

**Invitation to Join or Renew the Policy Science Association Membership for Fiscal 2024**

## 1. Membership requirements

Membership of the Policy Science Association is available to those who have completed the doctoral program of Ritsumeikan University School of Policy Science Graduate School, who left the university after completing the doctoral program, or whom the Policy Science Association Standing Committee has decided to admit.

## 2. Admission term and membership term

April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025

Membership applications will be accepted anytime during the above period.

## 3. Membership fee (annual)

- 8,000 yen

Please pay this whole amount irrespective of the time of application for a new or renewed membership. Please submit a written application and transfer the fee to the bank account indicated in the information that will arrive in about two weeks after the submission.

## 4. Policy Science Association members are eligible for the following privileges.

- Subscription to PSA's journal *Policy Science*  
(If a member joins the PSA in the middle of the membership year, all the issues published during the year will be granted.)
- Qualifications for contributing to *Policy Science*

## 5. How to join the PSA or renew the membership

Fill out the new-member application or renewal application form and submit it to the Administrative Office of College of Policy Science. It can also be submitted by email.

Please transfer the amount to the bank account you will be informed of within two weeks.

\* Before you make a transfer, please tell the Administrative Office of College of Policy Science the planned date of payment. As soon as we confirm the arrival of the fee, your membership will be newly created or renewed.

6. Contribution to *Policy Science*

In fiscal 2024, you will be invited to contribute to the Vol. 32, No. 1 issue (scheduled at the end of October) and No. 2 issue (scheduled at the end of February). (Please refer to “*Policy Science* Publication and Editing Schedule” on the attached sheet.)

The referee reading system will be applied to the contributions from those who have completed the doctoral program or have left the College after completing the program without a Ph.D., in the same manner as applied to contributions from students in the doctoral program.

## 7. Points of contact

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