursing
	Eiko Sato ◇	Professor	Nursing, Clinical Nursing
Integrated Care Systems for older adults	Mayumi Tokuda	Professor	Nursing, Health Sciences
	Yasunari Hashimoto	Professor	Human Informatics, Human Medical Engineering, Brain Sciences
	Akie Nakada	Professor	Public Health Nursing
	Yoriko Aoki	Professor	Nursing, Gerontological Nursing
Bioengineering for Health	Ayumi Kumagaya ◇	Professor	Nursing, Clinical Nursing
	Kazuhisa Fujita	Associate Professor	Neuroscience, Human Informatics, Information Science
	Yuko Imakata ◇	Associate Professor	Nursing, Clinical Nursing
	Junko Izawa ◇	Associate Professor	Information Science (Medical Imaging Analysis)
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	Biomedical Engineering, Artificial Organs, Cardiovascular Engineering
	Masamichi Nogawa	Associate Professor	Biomedical Engineering
Creation of Sustainable Societies	Yusuke Takagi	Professor	Public Health, Physiology, Nutrition
	Keiko Kimori	Professor	Nursing Science, Nursing Technology
	Miho Katayama	Associate Professor	Nursing, Health Sciences, Mental Health Nursing
Other Related Fields	Shinichiro Morinaga ◇	Guest Professor	Existential Ethics, Applied Ethics

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
	Takeharu Kiyoshi	Associate Professor	Regional Innovation System Regional Advantage in a Global Economy
	Makoto Kimura	Associate Professor	Psychology, Psychological Influence with Rapid Social Development as Tourist Destination
	Chin-Kuang Chen	Associate Professor	Tourism Studies, Sport Tourism
Social Sciences	Shohei Yamayoshi	Associate Professor	Japanese Literature, Medieval Japanese Literature, Mountain Worship
	Kaoru Nishijima	Associate Professor	Area Studies, Cultural Anthropology, Political Anthropology
	Aoi Mochizuki	Lecturer	Middle East and Islamic Studies, Political Science, Refugee Studies
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
	Toshihiko Shimauchi	Professor	Linguistics, Research on English Teaching Based on Second Language Acquisition Theories
	Fittler Aron	Associate Professor	Japanese Classical Literature, Translation Studies, Comparative Literature
	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
	Aiting Shan	Lecturer	Text linguistics, Contrastive Linguistics of Chinese and Japanese, Chinese Language Education

17. Map of Examination Venue

(1) Awazu Campus

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

【Access】 About 12 minutes' walk from Awazu Station

【Major】 Division of Production System Science

(2) Suehiro Campus

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

【Access】 Take a local bus from 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

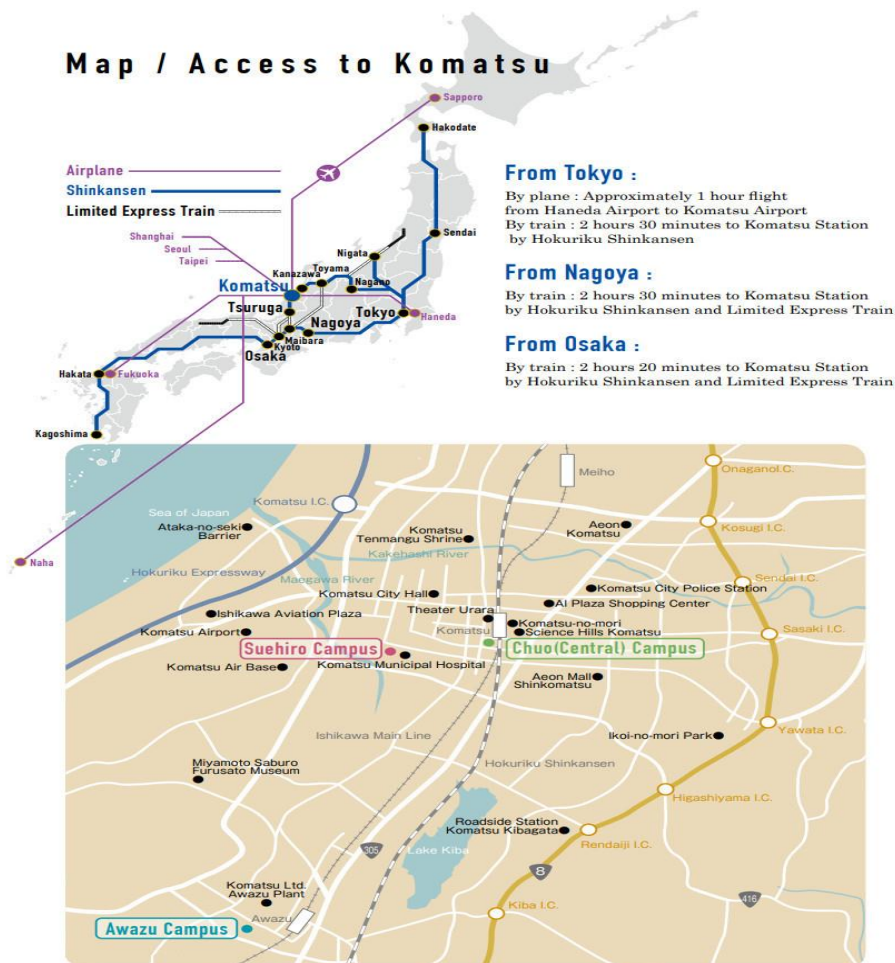
【Major】 Division of Health Sciences

(3) Central Campus

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

【Access】 About 1 minute walk from 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.

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