



## New entry permission for 2020 Spring&Fall new students

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### 1. [Overview]

On September 25, 2020, the Government of Japan announced that, in principle, the holders of statuses of residence of “Student”, “Dependent” and others, in addition to cross-border business travelers of all countries and regions will be incrementally permitted to enter Japan from October 1, 2020, under the condition that the person is hosted by a company/entity that can assure observation of quarantine measures. However, the number of people to be permitted to enter Japan will be restricted.

\*This is for 2020 Spring & Fall new students who have a valid COE and are applying for a student Visa who have not yet entered Japan (have not yet obtained a residence card).

Your entry is not allowed under this framework if you have history of stay in countries and regions which are subject to denial of permission to entry (excluding the country/region of your departure) within 14 days prior to your arrival in Japan.

### **★Please read and understand the following website carefully.**

- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan “Phased Measures for Resuming Cross-Border Travel”

[https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/cp/page22e\\_000925.html](https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/cp/page22e_000925.html)

\*Online classes in the 2020 fall semester will be continued throughout the semester.

### 2. [Procedure]

If you wish to enter Japan, please complete the following procedure.

Check  when each step is completed.

#### **Step 1: Request your entry and issuance of “Written Pledge”**

Inform us when you want to come to Japan and request issuance of “Written Pledge” which is necessary for your Visa application through the Google form below;

<https://forms.gle/UnLYrHfqcCTZMr4y9>

\*Please note that it takes some business days to issue the written pledge. \*Except for dormitory students

#### **[For dormitory students]**

It is necessary to request your move-in date to the dormitory. For the details, please refer to the “International House (Dormitory) information for 2020 enrollees who have not entered Japan” attached.

\*Since there is a limit to the number of students who can move into the dormitory, issuance of the written pledge is also limited.

#### **Step 2: Apply for a Visa.**

To apply for a Visa, please submit the required documents to Japanese embassy/consulate in your country/region. The Visa is valid for 3 months from the date of issue and must be valid at the time of your arrival in Japan. Please

check with the embassy/consulate for the days required to obtain your Visa.

\*All students who want to enter Japan need to (re)apply for a Visa.

- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan “Application for Visa for foreign nationals eligible for Phased Measures toward Resuming Cross-Border Travel”

[https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/fna/page22e\\_000921.html](https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/fna/page22e_000921.html)

### **Required documents for Visa application**

Based on the decision on September 25, 2020, all types of the status of residence, provided the applicant has the Certificate of Eligibility, are applicable for the new entry to Japan.

1. **Visa application form (with photo attached)**
2. **Passport**
3. **Certificate of Eligibility (COE)**
4. **Written pledge issued by TIU (2 copies)**

After receiving the written pledge (PDF) from TIU via email, print out 2 copies and submit. 1 copy will be returned when your Visa is issued. Please keep the copy and submit it to the quarantine station upon your arrival at the airport.

5. **Statement letter from TIU**

\*This letter will be sent with the written pledge only if your COE is issued more than 3 months ago.

- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan “Application for Visa for foreign nationals eligible for Phased Measures toward Resuming Cross-Border Travel”

[https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/fna/page22e\\_000921.html](https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/fna/page22e_000921.html)

### **Step 3: Prepare for entry**

First, since the required procedures and documents differ depending on whether you are entering from a country/region which is subject to denial of permission to entry or not, check whether your country is subject to denial of permission to entry.

Please refer to the following website for countries/regions which are subject to denial of permission to entry;

[https://www.mofa.go.jp/p\\_pd/ipr/page7e\\_900126.html](https://www.mofa.go.jp/p_pd/ipr/page7e_900126.html)

(Border enforcement measures to prevent the spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19))

***If your country is listed in (1) in the above website, please go to ①***

***If your country is NOT listed in (1) in the above website, please go to ②***

### **① Entering from a country/region which is subject to denial of permission to entry**

#### **Required documents at the time of arrival in Japan**

1. **Valid visa, valid COE, valid passport**
2. **Certificate of negative COVID-19 test result conducted within 72 hours before departure (from the sampling time)**

Present a negative COVID-19 test result (or copy) to quarantine officer upon your arriving at the airport.

Regarding the format of the certificate, refer to the MOFA website linked below;

[https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/fna/page25e\\_000334.html](https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/fna/page25e_000334.html)

\* Please note that airline staff at the departure airport may also ask you to show the test result at the time of departure.

3. **Written pledge issued by TIU** (1 copy, which is returned from the Japanese embassy/consulate after your Visa is issued.)
4. **Questionnaire** (It will be provided to all passengers on board in the entry flight.)

### **Other requirements**

#### **Take out private medical insurance**

It is requested to take out private medical insurance (including travel insurance covering medical expenses during your stay in Japan) offered by insurance companies in your country before entering Japan until you enroll in the National Health Insurance (NHI). The period of the private medical insurance should be for 5 days if you are a dormitory student or should be for 20 days if you are a non-dormitory student.

\*In Japan, all residents are required to join health insurance, and most E-Track students join the NHI. NHI covers 70% of hospital fees.

#### **Health monitoring for 14 days before and 14 days after entering Japan (total 28 days)**

**(1)** Download the Daily Body Temperature Measurements from the link below and fill it every day for 14 days before and after entering Japan (total 28 days);

<https://www.tiu.ac.jp/etrack/info/docs/DailyBodyTemperatureMeasurements.pdf>

Refer to the pre-departure monitoring result when you fill in the "Questionnaire" which will be provided on board the entry flight and submit the form to the IEO ([etrack-student@tiu.ac.jp](mailto:etrack-student@tiu.ac.jp)) via email once your self-quarantine after entry is over.

\*Should any common symptoms of COVID-19 including a fever of 37.5°C or higher, respiratory symptoms, strong feeling of weariness (fatigue) be recognized, it is necessary that the trip to Japan be cancelled and inform the IEO immediately at [etrack-student@tiu.ac.jp](mailto:etrack-student@tiu.ac.jp).

\* Since you will be required to record your body temperature for the 14 days prior to your entry into Japan, as well as for the 14 days following your entry into Japan (total: 28 days), please bring your own clinical thermometer with you.

**(2)** Report your daily health condition to the IEO in the way specified by the IEO every day, during 14 continuous days after entry in Japan. The details will be informed sometime later.

#### **Install the COVID-19 contact tracing application (COCOA) in your smartphone before your departure.**

Airport quarantine officer and immigration officer will check if you have installed the application upon your arrival.

Install from the below link;

- Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare COVID-19 contact tracing application

[https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/cocoa\\_00007.html](https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/cocoa_00007.html)

- Instruction: <https://www.mhlw.go.jp/content/10900000/000647649.pdf>

**Install the Google map application in your smartphone *before your departure* and keep location data through map application for 14 days after entering Japan.**

Airport quarantine officer and immigration officer will check if you have installed the application upon your arrival. The retained location data will be disclosed when required by health center. Make sure to change settings to keep your location data (Google map timeline) referring to the below link;

<https://support.google.com/maps/answer/6258979?co=GENIE.Platform%3DAndroid&hl=en&oco=0>

◇ Reference

- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan “Phased Measures for Resuming Cross-Border Travel”

(Procedures to be Followed and Forms to be Submitted for Entry into/ Return to Japan)

(Countries and Regions which are Subject to Denial of Permission to Entry (Travel Advice & Warning on Infectious Diseases Level 3)); [https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/cp/page25e\\_000337.html](https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/cp/page25e_000337.html)

### 3. [Quarantine measures]

**For those who arriving from a country/region which is subject to denial of permission to entry**

Upon entering Japan, you are required to conduct a PCR test at the Japan airport, stay at a designated place, such as your home/TIU international house and a hotel for 14 days from the day after your arrival in Japan (from sample collection date), and not to use public transportation as part of border enforcement measures by the government of Japan. Make sure you have a place to stay for 14 days and a private transportation to get there.

*Please refer to the attached PDF “FAQ for 2020 Spring&Fall new students” for more details.*

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#### **② Entering from a country/region which is NOT subject to denial of permission to entry**

**Required documents at the time of arrival in Japan**

1. Valid visa, valid COE, valid passport
2. Written pledge issued by TIU (1 copy, which is returned from the Japanese embassy/consulate after your Visa is issued.)
3. Questionnaire (It will be provided to all passengers on board in the entry flight.)

**Other requirements**

**Take out private medical insurance**

It is requested to take out private medical insurance (including travel insurance covering medical expenses during your stay in Japan) offered by insurance companies in your country before entering Japan until you enroll in the National Health Insurance (NHI). The period of the private medical insurance should be for 5 days if you are a dormitory students or should be for 20 days if you are a non-dormitory student.

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**Recommendations by the Japanese government**

These are not required when you enter Japan, but recommended to do after entering Japan to prevent spread of COVID-19 by the Japanese government.

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**Health follow-up for 14 days after entering Japan through LINE application**

Report your health condition to the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare every day for 14 days after entering Japan through LINE application. Add the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare to your friends and answer the questionnaire;



(Available only in Japanese)

◇ Reference

- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan “Phased Measures for Resuming Cross-Border Travel”

(Procedures to be Followed and Forms to be Submitted for Entry into/ Return to Japan)

(Countries and Regions which are not Subject to Denial of Permission to Entry (Travel Advice & Warning on Infectious Diseases Level 2)); [https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/cp/page25e\\_000338.html](https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/cp/page25e_000338.html)

### **3. [Quarantine measures]**

For those who arriving from a country/region which is NOT subject to denial of permission to entry

Upon entering Japan, you are required to stay at a designated place, such as your home/TIU international house and a hotel for 14 days from the day after your arrival in Japan (from sample collection date), and not to use public transportation as part of border enforcement measures by the government of Japan. Make sure you have a place to stay for 14 days and a private transportation to get there.

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