

September 2023 Admission

Application Information for Transfer Students



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I Admission policy

(1) Mission Statement

With its innovative international liberal arts educational philosophy, Akita International University aspires to prepare students to be leaders in global society.

The International Liberal Arts education at AIU enables students to acquire a broad scope of knowledge and sharpen analytical thinking skills while gaining insight into various critical issues that are confronting the world and develop in them a global outlook, and equip them with the ability to communicate effectively in English and other languages.

AIU's International Liberal Arts education fosters self-realization; it opens minds, instills the will to act and develops a capacity to rise to the complex challenges of the times with integrity and discipline. AIU students learn to commit themselves to serving their local communities, their countries, and the world.

(2) Characteristics

- From the perspective of an emphasis on education, we widely recruit faculty members with enthusiasm and capability for education from all over the world, regardless of nationality, age, or gender; all classes are conducted in English by the professors, about half of whom are foreigners.
- In order to acquire international vision and sense through cross-cultural experience, our students are obliged to study abroad for one year.
In conjunction with this, a cosmopolitan educational environment and campus life are offered where foreign students gather from across the globe.
- As a university open to the world based on constant exchanges with the cross-cultural community, we deepen cooperation with universities/colleges around the world including 200 partner universities/colleges in 51 countries/regions (as of October, 2022).
- As a select few, our students are provided a whole person education by, for example, everyone being obliged to live in a dormitory for at least one year after admission.
- Akita International University is an ambitious university that gives the highest priority to educational power based on application of not only fixed-term system but also tenure system.

(3) Future Students

At Akita International University, we want students who share our philosophy:

Successful applicants should be equipped with:

- A balanced basic academic competency across the broad fields of humanities, the natural and social sciences, as well as logical, critical and creative thinking skills, and an outstanding ability or experience in specific areas that they are enthusiastic about further developing within the scope of their learning.
- A strong interest and an inquiring mind toward global affairs including the nature of diverse cultures, languages, history and societies of the world based on their

experiences in having studied abroad or participated in various international activities in and out of their countries.

- A strong desire to gain practical skills of foreign languages (especially English) and knowledge from a broad range of liberal-arts subjects.

Overview of September Admission for Transfer Students

Number of Students

2nd year : 1

3rd year : 1

Application Qualifications

【2nd Year Student】

Applicants must meet one of the following educational requirement criteria, (A)~(D). (Those who have already been enrolled at AIU are not eligible for (A)~(C)).

- (A) Graduated from a university, a junior college or a technical college, or be expected to graduate from one of these educational institutions by the end of August 2023.
- (B) Completed two or more years of study at a higher vocational school (or the equivalent, as determined by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports and Technology) by August 2023 (limited to those who have a University Entrance Examination Qualification, as regulated by the School Education Law, Article 90).
- (C) Be a registered student at a university for one year or more and received 30 or more credits by the end of August 2023.
- (D) Have attained the prescribed grade as a special non-degree-seeking student of Akita International University

【3rd Year Student】

Applicants must meet one of the following educational requirement criteria, (A)~(C). (In principle, a student must have studied for the equivalent of two years or more at an English-medium institution of higher learning, of which one year was spent at an institution outside of Japan).

- (A) Graduated from a university, junior college, technical college, or expected to graduate from one of these educational institutions by the end of August 2023.
- (B) Completed two or more years of study at a higher vocational school (or the equivalent, as determined by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports and Technology) by August 2023 (limited to those who have the University Entrance Examination Qualification, as regulated by the School Education Law, Article 90).
- (C) Be a registered student at a university for two years or more and received 60 or more credits by the end of August 2023.

Application Requirements

(1) Language Ability

Must possess one of the following grades. (For exams with an expiration date, the score must be valid as of the last day of the application period.)

【2nd Year Student】

71 points or higher on the TOEFL iBT[®] TEST, or 6.5 or higher on the IELTS[™].

【3rd Year Student】

79 points or higher on the TOEFL iBT[®] TEST, or 6.5 or higher on the IELTS[™].

※As a consideration for the COVID-19 situation, the following English qualifications will be accepted in addition to the above for the 2023 entrance examination.

- TOEFL iBT[®] Home Edition
- IELTS[™] Indicator
- Computer-delivered IELTS (CD IELTS)

(2) Residential Status

Applicants who are not Japanese citizens or who do not have permanent residence status are requested to acquire a status of residence that has no obstacles to university enrollment according to the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Law in order to enter Japan by the end of August, 2023.

*Applications that do not meet the above requirements (1) and (2) will not be accepted.

II Credits Confirmation Prior to Application

We will confirm the content and number of credits for the courses you have already completed, so please prepare the following items ① through ⑦ in PDF format and submit them as attachments to an e-mail (ugrad@gl.aiu.ac.jp) by **Friday, January 6, 2023.** ***Those who have not completed the credit confirmation in advance will not be able to apply, so please submit the following documents if you consider applying.**

① University Transcripts

Please contact your current (or graduated) university and prepare the most recent transcripts in English.

② Syllabus for Completed Courses

Please submit the syllabus in English as a PDF file one by one.

③ Documents Showing the Number of Class Hours

Please submit a PDF file only if the number of credits is not listed on your transcript.

④ Documents Showing the Grading Criteria

Please submit a PDF file showing the grading criteria as shown below.

Grade Definitions

Grade (Definitions)	Score	Grade Points
A+	100	4.00
A (Excellent)	95–99	4.00
A-	90–94	3.70
B+	87–89	3.30
B (Good)	83–86	3.00
B-	80–82	2.70
C+	77–79	2.30
C (Satisfactory)	73 ~ 76	2.00
C-	70–72	1.70
D+	66–69	1.30
D (Poor)	60–65	1.00
F (Failure)	59 or lower	0.00

⑤ Documents Showing the Accreditation Body

Please submit a PDF file showing the accreditation body as shown below.

*The Japan University Accreditation Association and the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology accredits Akita International University.

Quick Facts

As of Apr. 1, 2021

Established:	April, 2004
English Name:	Akita International University (AIU)
Japanese Name:	国際教養大学 (Kokusai Kyoyo Daigaku)
Location:	See AIU on Google Maps 
Accreditation:	AIU is a four-year undergraduate college with a graduate school, both of which are accredited by Japan University Accreditation Association, an accreditation organization designated by Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology - Japan.

⑥ Basic Information About the University

Only if you are (or were) a student at an overseas university, please contact the university with the following information, and submit the email reply from the university in PDF format.

- Type of degree (e.g., Bachelor's degree/Associate degree)
- Whether the university uses ECTS in its credit system
- Number of credits required for graduation
- Number of credits required in a year
- Number of credits required per semester
- Number of years of study
- The semester system (e.g., 2 semester system / 3 quarter system / 4 term system)
- How many weeks are in a semester?

⑦ Table of Contents of the Textbook

Please submit a PDF file only if you wish to receive credit for language courses.

Credit Approval and Required Years for Graduation

Regardless of a student's year status when transferred, only credits with a grade corresponding to a "C-" or above by AIU standards (at least 70% of maximum credit in course assignments and exams) are transferrable. In addition, the number of credits in a course or courses transferred must be no less than the number of credits of the corresponding AIU course/courses. Maximum number of credits acceptable for transfer to AIU is 30 credits when the instruction of courses was in English and 18 credits for other cases. However, when a student is admitted as a 3rd year transfer student and has already earned 30 credits or more at a foreign university, the study abroad requirement is considered sufficient, and in this case, the maximum number of acceptable credits for transfer will be 60 and courses transferred must match the content of existing AIU courses. Course requirements not satisfied by transferred credits must be completed by courses taken at AIU. If 60 credits are approved for transfer, then the student will be admitted with a Junior status. In other cases, the student will be admitted with a Freshman or Sophomore status.

The transfer of credit is examined and approved after enrollment. Even if a student is admitted as a 2nd or 3rd year transfer student, the student's class status might be a freshman or sophomore due to the potential of credits not receiving approval.

Therefore, please make sure to receive confirmation from AIU before submitting your application.

【Classification of Status of Students at AIU】

Class	Credits Earned
Freshman	28 or lower
Sophomore	29 - 60
Junior	61 - 92
Senior	93 or above

III Application Documents, Application Period, etc.

1. Application Period

Wednesday, February 1st, 2023, through Friday, February 24th, 2023

*Application documents **must arrive at AIU by February 24th, 2023, without fail.**

2. Application Procedure

Applicants must post all required documents to AIU by Registered Express Mail". Application must be received by registered express mail and must arrive no later than the last day of the application period. If residing overseas, please send by registered international airmail.

3. Where to Apply and Contact Information

Admissions Office

Akita International University

193-2 Okutsubakidai Tsubakigawa Yuwa, Akita 010-1292, Japan

TEL +81-18-886-5931 (Weekday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., JST)

E-mail: ugrad@gl.aiu.ac.jp

* Please write in red "Application for fall transfer/admission examination enclosed" on the envelope.

*In principle, inquiries by telephone should be made by the applicant themselves.

4. Personal Information Policy

- (1) Personal information in the application documents will be handled in the following manner. All applicants will be considered to have agreed to the following.
 - a) Personal information kept by AIU will be handled in accordance to the Akita Prefecture Personal Information Protection Clause. It will also be kept strictly confidential in keeping with the Akita International University Personal Information Protection Regulations.
 - b) Personal information will be used to screen applicants and for admission procedures, follow-up checks on applicants, assistance and support following admission (scholarships, health care, etc.), guidance on academic matters, and collection of tuition fees.

5. Application Documents

Name of Document(s)	Remark
1. Application Form	Please complete in English or Japanese.
2. Admission Form and Photo Form for Examination	<p>① Please complete in English or Japanese.</p> <p>② Please attach your photo to the form. The photo must have been taken within three months of application and be 3x4 cm, full frontal face, and of the upper half of your body. Please make sure not to wear a hat. Write your name on the back, and glue it on the entire surface and attach it so that it will not peel off from the photo attachment area.</p>
3. Statement of Purpose	Please write about 500 words in English about why you are applying to transfer to the University, what you would like to study and your future plans.
4. Diploma(Certificate of graduation)	<p>Please submit <u>the original</u> certificate of graduation or expected graduate certificate from a university, junior college or technical college. Applicants who apply with the above-mentioned application qualification (C) must submit <u>the original</u> certificate of student enrollment or a certificate of enrollment period. (A copy is not acceptable.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For documents issued in a language other than English or Japanese, please attach a Japanese or English translation, notarized by a Japanese embassy/consulate or an appropriate public office in your country.
5. Transcript from University(ies)	<p>Please submit <u>the original</u> transcript from a university, junior college or technical college in a sealed envelope. Applicants who are currently taking courses at their university, junior college or technical college must submit <u>the original</u> certificate of course registration in which the expected number of credits is made clear. (A copy is not acceptable.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For documents issued in a language other than English or Japanese, please attach a Japanese or English translation, notarized by a Japanese embassy/consulate or an appropriate public office in your country.

<p>6. Transcript from High School</p>	<p>1) Use the format designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) of Japan. This must be prepared and completely sealed by the principal of the high school from which the applicant graduated. (A copy is not acceptable.)</p> <p>2) Use the format designated by the Minister of Education if the applicant has completed 3 years at one of the National Colleges in Japan, or has graduated from an educational institution which is accredited by the Minister of Education to be equivalent to high schools in Japan, or has graduated from an overseas educational institution of Japan. (A copy is not acceptable.)</p> <p>3) Applicants who have completed a 12-year curriculum of courses at an accredited school outside of Japan or applicants who possess the equivalent of the above-mentioned standard after graduating from one of the high schools accredited by the Minister of Education must submit an original transcript from the school. The following documents must be submitted if the applicant has acquired one.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Baccalaureate – the original Certificate and transcript of 6 subjects of the final examination • <i>Abitur</i> (Germany) – the original Certificate • <i>Baccalaureate</i> (France) – the original Certificate and official transcript <p>Applicants who have taken the Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students (EJU) should submit the original document of the result. Original documents will be returned upon request. (A copy is not acceptable.)</p> <p>Note: For documents issued in a language other than English or Japanese, please attach a Japanese or English translation, notarized by a Japanese embassy/consulate or an appropriate public office in your country.</p> <p>4) Applicants who have completed a specialist training course designated by the Minister of Education, who have passed the University Entrance Qualification Examination, or have acquired a Certificate for Students Achieving the Proficiency Level of Upper Secondary School Graduates, can submit an original certificate of the results instead of an original transcript from high school. Should the applicant have obtained a portion of the required credits at a high school or</p>
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	<p>high schools, please submit an original transcript for each, as well.</p> <p>Note: All the original transcripts except for the result of the University Entrance Qualification Examination or a Certificate for Students Achieving the Proficiency Level of Upper Secondary School Graduates must have been issued after April 1, 2022.</p>
7. Letter of Recommendation	<p>One letter of recommendation is required. The recommendation must be written by a faculty member who was responsible for the applicant at the last institution he/she attended, or by the current dean of faculty he/she is enrolled in, or by anyone in an equivalent position. The letter may be written in English or Japanese and should be <u>in a sealed envelope</u>.</p>
8. Document which verifies English Proficiency	<p>Please submit a TOEFL iBT[®] TEST or IELTS[™] score document. You may request that ETS send the score document directly to us. <u>Please make sure the document reaches AIU by the last day of the application period.</u> Should you request that ETS send your TOEFL score to AIU, please note that AIU's Institution Code is 8524.</p> <p>*Scores downloaded from websites or photocopies will not be accepted as certificates.</p> <p>If you are a native speaker of English, these documents are not required.</p>
9. Application Fee	<p>Please pay the application fee in one of the following ways:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For applicants who are in Japan or whose relatives are in Japan, please send an Exchange Note for 17,000 JPY issued by the post office. *Issuing fee : 550 JPY *When getting an Exchange Note, please send it with a letter in which the name of the applicant is shown. 2. For applicants who are in outside of Japan, please deposit the fee of 17,000 JPY into the following account: The Akita Bank, Ltd. Kawabe Branch (Code: 261) Ordinary Deposit Account Account Number: 182072 Account Name: Akita International University SWIFT Bank ID code: AKITJPJT * Any service charges to be incurred both inside and outside Japan must be paid by the applicant. Please ask a teller to use the code "OUR" in the field "71A: Details of Charges," when your bank remits the money by "SWIFT" in order that the

	<p>beneficiary, AIU, will receive the full amount. If your teller uses "BEN" meaning "Beneficiary," or "SHA" meaning "Share," you will have to make an additional wire transfer to complete the full required payment.</p> <p>*Please send a copy of the bank transfer receipt when you send the application documents.</p> <p>*Please note that the application fee will not be refunded under any circumstances.</p>
10. Return Envelope	<p>Please enclose a designated self-addressed return envelope (applicant's name and address in Japan) with a 354 JPY worth stamp.</p> <p>*You do not need to enclose a return envelope if you wish to send it overseas.</p>

* In principle, documents and materials submitted will NOT be returned to you.

IV Screening Process

Screening is based on documents submitted (English Proficiency, Statement of Purpose, Letter of Recommendation, Transcripts, etc.), an English essay examination and interview.

1. Exam Date and Schedule

Subject Matter	Schedule	Meeting Time	Exam Time
Interview	Tuesday, March 14, 2023	We will notify you at a later date	
English Essay	Tuesday, March 14, 2023	9:40	10:00-11:30

*The meeting time will vary depending on the examination number. Please confirm the time when you receive your admission ticket back.

2. Exam Location

Akita International University Campus (see map on page 15)

3. Interview

- (1) Based on submitted documents, individual interview in Japanese and English will be held.
- (2) Papers/materials will not be allowed in the interview room.

4. Notes on the Examination

- ① You must bring your "Admission Ticket" to your exam. If you forget to bring it, you must quickly go to the examination headquarter and receive a Temporary Admission Ticket. Please do not discard your Admission Ticket; it will also be

required after the exam for entrance registration.

- ② You are required to enter and be seated in the designated examination room before the meeting time.
- ③ You will be allowed to take the examination if you arrive late within 30 minutes after the start of the English essay examination. However, the examination time will not be extended.
- ④ In principle, leaving the room during the examination is not permitted.
- ⑤ On the day of the examination, be sure to bring your Admission Ticket, HB lead pencils (mechanical lead pencils are acceptable), and an eraser.
- ⑥ Please place your Admission Ticket on your desk so that it is visible to the exam proctor.
- ⑦ Items allowed during the English Essay are limited to HB lead pencils (mechanical lead pencils are also allowed), an eraser, a pencil sharpener, and a clock/watch (one with only a clock function). Earplugs are not allowed since they may interfere with hearing instructions from the proctor.
- ⑧ Borrowing or lending items between examinees during the exam is strictly prohibited.
- ⑨ Cell phones, smartphones, smartwatches, and other communication devices must be turned off and put away in a bag before entering the examination room or waiting room.
- ⑩ Please bring your own lunch on the day of the exam.
- ⑪ Please note that any person offering acceptance telegrams, etc., near the exam location or station has no connection with AIU, and the university will not be responsible for any trouble caused by such persons.
- ⑫ Please bring your health insurance card in case of a medical emergency. However, applicants who, as of the examination day, have not recovered from influenza or other infectious diseases for which suspension of attendance is permitted under the School Health and Safety Act may not take the examination because they may infect other students and proctors. This provision also applies to COVID-19.
- ⑬ The press may take photos or video of some examination rooms.
- ⑭ If in case of unexpected circumstances, such as the spread of COVID-19, natural disasters, or public transportation delays, the university decides that the entrance examination cannot be held according to the schedule and content announced in these guideline, the university will announce any changes to the start time and/or contents on the university's website. In this event, the university will not bear any responsibility for any fees or other personal inconveniences to applicants.
- ⑮ If there is any other necessary information, you will be notified when the Admission Ticket is sent.

5. Countermeasures against COVID-19

In order to prevent the spread of new coronavirus infection at the examination location and to ensure a safe environment for examinees, we request all examinees to follow the precautions below.

We thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation to reduce the risk of infection.

① Applicants who are not allowed to take the examination

- Applicants who have been diagnosed with COVID-19 and whose medical treatment period has not ended as of the examination date.
- Applicants who are considered to be a close contact immediately before the day of the examination.
- Applicants who have symptoms such as difficulty breathing, strong malaise, high fever, etc., on the day of the examination.

② Measures to be taken on the day of the examination

Please take care of your physical condition by washing and disinfecting your hands, practicing cough etiquette, maintaining physical distance from others, and avoiding the "Three Cs" on a daily basis, as well as taking good care of yourself as you approach the entrance examination.

On the day of the examination, be sure to comply with the following.

- (1) All examinees are required to take their temperature on the morning of the examination at home or at their place of stay. If you have difficulty breathing, strong malaise, or a high fever, please cancel your participation in the examination and contact the Admissions Office (phone: 018-886-5931) between 8:30 and 9:00 on the day of the examination.
- (2) Examinees who do not have the symptoms described above but have symptoms such as fever or cough must notify the examination proctor.
- (3) Regardless of whether you have symptoms or not, please bring your own non-woven mask and wear it properly at all times in the examination location, completely covering your nose and mouth. If you are not wearing a non-woven mask, you will be asked to wear a non-woven mask provided by the university.
*You may only remove your mask temporarily when asked to do so by the proctor to confirm identification during the examination time.
- (4) Do not discard masks in the examination building or room.
- (5) When entering or leaving the examination room, be sure to disinfect your hands with the provided disinfectant alcohol.
- (6) After entering the examination room, please refrain from contact and conversation with others as much as possible.
- (7) In the examination room, please avoid crowding and keep a certain distance from other examinees.
- (8) Please return home immediately after the examination and take precautionary

measures against infection, such as washing hands and gargling.

③Lunch on the day of the examination

On the day of the examination, please avoid conversation, interaction, and contact between examinees during lunch as much as possible. You must collect all garbage resulting from your lunch and take it home with you.

④Entrance of parents/guardians to the examination location

To minimize the number of people entering the examination location and avoid the formation of groups, we ask parents to refrain from entering the examination location on the day of the examination.

V Announcement of Successful Applicants and Admission Procedures

1. Date of Announcement

Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

2. Announcement Method

Successful applicants will receive a letter of acceptance.

* Inquiries by telephone, fax, post, e-mail, etc. will not be accepted.

3. Notification of Exam Number Information for Successful Applicants on the Internet

The exam numbers of successful applicants will be posted on the AIU website. The address is as follows (scheduled at 2:00 p.m. on the day of the announcement of the successful applicants.) <https://web.aiu.ac.jp/>

Be sure to officially confirm your acceptance or non-acceptance with the acceptance letter.

4. Admission Procedure

(1) Admission Procedure Period

Thursday, March 23, 2023 through Friday, April 14, 2023.

(2) Admission Procedure Method

Details of the admission procedures and required documents will be sent with the letter of acceptance.

Please complete the admission procedure with the necessary documents and send them by post.

When completing the admission procedures, please be sure to send the "2023 Akita International University Admission Ticket" for identification purposes.

VI Others

1. Prior Consultation for Applicants with Physical or Other Disabilities

Applicants with physical or other disabilities who require special consideration in taking the entrance examination or in their studies must notify the Admissions Office by Friday, January 6th, 2023.

Please note that depending on the content of the consultation, we may not be able to respond and give consideration in time for the university's examination date, so please consult with us as early as possible.

2. Information on Examination Location.

(1) Akita International University Campus: Okutsubakidai, Tsubakigawa-aza, Yuwa, Akita City, Akita Prefecture, Japan. (10 minutes by car from Akita Airport and JR Wada Station)

*On the day of the examination, a free shuttle bus will be available from JR Akita Station (the schedule will be announced when the Admission ticket is sent).

(2) Nearest Accommodations (Plaza Krypton)

This facility is designated as the University's guesthouse, and special discounts are available for applicants and their families, etc.

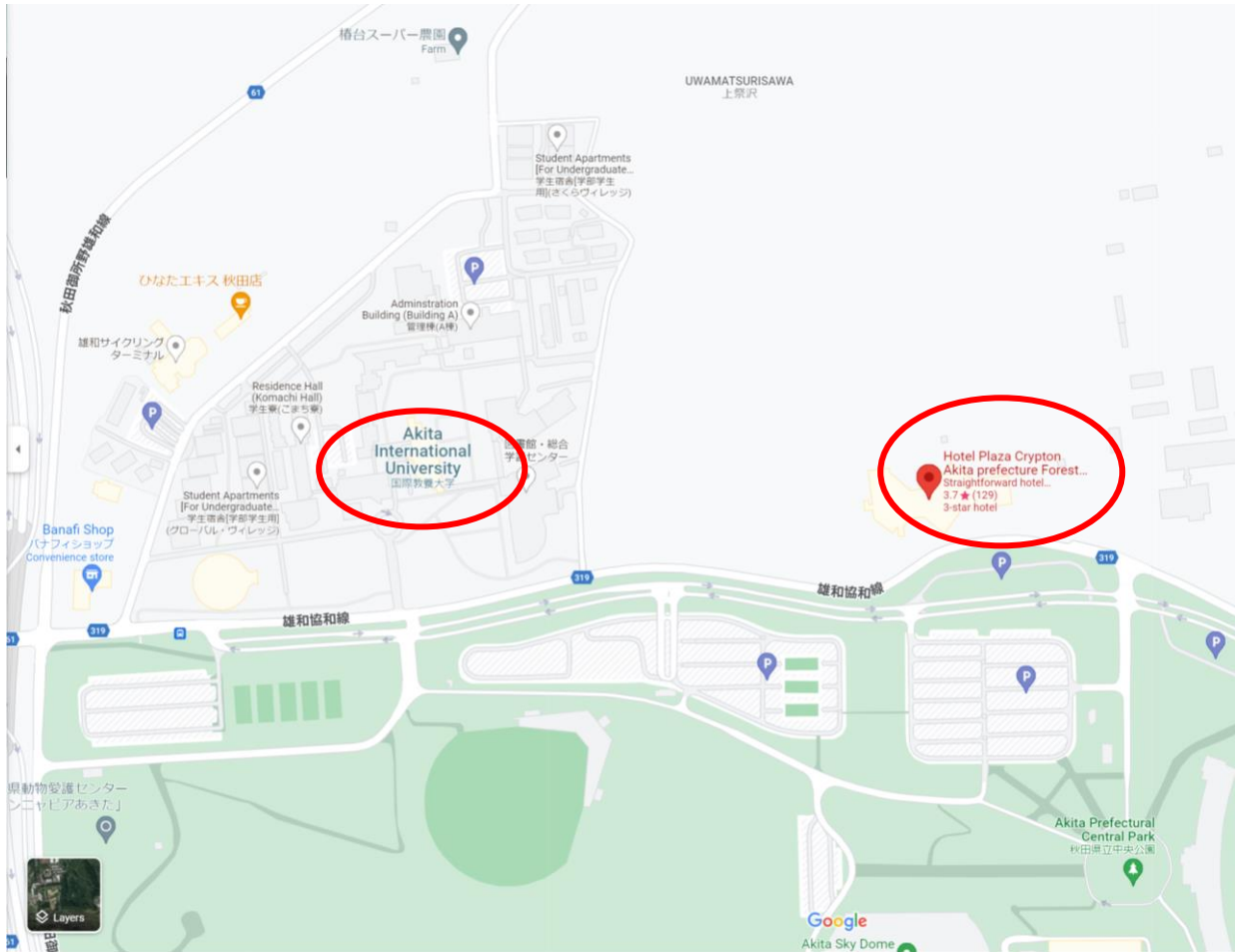
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Plaza Krypton 38-4, Toshima-aza, Uwamatsusawa, Kawabe, Akita City, Akita Prefecture, 019-2611, Japan

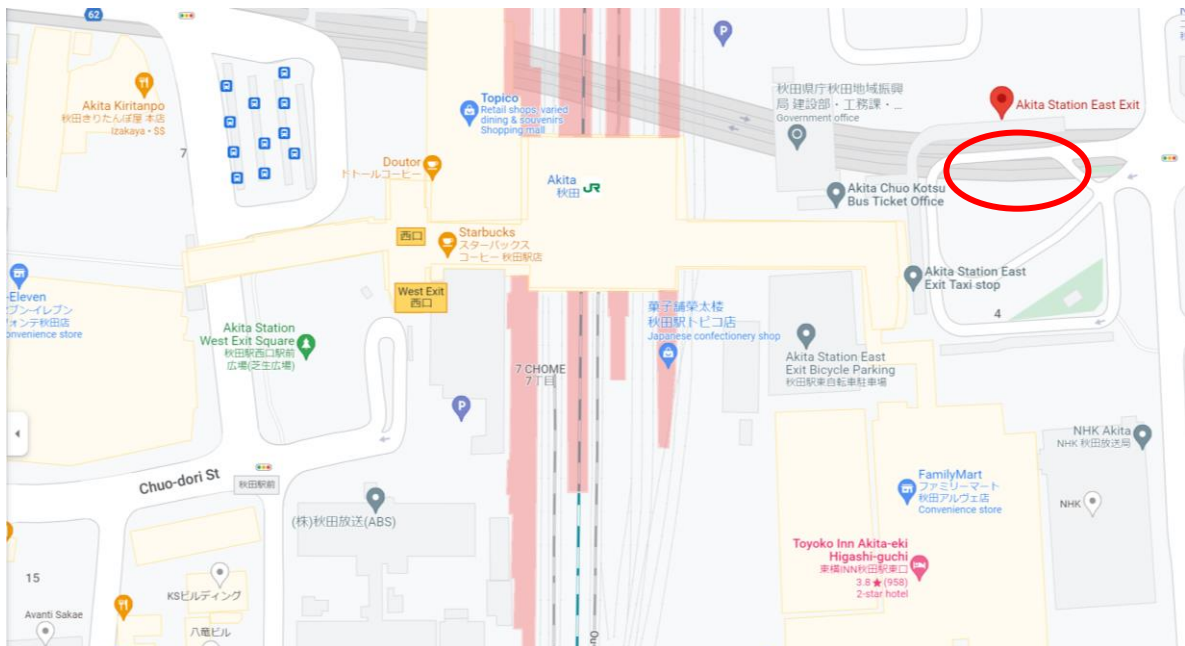
TEL : +81-18-882-4811

Web URL : <https://www.plaza-krypton.jp/index.php>

【Examination Location and nearest accomodations】



【Bus Stop for Free Shuttle Bus at Akita Station East Exit】



3. First Year Payment, etc.

(1) Matriculation Fee

① Amount of money : 423,000 JPY (282,000 JPY for residents of Akita prefecture).

*“Residents of Akita prefecture” refers to those who satisfy one of the following criteria:

- a) Those who will have continuously lived in Akita prefecture for one year or more by the date of matriculation, September 1st, 2023.
- b) Those whose spouses or relatives within one generation will have continuously lived in Akita prefecture for one year or more by the date of matriculation, September 1st, 2023.
- c) Those who graduated high schools in Akita.
- d) Those whom the President of Akita International University authorizes.

② Payment Method

Payment must be made to the designated financial institution by the deadline for admission procedures according to the invoice of payment enclosed with the acceptance letter.

Although the University is eligible for the New System for Supporting Higher Education and Training, we will not postpone the payment of the matriculation fee. All applicants must transfer the full amount of the matriculation fee by the designated date. Those who wish to be exempted from paying the matriculation fee under the New System for Supporting Higher Education and Training for the first time after transferring to the University may receive a refund of the difference by following the specified procedures after enrolling in the University.

(2) Tuition

① Amount of money : 696,000 JPY/year

Should the amount of tuition fee be changed, the new tuition fee will be applied at the time of revision.

② Payment Method

In principle, the tuition fee is paid separately each semester.

<u>Tuition per semester</u>	<u>Payment Deadline</u>
Fall Semester 348,000 JPY	October 1, 2023
Spring Semester 348,000 JPY	May 1, 2024

(3) Residence Hall Fee

In principle, students are required to live in the dormitory for one year after entering the university.

- ① Amount of money : Approximately 568,720, JPY/year
(Including room and board, meals during the semester, and move-out cleaning fee.)
*The amount is subject to change as it is planned for the fiscal year 2023. In case the residence hall fee is revised during the student's enrollment, the new amount will be applied from the time of the revision.

② Payment Method

In principle, the residence hall fee is paid separately each semester.

<u>Residence Hall Fee per semester</u>	<u>Payment Deadline</u>
Fall Semester 261,360 JPY	August, 2023
Spring Semester 307,360 JPY	March, 2024

(4) Financial Support

AIU has a tuition reduction/exemption system for students who do not qualify for the new financial support system for higher education (such as those who hold a foreign student visa), and who are experiencing financial difficulties due to unforeseen circumstances such as financial hardship or disaster.

Details will be announced after admission. Please note that students who are eligible to apply for the new financial support system for higher education should apply for it.

(5) Other expenses

- Personal Health Insurance (2,430 JPY/two years *for 3rd year transfer, 3,620 JPY/three years *for 2nd year transfer)
- Student Activity fee (26,000 JPY)
- Guardian Association fee (20,000 JPY)
- Alumni Association fee (20,000 JPY / Lifetime membership)
*Detailed information including the cost of textbooks and TOEFL® TEST will be provided after enrollment.
*The above figures are actual amounts for fiscal 2022 and are subject to change.

4. Study Abroad

As a rule, students must spend one year studying abroad at a partner university. Partner universities for the study abroad program include 200 universities in 51 countries and regions as of October, 2022. Please be aware that some universities may require additional tuition fees.

*If a 3rd Year Transfer Student satisfies all conditions below, the student may be exempt from the study abroad requirement.

- a) Has a TOEFL iBT® TEST score of 92 or higher or/and TOEFL® PBT/TOEFL ITP® TEST score of 580 or higher, or/and a IELTS™ score of 6.5 or higher.
- b) Has experienced study abroad for at least one academic year or longer at another accredited university before the transfer to AIU.
- c) Requests to waive the study abroad requirement.

5. Request for Cooperation on Vaccination against COVID-19

Our campus is a place where learning and living are integrated. Therefore, our learning environment entail classes that focus on discussion and group work, and with mandatory dormitory on campus students sleep and eat within the same facilities in order to further foster self-development. We have re-opened our doors to exchange students from partner universities from around the world since April 2022, allowing for study, extracurricular activities, and living together with international students to commence once again.

Vaccination may also be required for one year of study abroad. For this reason, we ask for your cooperation in vaccinating against the Coronavirus, except in cases where there are special health concerns. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

In addition, we would like to emphasize that the University takes the utmost consideration to ensure that any infected persons and/or unvaccinated persons do not suffer any potential discrimination or disadvantage.