

Changes to Entrance Examinations for Division of Law and Politics,
Graduate School of Law (Master's Course), Kanazawa University
for Enrollment in October 2025 and
April/October 2026

The following changes will be made to entrance examinations for Division of Law and Politics, Graduate School of Law (Master's Course) for October 2025 and April/October 2026 enrollment.

For more information, please check the application guidelines to be released by late April 2025.

(1) Selection Categories

The following three selections in the right column will be held.

Before the Change	After the Change
General Selection Special Selection for International Students Special Selection for Kanazawa University Students Based on Recommendation of Kanazawa University Faculty Member Special Selection for Short-term (1 year) Study Program Special Selection for Working Professionals Special Selection for Students of Partner Universities in Taiwan	General Selection
Special Selection in English	Special Selection in English
Special Selection for Graduates of Research and Education Centers for Japanese Law	Special Selection for Graduates of Research and Education Centers for Japanese Law

(2) Selection Methods

Selection will be based on an evaluation of the application documents and an online oral examination. In some specialized fields, applicants may also be required to submit a written report on an assigned topic.

(3) Foreign Language Exam Scores

The minimum score of TOEIC and TOEFL will be changed for General Selection.

Foreign Language Exam	Before the Change	After the Change
TOEIC (L&R)	600	570
TOEIC (L&R) IP TEST held at Kanazawa University	600	570
TOEFL-iBT (Including Home Edition)	61	56

1. Workers with Japanese citizenship will not be required to submit of foreign language exam scores.
2. Applicants for General Selection who are non-native speakers of Japanese, as well as applicants for the Special Selection for Graduates of Research and Education Centers for Japanese Law, are required to submit certificate of Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) N2 level or higher or a letter of recommendation from a full-time faculty member* of a university who can confirm that the applicant has Japanese language ability at N2 level or higher.

(4) New Program: “Data Privacy Expert Development Program (Law and Politics)”

Entrance examination for this program will be held for April 2026 or later enrollment. Details of this program will be announced in the application guideline.

*For applicants of Special Selection for Graduates of Research and Education Centers for Japanese Law: A teaching staff of Research and Education Centers for Japanese Law.

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