**AY2023 Ritsumeikan University NEXT Student Fellow/RARA Student Fellow Programs Application Form**

I hereby certify that the following information is accurate.

　As of MM/DD/YYYY

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| Program to be applied for | [First choice]  Please put a “〇” in either of the following.  　( ) NEXT Student Fellow  　( ) RARA Student Fellow | | [Second choice]  Please put a “〇” in either of the following.  If you do not have a second choice, mark “X” for both.  　( ) NEXT Student Fellow  　( ) RARA Student Fellow |
| Full name: (Last name/First name/Middle name) | | | (Current) Student ID number (only for those currently affiliated with Ritsumeikan University):    (Prospective entrants) Application Number: |
| Email (internal email address for current Ritsumeikan University students):  　 @ | | | Cell phone number: |
| (Scheduled) Graduate School/Major:  Graduate School of:  Major in:  Date of (scheduled) admission: MM/YYYY | | | Name of (prospective) supervisor |
| Method of entrance examination (Please put a “〇” in one of the following and indicate when was administered)  [ ] In-University Advancement Admissions (MM) [ ] Regular Admissions (MM)  [ ] International Student Admissions (MM) [ ] Adult Learners Admissions (MM) <Not applicable to those who have a regular job> [ ] Transfer Admissions (MM) | | | |
| Year | Month | Academic and employment history since entering college (to be summarized for each entry) | |
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| Awards, etc. |  | | |
| Research topics |  | | |
| Desired career path | University or other research institute / Company / Entrepreneur / Other ( ) | | |

\*After the prescribed retention period has elapsed, the University will be fully responsible for destroying these documents in an

appropriate manner.

\*The font size shall be 10.5 point. If there are not enough lines, please add lines as necessary.

**1. Reason for applying for a (first-choice) Student Fellow** (in no more than 250 words)

Please describe your aspiration after being adopted as Student Fellow and other information that demonstrates your enthusiasm.

**2. Your research conducting ability based on your past research activities**

Please be as specific as possible about your own strengths regarding research and how you will be able to carry out your research

and produce results (in no more than one page, approximately 800 words).

　\*In filling out the form, please be specific in terms of, for example, initiative in research, conceptual ability, problem-solving ability,

breadth and depth of knowledge, aptitude, communication skills, and presentation skills.

**3. Research plan**

Please describe your research plans during your fellowship period, citing your past research achievements. Please do so in a manner that is easy for those who are not familiar with the field to understand, and you may use figures and tables as long as they are within the specified extent.

(in no more than one page, approximately 800 words).

\*Those currently affiliated with Ritsumeikan University are requested to extract their research achievements from the “Ri-SEARCH (Ritsumeikan University Search Engine of Academic Record and Career History of Young Researchers)” and submit them along with these application documents. Those from other universities should submit a list of their own research achievements (free format).

(1) Positioning of the research (including background on the situation, issues, etc. in the relevant field)

(2) Research objectives and content (e.g. what is the plan, what is to be clarified to what extent)

(3) Distinctive and original aspects of the research (in addition to comparisons with preceding research and future

prospects, please outline any target academic journals, publications, etc. which you plan to submit to or write).

(4) Prospects for obtaining a doctoral degree (Please describe how you will work toward obtaining a doctoral degree

within the standard period of study)

**4. Conformity of the program with your career vision and plans for realizing it**

Describe your own career vision through serving as Student Fellow (or the image of the researcher you aspire to become, if you are aiming for academia). Please also mention your approach to realize that, your collaboration with other researchers, and your ideas regarding capacity and career development. (in no more than 400 words).