

Notice on the Introduction of Direct Debit (automatic bank withdrawal) for Tuition and Fees Payment.

1. About Direct Debit (automatic bank withdrawal) for Paying Tuition and Fees

Direct Debit (automatic bank withdrawal) is a payment method in which tuition and fees for each semester are automatically withdrawn, on the withdrawal date designated by the Ritsumeikan University, from a financial institution account registered in advance (hereinafter "Direct Debit").

To reduce the burden of tuition payment procedures and to prevent missed payments, the University plans to introduce Direct Debit beginning with the Fall Semester of Academic Year 2026, for those who have a bank account in Japan. If you use Direct Debit, you will not need to complete bank transfer procedures at a financial institution counter, and payment will be completed automatically on the designated withdrawal date.

You may continue to use payment methods other than Direct Debit. In that case, you do not need to register for Direct Debit.

Please note: The account registered for Direct Debit is planned to be used not only for tuition withdrawals, but also as the refund account in the event that an overpayment occurs.

2. Scheduled Implementation Timeline

- Dispatch of Registration Instructions: Around September 2026 (tentative)
*These documents will be sent to the address registered as the tuition fee billing address.
- First withdrawal date: Friday, November 27, 2026 (tentative)
*Subsequent withdrawal dates are planned for around the end of May for the Spring Semester and around the end of November for the Fall Semester.
- Applicable fees for the first withdrawal: Tuition and fees for the Fall Semester of AY2026

3. Tuition and Fees Covered

Tuition and Miscellaneous Membership Fees (withdrawn each semester)

4. How to Apply (Account Registration)

You will be asked to register by following the "Registration Instructions" scheduled to be sent by the University around September 2026.

*No action is required until you receive the "Registration Instructions".

5. Notices Regarding Tuition Payment Procedures

Regardless of whether you register for Direct Debit, the University plans to send a "Notice Regarding Tuition Payment" to the address registered as the tuition fee billing address.

The notice is planned to include the withdrawal date, how to check the tuition amount, and tuition payment methods other than Direct Debit, among other items.

The bank transfer request form that was previously enclosed is planned to be provided via a dedicated website as a downloadable form (instead of enclosure).

***Please note: Inquiries regarding this matter will be accepted after the "Registration Instructions" have been dispatched.**