

Announcement: Changes to Universal Admissions- April and September Admissions by  
Documentary Screening

Universal Admissions- September Admissions by Documentary Screening will change as follows.

These changes will also apply to April Admissions by Documentary Screening, which will become available to persons planning to matriculate in April 2018.

Applicants planning to apply via Universal Admissions- April and September Admissions by Documentary Screening should keep these changes in mind.

Documentary screenings in question:

- April Admissions by Documentary Screening
- September Admissions by Documentary Screening

Student status types in question:

- Regular student
- Transfer student

Change	Applies to
1. Changes to applicant eligibility requirements and application materials	Persons matriculating in April 2018 and later
2. Restriction on reapplying	
3. Deadline for acceptance of old SAT (SAT Reasoning Test) scores	Persons matriculating in AY2021 and earlier

1. Changes to applicant eligibility requirements and applications materials (applies to persons matriculating in April 2018 and later)

① Before: Only persons who will complete or have completed a non-Japanese secondary education are eligible to apply  
After: Persons who will graduate or have graduated from a Japanese senior high school are also eligible to apply.

② **Before:** Only documents certifying eligibility to be admitted to universities of the foreign country in which the high school curriculum is based are acceptable as Educational Certification (with some exceptions).

**After:** Applying with SAT scores, ACT Plus Writing Scores or GCE A Level Scores is also possible.

Details are as follows.

### **Regular students**

#### Eligibility:

Persons who will complete or have completed an educational curriculum of 12+ years in Japan or a foreign country<sup>1,2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>The educational curriculum must lead to a qualification that permits university enrollment.

<sup>2</sup>If the educational curriculum consists of 13 years, then the 13<sup>th</sup> year must be completed.

#### Application materials:

- 1) Application Form
- 2) Personal Statement
- 3) Short Essay
- 4) Official Transcript, School Profile
- 5) Proof of English Proficiency (IELTS or TOEFL)  
Minimum requirement: IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL iBT 79 (TOEFL PBT 550)
- 6) Two Letters of Recommendation  
Letters must include proof of (expected) high school graduation.  
(one from Guidance Counselor/Principal/IB Coordinator, one from an instructor who has directly taught/is teaching core academic subjects)
- 7) Educational Certification (one of the followings)
  - 1: Examination results or official transcripts which will typically indicate qualification for university entrance in the country in which the high school curriculum is based
  - 2: official SAT Scores (with Essay)
  - 3: official ACT Plus Writing Scores
  - 4: official GCE A Level Scores

\*If “Examination results or official transcripts which will typically indicate qualification for university entrance in the country in which the high school curriculum is based” will be

submitted, notice of application results will not be given until final examination results or official transcripts become available (with the exception of the IB program). If the final results indicate “fail,” or if university entrance qualification of the country in question is not obtained, International Christian University admissions results will automatically become “fail.”

### **Transfer students**

#### Eligibility:

- Persons who have or will have enrolled for at least one (1) year as a regular student at a Japanese or foreign university at a bachelor’s course , or
- Persons who have or will have graduated from a Japanese or foreign junior college (and have or will have obtained an associate degree)

#### Application materials:

- 1) Application Form
  - 2) Personal Statement
  - 3) Short Essay
  - 4) Official University/Junior College Transcripts
  - 5) Proof of English Proficiency (IELTS or TOEFL)  
Minimum requirement: IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL iBT 79 (TOEFL PBT 550)
  - 6) Two Letters of Recommendation  
(one from the university dean, department head, or academic advisor /one from an instructor in the university you are currently attending who has taught or is teaching you an academic subject )
  - 7) Educational Certification (one of the followings)
    - 1: Examination results or official transcripts which will typically indicate qualification for university entrance in the country in which the high school curriculum is based
    - 2: official SAT Scores (with Essay)
    - 3: official ACT Plus Writing Scores
    - 4: official GCE A Level Scores
2. Restriction on reapplying (applies to persons matriculating in April 2018 and later)

Universal Admissions- April and September Admissions by Documentary Screening, which will become available to persons matriculating in April 2018 and later, employ the exact same screening

methods and target the exact same applicant pool. The only difference is the timing of matriculation. Therefore, the following restriction on reapplying will be placed.

Persons who apply via Universal Admissions- April and September Admissions by Documentary Screening may not apply in the same April or September University Admissions cycle immediately following the cycle during which they applied regardless of admissions results. (Applying in consecutive cycles is not permitted.)

Examples:

- ① Persons who apply via April Admissions by Documentary Screening 2018 may not apply via September Admissions by Documentary Screening 2018.
- ② Persons who apply via September Admissions by Documentary Screening 2018 may not apply via April Admissions by Documentary Screening 2019.
- ③ Persons who apply via April Admissions by Documentary Screening 2018 may apply via April Admissions by Documentary Screening 2019.
- ④ Persons who apply via September Admissions by Documentary Screening 2018 may apply via September Admissions by Documentary Screening 2019.

3. Deadline for acceptance of old SAT (SAT Reasoning Test) scores (applies to persons matriculating in AY2021 and earlier)

SAT Reasoning Test (Critical Reading, Math, and Writing) scores, i.e. old SAT scores, will be accepted from persons matriculating in AY2021 and earlier.

Starting with the AY2022 admissions cycle, only Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, Math, and Essay scores, i.e. new SAT scores, which became available starting in March 2016, will be accepted.

- For persons admitted via Universal Admissions- April and September Admissions by Documentary Screening, the language program required for graduation will be “Japanese” (Japanese Language Program).
- **In light of the above changes, there is the possibility of changes to various procedures. For details, please check the application brochures published annually.**

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