

**Notice of Partial Revision to the Application Guidelines
for the AY 2027 Doctoral Program in Humanities,
Graduate School of Integrative and Global Multidisciplinary Arena
(G-SIGMA)**

We hereby announce that the Application Guidelines for the Doctoral Program in Humanities, G-SIGMA, published on September 10, 2026, have been partially revised as follows.

Section to Be Revised:

Description concerning the submission of the “Letter of Recommendation” under “7. Required Documents, Examination ID Card, etc.”

Details of the revision (revised portions are shown in red):

【Before Revision】

1.) Documents to be submitted directly by your recommender
(The recommender must submit the original letter by post or a scanned copy as an email attachment.)

* If the recommendation letter is not received by the deadline, we cannot accept the application.

Documents	Required for	Remarks
Letter of Recommendation	(General Selection Process)	A letter of recommendation must be prepared by the dean of the faculty or the academic supervisor at the university from which the applicant graduated or is expected to graduate. The recommendation letter must be written on A4/letter-size paper with the department-letter-head printed and with the signature of the recommender. The letter must be posted by the recommender directly to the admission office by registered mail or email. Important Notice: If the applicant does not have TOEFL, TOEIC, or IELTS scores, the recommender must include an evaluation of the applicant’s English proficiency in the recommendation letter.



【After Revision】

1.) Documents to be submitted directly by your recommender

~~(The recommender must submit the original letter by post or a scanned copy as an email attachment.)~~

* The letter of recommendation must be submitted directly by the dean of the applicant's faculty or the applicant's academic supervisor, either by postal mail or as an email attachment.

* If a considerable period of time has passed since the applicant graduated from university and it is difficult to obtain a letter of recommendation from the applicant's alma mater, the letter may be prepared by the applicant's current academic supervisor, workplace supervisor, or another appropriate person.

* If the recommendation letter is not received by the deadline, we cannot accept the application.

Documents	Required for	Remarks
Letter of Recommendation	(General Selection Process) All applicants	A letter of recommendation must be prepared by the dean of the faculty or the academic supervisor at the university from which the applicant graduated or is expected to graduate, workplace supervisor, or another appropriate person. The recommendation letter must be written on A4/letter-size paper with the department-letter-head printed and with the signature of the recommender. The letter must be posted by the recommender directly to the admission SIGMA office by registered mail or email. Important Notice: If the applicant does not have TOEFL, TOEIC, or IELTS scores, the recommender must include an evaluation of the applicant's English proficiency in the recommendation letter.

※ The Application Guidelines currently available have already been updated to reflect the above revisions.