

For enrolled students in AY2027 (Implemented in AY2026).

This is NOT for AY2026 (Implemented in AY2025).

Changes to the AY2027 Entrance Examination for the Master's Program in Geosciences, Degree Programs in Life and Earth Sciences, Graduate School of Science and Technology

Master's Program in Geosciences, Degree Programs in Life and Earth Sciences, Graduate School of Science and Technology will integrate the examinations conducted separately for the two fields of “Geoenvironmental Science Field” and “Earth Evolution Science Field” from of the entrance examination for the academic year 2027 (held in the academic year 2026), and change the selection method as follows.

This change will apply to the August Selection Process and January to February Selection Process of entrance examinations.

1: Submission of “Research Plan” at the time of application

【Before the change】

Applicants in the Geoenvironmental Science Field: No need to submit a research plan

Applicants in the Earth Evolution Science Field: Need to submit a research plan.

【After the change】

All applicants for the Master’s Program in Geosciences need to submit a research plan

2: Point distribution and entrance examination method, etc.

【Before the change】

August Selection Process, January to February Selection Process

Date	Day 1		Day 2
Subject	Foreign Language (150 points)	Specialized Subject (250 points)	Oral Examination (100 points)
Time		2 hours	
Content	Evaluate the score on the TOEIC, TOEFL, TOEFL iBT® Home Edition or IELTS Academic Module.	(Geoenvironmental Science Field) Answer one common questions and questions on one area selected at the time of application from the list. (total 2 questions.) (Earth Evolution Science Field) Answer one common question and 2 questions on areas selected during the examination from the list (total 3 questions.)	Interview about the area of specialization and future plans.

List

Field	Research Area (Specialized Subject)
Geoenvironmental Science	Human Geography, Regional Geography, Geomorphology, Hydrological Science, Atmospheric Science, Spatial Information Science, Analysis of Environmental Dynamics, Water-related Disaster Science, Atmosphere-Ocean Interaction System
Earth Evolution Science	Paleobiological Science, Paleogeosphere Science, Geodynamics, Petrology, Mineralogy, Planetary Resource Geology, Earth Historical Analysis

【After the change】

August Selection Process, January to February Selection Process

Date	Day 1		Day 2
Subject	Foreign Language (100 points)	Specialized Subject (300 points)	Oral Examination (100 points)
Time		1.5 hours	
Content	Evaluate the score on the TOEIC, TOEFL, TOEFL iBT® Home Edition or IELTS Academic Module.	At the time of application, select each of the following from the list: - Area of interest (only one) - Two elective questions related to the area of interest and answer a total of three questions along with one common question.	Interview about the area of specialization and future plans.

List

area	Elective Question
Human Geosciences	Geoenvironmental Science, Human Geography, Regional Geography, Geomorphology, Analysis of Environmental Dynamics
Atmospheric and Hydrospheric Sciences	Geoenvironmental Science, Hydrological Science, Atmospheric Science, Analysis of Environmental Dynamics, Water-related Disaster Science, Atmosphere-Ocean Interaction System
Solid Earth Science Biogeosciences	Paleobiological Science, Paleogeosphere Science, Geodynamics, Petrology, Mineralogy, Planetary Resource Geology, Earth Historical Analysis

For further details, please refer to the Application Guidelines for AY2027.