

**Graduate School of International Relations**  
**Application Guidelines for Internal Selection of**  
**One-Semester Exchange Program for Fall Semester 2023**

**1. One-Semester Exchange Program**

One-Semester Exchange Program is a program that allows students to study at an overseas partner graduate school for a semester while enrolling the Graduate School of Ritsumeikan University. Students will attend the host institution as a visiting, non-degree seeking student. Credits earned at host institute can be transferred to RU after examined by faculty of Graduate School of Ritsumeikan University.

**2. Partnership University for One-Semester Program**

American University (School of International Service: SIS)	USA
National Chengchi University (College of International Affairs)	(Taiwan)

**3. Application**

■ **Eligibility**

1. To fulfill GPA and language requirements of the host university you wish to apply
2. To be able to present your research plan in English at the interview
3. To have fundamental knowledge of international relations

Depending on the policies of the host institution and the conditions of application, requirements may be flexible. If you are interested in applying but do not meet some requirements, please consult with the Administrative Office of Graduate School of International Relations in advance.

■ **Required Documents**

1. Application form with your academic advisor's comment (prescribed): the form can be downloaded from manaba+R.
2. Research Plan written in both English (of approximately 500 words) and Japanese (of approximately 1,000 letters)
  - \*A4 size, free format
  - \*Submission of research plan written in Japanese is not mandatory for students in English-based programs.
3. An official score report of the TOEFL® or IELTS (A photocopy is acceptable; TOEFL®-ITP Test is not acceptable).
  - \* Valid scores must be submitted. TOEFL® or IELTS scores are not valid after two years.
  - \*Only TOEFL iBT® scores from a single test date will be considered (MyBest™ scores will not be taken into consideration)

■ **Application Due**

<b>Application Due Date</b>
<b>Wednesday, April 5, 2023 (04:00 pm)</b>

### ■ Place of Submission

Administrative Office, Graduate School of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University  
56-1, Kitamachi, Toji-in, Kita-ku, Kyoto, Japan 603-8577 (Must arrive by the due date.)

### \*Consultation in Advance (required)

Applicants must consult with the Administrative Office of Graduate School of International Relations for application requirements of partner university (including GPA and language proficiency level) before applying for internal selection.

Once accepted as a candidate for one-semester exchange program through internal selection, applicants must apply to the partner university of their choice.

### ■ Other precautions

Please note that you cannot withdraw your application after it has been submitted.

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