Academic Year of 2017

Master's Program Department of Dryland Science Graduate School of Sustainability Science, Tottori University

Application Guidelines

for

Special Entrance Examination (Second Round)

Application Period	Monday, February 20, 2017 ~ Friday, February 24, 2017
Examination Period	Thursday, March 9, 2017
Announcement of Results	11 a.m. Tuesday, March 21, 2017

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Academic Year of 2017 Master's Program Department of Dryland Science Graduate School of Sustainability Science, Tottori University Special Entrance Examination (Second Round) Application Requirements

Graduate School of Sustainability Science is conducting a Special Entrance Examination (Second Round) to recruit creative, independent and enthusiastic students from both internal and external institutions and train them to produce excellent scientists. This entrance exam is open for international students.

1. Department, Courses, Positions Available, Field of Education and Research

Department	Course	Positions Available	Field of Education and Research	
Department of	General Program		See "List of Fields of Education and	
Dryland Science	Special Program in English	A few	Research" on page 8.	

The General Program will develop scientists with advanced level technical knowledge and global perspective for societal contributions.

The Special Program in English will offer the whole course work in English to develop scientists with advanced skills to carry out projects that can contribute to the international society.

2. Qualification Requirements

Applicants must fulfill one of the criteria given from (1) to (10) below. International students who wish to apply for the General Program must be proficient in Japanese.

- (1) Graduated or expected to graduate from a four year university program on or before the end of March 2017.
- (2) Awarded or expected to be awarded a bachelor's degree by the National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education following the School Education Law Article 104 Clause 4 on or before the end of March 2017.
- (3) Have finished or expected to finish 16 years of formal education in a foreign country on or before the end of March 2017.
- (4) Have finished or expected to finish 16 years of formal education of a foreign country on or before the end of March 2017 by completing Correspondence Education courses provided by the country in questions while residing in Japan.
- (5) Have finished or expected to complete a program provided by an educational institution which owns degree programs offered in foreign countries (only the program that grants the diploma for 16 years of formal education in the said foreign country) which is also recognized as a formal educational institution in the said county while authorized by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology on or before the end of March 2017.
- (6) Have been awarded or expected to be awarded a degree equivalent to bachelor's by completing program duration of which is more than 3 years (includes the case of finishing 16 years of formal education of a foreign country by completing Correspondence Education courses provided by the country in question while residing in Japan, and the case of obtaining degree specified by (5) when graduating from an educational

institution recognized by the foreign country in question) at a university or other form of school in a foreign country (limited to the institutions with their educational quality such as education and research activities recognized by the evaluators approved by the government of the foreign country in question or other relevant authorities, or institutions specifically recognized by its equivalent by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) on or before the end of March 2017.

- (7) Have finished upper-level course of a specialized training college (limited to the course duration of which is more than 4 years and meets other requirements provided by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology), which is specially approved by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, after the date provided by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology or be expected to finish above mentioned course before the end of March 2017.
- (8) Specially recommended by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (Public notice Item 5 by Ministry of Education in 1953)
- (9) Reach or have reached 22 years old on or before the end of March 2017 whose qualification is recognized to be equivalent or higher than those who graduated from a four year university program by individual qualification evaluation at the Graduate School of Sustainability Science.
- (10)Admitted to a graduate school by the School Education Law Article 102 Clause 2, and one's academic performance is recognized to be suitable for the Graduate School of Sustainability Science.

Applicants who are applying under (9) or (10) category must visit the Academic Affairs Division of Faculty of Agriculture, Tottori University and get an application form for evaluation of qualification which should be submitted no later than Wednesday, February 15, 2017. The result of evaluation will be announced by Friday, February 17, 2017.

3. Application

(1) Period

Applications must be submitted from Monday, February 20 to Friday, February 24, 2017.

Reception hour is from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Mailed applications will be accepted only when postmarked by the sending office on or before Monday, February 20.

(2) Place of Submission

4-101 Koyama-cho Minami, Tottori680-8553Academic Affairs DivisionFaculty of AgricultureTottori UniversityTel: (0857) 31-5346

(3) Application Procedures

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Applicants must fill and submit the documents listed in the table below. Applicants should use appropriate forms: For the General Program application, use the Japanese form. For the Special Program in English application, use the English form.

Application submitted by mail should use registered mail and has to be marked "Application for Special Entrance Examination (Second Round) for Graduate Course Enclosed" in red ink.

1	Application Form	Use provided form
2	Manuscript of Oral Examination Presentation	Using the attached format as a reference, describe the research to be conducted after admission utilizing what you've learned previously in 1 page on A4 paper. Manuscript must be prepared in Japanese for the General Program application and in English for the Special Program in English application.
3	Research Proposal	Applicants for the Special Program in English must submit detailed research plans to be conducted at Department of Dryland Science. It must be written in English. (Format not specified) (A4 size paper, 4 ~ 6 pages)
4	Academic Transcript and Letter of Recommendation	Applicants must submit an academic transcript issued by the head of last educational institution attended. Must be sealed in an envelope. In addition to that, foreign applicants must submit a letter of recommendation which can be prepared by an academic supervisor, immediate supervisor of currently affiliated research institution or current employer.
5	TOEIC or TOEFL Score etc.	Applicants for the Special Program in English must submit the original copy of TOEIC or TOEFL certificate obtained within 2 years prior to the application submission. Foreign applicants who graduated from universities of countries that use English as official language who are planning to stay in Japan with visa status of "student") are not required to submit this. Instead, a document that verifies completion of university education in English issued by the president or its equivalent authority of the university should be submitted. The certificate will be returned with your examination admission card.
6	Certificate of (expected) Graduation	The certificate must be issued by an authorized person of applicant's degree granting institute. (Applicants who graduated from the Faculty of Agriculture of Tottori University are not required to submit the certificate.)
7	Examination Fee	30,000 Japanese Yen Using the prescribed application for payment, make a transfer from the bank other than Post Office and Japan Post Bank. Make sure to get the "Proof of Examination Fee Payment" and attach it on the "Submission Sheet of Proof of Examination Fee Payment" as directed. (Do not use ATM machines. Please be aware that the bank transfer fees for payment shall be borne by applicants) The "Receipt Confirmation of Examination Fee (and bank transfer fee)" will serve

		as a receipt. It will be required when requesting a refund.
		The examination fee must be transferred to the account provided from Tuesday,
		February 14, 2017 to Friday, February 24, 2017.
		The examination fee will not be refunded under any conditions except for the
		following:
		(A) Applicant did not apply (did not submit application)
		(B) Application did not get accepted
		(C) Examination fee was paid twice by mistake
8	Return Envelope for Examination Admission Card	An standard envelop (rectangular No. 3 12.0cm \times 23.5cm) with 362 JPY stamp (include express mail fee) attached and postal code, address and name written.
9	Certificate of Degree Award or Certificate of Expected Degree Award	Only applicants who are applying under (2) category are required to submit this. Applicants expected to complete junior colleges or advanced courses of technical colleges must submit the certificate of expected degree award and documents to verify application for bachelor's degree conferment.
10	Certificate of Residence (Foreign Applicants Only)	Foreign applicants who reside in Japan must submit a copy of certificate of residence (both sides) or residence card issued by the mayor of the municipality etc. or a document that proves status of residence. Foreign applicants residing outside Japan must submit a copy of passport.
11	Certificate of	
	Health	Foreign applicants who reside in Japan must submit a certificate of health completed
	(Foreign	by a medical doctor within six months of application date.
1	Applicants Only)	

4. Entrance Examination

Applicants will be evaluated based on document screening and oral examination.

(1) Document Screening

Based on the TOEIC/TOEFL scores etc. (Special Program in English applicants only) and academic transcripts, language proficiency (Special Program in English applicants only) and basic knowledge will be evaluated.

(2) Oral Examination

Applicants will be asked to present a 10 minutes (strictly enforced) presentation (applicant must control the laptop etc.) based on the manuscript. Applicants' technical knowledge and suitability will be evaluated based on the presentation and Q & A. During the Q & A session, applicants may be asked about the presentation and the purpose and motive of application.

Laptop usage is allowed for the presentation. An LCD projector will be provided. Bring own laptop and its peripherals.

(3) Examination Dates

Date	Thursday, March 9, 2017	
Venue	4-101 Koyama-cho Minami, Tottori	
	Faculty of Agriculture, Tottori University	

Examination details such as schedule will be discussed with applicants.

5. Applicants with Physical Disability

Applicants with physical disability should submit a document (formats not specified) stating following along with a doctor's note or copy of physical disability certificate to the Academic Affairs Division of Faculty of Agriculture by Wednesday, February 15, 2017 to discuss possibly required assistance/accommodations at examination.

- (1) Applicant's name and address (Phone number should be provided as well)
- (2) Desired field of education/research
- (3) Graduated university, faculty and department etc.
- (4) Type and level of disability
- (5) Accommodations necessary for examination
- (6) Accommodations necessary for course completion
- (7) Accommodations made at the graduated university
- (8) Description of daily life

6. Announcement of Examination Result

11 a.m. Tuesday, March 21, 2017

The result will be posted at the entrance of Faculty of Agriculture, Tottori University. The original copy of the letter of acceptance will be sent out to accepted applicants via mail.

7. Admission Process

Instructions for admission process will be individually notified to accepted applicants.

- (1) Processing Documents etc.
 - Dossier, photograph mount for student ID etc.
- (2) Entrance Fee 282,000 Japanese Yen (Tentative)
- (3) Tuition Fees 535,800 Japanese Yen / year [First Semester: 267,900 Yen, Second Semester: 267,900 Yen] (Tentative)
 - Tuition Fees must be paid be paid in May (First Semester) and November (Second Semester)
 - Payment instructions will be provided to accepted applicants

(NOTES) a. Once submitted, the entrance fee will not be refunded under any conditions.

- b. Students who wish to get an entrance/tuition fees waiver (or collection postponement) should not submit the entrance/ tuition fees upon admission process.
- c. Above stated entrance/tuition fees amounts are tentative and may change at any time. Students will be asked to pay the revised amount while taking courses at Tottori University.
- (4) Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research

Students of Tottori University are required to be covered by the Personal Accident Insurance for Students

Pursuing Education and Research to ensure safe and secure college life. The premium costs 1,750 yen per two years coverage. This premium, which covers the insured when any injuries occur, is considerably cheaper than the premium of private insurance plans.

(NOTE) This is an accident insurance which covers any injuries occurred while insured students are participating regular or extracurricular curricular activities, commuting to school, or being on campus. For more details, please contact the Health Science Center (TEL (0857)31-5065).

(5) Place of Admission Process 4-101 Koyama-cho Minami, Tottori

Academic Affairs Division of Faculty of Agriculture, Tottori University

8. Extended Course System

This system provides students with fulltime occupation a chance to plan and complete the course within certain period of time (maximum of 4 years) beyond average period required for course completion (2 years).

Same amount paid for 2 year course tuition will split into 3 (or 4) according to the plan.

Applicants who wish to use this system should contact the Academic Affairs Division of Faculty of Agriculture upon admission process.

9. Entrance Fee Waiver (collection postponement) and Tuition Fees Waiver

Entrance or tuition fees (full or half amount) can be waived if applicant meets one of the following conditions and university sees the extreme difficulty of entrance or tuition fees payment as a result of the waiver evaluation requested by the applicant.

- (1) Extreme difficulty paying for entrance or tuition fees although academic performance is excellent.
- (2) Within one year prior to the admission, defrayer of academic expenses has deceased, or either the student himself/herself or defrayer of academic expenses got affected by natural disasters.
- (3) Meets condition (2) and President of Tottori University recognizes the needs of waive in provided condition. (NOTE) The student himself/herself who has suffered directly from the Great East Japan Earthquake or Kumamoto Earthquake may be granted entrance fee waiver or collection postponement, and tuition fees waiver.

Please contact Scholarship section of Student Support Division under Student Affairs Department (TEL (0857) 31-5059 / 6776) for more details.

10. Others

- (1) Applicants taking the oral examination on Tottori University's campus must bring examination admission card issued by Tottori University on the examination day.
- (2) Please contact the Academic Affairs Division of Faculty of Agriculture, Tottori University for any inquiries related to application, examination and admission.

Oral Examination Manuscript Format

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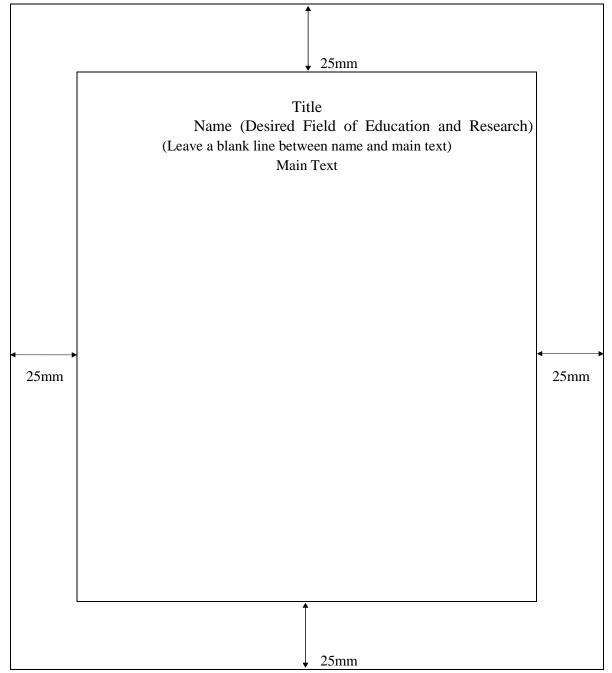
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Main text: 11 or 12 point

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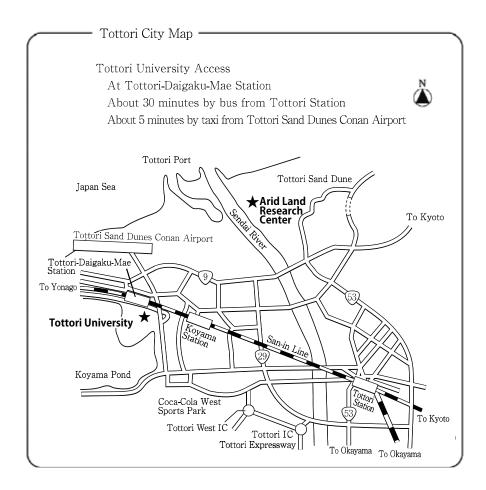
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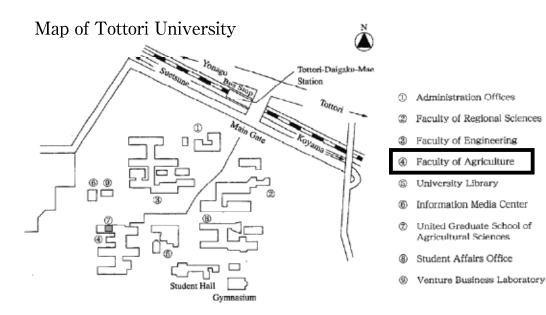
Based on your knowledge, describe the research you'd like to conduct at the graduate school including research plan, background, and methods etc. You may include tables and figures (black and white). Manuscript must be typed with word processor.



List of Fields of Education and Research

Department	Program	Field of Education and Research	Supervisor	Keyword 1	Keyword 2	Keyword 3	Keyword 4	Keyword 5						
		Plant Eco-Physiology	Ping AN	Environmental stresses	Mechanisms	Dry lands agriculture	Saline soils	Halophytes						
		Sustainable Land Management	Nigussie Haregeweyn AYEHU	Land degradation	Sustainable land management	Integrated watershed management	Spatial analysis	Haydrologic modeling						
		Agricultural Extension Studies	Asres Elias BAYSA	Agricultural extension studies	Gender and development	Agricultural economics	Rural development	Africa						
		Plant Genetic Engineering	Amin Elsadig Eltayeb Habora	Agricultural biotechnology	Gene cloning	Gene function	Abiotic stress tolerance	Genetic engineering						
		Dryland Environmental Resources	Tsuneyoshi ENDO	Soil resources	Irrigated agriculture	Behavior of salts	Soil salinization	Environmental remidiation						
		Irrigation and Drainage in Drylands	Haruyuki FUJIMAKI	Water-saving irrigation	Water harvesting	Leaching	Salinization	Erosion						
		Environmental Inorganic Chemical Toxicology	Sawako HORAI	Trace elements	Wildlife	Human	Ecosystem	Risk assessment						
		Facilities and Environmental Materials	Masahiro HYODO	Buried pipe	Evaluation of the residual strength	Industrial by- product	Restoration of aquatic environment	Agricultural facilities						
		Theoretical Physics	Natsumi IKENO	Relativistic quantum mechanics	Strong interaction	Meson	Nucleus	Numerical calculation						
		Soil and Water Management	Koji INOSAKO	Restoration of farm land	Soil-Plant- Atmospheric continuum system	Irrigation and drainage	Desalinization	Environmental biophysics						
		Animal Ecology	Takehiko ITO	Mammal	Grassland ecosystem	Conservation biology	Animal-plant interaction	GIS						
		Applied Meteorology in Drylands	Reiji KIMURA	Boundary layer meteorology	Hydrometeorology	Remote-sensing	Aridity monitoring	Dust						
	glish	Dryland Restoration and Conservation Ecology	Toshihiko KINUGASA	Arid and semi−arid grassland	Global environmental change	Human disturbance	Secondary succession	Plant matter production						
ience	m in English	Dryland Climatology	Yasunori KUROSAKI	Climatology & meteorology	Aeolian dust	Wind erosion	Climatic variation	Desertification						
Department of Dryland Science I Program / Special Program in E	Progra	Crop Production in Drylands	Eiji NISHIHARA	Medicinal plants	Allelopathy	Mitigation of replant problem	LED light in plant factory	Biochar						
	Special	Construction and Management Engineering of Facility in Rural Regions	Hidehiko OGATA	Irrigation and drainage facilities	Farm road	Functional diagnosis	Rehabilitation method	Management and maintenance						
irtment	ogram/1	Plant Molecular Physiology	Masanori OKAMOTO	Generation of drought tolerant plants	Genetically modified plants	Chemical biology	Genetics	Plant hormones						
Depa	_	General Pro	ieral Pro	Dryland Health and Medicine	Shinji OTANI	Global health	Environmental medicine	Travel medicine	Infectious disease	Noncommunicab diseases				
			Water Management in Drylands	Theib OWEIS	Water harvesting	Supplemental irrigation	Water productivity	Water use efficiency	Water scarcity					
				Land Environment and Conservation	Tadaomi SAITO	Soil water and solute movement	Interaction among soil, water and vegetation	Soil erosion	Environmental measurement techniques	UAV(Drone)				
											Agricultural Water Use and Management	Katsuyuki SHIMIZU	Agricultural water use	Field hydrology
		Renewable Energy Engineering	Kotaro TAGAWA	Solar and wind energy	Energy generation and conversion	Evaluation of energy system	Desalination	Heat and mass transfer						
						Microbiology in Drylands	Takeshi TANIGUCHI	Microbial ecology	Ecosystem restoration	Use of rhizosphere microorganisms	Metagenome	Mycorrhizal fung		
		Molecular Breeding	Hisashi TSUJIMOTO	Wheat	Stress tolerance improvement	Germplasm enhancement	Chromosome engineering	Food shortage						
		Conservation Informatics	Atsushi TSUNEKAWA	Environmental evaluation and modeling	Remote sensing	GIS	Regional environmental planning	Sustainable Land Management						
		Plant Nutrition	Satoshi YAMADA	Salinity	Mineral absorption	Crop quality	Growth analysis	Water saving						
		Environmental Soil Science	Sadahiro YAMAMOTO	Conservation oriented agriculture	Salt affected soils	Soil quality assesment	Soil organic matter	Soil formation an classification						
		Revegetation Science in Drylands	Norikazu YAMANAKA	Revegetation in arid areas	Ecosystem restoration	Forest ecology	Drought and salt tolerance of woody plants	Water relations of plants						
		Dryland Hydrology	Hiroshi YASUDA	Hydrology	Water budget	Precipitation	Groundwater	Aqua environme						
		Agricultural Development Studies	Kumi YASUNOBU	Area studies	Farm management studies	Technology diffusion	Rural development	Common resourd management						
		Hydrospheric Environment Science	Yumi YOSHIOKA	Groundwater	Water cycle	Irrigation water use	Evaluation of socioeconomic factor	Irrigation and drainage						





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Special Entrance Examination (Second Round)

Apr	plication Form	Examinee'	s Number	*				
Department	Department of Dryland Science	Course						
Field of Education/Research								
	E N G				Sex			
Name	JPN				Male			
		(Required for Japa	anese applicants)	• Female			
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3. All applicants must communicate with their prospective main supervisor of desired Field of Education and Research before submitting the application form. <u>Please contact Academic Affairs Division of Faulty of Agriculture, Tottori University</u> (contact information on the cover of this book) when you cannot reach the prospective <u>main supervisor.</u>

Name of Examinee					Examinee' s Number				
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(Middle School)※	(Location)				years	(To)			
(High	(Name)					(From)			
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(Undergradu ate)	(Location)				years	(To)			
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Academic Year of 2017 Master's Program Department of Dryland Science Graduate School of Sustainability Science Tottori University <u>Examination Admission Card</u>

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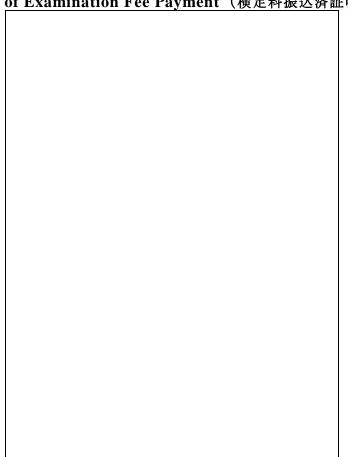
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Master's Program Department of Dryland Science Graduate School of Sustainability Science, Tottori University Proof of Examination Fee Payment (検定料振込済証明書)



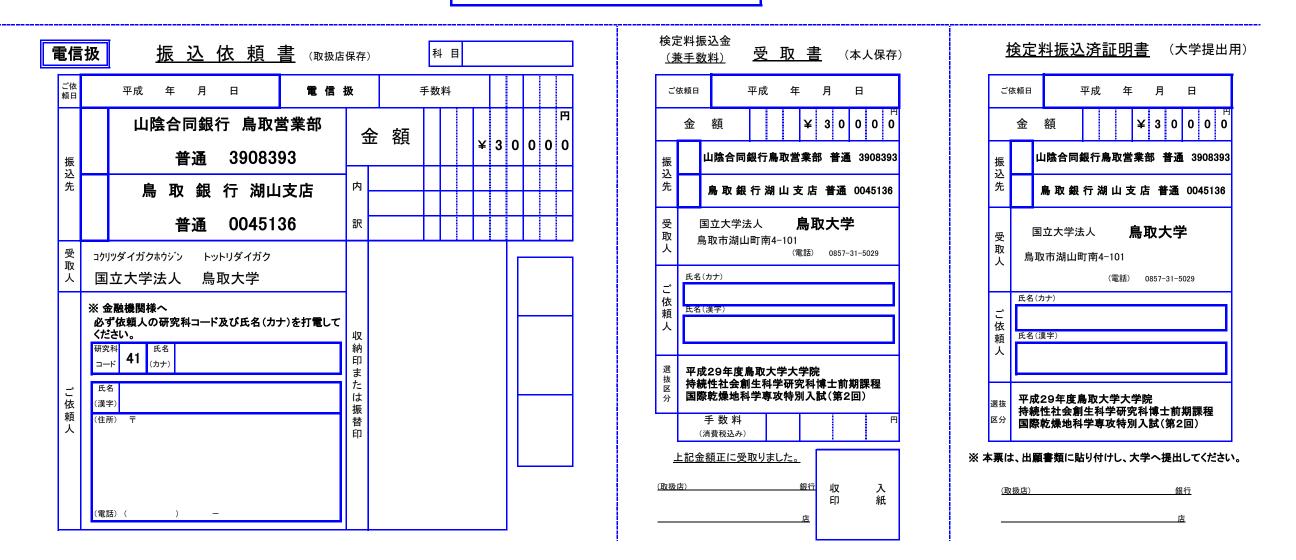
Instructions

Date of Request (ご依頼日) : Please write down the date of remittance.

Beneficiary(振込先) : Please circle on either San-in Godo Bank Tottori Branch (山陰合同銀行鳥取営業部) or Tottori Bank Koyama Branch(鳥取銀行湖山支店).

- Applicant's Information(ご依頼人) : Please print applicant's name in the name column. : Please provide zip code and phone number as well in the address column.
 - X Please remit fees according to the period of payment.
 - X Do not use ATM machines.
 - X Applciant must bare the bank transfer fee.

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*Please remit the fee according to the following

Examination Fee

Transfer

Request Sheet

Tuesday, February 14,2017 - Friday, February 24, 2017

Period of Payment