

■ Call for application and screening flow

The Hakubi Project welcomes applications from researchers throughout the world regardless of the applicant's nationality, and is open to any researcher holding a doctoral degree in any academic field (or with equivalent research abilities in any basic or applied studies).

Hakubi researchers are selected based on a comprehensive evaluation of their research history, research proposals, and their prospects for assuming a leadership role in the future. The first screening of applicants is performed by an Expert Committee, composed of Kyoto University professors selected in accordance with the relevant academic fields, which screens the application documents. For the second screening, the Hakuraku Council, consisting of influential intellectuals from within and outside the university, interviews the candidates selected by the Expert Committee. The Steering Committee then makes the final selection of successful applicants, up to a maximum of twenty per year.

Schedule for 2013 Selection



■ Number of Total and Successful Applicants

	Total No. of Applicants	Successful Applicants	Competition Rate
FY 2010	588	18	32.7 times
FY 2011	517	19	27.2 times
FY 2012	416	19	21.9 times
FY 2013	655	20	32.8 times

Ratio of Total Applicants*	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Male : Female (%)	77.9 : 22.1 (77.8 : 22.2)	81.4 : 18.6 (89.5 : 10.5)	80.5 : 19.5 (73.7 : 26.3)	78.0 : 22.0 (85.0 : 15.0)
Humanity & Social Sciences : Natural Sciences (%)	33.3 : 66.7 (33.3 : 66.7)	27.3 : 72.7 (31.6 : 68.4)	34.4 : 65.6 (36.8 : 63.2)	45.8 : 54.2 (50.0 : 50.0)
Kyoto U. Affiliates : Others (%)	38.4 : 61.6 (44.4 : 55.6)	35.4 : 64.6 (52.6 : 47.4)	31.5 : 68.5 (36.8 : 63.2)	22.0 : 78.0 (45.0 : 55.0)
Address Japan : Other Countries (%)	81.0 : 19.0 (83.3 : 16.7)	79.5 : 20.5 (84.2 : 15.8)	82.2 : 17.8 (94.7 : 5.3)	65.2 : 34.8 (75.0 : 25.0)

* Figures in parentheses indicate the ratios for successful applicants.

■ Place for Research Activities

Individual researchers should make their own arrangements for a "host" within Kyoto University that is willing to provide suitable research facilities. The arrangement is not necessarily a prerequisite for application. The Program Manager can provide assistance in arranging appropriate facilities, based on consultation of needs and interests.

Stay tuned for the call next spring

Call for applications will open for the fifth time in March 2013.

■ For further information:
www.hakubi.kyoto-u.ac.jp/eng