

**Notice: Changes to the AY2027 Entrance Examination for the Doctoral Program
in Human Biology, Degree Programs in Comprehensive Human Sciences,
Graduate School of Comprehensive Human Sciences**

The Doctoral Program in Human Biology will implement the following changes to its entrance examination for the 2027 academic year:

Changes of the “Oral Examination” in the “Selection Process”:

【Before the change】

Subject	Written (100 points)	Group Session (100 points)	Oral Examination (100 points)
Time	9:00-10:15	11:00-12:30	14:00-
Content	Questions that ask basic knowledge and explanatory ability	Divide the examinees into two groups and discuss a subject with pros and cons (English or Japanese). Examinees are imposed to write the summary of the debate. (English)	Exams that ask about the research, non-academic activities, future careers, etc.
Language	English	English or Japanese	English or Japanese



【After the change】

Subject	Written (100 points)	Group Session (100 points)	Oral Examination (100 points)
Time	9:00-10:15	11:00-12:30	14:00-
Content	Questions that ask basic knowledge and explanatory ability	Divide the examinees into two groups and discuss a subject with pros and cons (English or Japanese). Examinees are imposed to write the summary of the debate. (English)	Exams that ask about the research, non-academic activities, future careers, etc. <u>Applicants' English proficiency will be assessed to determine whether they are capable of taking courses conducted in English.*</u>
Language	English	English or Japanese	English or Japanese

* For applicants taking the oral examination in Japanese, a portion of the oral examination will be conducted in English.

Please note that the above changes will be officially confirmed in the application guidelines scheduled to be published in late April 2026. Be sure to check the official application guidelines for the 2027 academic year entrance examinations.